

territory bordering it on all sides, containing from 25 to 29,000 people, of whom 10,000 are British soldiers, fully the one-half in native regiments. The civil population is with a few exceptions native. The Parsees or fire worshippers, the most progressive of the natives of western India, occupy a much more prominent place in the community than their small numbers would lead one to expect. As contractors, store-keepers, clerks, &c., they have become generally wealthy. The Mahomedans are found in large numbers, but are too lazy, ignorant, sensual and bigoted to ever rise to much importance. Their religion has fossilized them where they are not Hinduized. The Hindoos form the larger proportion of the people, intelligent, sharp business men, greatly circumscribed with Caste—which amongst the low classes has destroyed all ambition—very conservative and religious in every thing. A military camp does not usually present influences favourable to Christianity, Mhow being no exception, and hence our missionaries have been labouring at a great disadvantage. It has been faithfully worked by Rev. J. Fraser Campbell from 1877 to 1884; by Rev. J. Builder from 1884 to 1888, and for the past year by Rev. Mr. Mackelvie; and these have gathered a small Christian community that are seeking to the best of their ability to keep the lamp of life burning amidst the dense darkness about them.—*Rev. John Wilkie.*

MISSION TO CENTRAL INDIA.

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S ACCOUNT TO 14TH JANUARY, 1890.

1889.		RECEIPTS.	
Jan. 12.	Balance on hand per statement made up to this date..	\$378.57	
	Add subscriptions applicable to 1888 received in 1889	290.00	
	Balance.....		\$668.57
	Subscriptions for 1889 received to 14th Jany, 1890..	\$657.00	
	Collections, Wednesday evening Services.....	52.44	
	Interest on Bank account.....	8.59	
			718.03
		DISBURSEMENTS.	\$1,386.60
	Remitted Rev. Dr. Reid, Toronto, for support of Rev. Mr. Mackelvie :		
	17th June, six months to 30th June.....	\$620	
	26th Dec'r, six months to 31st Dec'r.....	620	
			\$1,240.00
	Paid by Mr. Barclay to the students of the Presbyterian College as a contribution to an article on the Missionaries from Montreal	5.00	
	Postage for year	1.05	
			1,246.05
	Balance in Bank.....		\$140.55

Montreal, 14th January, 1890.

ALEX. F. RIDDELL,
Treasurer.

N. B.—While the Treasurer's statement shows a small balance in hand, it is necessary to remind subscribers to this fund that there is not money enough in the treasury to meet the next half year's payment. It is therefore requested that all outstanding subscriptions be sent in as soon as possible to Mr. Riddell.