

In March last Mr. Richard Hyde, the Missionary, resigned, and Mr. John McLaren was appointed to the position, and has since been regularly engaged in the work. From the monthly reports to the Session, we learn that both Mr. Hyde and Mr. McLaren were much encouraged in the work, specially in connection with the services held in the Mission House, Nazareth Street. As fuller reference will doubtless be made to this in the report of the Kirk Session, it is needless to enlarge upon it here.

For some months past the subject of Missionary Offerings has been under the consideration of your Executive and of the Deacon's Court, as the result of which new arrangements have been made which apparently renders useless the further existence of this Society. Notice of motion to this effect was given at the monthly meeting of your Executive Committee held on 5th January, which resolution will come before the present meeting for consideration.

It would be in order here to refer somewhat to the operations of the Society during the thirteen years of its existence, but it may suffice to say that the Association, which was organized specially for "the collection of money for Missionary and other objects, and the promotion of systematic beneficence in the Congregation," has had a fair measure of success, and only gives place to what seems to be a more satisfactory arrangement for securing the same ends.

Your Committee would conclude this report with the prayer that the Lord may follow with a rich blessing all that the Society has been enabled to do for the advancement of His cause and kingdom upon the earth.

The whole respectfully submitted.

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