

APPENDIX F.

Report of the Treasurer to the Synod appointed to receive contributions from Sabbath Schools and others for the support of Orphans in India, under the superintendence of the General Assembly's Committee on Foreign Missions.

This humble effort to interest the youth of our Church in the advancement of Christ's kingdom among the heathen—and especially in the efforts now being put forth by the Church of Scotland on behalf of the natives of British India—has met with a generous response during the past year; and it is with mingled feelings of joy and thankfulness that the Treasurer respectfully submits the following brief statement.

At the Orphanages at Calcutta, Madras, and Bombay, under the care of the Scottish Ladies' Association for Female Education in India, twenty-two orphan girls are now being supported and educated by the youth of our Canadian Church. On behalf of these there has been contributed during the past year, per annexed statement	£ 92 10 0
Add special contribution from Fergus Ladies' Association,	3 0 0
Special contribution from Sabbath Schools to purchase Libraries for the Orphanages	11 0 9

Making the total receipts, since April, 1856.....£106 10 9

A Statement is appended to this Report with full particulars as to the parties by whom the above was contributed, the names of the orphans, and the balance in the Treasurer's hands. The special contribution to provide Libraries for the orphanages was remitted direct by the Editor of the *Juvenile Presbyterian*, and therefore does not appear in the annexed statement.

The last Annual Report of the Scottish Ladies' Association for Female Education in India, is also respectfully submitted.

Such are the simple statistics of the first year's operations in connection with this scheme, since it obtained the sanction of the Synod, and it is perhaps hardly necessary to dwell upon the effects produced, or which may be anticipated. Need we point to twenty-two of India's daughters rescued from vice, and from the darkness of heathenism, who are now the inmates of comfortable homes, and deriving the unspeakable advantages of a christian education. India, as a Province of our Queen's dominions, has the strongest claims upon our sympathies. For years all Missionary operations in that country have been confined to the male population; the females, from their peculiar position in society, seeming to be beyond the sound of the Gospel. Under circumstances such as these the hand of Providence appeared to indicate a scheme for female education as a grand means for christianizing the millions of India. Hundreds of orphan girls are now being trained for missionary work in the institutions and schools of the Scottish Ladies' Association for Female Education in India. As Cat-chists, Teachers, and Monitresses, as the wives of Native Missionaries and Preachers, as mo-

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