

## MISSION FIELD.

## ENGLISH CONTRIBUTIONS TO MISSION WORK.

Once again we have before us Canon Scott Robertson's carefully compiled summary of British contributions to foreign mission work during the year 1885-6. The total shows an increase of £8,000 contributed in 1885-6 beyond the total of the previous year:—

Church of England Soc.'s	£497,476
Joint Societies of Churchmen and Nonconformist	184,152
English and Welsh Nonconformist Societies....	354,547
Scotch and Irish Presbyterian Societies.....	186,088
Roman Catholic Societies	6,688

Total British Contributions £1,228,951

This total excludes all receipts from invested capital, all foreign contributions, and all balances in hand at the beginning of the year. 1884-5 the figures were—Church, £491,919; Dissenting, £346,980; joint, £178,618; Scotch and Irish, £190,439; Roman Catholic, £12,896; total, £1,229,861.

Considering the commercial and general depression, the small increase is very acceptable, but it is not, alas! so great an increase as we could desire, or the necessities of foreign mission work demand. Let us hope the ensuing year will be more favourable. We note again with pleasure that the Church societies nobly lead the van; and assuming that Churchmen are the largest contributors (as they undoubtedly are) to the "joint societies," the figures show that English Churchmen contribute about as much as all the others combined, including the Scotch and Irish Presbyterians.—*Family Churchman.*

A correspondent who dates from Mount Lebanon, referring to the assertion of Lord Lichfield that "the Church of England is still the leading Protestant Church" in Jerusalem, remarks that as regards numbers a body called Hofmanite rank first. They are Arians, and have for leading dogma the religious obligation of cultivating the soil of Canaan. The Church Missionary Society have established a body called the Protestant Episcopal Church. St. Paul's, their place of worship, is not consecrated, and the Queen's name is struck out of their prayer-book. Christ Church, so well known to us tourists, is in the patronage of the London Jews Society, and corresponds exactly with the Church as by law established in England. Its regular congregation is perhaps as numerous as that at Suez, smaller than Alexandria, or even Port Said, and nothing to compare with Cairo.

For twenty-one years Bishop Bompas has been making journeys of thousands of miles on snow and ice, or in canoes, in the sub-Arctic regions of Arthabasca lake and the Mackenzie river; only once has he been to England in all that time. Since he went out to British America 5,000 Indians have been brought into the Church.

## THE COCAINE HABIT.

## THE WORST SLAVERY KNOWN—NEW REVELATIONS OF POWER.

*Cincinnati Times-Star.*

When cocaine was discovered the medical world exclaimed "thank heaven!"

But useful as it is, it is also dangerous, especially when its use is perverted from the deadening of pain for surgical operations, to the stimulation and destruction of the human body. Its first effects are soothing and captivating, but the thralldom is the most horrible slavery known to humanity.

J. L. Stephens, M.D., of Lebanon, O., was interviewed by our reporter yesterday at the Grand Hotel, and during the conversation the doctor said: "The cocaine habit is a thousand times worse than the morphine and opium habits, and you would be astonished," he said, "if you knew how frightfully the habit is increasing."

"What are its effects?"

"It is the worst constitution wrecker ever known. It ruins the liver and kidneys in half a year, and when this work is done, the strongest constitution soon succumbs."

"Do you know of Dr. Underhill's case here in Cincinnati?"

"That leading physician who became a victim of the cocaine habit? Yes. His case was a very sad one, but the habit can be cured. I have rescued many a man from a worse condition."

"What worse than Dr. Underhill's?"

"Indeed, sir, far so. Justin M. Hall, A. M., M.D., president of the State Board of Health of Iowa, and a famed practitioner, and Alexander Neil, M.D., professor of surgery in the Columbus Medical College, and president of the Academy of Medicine, a man widely known, Rev. W. P. Clancey, of Indianapolis, Ind., from personal experience in opium eating, &c., can tell you of the kind of success our form of treatment wins, and so can H. C. Wilson, formerly of Cincinnati, who is now associated with me."

"Would you mind letting our readers into the secret of your methods?"

"Well, young man, you surely have a good bit of assurance to ask a man to give his business away to the public; but I won't wholly disappoint you. I have treated over 20,000 patients. In common with many eminent physicians, I, for years made a close study of the effects of the habits on the system and the organs which they most severely attack. Dr. Hall, Dr. Neil and Mr. Wilson, whom I have mentioned, and hundreds of others, equally as expert, made many similar experiments on their own behalf. We each found that these drugs worked most destructively in the kidneys and liver; in fact, finally destroyed them. It was then apparent that no cure could be effected until those organs could be restored to health. We recently exhausted the entire range of medical science, experimenting with all

known remedies for these organs, and as the result of these close investigations we all substantially agreed, though following different lines of inquiry, that the most reliable, scientific preparation, was Warner's safe cure. This was the second point in the discovery. The third was our own private form of treatment, which, of course we do not divulge to the public. Every case that we have treated first with Warner's safe cure, then with our own private treatment, and followed up again with Warner's safe cure for a few weeks, has been successful. These habits can't be cured without using it, because the habit is nourished and sustained in the liver and kidneys. The habit can be kept up in moderation, however, if free use be also made, at the same time, of that great remedy."

"Yes, it is a world famed and justly celebrated specific! Like many other physicians, I used to deride the claims made for it, but I know now for a fact that it is the world's greatest blessing, having sovereign power over hitherto incurable diseases of the kidneys and liver, and when I have said that, young man, I have said nearly everything, for most diseases originate in, or are aggravated by, a depraved condition of the kidneys."

"People do not realise this, because, singular as it may seem, the kidneys may be in a very advanced stage of decomposition, and yet owing to the fact that there are but few nerves of sensation in them the subject will not experience much pain therein. On this account thousands of people die every year of kidney disease unknowingly. They have so called disorders of the head, of the heart and lungs and stomach, and treat them in vain, for the real cause of their misery is deranged kidneys and if they were restored to health the other disorders would soon disappear."

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