

which we enjoy, by striving, each as we have opportunity, not only to perpetuate them, but to diffuse them among those who are now sitting in the darkness and desolation of spiritual death.

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ENCOURAGING PROGRESS OF MISSIONS IN INDIA.

A very valuable work has lately been published by Nisbet & Co., of London; we refer to "Ten Year's of Mission Work in India," from the pen of Dr. Mullens, of the London Mission at Calcutta. In 1852 he published a work in which he "endeavoured to make a complete and connected survey of the entire field of operations, as well as to estimate the position the missions had secured." After the lapse of ten years he has published the present volume, in which he gives a view of the progress made, and of the present position of the missions. In many respects the view presented is full of encouragement, and may well silence the objections which some worldly-minded professors bring against modern missions, as if they accomplished but very little. No doubt the progress has been but slow, the process has been in a great measure of a preparatory kind. But still very marked progress has been made, as may be seen from the following tabular statement:—

	India and Ceylon in 1852.	India and Ceylon in 1862.	India, Cey- lon & Bur- mah in 1862
Societies	22	31	31
Stations	313	371	386
Out Stations	Unknown	1,925	2,307
Foreign missionaries	395	519	541
Native missionaries	48	140	186
Native catechists	698	1,365	1,766
Native churches	331	1,190	1,542
Communicants	18,410	31,249	49,688
Native Christians (baptized)	112,491	153,816	213,182
Vernacular day schools	1,347	1,562	1,811
Scholars	47,504	44,612	48,390
Boys' boarding schools	93	101	108
Christian boys	2,414	2,720	1,358
Anglo-vernacular schools	126	185	193
Scholars	14,562	23,377	23,963
Girls' day schools	347	371	373
Girls	11,519	15,899	16,862
Girls' boarding schools	102	114	117
Christian girls	2,779	4,098	4,201
Translations of the Bible	10 lang'es.	Twelve.	Fourteen.
Translations of the New Testament	5 others.	3 others.	5 others.
Scriptures circulated in ten years	Unknown		1,634,940
Christian tracts, books, etc	Unknown		8,604,083
Mission presses	25		25
Expenditure last ten years	£190,000	£285,000	£294,300
Local contributions last year	£33,500	£45,325	£46,800
Native contributions last three years		£13,000	ab't £18,000

Dr. Mullens, who is a competent witness, speaks in most decided and hopeful terms as to the missionary progress in India. In the concluding part of his valuable work he says:—

'On the evidence now offered, no impartial mind will deny that the missionary work carried on in India during the past ten years has made secure and solid