

of the American Baptist Mission, gave us Rs. 72. This gift is renewed for another year. We hope to have a Savara missionary ere long. For the present the Savara Mission work is being superintended by the Tekkali missionary. Bro. Goomana is the only evangelist at present. He is doing good work. Bro. Papiiah teaches a school at Lankapardu and also helps Goomana in his work. Our aim is to get some of the missionaries and Telugu brethren to help us by occasional tours. Bro. Archibald and I made a tour early in the year. Miss Archibald made one near the close. Gopalpore is where most of the Savara Christians live. It is three miles from Tekkali. They hoped to build a chapel, start a school, and organize a separate church. But their crops have failed and this will delay the matter for a time.

**Summary of Tekkali Statistics.**—Number of members at the beginning of 1899 was 42. At the close 55, baptized 16; excluded 6; received by letter 5; died 2, net increase 14. Contributions of Indian Christians, Rs. 77.

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"Oh, magnify the Lord with me and let us exalt His name together."  
Ps. 34: 3.

The past year has been laden with the manifold bounty. All that I have experienced of bliss in the past year has been of His gracious bestowal, and anything that I have been enabled to do has been because of the life and the strength which He gave. The record of the past year in this work is a record of what God has done in proportion as he has worked in me, "both to will and to do of His good pleasure."

**Studying Telugu** has been my chief work, and the past year found me a little more equipped with the language than the previous year. Along the line of acquiring the language it has been rowing up stream against a pretty stiff current all the way; but it has been sweet to know that the Master was in the boat, and that it was in His name and strength that I rowed against the current of Telugu idioms and constructions; and it is now with gratitude to Him who gave me the grace to continue, and the strength to struggle that I close the old year and enter the new.

While seeking to make the best of my Munshi for my own benefit and the glory of God, it has also been my desire to be of the best possible use to him. Therefore as he unfolded to me the mysteries of the Telugu language I sought to unfold to him the mystery of the love of God as seen in Christ crucified. He has often caused us to rejoice by his clear testimony to his faith in Christ. The reason that he has given for the hope that was in him has been all that could be expected.