

EAST INDIAN MISSIONS.

CALCUTTA:—Centre of most advanced educational achievements: 370 youth in the College, 700 in the school department; besides subordinate schools. This summer several baptisms; among them the best graduate, who wishes to prepare for the ministry. Native Church prospers under its venerable pastor Biporo. Much vernacular labour in Cornwallis Square; at Garden Reach; &c.: owned in conversions lately.

MADRAS.—Christian Institution continues to be well conducted: 360 pupils; 100 more at a branch school. St. Andrew's Native Church, costing Rs. 10,000, opened for worship on 29th February—300 native Christians present. "May this work, now successfully finished, be unto the Lord for a name, and for a praise, and for a glory!"

VELORE and ARCONUM.—Two missionaries; one preaches to the people in their own tongue: 3 schools with 450 pupils; 3 Sunday schools; a small native church. During our tour we were impressed with the growing familiarity of the *ryots* with the facts of Christianity, and the consequent disarming of the earlier prejudices against it as something evil or dangerous. Another matter that struck us was the more or less dilapidated condition in which the village temples are almost universally at present. The keeper of a large temple at one village, seeing us pass, came and earnestly requested a donation for the temple, offering in return to conduct us through the building, and saying it was not now with the temple treasury as it had

been in former times—that gifts now were very few. It seemed somewhat ludicrous to be asked to contribute to the support of a building which we were in fact come to destroy."

ICHANG.—"We thank God that there are many tokens of blessing." "A fairly large native agency has already gathered round our Mission." "A Christian teacher has also been secured for school." On 25th January two adults were baptised; and thereafter the Holy Communion was celebrated, in which 15 took part. On the 2d of March a new dispensary was opened. The word of life begins to be widely spread—by voice and publications.

A lady being asked why she came so early to church "Because" she said "it is a part of my religion never to disturb the religion of others."

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W. Grant, Gromont	\$ 2 00
Juan McLean, Roger Hill	1 50
H. McIntosh, Elm Dale	0 50
Rev. Duncan McKenzie	0 50
A. Urquhart, Hopewell	10 00
A. McKenzie, Scotsburn	0 50
James Fitzpatrick, Scotsburn	0 75
Kenneth Sutherland, Watervale	2 00
Duncan Fraser, Elder, Blanchard	1 00
Donald Grey, Cape John	1 50
Miss McMillan, Boston	1 00
Miss McRae, Boston	1 00
Miss Cameron, Boston	1 00
Mrs. D. Clark	0 25
Rev. Duncan McKenzie	2 00
Miss C. Ross, Braintru	0 50
Rev. A. J. McKichan	10 00
James Fitzpatrick	0 75
Alex. McKenzie, Red Spring hill	6 00
D. Balfour, Westville	18 00