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## ORPHANAGES.

The original and most important object of this scheme is the support of orphan children at the Institutions in Calcutta, Bombay, Madras, and Sealkote, of the Scottish Ladies' Association for Female Education in India, a well managed Society of the Church of Scotland conducted under the auspices of the General Assembly's India Mission Committee. At these Institutions female children are received and appropriated to Sabbath schools or individuals who may undertake their support, permission being generally given to select a name for the little protégée. After receiving a sound religious education, these girls are sent forth as teachers, many of them becoming the wives of native catechists, or missionaries, and all thus fitted to exert an influence for good upon the Indian populations, the effect of which will only be fully made known at the great day of account. It has been one of the great obstacles to missionary enterprise in India that the Gospel could not be made to reach the families, and especially the females of the higher classes-habit and religious customs having for ages placed apparently insurmountable barriers in the way of intercourse with strangers. Teachers from our orphanages have however found an open door, and their services are welcomed and even sought for eagerly by those who could not in any

The plan of supporting orphans is admirably adapted to gain the affections of children. An individual interest is formed by the link thus created between the Sabbath school and the object of its care, and the special nature of the contributions causes them to be far more freely given than if mingled and lost sight of in the receipts of a larger missionary society. Of the deep interest taken by our Sabbath schools in these orphans many proofs might be given. Frequent letters are sent out to India, and the replies to these, written by the recipients, seldom fail to call forth lively expressions of affectionate regard in our Sabbath schools. The occasional transmission of photographic pictures of the orphans, specimens of their hand-writing or needle-work, &c., &c., are all aiding to maintain the bonds of sympathy and affection between the schools and the objects of their solicitude. A semi-annual report upon each orphan is received with more or less regularity, and generally gives most satisfactory evidence that the liberality of her supporters has not been exerted in vain. The treasurer may here take an opportunity of acknowledging his indebtedness to Miss Hebron at Calcutta,