GENERAL REPORT

OF THE

TWENTY-SECOND ANNIVERSARY

OF THE

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,

AT THE HEAD-QUARTERS, ADYAR, MADRAS,

DECEMBER 27TH, 28TH, 29TH AND 30TH, 1897.

WITH OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS.

The chair was taken, as usual, by the President-Founder, at noon on the 27th December. Owing to the prevalence of the bubonic plague in the Bombay Presidency, Dr. Arthur Richardson Ph. D., F. C. S., F. T. S., was the only representative of our several active Branches within the infected territory. Mr. A. G. Watson, F. T. S., came from his engineering work in the Kotah native State; Rai Sahib Ishwari Prasad, F.T.S., from Amraoti; Mrs. Beatty, F. T. S., from Wellington, Nilgiris; Mrs. Higgins, Miss Rodda, Miss Gmeiner and Mr. Peter D'Abrew—all of the Hope Lodge T. S., came from Colombo; Mr. M. M. Desai, from the Central Provinces; and H. R. H. Prince Prisdan Choomsai of Siam, now a Buddhist monk known as Jinawara Vansa, and another Buddhist monk of the Amarapoora sect of Ceylon, came from that lovely Island on a visit to the President-Founder. Babu Upendranath Basu, M.A., Joint General Secretary of the Indian Section, came from Benares to supervise the business of this year's convention of the Section. A feeling of buoyancy and perfect confidence in the future of the Society seemed to prevail, and the proceedings went off without the smallest jar or friction. The Convention Hall looks very fine and spacious since the four heavy brick and stucco columns in the vestibule were replaced by iron girders and the whole floor space opened out. Other radical improvements of the same sort are to be made during the coming year, so that by next Convention the Hall will be so changed for the better that Mrs. Besant will scarcely be able to recognize it.

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Brethren. It is with a thankful and happy heart that I welcome you to this twenty-second anniversary of the Theosophical Society. Never before, since its foundation, have its prospects been brighter, its sky more unclouded. Storms may come again,—nay we may be sure they will—and fresh obstacles present themselves, but one such exciting and

exhilarating year as 1897 braces up one's courage to stand the worst shocks and surmount the most obstructive difficulties that can be found in our forward path. It is not merely from one quarter that good fortune is flowing towards this centre, but from all sides; not only from America but from Europe, India and the Australasian Colonies come to us the proofs that our Theosophical movement rides on the crest of a wave of spiritual influx that is circulating around the globe. I speak with enthusiasm, it is true, but not with exaggeration, and time will prove the correctness of my views.

Work in Ceylon.

In March last I left Adyar for Ceylon and returned thence early in May. My work there was the revision of the text of the 33rd Edition of my *Buddhist Catechism*, with the help of our most capable lay colleagues and the advice and criticism of the venerable H. Sumangala, Maha Nayaka. I had also to help the Buddhist public to receive His Majesty the King of Siam, for whom as the sole surviving Buddhist reigning sovereign, they naturally have the strongest regard and respect. Both duties were successfully performed, and I am pleased to say that His Majesty conveyed through me to the Sinhalese Buddhists his cordial thanks for their efforts to make his visit agreeable. I found our schools and colleges in a very encouraging condition, as the official reports of Messrs Built jens, Dullewe, Jayasekere and Perera, elsewhere printed, will fully prove. The fact that we now have under the Society's supervision 105 schools, with some 17,000 children in attendance, and that besides these some fifty more schools have been opened by Buddhists, but not yet put under our management, is a most striking and convincing proof of the practical good that the Sinhalese nation have reaped from the advent of our Society in the Island, in the year 1880. If so much has been done, within so few years, and with such meagre pecuniary resources, what may we not hope for the near future?

The Australian Tour.

After a rest of but ten days at Adyar I started again for the Australasian colonies. Passing through Torres Straits and past Java, I landed at Rockhampton, in Northern Queensland, June 13th, and began a round tour that included Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania, New Zealand and South Australia: covering a distance of about 17,000 miles from Adyar back to the point of departure. I visited all our Branches in these colonies, save Perth, Wanganui and one or two others that lay out of my track, and made personal acquaintance with all our members. It is with delight that I look back to these personal encounters. Between those dear colleagues and myself the tie of friendship and mutual trust has been woven. Unknown before to them, save as a name and a title, I am now able to call them my friends, to gauge their capabilities, and correctly estimate the possibilities of the future of our movement in

that distant quarter of the world. I am delighted to be able to declare that in those young communities I found here and there individuals as ardent in zeal for Theosophy and as eager for instruction in the hoary wisdom of the Aryan sages, as I have found in India itself. I found one at least who is quite able to teach most of us who are older in the study than he, and others who want but freedom from worldly cares to make great strides forward towards the attainment of the coveted wisdom. I also found a number of psychics who need only proper training under the eye of an adept to accomplish wonders. The colonials, as a whole, are not spiritually advanced: their greatest present joy is in horse-racing, cricket, foot-ball and other athletic sports, but they resemble the Americans in having what may be called great latent capacities in their natures, which under the ordinary working of the law of evolution will be brought out after a generation or two.

I was sorry to see a tendency in certain very few Branches towards the assertion of a corporate importance and autonomy which, if carried far, might resemble that which bore such bitter fruits in the American Section two years ago. This heresy of individual sovereignty was the cause of the great Slaveholders' Rebellion of 1861-5, in America. No world-covering, practical movement can possibly be carried on without perfect loyalty to the principle of federal combination of autonomous units for the common good. Our Theosophical Society is, I think, as perfect an example of a maximum of centralised moral strength with a minimum of invasion of local independence as the world can show. Until I formed distant Branches into autonomous Sections, all was drifting into confusion because there were not hours enough in a day nor working strength enough in my body to keep me, unaided, almost, as I was, in touch with them. The Sections of Australia and New Zealand are but organized Central Committees, which act for all their Branches, derive their power from them, and serve as their agency to keep alive the bond between them and the President-Founder, the Society's central executive. I hope that this view may become clear to every Branch throughout the world, and that it may realise that it is but one out of four hundred similar groups of students, and that no one Section is of any more importance to me than any other, but is equally important as any other in the whole Society. A Section cannot do its whole duty to the Society or the Branches which compose it, unless every Branch and every member loyally and unreservedly supports its lawful measures. As Sections are parts of the Society so Branches are parts of the Sections, and any disunity between a Branch and its Section is as deplorable and dangerous as disunity between a Section and the Headquarters. We need go no farther than the Judge Secession for proof of this.

From Rockhampton onward I was accompanied by Miss Lilian Edger, M. A., then General Secretary of the New Zealand Section, who

was making a lecturing tour of the Australasian Branches at the suggestion of the late Mr. J. C. Staples, our universally lamented General Secretary of the Australasian Section. It required no long acquaintance with this lady to show me that she had special gifts for the kind of public work which Mrs. Besant and Countess Wachtmeister have been doing with such eminent success. I saw that she was fitted for a much larger field than she had until then been reaping, so I invited her to come and give the morning lectures at this Convention. You have yourselves been able to judge from this morning's opening discourse how well justified I was in my decision (Much applause). It is now arranged by our Brother Upendranath Basu, Joint General Secretary of the Indian Section, that she shall make a limited Indian tour and that I shall go with her to present her, as I did Mrs. Besant, to the Indian public. We sail for Calcutta on the 9th January.

At my request she resigned her official position and Mr. C. W. Sanders, a most respected and loveable gentleman of Auckland, who has been devoted to our cause since its first introduction into New Zealand was elected her successor. With the able and self-sacrificing help of Mr. W. Davidson, the Assistant General Secretary, the Section business will go on as usual.

During my tour I delivered sixty-five public lectures and Branch addresses.

The American Section.

Mr. Fullerton's report, confirming the unofficial advices published from time to time, show us what a splendid record of labour and success Mrs. Besant and the Countess Wachtmeister have made this year in the United States. At the beginning of Mrs. Besant's tour every possible obstacle that malignity could devise was put in her way; her audiences were small and her expenses exceeded her receipts. But the power behind her was irresistible, and perfect success followed her throughout the latter half of her tour. Last December there were but seventeen Branches saved out of the wreck of the Section, to-day there are fifty-three. What is more important is that we have recovered much of our old prestige, while the party of Secession is said to be falling to pieces very rapidly. This is the result of natural causes and, I am glad to say, is not due to any secret or overt action on our part. It marks the triumph of honour and loyalty to principle.

Organized Self-denial.

I feel it my duty to call your attention to the splendid example of self-denial for a religious and philanthropic cause, which is shown the world by the Salvation Army. While I was in New Zealand the "Self-denial Week" of the Army occurred, and the astounding fact is that the sum of £25,000 was put into its treasury as the result of this self-sacrifice. What can we, Theosophists, show of this sort that is worth mentioning by comparison? Here are we who profess to be spread-

ing the most noble of all truths throughout the world and to teach the highest morality and purest altruism. Who among us has practised the self-denial of these eccentric religious sensationaliste; what have we to boast of in this direction? I solemnly adjure you, my brethren, to begin this year to earn the respect of your own consciences by setting aside some fixed percentage of your respective incomes as a great fund for the benefit of the Society. Why should we not select the week in which our White Lotus Day occurs, to do this generous thing that H. P. B. would have approved, and that Annie Besant and Constance Wachtmeister habitually practise? This should be a general, not a sectional fund, and should be kept at Headquarters, for distribution as the exigencies of our work in the Sections and otherwise throughout the world shall demand. The cutting off of our mere luxuries for one week of each year would give us enough for all our pressing needs.

The T. Subbarow Medal.

In a former Annual Address I recommended the addition by subscription of some hundreds of rupees to the principal of the Subbarow Medal Fund,—founded by the Convention of 1883—which is lodged in the P. O. Savings Bank and drawing $3\frac{1}{2}$ % interest. I have just received from Rai Sahib Ishwara Prasad F.T.S., an affectionate letter, covering his cheque for Rs. 500. This raises the interest-bearing sum to a little over Rs. 1,100. Further subscriptions have been made—as the Treasurer will presently inform you, which swell it to Rs. 1,300. If we increase this to Rs. 1,500 it will yield us some Rs. 67, or just about enough to pay the cost of an annual award of the medal.*

The Hartmann Estate.

I am glad to say that after six years of legal quibbling and obstruction, my Brisbane attorneys have at last closed up this affair and made over to the late Carl H. Hartmann's heirs the estate which he bequeathed to me as President of the Society, in violation of the moral rights of his family. The following letters tell their own story, and form a record of which, I think, the Society has just cause to be proud:

Brisbane, *6th July* 1897.

Col. Olcott,

President, Theosophical Society.

Dear Sir,

I have great pleasure in informing you, that by your directions (contained in a Power of Attorney made about three years ago), in conjunction with Mr. P. Macpherson, your Solicitor, I have transferred all the real and personal property to Herman Hartmann, one of the sons and the nominee of the family of the late Carl H. Hartmann of Toowoomba, Queensland, who had disposed by will of the whole of his property to you as President of the Theosophical Society.

* The desired sum was made up by subscription on the day following the delivery of the President's Address and he announced that the medal for 1897 would be given to Mr. C. W. Leadbeater for his valuable contributions to Theosophical literature.

Mr. Herman Hartmann expressed to me his heartfelt thanks and stated that he was very glad that his father had not left his property to a church.

Yours faithfully,
(Sd.) GEO. W. PAUL.

BRISBANE, *6th July* 1897.

COL. H. S. OLCOTT,
President, Theosophical Society.

HARTMANN DECEASED.

DEAR SIR,

Referring to His Honor Judge Paul's note to you of to-day, I have to explain that the delay which occurred in carrying your wishes into effect arose entirely through legal technicalities.

Pardon my expressing to you my admiration of your conduct in this matter and to say that it has been at once generous and just.

I am,
Faithfully yours,
(Sd.) P. MACPHERSON.

PARIAH EDUCATION.

The School for Pariah children goes on as usual. There are now seventy-six pupils on the register and we have earned a small Government Grant-in-aid. The children exhibit as much intelligence as the average of those in the higher castes and their conduct is irreproachable. H. E. Sir Arthur Havelock, Governor of Madras, visited the school and expressed himself as well pleased with his inspection. The credit for this result is largely due to the Head Teacher, Mr. Krishnaswamy Pillay, who has now won his teacher's certificate from the Teachers' College.

FAMINE AND PLAGUE RELIEF.

Our brethren of the Indian Section have earned the thanks and respect of their colleagues and of the whole public by their noble and unselfish work in collecting and distributing relief for the victims of the direful famine of the past twelve months: the details of which will be given by the Joint General Secretary in his Annual Report to the Section.

So too, must we ever hold in honor the name of Dr. Arthur Richardson, Ph. D., F. C. S., F. T. S., for his unpaid services under the Bombay Sanitary Board in fighting the Plague. For six months he has daily jeopardized his life by working in the hospitals and slums of Bombay; he is a hero of altruism. So, too, must we mention with honor the names of Tookaram Tutya and P. D. Khan who have also given their services to the same noble cause.

UNPRECEDENTED GROWTH.

The phenomenal growth of our Society during the past year has no parallel in our previous history. Sixty-four new Branches have been

added to our list; this result being largely owing, as you doubtless know, to the untiring labors of Mrs. Besant and Countess Wachtmeister, who have had such great success in America, and to the ardent zeal of Mr. K. Narayanaswamy Iyer, in South India. These Branches are distributed as follows: Indian Section fifteen, European Section eight, American Section thirty-seven, Scandinavian Section one, Australasian Section two, New Zealand one. The following table shows the total number of Charters issued from the beginning of the Society, to the close of each official year:

CHARTERS ISSUED BY THE T. S. TO THE CLOSE OF 1897.

1878	1879	1880	1881	1882	1883	1884	1885	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1897
1	2	10	25	52	95	107	124	136	158	179	206	241	279	304	352	394	408	428	402

Deducting Branches seceded we have 402 living Charters and recognized Centres remaining. Five old Indian Branches classified as "dormant" have been revived by Mr. K. Narayanaswamy Iyer during his visits to their respective localities. This once more vindicates the position that has been taken, in not erasing from our register Indian Branches that may have become temporarily inactive. The restoration of these five Branches to the Active class makes our gain sixty-nine in that group, as compared with last year; from this we must deduct two for cancelled charters.

LOCALITIES OF NEW BRANCHES.

India:—Adyar, Conjeeveram, Dharmapuri, Guntur, Habiganj, Krishnagiri, Malegaon, Namakal, Palni, Salem, Sivaganga, Satur, Srivaikuntham, Tirupattur, Vaniyambady.

Europe:—Rotterdam, Rome, The Hague, Vlaardingen, Amsterdam, Nice, West London, Hamstead.

America:—Spokane, Butte, Sheridan, Minneapolis, Streator, Buffalo, two in Chicago, Brooklyn, Cleveland, New York, Washington, Philadelphia, Topeka, Newark, Denver, San Diego, Sacramento, Ellensburg, Clinton, Omaha, Menomonie, Kalamazoo, Jackson, Ann Arbor, Lynn, Galesburg, Lily Dale, Dunkirk, Detroit, Green Bay, Rochester, Syracuse, Albany, Boston, and Indianapolis, Kansas City, Mo.

Australia:—Perth, Mt. David.

New Zealand:—Wanganui.

Sweden (Scandinavian Section)—Lulea.

The Sections.

As was foreshadowed by me in my last report, the Dutch Branches have been formed into the Netherlands Section, making the seventh of the grand divisions of our Society which are as follows, in the sequence of their ages: 1. The American; 2. The European; 3. The Indian; 4. The Australasian; 5. The Scandinavian; 6. The New Zealand; 7. The Netherlands. The Ceylon Branches act in the line of purely Buddhistic and educational work, those at Colombo, Galle and Kandy being the most active. I am more than pleased with the formation of the Section in Holland, for not only am I drawn to Mr. Fricke and his colleagues by the tie of ancestral blood, but I have learned by reading history that a more staunch, brave, persistent and independent people than the Dutch do not exist. Once let them become convinced of the merits of the Theosophical teaching and there is no sacrifice they are not capable of making, no obstacles they will not try to surmount to put our movement on a sure footing. In this, they resemble the Scotch.

The Adyar Library.

We have added to the library during the year, 172 books, of which 162 were presented and ten purchased. Lack of funds has prevented further outlay for books. On the return of our Pandit from Southern India in June last he brought with him fifty manuscripts. Among the additions this year, the most rare and valuable are Gaudapada's *Devi Sutras*, *Varivasya Ruhatia*, of Bhaskaracharya, and *Itihasa*.

One rare MS. on Advaita philosophy, by name, *Sadâchârapaddhati* has been printed by the Pandit in Telugu character on behalf of Mr. J. Srinivasa Row, of Gooty, owing to its importance. The Pandit has finished the English translation of *Lalita Sahasranama*, with Bhâskara's and Bhattanarayana's commentary and it is under revision by Mr. A. J. Cooper-Oakley, Registrar of the University of Madras, who has been kind enough to go through it. After finishing it the Pandit intends to undertake the English translation of the *Saiva bhâshya* on the Vedanta Sutras.

The following are the present details of the collection. The figures are smaller than the actual number of volumes.

Oriental Section.

1.	Vedas and Vedangas	224
2.	Puranas	157
3.	Dharma Sastras	333
4.	Philosophies of the six schools	619
5.	Jyotisha and Vaidya	93
6.	Jainism (Sanskrit)	27
7.	Tantra Sastra	178
8.	Grammar and Lexicon	166
9.	Literature	233
10.	The Pandit, Anandâsrama Kâvyamâlâ, Bhârati and other magazines	196

11.	Stotras	921
12.	Indian Vernacular	720
13.	Reference books including the Sacred books of the East, Trubner Oriental Series	619
14.	Buddhism, including Chinese, Japanese, Burmese, Siamese and Pali texts, &c.	1475
	Total	5132

WESTERN SECTION.

General literature under separate headings	4228
Grand Total	9360

A manuscript on Bhattabhaskara's commentary on Yajurveda was lent to the Curator of the Mysore Government Oriental Library, who acknowledged it in his publication of the 5th Volume of the *Taitariya Samhita*.

BOOKS PUBLISHED IN 1897.

English.

The Secret Doctrine, Vol. III., by H. P. B.
The Three Paths, Mrs. Besant.
Light on the Path, with comments, Mabel Collins.
Four Great Religions, Mrs. Besant.
The Seven Principles of Man, Mrs. Besant (new and revised edition).
Man's Place and Function in Nature, Mrs. Besant.
The Aura, C. W. Leadbeater.
Nature's Finer Forces, Rama Prasad (new edition).
Collectanea Hermetica, Vol. VIII., *Egyptian Magic*.
Transactions of the London Lodge, one number.
Transactions of the Scottish Lodge.
The Ancient Wisdom, Mrs. Besant.
Buddhist Catechism, 33rd Edition. H. S. Olcott.
Thoughts (poems), by W. H.
Three Paths, by Mrs. A. Besant.
The Human Aura, by A. Marques.
Practical Vegetarian Cookery, by Countess Wachtmeister.
Spiritualism in the Light of Theosophy, by do.
Scientific Corroborations of Theosophy, by A. Marques.
English Translation of Bhagavad Gîtâ, with Sankara's Commentary, by A. Mahâdeva Sastri.
Selections from Mrs. Besant's writings.
Agastya Sutras, by R. A. Sastri.
Soundaryalahiri, &c., by do.
Mandala Brahmopanishad, by A. M. Sastri.
Theory and Practice of Hindu Worship.
Mystic Freemasonry, by Dr. J. D. Buck.

Rosy Mite, by Mme. Jelihovsky.
The Beginnings of the Vth Race, by A. P. Smith.
The Doctrine of Maya, by R. V. Apte.
The New Spiritualism, by R. Harte.
The Awakening of the Self, or Atmabodh of Sri Sankara Charya.
Karma: A study of the Law of Cause and Effect, by J. A. Anderson.
The Mysteries of Magic, by A. E. Waite.
Egyptian Magic, by W. W. Westcott.
Teachings of Buddhism, by Dr. Paul Carus.
Lectures on the Study of Bhagavad Gîtâ (Revised Edition.)
Inspiration, Intuition, Ecstasy, by A. Govinda Charlu.
On the Outer Rim—Studies in Wider Evolution, by Geo. E. Wright.
Yoga (Tamil Translation of one of the Lectures of Mrs. A. Besant).
Mazdayasni Religion and Theosophy (in Gujerati .
Aryan Morals (Tamil Translation).
Ethics of Buddha, by H. Dharmapala.

FRENCH.

Le Lotus Bleu, twelve numbers.
Questionnaire Théosophique, D. A. Conrmos.
A B C de la Théosophie, Dr. Pascal.
The Secret Doctrine. (*In the Press*).

GERMAN.

Unsere Unsichtbaren Helfer, C. W. Leadbeater.
Die Astralebene, C. W. Leadbeater.
Unser Tägliches Brod, H. Krecke.
Okkulte Chemie, Mrs. Besant.
Die Zukunft die unser wartet, Mrs. Besant.
Was ist mir Theosophie.

SPANISH.

Sophia, twelve numbers.
Occult Chemistry and Thought Forms, Mrs. Besant.
Buddhist Catechism, H. S. Olcott.
The Story of Atlantis, W. Scott Elliott.

DUTCH.

Theosophia, twelve numbers.
Op de Zuider Zee, E. Sterck.
Eerste Kennismaking met de Theosophie, Multaspero.
Eenvoudige Schets van de Theosophie, Afra.

ITALIAN.

Nova Lux.
Two pamphlets containing translations of "In the Shadow of the Gods," by Thos. Williams, and "Ignorance and Science," by Amo; and a letter from a Catholic priest, with a reply by Mrs. Besant.

SWEDISH.

Teosofisk Tidskrift, 12 numbers.
The Secret Doctrine, (trans).
In the Outer Court (trans).
Three pamphlets, by S. F. Sven-Nilsson and A. Knos.

NORWEGIAN.

Bulder, 7 numbers.

PUBLICATIONS BY INDIAN BRANCHES.

Guntur T. S.—Translation of Vivekachudamani, in Telugu (in preparation).

Bellary T. S.—Translation of "Hinduism" by Mrs. Annie Besant, in Telugu (in press).

Adyar Lodge.—Translation of seven Upanishads with Sankaracharya's commentary—(in press).

Bombay T. S.

(1) Jivanmuktiviveka by Vidyaranya Saraswati, translated by Professor Manilal N. Dvivedi.
(2) Lectures on the study of the Bhagavad Gîtâ, by T. Subba Row—Pocket edition.
(3) Vachaspati Misra's "Tatwa Kaumadi." Translated by Babu Jagannath Jha, M. A.
(4) Ishavasya Upanishad—Translated by Babu Srishchandra Basu, B. A.
(5) "Tookaram's Gâtha and Jnaneswari" (Marathi Text) cheap edition.
(6) 10,000 tracts in Gujarati—for free distribution.
(7) A large book on Theosophy (in Gujarati) in the press.

Surat T. S.

(1) Bhagavad Gîtâ cheap edition in vernacular; 2nd edition in the press.
(2) Vernacular Pamphlet for enquirers.
(3) Chromopathy—translated into Hindi, Urdu, and Gujarati.
(4) Seven Principles of man, in Hindi.

Coimbatore T. S.

Yoga—lecture by Mrs. Besant, in Tamil.

Muzaffarpur T. S.

Chromopathy—translated by the Branch President.

Magazines.

The Theosophist,	*English* (Monthly)	12	numbers.
Lucifer (now *Theosophical Review*),	" "	12	"
Mercury,	" "	12	"
Vahan,	" "	12	"
Book Notes,	" "	12	"

Prasnottara,	*English* (Monthly)	12	numbers.
Theosophic Gleaner,	,, ,,	12	,,
Arya Bala Bodhini,	,, ,,	12	,,
Theosophy in Australasia,	,, ,,	12	,,
The Buddhist,	,, ,,	12	,,
Journal of Mahabodhi Society,	,, ,,	12	,,
The Punjab Theosophist,	,, ,,	12	,,
Forum,	,, ,,	12	,,
Notes and Queries,	,, ,,	12	,,
Modern Astrology,	,, ,,	12	,,
Sanmarga Bodhini,	,, Weekly	24	,,

We will now pass on to the reading of the official reports of the Treasurer, the Auditors and the Secretaries of Sections, from which you will gain a clear idea of the strength and prosperity of the Society at the close of this, its twenty-second year.

The reading of the reports of the different Sections was assigned by the President, in the following order :—

European Section to Dr. Arthur Richardson, PH. D.; American Section, to Dr. W. A. English ; Australasian and New Zealand Sections, to Miss Lilian Edger, M. A.; Scandinavian Section to Mr. A. F. Knudsen, of H. I.

The reading of the report of the Indian Section was deferred until the 28th.

The report of the Netherlands Section, and the Ceylon reports were read by the President.

The following letter was next read :—

19, AVENUE ROAD, REGENTS PARK,
LONDON, N. W.,
Dec. 3rd 1897.

My dear President,

Will you convey to my dear Indian brothers my loving greetings, and tell them that my heart remembers them though my tongue may not speak to them. Though thousands of miles divide our bodies, we are one in our hopes, one in our love, one in the service of the Great Ones to whom our lives are dedicated.

May Their blessing cheer your hearts and guide aright your deliberations.

Your and their loving friend,
ANNIE BESANT.

Extracts from letters from, H. Dharmapala, of Colombo, Lewis Ritch, of South-Africa, Jehangir Sorabji, P. Kanakasabhaier and P. C. Mukherji, Archæologist, were also read.

Telegrams were next presented from the Blavatsky Lodge, Bombay ; Dr. D. Edal Behram, Surat ; Hyderabad T. S. ; Judge N. D. Khandalavala, Poona; Masulipatam T. S. ; Honourable Narendra Nath Sen, Calcutta, M. Pauparow Naidu, and from the Bhavanagar T. S.

The Treasurer's Report was next presented and read by the Treasurer of the Theosophical Society, M. R. Ry. T. Vijiaraghava Charlu.

Subscriptions to the Subba Row Medal Fund were then opened.

The President referred to improvements in the Lecture Hall and to his plan for founding an Oriental Institute which should educate teachers and lecturers to enlighten the world concerning the importance of Eastern literature and religions, which were highly approved.

Short speeches were made by Mr. A F. Knudsen of H. I., and Mr. Roshan Lal, B. A., a Barrister-at-Law from Allahabad, after which the meeting closed.

On the morning of the 28th, Mr. Harry Banbery, F. T. S., of London, arrived *en route* for Kandy, Ceylon, where he will be Principal of our High School.

REPORT OF THE AMERICAN SECTION, T. S.

To the President-Founder of the Theosophical Society.

The great event of the year has been the six months' tour of Mrs. Annie Besant. Of course no estimate is possible of the thousands to whom came, directly or indirectly, a knowledge of Theosophy through her public lectures, receptions, and interviews, with the widespread newspaper notices thereof, or of the countless thought-forces set in motion by labors of such length. Nor is it possible to gauge the instruction, the cheer, the enlightenment, the inspiration given by her in private intercourse, nor yet the gratitude felt by those thus helped. As mere matter of numerical statistics it may be stated that Mrs. Besant formed twenty-three new Branches, and that her recommendatory signature appears on two hundred and twenty-one applications for membership.

One element of indescribable value in the results of Mrs. Besant's tour is the rescue of Theosophy from popular opprobrium as a system of clap-trap, cheap marvel, and sensationalism, and its restoration to its real plane of dignified religious philosophy. The general contempt brought upon Theosophy by recent travesties of it has been greatly abated through her magnificent expositions of it. At this time Mrs. Besant's portrayal of the real "Ancient Wisdom" has an importance exceptionally great, one which will be more and more discerned as years unroll. That her tour was enjoined and supervised can readily be perceived by all familiar with its bearings.

The long-continued labors of the Countess Wachtmeister, begun in May, 1896, and still prosecuted with undiminished interest, are another cause of the Section's growth. She has formed 14 new Branches. The Countess has travelled over a large part of the North and West, and will during the winter, tour through the South. Certainly America has been singularly blessed in thus receiving such help in the era of sore trial and adversity. Not the least of the benefactions of

Mrs. Besant and the Countess has been a generous arrangement by which other lecturers will follow in their route and consolidate their work.

From November 1st, 1896, to November 1st, 1897, 35 Branches have been chartered and one has been restored, it having seceded to Mr. Judge's society in 1895; two, the Boise T. S., Boise City, Idaho Terr., and the Alameda T. S., Alameda, Calif., have surrendered their charters and dissolved. The present number is 52.

Members resigned 27; died 6; admitted 735; restored 45; present number of Branch members 1,027; of members-at-large 137; total 1,164. The number last year was 408.

Mercury has been enlarged and improved; three important systems of Sectional work have been devised and aided by Mrs. Besant,—a Committee in each group of arranged States, with a correspondent in each State, this for information as to hopeful points and for labor therein, a Committee whereto questions as to doctrine or duty or truth may be sent for consideration and response; a Lending Library plan, by which Branches can enjoy for a time the use of standard works; and the whole *morale* of the Section has been greatly stimulated and uplifted. Valuable contribution is being made, under Mrs. Besant's auspices, by a Committee appointed by Convention in the issue of successive *Outlines of Branch Study*, and the Chicago Branch has published a carefully-analyzed Syllabus which will immensely help Branches and private students. The Countess Wachtmeister has devised and is executing an exceedingly useful adjunct to propaganda work; towards that work one of our members contributed 50,000 copies of Mrs. Besant's *What Theosophy Is?*

There is every indication of health and vigor in the American Section, and each fresh revelation of the anti-Theosophical virus from which we have been delivered causes renewed thankfulness for the purification undergone two years ago, a purification the necessity for which is seen now as it could not be then. Thus in gratitude for the past and hope for the future we continue our earnest work.

ALEXANDER FULLERTON.

November 1st, 1897. *General Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE EUROPEAN SECTION T. S.

To Colonel H. S. Olcott, P. T. S.

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT, I have the pleasure to herewith submit to you a brief report of the work of the European Section for the past twelve months.

The most important event has been the formation of our seven Branches in Holland into an independent section of the Society under the title of the Dutch Section. This is the second independent section which the European Section has thrown off from its parent stock.

Between the dates Nov. 17, 1896 and Nov. 17, 1897, seven new Branches have been formed, namely, Rotterdam, Rome, The Hague, Vlaardingen, Amsterdam, Nice and West London.

Without reckoning the Branches in the Scandinavian and Dutch Sections we have now 34 Branches in Europe. During the same period 207 new members have joined the European Section.

£72-9-7 have been paid into the general treasury of the Society by this Section, being one quarter of our fees and dues for the year. The Section has also forwarded £270 to our colleagues in India on behalf of the Indian Famine Fund.

From other sources you will hear of the great loss which our colleagues in Australia have experienced by the departure from this life of their General Secretary, Mr. J. C. Staples. It was the privilege of the members of our Section to be the first to pay their tribute of respect to his memory when his body was buried at Brighton.

Among the numerous publications during the preceding twelve months I must mention especially Vol. III of H. P. Blavatsky's monumental work, *The Secret Doctrine*, Mrs Besant's latest volume, *The Ancient Wisdom* and Mr. C. W. Leadbeater's manual on *The Devachanic Plane*. Our old friend *Lucifer* has changed its name to *The Theosophical Review* and is increased in size and improved in form. Its contents form a valuable repository of theosophical knowledge. I enclose a full list of publications for your convenience in making up the general report of the Society.

Our Section Library has been increased by the addition of many valuable works; in fact in no year has so much been done for it as during the past twelve months. Our Lending Library is also exceedingly well patronized. The Lecture Hall and Reading Room has been refurnished in part and reseated in quite a luxurious manner by the generosity of one of our members.

Although we have been without the assistance of Mrs. Besant for the major part of the year, a very large number of drawing-room meetings have been held, especially in London. A number of Lecture tours have been undertaken especially in connection with the Branches and Centres of the Northern and South Western Federations. The following towns have been visited on several occasions: Harrowgate, Liverpool, Manchester, Middlesboro', Leeds, Bradford, Sheffield, Hull, Nottingham, Bath, Bristol, Plymouth, Exeter, Bournemouth.

Mr. Leadbeater has been the most active in this work, and has been assisted by Mr. Keightley, Mrs. Cooper Oakley and myself. Mrs. Cooper Oakley has visited France, Italy, Germany, Austria and Russia, and Sweden and Holland have been visited by myself.

During the short time Mrs. Besant has been with us she has given a series of Sunday evening lectures at Queen's Hall, lectured several times in the provinces and held a very large number of drawing

room meetings, and receptions. Hundreds have been turned away from her lectures owing to lack of space for the audience, and all her meetings are uncomfortably crowded.

As our methods of propaganda have been of the soberest description, in fact we have devoted the major part of our time during the last two years to study, it is exceedingly gratifying to chronicle the profound interest which is being felt by the thinking public in theosophical subjects. The people who are attracted to the Society and attend our public lectures are as thoughtful an audience as can be found anywhere, and this augurs well for the future of our movement in Europe.

On the continent things are going on steadily in France and Spain, and in Italy are progressing favourably.

I enclose a list of Branches and Centres with the names and addresses up to date and am, my dear President,

Most sincerely and cordially yours,
G. R. S. MEAD,
General Secretary.

REPORT OF THE INDIAN SECTION, T. S.

To the President-Founder, T. S.

My esteemed friend, brother and colleague, Mr. Bertram Keightley, being away, the duty of greeting you at this, the Seventh Annual Convention of the Indian Section, devolves upon me, and a more pleasant duty I have seldom had occasion to perform. With a heart full of true theosophic sentiment, therefore, do I accord to each and every one of you a most cordial welcome; while on behalf of the whole Section as well as on mine own I hail with a still warmer heart our distinguished guest and sister, Miss Lilian Edger, who comes from the antipodes, to unite in a closer and more palpable bond of brotherhood the India of faded glory and exhausted energy with the young and vigorous British colony of New Zealand.

Our workers.

Our year commenced in October 1896 and ended in September 1897. During the first two months of the period the greater portion of the General Secretary's work was done by my brother, Mr. Keightley, while I was engaged in making arrangements for our last Convention, planning Mrs. Besant's Panjab and Scind tour and accompanying her on that tour. The responsibility for all that has been done since rests on me, and it is for you to decide how far I have succeeded in discharging my duties. I can only give here the main results of the work and a general outline of our method.

The office having been developed out of its chaotic state into something like order, by careful and persistent attention during the first half of the year 1896, the routine work of the present year was much smoother and easier, though of course further moulding and

modelling was needed in some of its branches and details. Thus we have employed all available means to form as complete a register as practicable of all the members of the Indian Section. We have also opened separate books for the Branch and Unattached members respectively, to avoid in future all confusion arising from Secretaries of Branches remitting annual dues in various instalments without specification of names. Sometimes they even mix them up with subscriptions from unattached members. To these and to our old books we have further added a register of Diplomas issued. We have not however succeeded in completing some of these plans, as in spite of repeated requests, we have found it hard to make some of our lodges comply with the necessary requirements. The advantages of separate memoranda for entrance fees and annual dues have also been availed of.

The correspondence has been more voluminous in bulk and number and also more sympathetic and interesting in tone. The number of business letters, written by the Assistant Secretary alone has risen to 700 nearly; while all important communications were attended to by myself. In fact it has been my good fortune to have succeeded in keeping regular correspondence with all active Branch-Inspectors, all working Provincial Secretaries, and also with the Presidents or Secretaries of all our most important branches, and I think we have given general satisfaction to our members. At any rate no complaints have been heard, and the Unattached members have evidently been brought into closer touch than ever before.

There remains now the cash book and the Ledger, and I am glad to note that these have been kept very neatly and lucidly and every item of income and expenditure posted up to date. I had the books and vouchers audited by a very careful expert, joined by the Secretary of the Benares Branch, and you will see from their certificate that this department of our work has clearly improved and we have to thank our Honorary Treasurer Bâbu Mokshadâdâs Mitra principally, and our Accountant Bâbu Haripado Mukherjee for this.

Much of the credit of the office work does certainly belong to our Assistant Secretary Bâbu Kirti Chandra Roy. His value as an office hand is unquestionable. The zeal that he evinced during the last year is also worthy of remark. But I am sorry to be obliged to observe that of late his conduct has not been that which ought to animate all our workers, and specially the person who holds this important office.

Visits to Branches.

I think I may unhesitatingly assert that in this important branch of our work, the year under review has outshone all that precede it. Mrs. Annie Besant, made a most extensive tour in India in the months of November and December 1896 and the first half of January 1897. In the course of these two months she encircled nearly the whole of Hindustan and hardly a day passed on which she was not lecturing or travelling from one place to another. Her admirable paper on

the education of Hindus was the outcome of an interview with the Maharani of Mysore, and we are informed that the Mysore Girls' School has been modelled very much on the sound principles laid down by her. From Mysore to Bangalore and thence onwards to Madras closed her South Indian tour. What she did here just at this time last year must all be fresh in your minds and the little volume on "Four Great Religions of the World" remains a standing monument of her labour.

Mr. Keightley, our loved and respected General Secretary, visited Bareilly, Lucknow, Barabanki, Allahabad, Jubbulpur, Surat and Bombay and lectured at each of these places both to the public and to the members of the Branches.

Pandit Bhawani Sankar, our old and devoted brother, made quite a long journey through three of the five Presidencies and inspected the following Branches:—

Bankipur, Motihari, Calcutta, Midnapur, Nilphamsri, Comilla, Jubbulpur, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Gooty, Bombay, and Madras. The noble simplicity and utter absence of egotism or pretension in his character endeared him to all our members. He is in great demand everywhere; but he cannot be ubiquitous and we regret we have not more like him.

M. R. Ry. K. Narayanaswami Aiyar is beyond doubt the most valuable man on our staff of voluntary workers. He has done wonders wherever he has gone and fresh proofs of his unflagging zeal are pouring in. He visited during the year:—Dindigal, Mannargudi, Udamalpet, Sivaganga, Srivilliputtur, Ambasamudram, Tinnevelly, Chingleput, Srivaikuntham, Satur, Periyakulam, Salem, Palni, Adyar, Conjeeveram, Namakal and a number of other places of minor importance. The lodges resuscitated by him are those at Ambasamudram, Chingleput, Mannargudi, Dindigul and Udamalpet, while the new ones he has started during the year are the Sivaganga, Srivilliputtur, Srivaikuntham, Satur, Periyakulam, Salem, Conjeeveram, Namakkal, Tirupattur, Krishnagiri, Vaniyambady, Dharmapuri, and Palni Branches. The heartiest thanks of the Section are due to him.

Rai B. K. Lahiri has always been an invincible pillar of our Section. Of late just as he was thinking of enlisting as a regular Missionary of the Society he was called away to discharge the duties of an important and responsible office in a Native State. But in the midst of all his grave and numerous duties he has made time to call at Lahore, Amritsar, Julandhar, Kapurthala and Ludhiana and to do at every one of these places his beloved Theosophical work.

Dr. Arthur Richardson is another boon which the wise and beneficient Powers have conferred upon our poor Indian Section. In his quiet unassuming way he has advanced our vital interests in a most substantial manner. He also paid a visit to Surat and lectured under the auspices of our lodge there.

M. R. Ry. R. Jagannathiah—makes the annexed report of his work, which speaks for itself and does him credit. He has sacrificed a great deal for the cause of Theosophy, and I would plead in his behalf for a monthly allowance to him from the Sectional Funds. His only means of subsistence is the sum of Rs. 25 per mensem which a generous friend gives him and a few subscriptions. I think the Section can very well spare Rs. 20 per month to him for travelling expenses and will be pleased to grant him this sum.

Mr. T. S. Lakshmi Narayan Aiyar visited Coimbatore, Palghat, Calicut, and a few other places; while some work in the same direction was done by Messrs. Srinivasa Row, Sivasankara Pandiyaji, Nalla Swami Pillay and Nautaràm Ultamràm Trivedi—all of whom are voluntary workers and to whom therefore our thanks are doubly due.

New Branches.

I am glad to say that 15 new Branches were chartered this year as against 4 in the last, and 6 old but dormant ones re-awakened. In addition to those already mentioned, we had a Branch started at Malegaon by our Brother Dadoba Sakharam and another at Habiganj by Babu Umanath Ghoshal, Munsif, in whom we have a staunch friend. Babu Srish Chandra Bose revived the Koormachal T. S. at Nainital and Mr. Ramanujam Pillay recalled into activity the Tirupatur Branch.

New Members.

Our rolls have been swelled this year by 355 new members. Of these 115 have been brought to our fold by Brother K. Narayanaswami Aiyar. In all 49 Branches had new members. I subjoin a chart to show the comparative progress of the work. I shall only add here that our Section never showed better activity than in the year under review.

	New Branches formed.	Old Branches revived.	New Centres opened.	New Members joined.
1895	... 0	... 3	... 2	... 93
1896	... 4	... 0	... 2	... 120
1897	... 15	... 6	... 0	... 355

Prasnottara.

Although I have been complimented by some careful readers of the *Prasnottara* for having brought that little paper to a fair level, I am only too keenly conscious of its many defects that are still crying for remedy. Personally I am unable to do much for it. I accepted its editorship and am still continuing in that post because it was and is thought inseparable from the office of the General Secretary. For the "News and Notes," "Cuttings and Comments," portion of it I relied upon my sub-editor and the Assistant Secretary. But I have not received from either of them any great help.

Finance.

The figures given below show an increase in our income this year of Rs. 1,077-7-11 over that of the last and of Rs. 3,565 nearly, over that of the year before. This is indeed creditable to our members, and when we remember that over and above this they subscribed cheerfully Rs. 6,000 and

upwards to the funds we raised at the last Convention for the relief of the famine-stricken people of the country, Rs. 2,500 or thereabouts to help Mrs. Besant in her American work and nearly Rs. 2,300 towards her travelling expense from London and back, besides bearing the whole cost of her lengthy tour in India, we cannot but feel the deepest gratitude and the subtlest kind of joy for our members. Our expenditure this year is about Rs. 450 in excess of that of the last. But bearing in mind that our last year was one of ten months only, that excess is merely nominal, and is in no way due to any want of economy. The Headquarter's staff is oftener to blame for the apathy that is seen in the Branches than we have been willing to admit.

The following is a comparative statement of the net income and expenditure of the Section for the last three years; my report on this head is not complete until I tell you that our especial and most cordial thanks are due to our ever-generous Bros. Tookarâm Tatya and Norendranath Mitra for their very handsome donations to the Section and to Mrs. Besant's travelling expenses, and also to our Treasurer Mokshodadâs Mitra for his careful management of the finances.

A comparative statement of net income and expenditure of the last 3 years :—

	Total Net Income.				Total Net Expenditure.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
1895 ...	3,411	11	6		4,698	7	6
1896 ...	5,898	11	0		4,503	4	11
1897 ...	6,976	2	11	*to 30th Sept.*	4,959	14	3

We commenced our financial year with a balance of Rs. 3,765-8-10 and closed it with a balance of Rs. 5,781-13-6 which is very hopeful and comforting.

Our Branches.

Last year we had 108 active branches to which 15 new ones have been added and six old ones revived this year. Of these however 8 have fallen dormant, namely :— (1) Boalia, (2) Bhavani, (3) Gorrakpur, (4) Jamalpur, (5) Kanigiri, (6) Mongtiyer, (7) Simla, (8) Vizianagaram. "The Metropolis Branch of India" and the Secretary, T. S., have since been struck off from our list. So we have now 120 active Branches.

Obituary.

As everywhere else, so in our own ranks, death is always busy, and it has this year carried off from our midst 9 of our good brethren.

The Central Theosophical Famine Relief Committee.

One of the most important duties assumed this year by the Section was that of alleviating to the best of its powers the unspeakeable sufferings of the famishing millions of India. By aiding and supplementing the Government efforts in this noble work. The task was a momentous one and we were all impressed with its seriousness. Its benevolent character however appealed fervently to

true Theosophists and we succeeded in getting together groups of high-souled and energetic members of our Section to undertake it.

Conclusion.

After the storm comes the calm, and in the calm order restores itself. All internal growth takes place in times of tranquillity. Troubles and trepidations are great purifiers and are always full of salutary lessons. But these lessons can be assimilated only when the tempest has ceased.

Now our Society stands upon a rock firmer than ever before, like a triumphant fortress that has over and over again beaten back various assailants with no loss to itself but rather a fresh acquisition of real power after each inroad.

The praise of a silly and supercilious world is of no value to the man who has renounced its vain pleasures, its ephemeral glories. His peace rests upon the purity of his conscience, the selfless devotion of his heart to what is good and true, the perfect harmony of his own will with the Divine and finally upon that illumination of the Soul wherein the unity of all selves is realized and the Supreme is seen! May such peace be ours! May the world return to it and its din and chatter be lost in its inaffable bliss!

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Jt. General Secy., Indian Section, T. S.

Report of Branch Inspector R. Jagannathiah for the year 1897.

I visited the following places during the year:—

(1) Cuddapah (twice), (2) Nellore, (3) Venkatagiri, (4) Kalahasti, (5) Tirupati, (6) Gudur, (7) Tallaprodatur, (8) Nandalore, (9) Kamalapur, (10) Muddanur (twice), (11) Jammalamadugu, (12) Bezwada (twice), (13) Masulipatam, (14) Guntur, (15) Kudatani, (16) Badanahatty, (17) Korugodu, (18) Somasamudram, (19) Chaganore, and some villages in the Bellary District.

In all the above places I preached in vernacular to large masses in the bazaar on Theosophy, Hindu religion, Moral and Scientific subjects. Lectures were delivered in large towns in English for the English educated people:—

Besides these lectures, I preached on invitation in several families, for the benefit of women on "Womanly Virtue," &c. The lectures and preachings were always very much appreciated, as could be testified by very favourable notices in the Newspapers.

At Bezwada I preached for eleven days at a Mela—the Krishna Pushkaras, which happens once in twelve years. I had splendid success here and at Masulipatam. At the latter place, my lecture on "Krishna, the Saviour of the World," was very well received and appreciated. At Krishna Pushkaras I had some friendly discussions with the Christian Preachers and the result was in my favour.

The sphere has been widening, and I wish to include some other parts also in my circle next year. This work I have been engaged in for the past twelve years, and I am glad to report it is more endearing than at first, as people have been appreciating it more and more.

May the Revered Masters enable me, their humble Servant, to do more work next year is my humble prayer.

KURUGODU near BELLARY,
18th November 1897. R. JAGANNATHIAH.

REPORT OF THE AUSTRALASIAN SECTION.

To the President-Founder of the Theosophical Society.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I have the honour to report to you that the number of Branches now on the roll of the Australasian Section of the T. S. is thirteen (13), one Branch having been chartered at Perth W. A., and one at Mt. David, near Rockley N. S. W.

There is a possibility that two or three of the active centres spoken of in last year's Report will shortly develop into Branches.

The roll of membership in this Section now amounts to 384; eighty new members having joined since last year, and thirty-three names, erased at the last revision, having been reinstated.

The Third Annual Convention of this Section was held in Sydney on April 16th. There was a representative gathering of delegates from Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Brisbane, and duly appointed proxies for the other Branches.

In view of the death of our much respected late General Secretary Mr. J. C. Staples and my own inability to leave Sydney, it was decided to accept the kind offer of Miss Lilian Edger, General Secretary of the New Zealand Section, to spend three months visiting and lecturing in the Australian towns where suitable arrangements could be made.

Beginning in Sydney on May 12th, Miss Edger with ever increasing audiences, and growing interest and commendation from the press, gradually worked her way northwards to Brisbane, Gympie, Maryborough and Rockhampton.

Here she was joined by yourself, and your combined efforts in that town and in Maryborough, Bundaberg, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne and Hobart, have resulted in a large accession of membership, and in much better and more sustained activity amongst those who were already members.

The sale of literature throughout the different Book depôts has been, so far as we can learn, better than last year. Our monthly magazine has been much improved in appearance during the year, and still continues to be the official organ of both this and the New Zealand Sections.

Yours fraternally,
JAMES SCOTT,
Honorary General Secretary.

REPORT OF THE NEW ZEALAND SECTION T. S

To the President-Founder of the T. S.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—I have the honour to submit to you the following report of the New Zealand Section for the year ending November 1st, 1897.

The number of members at the beginning of the year was 128; the statistics for the year are:—Number of members resigned 3; left the colony 4; died 1; admitted 47; present number 167.

One new Branch has been formed during the year, at Wanganui, bringing the total number of Branches in the Section to 8; but two of these, the Wanganui and the Waitemata, are at present inactive. The others are all working steadily and methodically both in propaganda and in study, along the lines described in the last report.

The First Annual Convention of the Section was held in January at Wellington, as reported to you at the time—and it did much to bind the members together more closely and to stimulate the Section to greater activity.

The chief item of interest during the year has been the visit of the President-Founder, who arrived in Dunedin on August 25th, accompanied by the General Secretary of the Section. During the seven weeks of his tour, he visited the Branches at Dunedin, Christchurch, Wellington, Pahiatua, Woodville, and Auckland; and also spent a few days at Nelson in the hope of reviving the interest that had been aroused there during the preceding year. He delivered eighteen lectures, the most popular being those dealing with Spiritualism and the Divine Art of Healing as scientific subjects. In the more important places large audiences were attracted, and in all the interest in Theosophy was increased, and much was done towards breaking down prejudice and antagonism. In addition to the public lectures, Branch meetings were held in all places, and also receptions at the private houses of members. The latter afforded an opportunity of making the influence of the lectures more permanent, and helped to increase the membership of the Section. The President-Founder left Auckland for Sydney on October 12th, leaving behind him many devoted friends and admirers. His visit has not only given an impetus to the work of the Section, but has drawn the members much more closely to the Head-quarters by the attraction of his personality. Previously, Adyar had to some been little more than a name, and but little was known of the working of the Society as a whole; now this is changed, a link having been formed between the Section and the President; and some at least of the members recognise the importance of keeping it unbroken.

Owing to my absence in Australia during four months, in response to an invitation from the Australasian Section to visit their Branches, I have been unable to devote so much time to the New Zealand Branches as during the preceding year. But the visit of the President rendered any other assistance to the Branches unnecessary, and the routine work

was attended to as usual during my absence, by the Assistant General Secretary.

I have to report also that a change has been made in the officers of the Section. As you wish that I should take up other work in connection with both the Australasian and New Zealand Sections, I have resigned my position as General Secretary. Mr. C. W. Sanders of Auckland was nominated as General Secretary on your recommendation, and has been appointed by the Executive Committee.

I am,
Yours fraternally,
LILIAN EDGER,
late General Secretary.

NEW ZEALAND, *November 1st*, 1897.

REPORT OF THE SCANDINAVIAN SECTION T. S.

To the President-Founder of the Theosophical Society.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—When my last yearly report was sent in, the Scandinavian Section contained 304 members. Since then 66 new ones have been admitted; but as 29 have left, the total number of members to-day amounts to 341.

The Hernosand Lodge of Sweden exists no more, its breaking up being resolved upon the 22nd of November 1896, most of its members having left the Society.

To make up for this loss, a new Lodge was founded the 16th of October under the name of Bäfrast, in Lulea, a Swedish town, situated in the polar regions—it already numbers 16 members, with Mr. S. T. Sven-Nilsson as President.

In the Lodges, especially of Stockholm, Gotenburg, Lund, Solleftea, Christiania and Copenhagen, a good amount of work of a very satisfactory kind has been carried on. Even in the Theosophical centre in Helsingfors (Finland) active Theosophical work is in steady progression and a library with reading-room opened for public use the 10th of January. The last 10th of March a new Theosophical centre was founded in Westerwik (Sweden), which already has its lending library.

Many original lectures have been delivered in the Lodges and a respectable number of public lectures in different parts of the section, owing to a marked increase in its general activity. In addition to this, Mrs. A. Besant's book, "In the Outer Court," has been read and much appreciated.

On the 29th and 30th of May, the second Annual Convention of the Section was held in Stockholm. On this occasion we had the great pleasure of receiving as our guest the General Secretary of the European Section Mr. G. R. S. Mead. New rules of the Section, chiefly of the same nature as the old ones, were then accepted; the Section's

annual fees of five kronor (six shillings) being replaced by voluntary contributions.

The following officers elected were at the Convention: General Secretary, Mr. A. Zettersten; Executive Committee: Dr. Emil Zander (vice-chairman), Mr. G. Kinell, Mrs. F. Ingeström, Miss F. von Betzou and Mr. G. Zander (treasurer); moreover the Presidents of all the Lodges are members ex-officio of the Committee.

On the second day of the Convention, the 30th of May, public lectures were delivered by Mr. Mead concerning "Theosophy during the First Two Centuries" and by Mr. S. T. Sven-Nilsson about "The Dearth of Culture-promoting Ideas." These lectures were delivered to a very large and appreciative audience.

On the 10th of February was celebrated the ninth anniversary of the first theosophical organisation in Scandinavia, and on May 8th, White Lotus Day.

During the year the following works have been published:

(*a*) TRANSLATIONS:—"The Secret Doctrine," by H. P. Blavatsky; Vol. II, 2 issues;

"In the Outer Court," by A. Besant;

(*b*) PAMPHLETS:—Three original ones, by S. T. Sven-Nilsson and A. Knos;

One translation from A. Besant;

(*c*) MAGAZINES:—*Teosofisk Tidskrift*, editor in Stockholm, 10 issues; *Balder*, edited in Christiania (Norway), by R. Eriksen, 2 issues.

This summer also the Section was remembered by its Honorary Member the Countess C. Wachtmeister with a very fair donation. Her son, the Count Axel Wachtmeister, paid a flying visit to Stockholm and Gotenburg in October.

The 1st October last the bureau and library of the Section was removed from Sturegatan 28, to Master Samuel's gatan 13, in Stockholm. Mr. G. Kinell was elected Librarian.

I hope, my dear President, that you by this report will see, that we, though reduced in number after the secession of last year, have not lost courage, but undauntedly try to advance towards our great goal: the enlightenment and elevation of mankind.

A list of the Lodges of the Section is enclosed.

Most faithfully and sincerely yours.

A. ZETTERSTEN,
General Secretary.

STOCKHOLM, *November 1st*, 1897.

REPORT OF THE NETHERLANDS SECTION T. S.

To the President-Founder of the Theosophical Society.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—For the first time I send you an official report of the activities of the Netherlands Section. Since we received our first Branch charter from H. P. Blavatsky in 1891, we have been working steadily, although at first with little apparent success.

The difficulties in the beginning were great; only three of our number understood English and there was as yet no literature in Dutch.

But during that first year a little group was formed of earnest workers, who have stood firm amid the storms, which have shaken the Society, and these have formed a nucleus around which an ever-increasing number of earnest men and women have grouped themselves, until in the spring of this year, the Seventh Lodge having received its Charter, we were enabled to apply to you for permission to form a separate Section in order to facilitate matters of organisation. May 14th, the day of our enrollment as the seventh Section of the Theosophical Society, has become for us a day of historical importance.

Since our incorporation as a separate Section we have issued 34 certificates of membership to new members, so that on the 1st of November our Section numbers 150 branch members, 13 unattached members and 20 associates.

The Amsterdam Lodge numbers 68 members. All the Lodges, Vlaardingen excepted, possess lending Libraries containing all that has as yet been published in Dutch and the standard English Theosophical works. All the Lodges hold weekly meetings and at least one evening in the month is given to the public. The Amsterdam Lodge, in addition to the regular Lodge meeting on Thursday (the syllabus of these lectures and those of the other lodges already appeared in *Theosophia* and need no further mention) has set apart Monday evening from 8 to 10 as a question evening. This is intended more especially for outsiders interested in Theosophy and for the younger members who are often shy of joining in the debate following the lectures on Thursday evening. Tuesday evening a class is held for the consecutive study of the *Secret Doctrine* and is very regularly attended. Classes in English and Sanskrit (preliminary course) are open to members of the Theosophical Society on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The class for Sanskrit reading held in the headquarters every Saturday evening has been incorporated under the activities of the Vahana Lodge to which several of the members belong and which is an offshoot of the Amsterdam Lodge—a class for mathematics, open to members and associates, has been arranged for Wednesday afternoons beginning with November.

The Vahana Lodge, in addition to the Sanskirt course already mentioned, has opened a weekly class for theoretical and practical geometry which started with seventeen members (the number of members is now 27) and meets regularly on Friday evenings.

But the most cherished scheme of the Vahana Lodge is the compilation and publication of a Theosophical Dictionary or rather Encyclopædia which shall contain all imaginable information on matters theosophical. Needless to say this project will require a good many years before it materialises itself into book form. The Hague Lodge has also set apart one evening in the week, Tuesdays, for questions, Wednesdays, for English and Fridays for the study of the *Key to Theosophy*. The Lodge meeting is held in the Hague on Sunday morning.

In addition to the regular lectures a good many public lectures have been held in various parts of the country and articles on Theosophy have appeared in many of the Provincial newspapers.

In the first years of our existence the papers would have nothing to do with us and refused any articles sent in. But things have changed and they now not only accept, willingly, articles on the subject, but give as a rule very fair reports of our public lectures. Now they take the trouble to write against us. The Roman Catholic papers have recently devoted a good deal of time and paper to giving first a sort of réchauffé of all theosophical ideas and then trying to prove them to be fallacies. This is of course a splendid advertisement.

Several books are in course of translation. They will probably appear first in *Theosophia*, this being the readiest means available for making them known among our non-English-speaking brethren.

Three small books have appeared this year: *Op de Zuiderzee*, by E. Stark, *A simple sketch of Theosophy*, by Afra and a *First Acquaintance with Theosophy*, by Multaspero. This last named has proved very successful and is in great demand. The 2nd editions of the *Seven Principles*, and of *Reincarnation* are in the press.

Our first Annual Convention was held on July 18th and passed off very successfully. Mr. Mead, General Secretary of the European Section, was present and by request opened the Convention with a most appropriate speech. W. B. Fricke was then chosen as Chairman of the Convention and the business of electing the Executive Committee and of considering the rules of the Section was proceeded with. The Sectional constitution and rules were made, with a few alterations entirely in conformity with those of the European Section. A hall was taken for the Convention in the middle of the town. Between 50 and 60 members attended the business meetings of the morning and afternoon. The evening meeting (open to visitors with introduction) was crowded. Addresses were given by G. R. S. Mead, Mrs. Windust, W. B. Fricke and Mrs. Meuleman. The chief points of Mr. Mead's address were very ably rendered in Dutch by Mr. J. van Manen, for those unacquainted with that language.

A photograph of the Convention, taken after the afternoon meeting, is a pleasant reminiscence for all present of one of the most important days in the annals of Theosophical work in Holland.

And now, Mr. President, it only remains for me to convey to you and to our brethren in Convention assembled, the most hearty greetings and cordial good wishes of every member of the Netherlands Section. Trusting you may long be spared to guide, encourage and strengthen the Society to which you have devoted your life,

I am, dear Sir,
Yours fraternally,
W. B. FRICKE,
General Secretary.

CEYLON EDUCATIONAL WORK.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT FOR 1897.

Colonel H. S. Olcott, President T. S.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward the annual report for 1897 from which it will be seen that the ratio of progress has been maintained.

In 1892, the number of registered schools was 9, in 1893 the number rose to 25, in 1894 to 34, in 1896 to 54 and in 1897 to 64.

The attendance of children in 1894 was 6,583, in 1896 the number rose to 11,070 and in the present year it is over 13,910.

The increase in the number of schools and of children makes it not only prudent but imperative, that a change may be introduced in the organization of the managing staff. At present the schools are classified in three circuits, with Kandy as the centre for the schools in the Central and North Western Provinces, Colombo as the centre for schools in the Western, Southern, and Uva Provinces, and Galle as the centre for the Mahinda College and neighbouring schools.

I would propose for your approval the formation of a central board of Education for the Island with provincial boards, and that individual managers be appointed for each school or group of schools, such Manager being responsible to the Director of Public Instruction and to the Provincial Board.

The details of the scheme will be forwarded to you after approval by the Societies at Colombo, Kandy and Galle.

There has been hardly any friction either with the Department or with the other Educational Bodies. The Department has however issued a circular to all Managers that Government will not be prepared in future to register schools in populous districts but only in neglected and outlying districts.

The Colombo Circuit English Schools	3, Boys'...	450
„ „	1, Girls'...	71
Vernacular „	47, Boys'...	12,033
„ „	13, Girls'...	1,356
		13,910

Of this total the number of registered English Schools is 3 and the number of registered Vernacular Schools is 28.

During 1897 the following schools were registered :—

1. Moragalla Boys' School. 2. Indibedda Mixed, and 3. Koholana Mixed.

During 1897 the following schools were opened :

1. Ambalangoda, English Boys'. 2. Kataluwa, Vernacular Boys'. 3. Kotadeniyawa, Vernacular Boys'. 4. Mattumagales, Vernacular Boys'. 5. Nagoda, Vernacular Mixed. 6. Sanghamitta, Vernacular Girls'. 7. Nirvandana, Vernacular Boys'. 8. Uggalboda, Vernacular Mixed. 9. Kalutara, Vernacular Boys'. 10. Katana, Vernacular Boys'. 11. Thebuwana, Vernacular Mixed. 12. Mahima, Vernacular Boys'.

A. E. Buultjens,
General Manager.

Report of the Buddhist Press for the year ending 30th November, 1897.

Colonel H. S. Olcott. President-Founder T. S.

Dear Sir,

I beg respectfully to submit my report for the year ending 30th November 1897. I feel great pleasure to write here of the satisfactory progress of the several Departments of the Buddhist Press. Our Sinhalese newspaper the *Sandarsa*, which is the most important one in connection with my supervision has now the largest circulation of, I should say, all the newspapers published in the Island. The number of those who use its columns for the purpose of inserting advertisements has also very largely increased and we have now to issue almost every week large supplements. Since the paper is now recognised by all the Sinhalese Buddhists as their only organ, and since it has become, to some extent, a success in a financial point of view also, I intend to ask our Society to allow me either to enlarge the present size of the paper or to make it a Daily. For this purpose a new Patent fast machine will be required. I hope our friends and sympathisers will help me in this matter. The Jobbing Department has been considerably enlarged and a set of Tamil type was also purchased during the year. Now we are able to execute any work in English, Sinhalese, or Tamil languages.

Mr. Leadbeater's useful little catechism, the *Sisubodya*, first part and second, has gone through three editions during the year, and another edition of Col. Olcott's *Buddhist Catechism* in Sinhalese was also printed. The *Sati Pattana Sutra*, a Buddhist psychological work, and an edition of Bennet's Lectures in Ceylon are now in the Press. A large order of Prospectus and tickets in connection with the One Cent Fund, a most laudable and useful scheme initiated by our President-Founder, is being executed. I hope I will be able to write about this matter more fully in my next report.

I am sorry to say that in spite of all my endeavours I have not been fully able to bring our weekly English organ, the Buddhist, to a successful standard. This is chiefly owing to the want of able contributors who could write in English on subjects regarding Buddhism. I propose to try it for some time more as a monthly magazine, commencing from the next volume.

The general business management of the Society is also in a progressive condition. The itinerating preacher, Mr. Pragnaratna, is doing good work in the villages,—collecting subscriptions to the *Sandaresa*, getting new subscribers and preaching to the people. He has opened during the year several schools which are working very satisfactorily. The Fancy Bazaar in aid of our schools held in September last, when compared with similar Bazaars held previously, was a thorough success. The thanks of the Buddhists are due to our friends and sympathisers in Europe, Australia, and America, who contributed substantially for this Bazaar. During the Cholera epidemic of December and January last we distributed, altogether 23,843 pills, which helped, to a large extent, to check the spread of the disease.

In conclusion, I have to thank my several assistants for their disinterestedness in bringing the different branches of work of the Buddhist Press to a satisfactory issue.

Yours fraternally,

COLOMBO,
7th December 1897.

H. S. PERERA,
Manager.

REPORT OF THE GALLE BUDDHIST THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 1897.

GALLE CIRCUIT.

THE BUDDHIST THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,
GALLE, *7th December* 1897.

To Col. H. S. Olcott, President, Theosophical Society.

I am happy to report that the Society is taking a deep interest in educational matters.

1. Mahinda College is daily progressing. In last April Mr. N. Balasubramanyan, M. A., was appointed as Principal. A class for F. A. Calcutta is to be opened after the next Entrance Examination. At the last Government Examination a fair grant was earned, and the Inspector expressed a favourable opinion as to the future of the institution.

2. Kalegana Primary English School is showing fair results; a handsome grant was earned at the last examination.

3. Dangedere Mixed Vernacular School is a success. The highest grant it ever earned was this year.

4. North Dangedera Mixed School. A large building at the expense of about Rs. 1,000 was erected. It is not yet registered.

5. Meepawala Boys' School is progressing, and it earned a fair grant this year.

6. Ganegama Boys' School is a success after a good deal of difficulties brought to bear by opposing influence. Its first examination was held in June last and earned a very fair grant.

7. Hinidama Mixed School. This was opened in last January and is working well. It will be visited by the Inspector in the early part of next year.

8. Milidawa Boys' School has a large attendance. It is not yet registered. Arrangements are being made to open a few more schools in neglected parts.

The balance sheet of the national fund is not yet ready, but it will be forwarded in the early part of next year.

I remain, Sir,
Yours faithfully,
O. A. JAYASEKERE,
Secretary.

KANDY CIRCUIT.

The following schools are under the management of the Kandy Branch of the Theosophical Society :—

REGISTERED SCHOOLS.

(1) Kandy Boys' English School, 277; (2) Matale Boys' English School, 97; (3) Hatton Boys' English School, 113; (4) Katugastota Boys' English School, 183 : (5) Kurunegala Boys' English School, 95 ; (6) Nawalapitiya Boys' English School, 129 ;(7) Ampitiya Boys' English School, 60 ; (8) Panwila Boys' English School, 46 ; (9) Gampola Vernacular Mixed, 140 ; (10) Rattota Vernacular Mixed, 88 ;(11) Hanguranketa Vernacular Mixed, 120 ; (12) Manikawa Vernacular Mixed, 56; (13) Maturata Vernacular Mixed, 143 ; (14) Padiyapellella Vernacular Mixed, 140 ; (15) Ataragalla Vernacular Boys', 160 ; (16) Dankande Vernacular Boys', 43 ; (17) Millagahalanga Vernacular Boys', 59 ; (18) Bembiya Vernacular Boys', 22; (19) Paneliya Vernacular Boys', 40 ; (20) Kandy Vernacular Girls', 136 ; (21) Katugastota Vernacular Girls', 75 ; (22) Ampitiya Vernacular Girls', 61 ; (23) Kadugannawa Vernacular Girls', 66; (24) Iriyagama Vernacular Girls', 56 ; (25) Panwila Vernacular Girls', 23 ; (26) Wattegama Vernacular Girls', 54 ; (27) Mailapitiya Vernacular Girls', 55 ; (28) Rambukkana Vernacular Girls', 55; (29) Galagedara Vernacular Girls', 33 ; (30) Digane Vernacular Girls', 32.

UNREGISTERED SCHOOLS.

(31) Ulapane Vernacular Boys', 44; (32) Mahawewe Vernacular Boys', 134; (33) Talwatte Vernacular Girls', 49. Total 2,884.

It will be seen from this list that we have eight English schools with an attendance of 1,000 and 25 Sinhalese schools with an attendance

of 1,884. Of the vernacular schools 6 are mixed schools, 7 boys' and 12 girls' schools. An English Boarding school for Kandyan girls under European supervision is a serious want which, if not supplied early, is likely to produce grave consequences in the near future. Since in the absence of a Buddhist institution of that kind, Buddhist parents are compelled to send their Girls to Christian Boarding schools, opened for the above purpose of proselytizing.

Of the Thirty Registered schools, 26 were examined for grant in 1897—the total amount earned being Rs. 6,603. The applications for the Registration of the Ulapane and Mahawewe schools are before the Educational Department. Our English High School in Kandy is making very satisfactory progress. The last Government examination was a great success, the grant being, if I am not mistaken, the largest yet earned by a Buddhist school. At the Cambridge Local and Calcutta Matriculation Examinations, too, several candidates appearing from this school have passed.

With the view of relieving Mr. D. B. Jayatilaka from the work of visiting the outstation schools and also of increasing their efficiency by frequent supervision, Mr. M. Batuwantudawe of the Matale English school was appointed about the Middle of this year, as our Sub-Inspector. Mr. Batuwantudawe has already done useful work which proves the wisdom of this appointment.

In conclusion, I have to thank the several gentlemen who have done good work as local managers of our schools, and I confidently hope that I shall be in a position to report further progress in our next year's work.

W. A. DULLEWE,
Manager of Buddhist Schools C. P.

KANDY, *Dec. 6th*, 1897.

CELEBRATION OF THE 22D ANNIVERSARY.

As usual, the Anniversary of the Society was publicly celebrated on the 28th December, at Victoria Public Hall, Madras. The building was thronged to its full capacity, over 2,000 persons being present, and great enthusiasm prevailed. The addresses this year were by the President-Founder; Dr. Arthur Richardson, Ph. D.; H. R. H. the Prince-priest of Siam (by written paper, read for him by the President-Founder); Babu Roshan Lal, Barrister-at-Law, Allahabad; Mr. Harry Banbery, F. T. S.; Mr. A. F. Knudsen, F. T. S., of Hawaian Islands; and Miss Lilian Edger, M.A. The President called attention to the fact that at the fifteen annual functions like the present, which had been held in Madras, he had placed before them speakers from England, Ireland, Scotland, Germany, the United States, Japan, Ceylon, Russia, France and Tibet; he now added to this list, which so strikingly proves the world-wide spread of Theosophical ideas, friends from New Zealand, Siam and the Sandwich Islands. Dr. Richardson gave a most interesting account of his observations on the Plague at Bombay; the paper of the Prince of Siam expressed his views upon Practical Theosophy; and Miss Edger closed with a brief but heart-touching address which was applauded to the echo.

It is conceded by all that the Theosophical Society has never stood higher in public esteem than it does now.

LIBRARY FUND.

RECEIPTS.	Amount.			EXPENSES.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 24th Dec. 1896.	313	6	5	Purchase of Books during present year.	79	15	0
Donations:—				Binding Books do ...	15	6	0
Mr. T. Sadasiva Iyer, (*Dindigul*)	5	0	0	Freight on Books do ...	1	12	6
„ T. N. Ramachendra Iyer, (*Salem*) ..	15	0	0	Subscriptions to periodicals during present year.	42	1	0
„ Purmeshri Das, (*Bara Banki*)	4	0	0	Establishment charges during present year.	467	0	0
„ R. Scoria Row, (*Visagapatam*)	30	0	0	Stationery do ...	13	3	9
„ C. Sambiah, (*Mylapore*)	18	0	0	Repairs do ...	3	7	0
Interest from Post Office Savings Bank for 1896-97	19	6	6	Sundries do ...	20	0	0
Loan from Head-quarters Fund	250	0	0		642	13	3
Sale of Duplicate Books...	3	7	0	Cash on hand and in Post Office Savings Bank ...	215	6	8
Annual Donation for 1897 from Babu Narandra Nath Mitter's Gift to the Library	200	0	0				
Total Rs...	858	3	11	Total Rs...	858	3	11

PERMANENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.	Amount.			EXPENSES.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 24th December 1896 ...	21,163	6	9	Withdrawal fee ¼ % on Government Pro-Notes of Rs. 15,000 transferred to effect a Mortgage at a higher interest ...	37	8	0
Interest on Government Pro-Notes of Rs. 17,000 from 1st November 1894 to 1st November 1896 as per Madras Bank Memo. on file ...	1,445	2	11	Telegraphic fee to Benares	1	0	0
Interest on Government Pro-Notes of Rs. 4,000 from 1st Nov. 1894 to 1st Nov. 1896 do do.	340	0	6	Withdrawal fee on Government Pro-Notes of Rs. 1,000 for the same purpose ...	2	8	0
Sale of Casuarina trees at the T. S. Head Quarters.	3,500	0	0	Renewal fee on Pro-Notes of Rs. 100 ...	0	4	0
Interest on Government Pro-Notes of Rs. 5,900 from Nov. 1, 1896 to May 1, 1897 do ...	100	5	1	Income-tax on Rs. 15,000 of Government P. Notes.	5	9	0
Interest on Government Pro-Notes of Rs.100from Feb. 1 to August 1, 1897 as per memo. ...	1	7	7	Renewal Fee on the same.	6	0	0
Post Office Savings Bank Interest for 1896-97 ...	4	2	0	Brokerage do ...	18	12	0
Interest on Government Pro-Notes of Rs. 4,900 from May 1, to Nov. 1, 1897 ..	83	4	2	Brokerage and Income-tax on Rs. 1,000 Government Pro-Notes ...	1	6	0
Interest on Government Pro-Notes of Rs. 15,000 from Nov. 1 to March 28, 1897 taken out for Mortgage per Mr. U. Basu ...	215	13	0	Interest Transferred to Head-Qrs. Fd. for the current expenses ...	1,845	6	0
Premium on Government Pro-Notes of Rs. 15,000.	131	4	0	Amount loaned out on Mortgage at 10½ p. c. interest ...	20,000	0	0
Premium and Interest of Government Pro-Notes of Rs. 1,000 ...	30	0	0	Government Pro-Notes in the custody of the Madras Bank ...	5,000	0	0
					26,918	5	0
				In Post Office Savings Bank ...	7	0	9
				In cash ...	89	8	3
Rs...	27,014	14	0	Rs...	27,014	14	0

T. SUBBA RAO MEDAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.	Amount.			EXPENSES.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 24th December 1896 ...	634	4	9	Paid for a Medal presented to Mr. A. P. Sinnett of London ...	51	7	2
Interest on Post Office Saving Bank amount for 1896-97...	19	11	0	Cash in Post Office Savings Bank ...	600	0	9
				Cash on hand ...	2	7	10
	653	15	9		653	15	9

BLAVATSKY MEMORIAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 24th December 1896	2,681	6	10
Interest on Government Pro-Notes of Rs. 2,600 from August 1,1894 to February 1,1897	221	0	9
Interest on Government Pro-Notes of Rs. 2,600 from July 1,1897 to August 1,1897	44	1	8
Total Rs...	2,946	9	3

OLCOTT PENSION FUND.

RECEIPTS.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 24th Dec. 1896	2,574	0	11
Interest on Government Pro-Notes of Rs. 2,000 from August 1,1894 to February 1,1897	170	0	1
Mr. Jai Dutt Joshi, Garhwa	10	0	0
Interest on Government Pro-Notes of Rs. 2,000 from February 1 to August 1, 1897	34	1	0
Interest on Government Pro-Notes of Rs. 400 from January 1,1897 to June 30,1897	5	9	6
Total Rs...	2,793	11	6

HEAD-QUARTERS FUND.

1897.

RECEIPTS.	Amount.			EXPENSES.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 24th December 1896	922	0	11	Food for guests ...	119	2	0
				Postage and telegrams ..	74	7	0
				Printing and stationery	622	4	5
				Repairs ...	1,000	15	8
				Travelling expenses	3,478	9	6
DONATIONS :—				Stable expenses	455	12	6
Mr. Robert Cross, Norwich £25-0-0 ...	387	2	0	Establishment ...	1,628	7	1
„ A. P. Sinnett for London Lodge £5-0-0 ...	80	0	0	Loans raised and returned...	500	0	0
„ A. F. Knudsen of Sandwich Islands ...	50	0	0	Sundries including foreign freight, conveyance, taxes, lights, charity, table utensils, improvement of gardens and odd items ...	557	1	8
„ Kirti Chandra Roy for Berhampur, T. S. ...	4	0	0				
Mrs. E. K. Rogers 1.00							
Mr. Wm. L. Duey 10.00							
„ D. D. Chidester 10.00							
„ F. H. Brooks .50							
Mrs. S. B. Rotner 2.00							
$23.50							
= £4-16-0...	75	8	0				
St. Paul, T. S. 11*s.* 2*d.* ...	8	4	0				
An F. T. S., Burma, ..	500	0	0				
Mr. P. Nanjunda Naidu, Shimoga	3	0	0				
„ David D. Chidester £ 3-1-1							
„ Do „ 0-15-8							
„ Do „ 0-5-1	97	2	0				
„ Do „ 1-0-4							
„ Do „ 1-0-5							
„ A. Schwarz, Colombo ...	25	0	0				
„ Anantrai Nathjee Mehta.	84	0	0				
„ Peter de Abrew, Colombo	5	0	0				
„ Norman S. Clark of San Francisco £ 1 ...	15	8	0				
Dr. W. A. English, Head-Quarters	20	0	0				
Mr. C. Sambiah, Mylapore ...	18	0	0				
Special donations for the President-Founder's tour in Australian Colonies—							
Maryborough, T. S. £4-6-6							
Mr. Charlton £5-0-0							
Mrs. Nicol £1-0-0							
Brisbane, T. S. £3-12-7							
Sydney, T. S. £19-10-11							
Mr. Wiedersehn £1-0-0							
Mr. Chandler and Mr. Lobrli £0-10-0							
Melbourne, T. S. £2-8-8							
Collection at Bathurst £0-8-0							
Mr. Wiedersehn for Bathurst trip £10-0-0							
Adelaide, T. S. from lectures £3-15-6							
Carried over...	2,294	8	11		8,436	11	10

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HEAD-QUARTERS FUND.—(*Continued.*)

1897.

RECEIPTS.	Amount.			EXPENSES.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
Brought forward...	2,294	8	11	Brought forward...	8,436	11	10
Mr. Knox ... £ 5-0-0							
„ Arthur Marshin.. £ 0-0-3							
Donations in N. Z. Colonies							
Dunedin T. S. ... £ 2-6-3							
Christ Church T. S. £10-0-0							
Pahiatua T. S. ... £ 1-0-0							
Auckland T. S. ... £15-0-0							
Mr. C. W. Sanders £ 1-0-0							
Countess Wachtmeister £20-0-0							
£106-7-8	1,702	1	0				
Mr. G. R. S. Mead, General Secretary, European Section ... £46-18-1	750	7	0				
„ Alexander Fullerton, General Secretary, American Section T. S., 25 p. c. dues ...	1,546	5	6				
Do Donation	25	0	0				
Babu Upendranath Basu, Joint General Secretary, Indian Section, Balance of 25 p. c., dues for 1896 ...	250	0	0				
Do 1897 ...	1,286	0	0				
H. Wiederschn £ 5 and Mount David Branch 12-6.	87	2	0				
Scandinavian Sec £29-12-3	466	0	0				
New Zealand Sec £ 4-13-9	71	9	0				
Entrance Fees from Ceylon..	32	0	0				
Sale of copies of *Historical Retrospect* ...	196	10	6				
Sale of garden produce ...	171	6	6				
Sale of broken lamps, kerosine tins and horse grain...	36	0	0				
Donation for President's tour in Ceylon .	125	0	0				
Transferred from Permanent Fund, interest ...	1,877	1	0				
Post Office Savings Bank interest ...	3	3	0				
Jubbulpur T. S. ...	5	0	0				
Loans received back ...	230	0	0				
				Balance ...	2,718	10	7
Total Rs..	11,155	6	5	Total Rs...	11,155	6	5

To The President of the Theosophical Society.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER.—We annex the Account Current of receipts and outlay for the year 1897, compiled from the half yearly reports already sent

Account Current of the Theosophical Society for the

Particulars of Receipts.	Receipts.											
	By Cash.			By transfer.			Total.			Grand Total.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 24th December 1896...												
Permanent Fund ...							21,162	6	9			
Anniversary do ...							168	11	1			
Library do ...							313	6	5			
Head-Quarters do ...							922	0	11			
Subba Row Medal do ...							634	4	9			
Blavatsky Memorial do ...							2,681	6	10			
Olcott Pension do ...							2,574	0	11			
Suspense Account ...										28,457	5	8
Receipts during the period from 25th Dec. '96 to 24th Dec. '97...												
Permanent Fund ..	5,474	6	3	...	..	...	5,474	6	3			
Anniversary do ...	1,303	15	1	...	...	...	1,303	15	1			
Library do ...	294	13	6	250	0	0	544	13	6			
Head-Quarters do ...	8,532	11	6	1,200	0	0	9,732	11	6			
Subba Row Medal do ...	19	11	0	...	...	...	19	11	0			
Blavatsky Memorial do ...	265	2	5	...	...	...	265	2	5			
Olcott Pension do ...	219	10	7	...	...	...	219	10	7			
Suspense Account ...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...			
Total Receipts...	16,110	6	4	1,450	0	0	17,560	6	4	17,560	6	4
Detail of balances on different Funds ...												
	Rs.	A.	P.									
Permanent Fund.	25,096	9	0									
Anniversary do	259	1	3									
Library do	215	6	8									
Hd.-Quarters do	2,718	10	7									
Subba Row Medal do	602	8	7									
Blavatsky Memorial Fund	2,946	9	3									
Olcott Pension do	2,793	11	6									
Suspense Account	...											
Total Rs...	34,632	8	10							46,017	12	0

by us. The 1st half yearly account has been published and the second is included herein.

period from 25th December 1896 to 24th December 1897.

Particulars of Outlay.	Outlay.											
	By Cash.			By transfer.			Total.			Grand Total.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Permanent Fund ...	541	4	0	1,000	0	0	1,541	4	0			
Anniversary do	913	8	11	300	0	0	1,213	8	11			
Library do ...	642	13	3	...	...	...	642	13	3			
Head-Quarters do ...	7,936	1	10	...	...	...	7,936	1	10			
Subba Row Medal Fund ...	51	7	2	...	...	...	51	7	2			
Blavatsky Memorial do ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...				
Olcott Pension do ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
Suspense Account ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...				
Total ...	10,085	3	2	1,300	0	0	11,385	3	2	11,385	3	2
Balance on 24th December 1897 ...												
Amount lent to Babus Srimantrai and Krishna Rao at 10½ per cent on mortgage of lands in North-West Province ...							20,000	0	0			
Permanent Fund, 3½ per cent. Govt. Paper, deposited for safe custody with the Bank of Madras in the names of Col. Olcott and V. Cooppusawmi Iyer, as per Bank Secretary's receipt ...							5,000	0	0			
Blavatsky Memorial Fund, 3½ per cent. Govt. Paper, deposited for safe custody with ditto, as per Bank Secretary's receipt ...							2,600	0	0			
Olcott Pension Fund, 3½ per cent. Govt. Paper, deposited for safe custody with ditto, as per Bank Secretary's receipt ...							2,400	0	0			
Deposit in Madras Bank as per Bank Pass Book and receipt ...							1,703	9	11			
Post Office Savings Bank Deposits.												
Permanent Fund 7 0 9												
Anniversary do 3 2 0												
Head-Quarters do 100 0 0												
Library do 5 0 6												
Subba Row Medal do 600 0 9							715	4	0			
Cash in the London and Westminster Bank, Limited, in the name of Col. Olcott as per Post Office Schedule No. 42, *vide* President's receipt ...							394	7	0			
Cash in the chest							1,819	3	11			
										34,632	8	10
Grand Total ...										46,017	12	0

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ANNIVERSARY FUND.

RECEIPTS.	Amount.			EXPENSES.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on 24th Dec. 1896	168	11	1				
				Iron Railings in the Convention Hall ...	39	2	7
DONATIONS:—				Cost of hiring Victoria Hall this year ...	15	0	0
Rai Bahadur Dadobha Sakharam ...	50	0	0	Telegrams ...	10	6	0
Mr. N. Pichai Pillai, Vedaraniam ...	3	0	0	Cost of feeding delegates, members, friends & sympathisers during the last Convention as per Mr. J. Srinivas Row's memo. ...	510	15	3
„ D. Gostling, Bombay ...	200	0	0	Cost of extra Servants ...	31	11	3
Donations collected at the last Convention from Mr. T. Rama Chandra Row down to Mr. T. P. Venkateswaralu as per list acknowledged in the supplt. to *Theosophist* for Feby. and March 1897 ...	306	4	0	Printing invitation cards, &c.	4	1	0
				Sundries including white-washing of the premises, plates, dishes, napkins, sheets, pillow cases, lamps, lights, coolies ...	302	4	10
Mr. Y. Jivaji Row, Cuddalore.	0	8	0	Loans raised and returned ...	300	0	0
„ N. P. Panday, Bombay..	13	0	0				
„ Dr. Vivecha, do ...	13	0	0				
„ B. Keightley ...	8	12	0		1,213	8	11
„ Ratnasabhapathi Pillai, Negapatam ...	10	0	0	Cash in Savings Bank ...	3	2	0
				Cash in hand ...	255	15	3
„ J. H. Scroggin (Jackson, U.S.A. ...	3	13	0				
„ Hon'ble Justice Subrahmanya Iyer ...	100	0	0				
„ M. Jagannatha Mudaliar, Madras ..	5	0	0				
„ K. Srinivasa Iyengar, Mylapore. ...	15	0	0				
„ P. S. Ramasami Iyer, Dharapur ...	2	0	0				
„ A. F. Knudsen ...	3	0	0				
„ A. Mahadeva Sastri, Mysore ...	10	0	0				
„ Bapu Row ...	5	0	0				
The Madras Branch ...	10	0	0				
Countess Wachtmeister ...	100	0	0				
Mr. Peter d'Abrew and 4 others, Colombo. Annual Dues.	10	0	0				
„ A. G. Watson of N. W. P.	50	0	0				
„ V. Cooppuswami Iyer.	5	0	0				
Sale of Ghee and Rice remained from the last Convention supply ...	13	10	10				
Money received for cadjan sheds specially ordered ...	21	12	3				
Indian Section T. S. towards the expense of the present Convention ...	250	0	0				
General-Secretary, American Section, credit to Anniversary Fund for Annual Dues.	80	4	0				
New Zealand Section T. S. ...							
Do do do ...	14	15	0				
Rs..	1,472	10	2	Rs...	1,472	10	2

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INDIAN SECTION.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Adoni ...	The Adoni T. S. ...	1882	Mr. A. Chakrapani Iyer...	Mr. P. Sabapathy Mudeliar	Agent of the Sabapathy Press Co., Limited.
Adyar ...	The Adyar Lodge ...	1897	W. A. English M D. ...	Mr. V. C. Seshachari, B.A., B.L. ...	Vakil, High Court, Mylapore, Madras.
Agra ...	The Agra T. S. ...	1893	...	Dormant ..	...
Aligarh ...	The Aryan Patriotic T. S. ...	...	...	Dormant ...	...
Allahabad ...	The Prayag T. S. ...	1881	Babu G. N. Chakravarthy, M A, L.L.B.	Dr. Abinash Ch. Banerji, L M.S. ...	Colvin Medical Hall, Allahabad.
Almorah ...	The Tatwa Bodhini Sabha T. S.	1893	Pandit Bhairab Dat Joshi.	Pandit Badri Dutt Joshi, L.L.B. ...	Almorah, N. W. P.
Ambasamudram ...	The Ambasamudram T. S. ...	1889	Mr G. V. Nilakanta Iyer.	Mr. H. T. Subbuswamy Iyer. ...	Pleador, Ambasamudram.
Amritsar ...	Jijnasa T. S. ...	1896	Mr. Harjiram ...	Mr. Amolakram ...	Bazar Sirki Bandan, Amritsar.
Anantapur ...	The Anantapur T. S. ...	1885	...	Dormant ...	...
Arcot ...	The Arcot T. S. ...	1884	...	Dormant ...	...
Arni ...	The Arni T. S. ...	1885	W. Gopal Charlu, B.A., B.L.	Mr. V. Subba Row Avergal	Secretary, Arni T. S.
Arrah ..	The Arrah T. S.	1882	...	Dormant ...	...
Baluchar ...	The Jaina Tatwajnâna Sabha T. S.	1890	...	Dormant ...	...

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Bangalore ...	The Bangalore Cantonment T. S.	1886	Mr. T. C. Mohaswamy Pillai ...	Mr. A. Singaravelu Mudeliar ...	Resident's Office, Bangalore.
Do ...	The Banglore City T. S. ...	1886	...	Dormant ...	...
Bankipore ...	The Behar T. S. ...	1882	Babu Purnendu Narayan Sinha, M.A., B.L. ...	Babu Sivasanker Sahay...	Pleader, Bankipur (Behar.)
Bankura ...	The Sanjeevan T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Bara-Banki ...	The Jnanodaya T. S. ...	1883	Pandit Parmeshwari Dass.	Babu Devi Sahai ...	Dt. Surveyor, P. W. D., Bara-Banki (Oudh.)
Barakar ...	The Sadhu Sanga T. S. ...	1892	...	Babu K. P. Mukherji ...	Mine Surveyor, Barakar.
Bareilly ...	The Rohilkhund T. S. ...	1881	Raja Madho Rao Vinaik Peshwa ...	Rai Bishan Lal, M. A., LL.B.	Vakil, High Court, Bareilly.
Barisal ...	The Barisal T. S. ...	1887	...	Dormant ...	...
Baroda ...	The Rewah T. S. ...	1882	Rao Bahadur Janardan Sakhàram Gadil, B.L.	Rao Sahib Manoklal Ghelabai Jhaveri ...	Baroda
Beauleah ...	The Rajshahye Harmony T. S...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Bellary ...	The Bellary T. S. ...	1882	Rai Bahadur A. Sabhapathi Moodelliar ...	Mr. R. Jagannathin ...	"Sanmarga Samaj" Bellary.

Benares ...	The Kasi-Tatwa Sabha T. S. ...	1885	Babu Upendra Nath Basu, B. A., L.L.B.	Babu Govinda Dass ...	Durga Kund, Benares City.
Berhampore ...	The Adi Bhoutic Bhratri T. S....	1881	Babu Dinanath Ganguli...	Babu Nafar Dass Roy	Secretary and Treasurer, Zemindar, Gorabazar, Berhampore, Bengal.
Bezwada ...	The Bezwada T. S. ...	1887	Rao Bahadur S. Lingin ...	Mr. T. Venkatanarasiah ...	Pleader, Munsiff's Court, Bezwada
Bhagulpore ...	The Bhagulpore T. S. ...	1881	Babu Parbati Charn Mukherji ...	Babu Motilal Misra. ...	Bhagulpore.
Bhavnagar ...	The Bhavnagar T. S. ..	1882	Raol Shri Prince Harsinhji Rupsinhji ...	Mr. J. N. Unwalla, M. A.	Principal, Samaldas College, Bhavnagar, Kathiawar.
Bhawani ...	The Bhawani T. S. ...	1893	...	Dormant ...	...
Bhowanipore ...	The Bhowani T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Bolaram ...	The Bolaram T. S. ...	1882	...	Dormant ...	...
Bombay ...	The Blavatsky Lodge ...	1880	Mr. D. Gostling ...	Mr. S. Raghavendra Row.	37, Hornby Row, Fort, Bombay.
Broach ...	The Broach T. S. ...	1892	...	Dormant ...	...
Bulandshahar ...	The Baron T. S. ...	1887	...	Dormant ..	...
Burdwan ...	The Burdwan T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Calcutta ...	The Bengal T. S. ...	1882	Honorable Narendra Nath Sen ...	Babu Hirendra Nath Dutt, M. A., B.L. ...	28-2, Jhamapukur, Calcutta.
Do ...	The Ladies' T. S. ...	1882	...	Dormant ...	...
Cawnpore ...	The Chohan T. S. ...	1882	Babu Devi Pada Roy ...	Babu Haran Chandra Dev.	Translator, Judge's Court, Cawnpore.

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Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Conjeeveram ...	The Satyavruta T. S. ...	1897	Mr. N. Venkataraghava Iyer ...	Mr. V. Venkatachariar ...	Pleader No. 19, Yathothkari Samadhi Street, L. Conjeevernm.
Chakdighi ...	The Chakdighi T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Chingleput ...	The Chingleput T. S. ...	1883	Mr. D. Raghurama Row...	Mr. K. K. Krishnaiyah, B.A. and Mr. A. Krishnamacharri ...	Hd. Master, Native High School, Chingleput. Pleader Chengleput.
Chinsurah ...	The Chinsurah T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	
Chittagong ...	The Chittagong T. S. ...	1887	Babu Durgadas Das ...	Babu Kamala Kanta Sen.	Pleader, Judge's Court, Chittagong.
Chittoor ...	The Chittoor T. S. ...	1887	...	Mr. C. M. Durasawmy Mudaliar, B.A., B.L. ...	District Court Vakil, Chittoor.
Cocanada ...	The Cocannda T. S. ...	1885	...	Mr. K. Perrazu ...	First Grade Pleader, Cocanada.
Coimbatore ...	The Coimbatore T. S. ...	1883	Mr. T. S. Balakrishna Iyer	Mr. S. N. Ramasawmy Iyer	Pleader, Coimbatore.
Do. ...	The Satchidanand Centre ...	1895	Mr. A. Ponnuranga Mudliar ...	Mr. G. Paranjothi Chetty.	93, Oppanakam Street, Teacher, St. Michael College, Coimbatore
Colombo, Ceylon ...	Hope Lodge T. S. ...	1894	Mrs. M. M. Higgins ...	Mr. Richard Fabor ...	Museus School for Buddhist, Girls, Brownrigg St., Cinnamon Gardens, Colombo, Ceylon.
Cuddalore ...	The Cuddalore T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Cuddapah ...	The Cuddapah T. S. ...	1886	Mr. A. Nanjundappa, B.A., B. L. ...	Mr. A. S. Vaidyanatha Iyer Avergal, B.A. ...	Head Master, High School, Cuddapah.

Dacca ...	The Dacca T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Darjeeling ...	The Kanchinjunga T. S. ...	1882	Babu Srinath Chatterji...	...	...
Dehra-Dun ...	The Dehra-Dun T. S. ...	1892	Lala Baldeo Sing ...	Babu Ishanchandra Dev, B.A. ...	G. T. Survey Office, N.-W. P., Dehra-Dun.
Delhi ...	The Indraprastha T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Dharmapuri ...	The Dharmapuri T. S. ...	1897	Mr. C. Kuppuswami Iyer.	Mr. Ramaswami Naikker.	Mittadar, Dharmapuri.
Dindigul ...	The Dindigul T. S. ...	1884	Mr. P. Venkataswara Iyer	Mr. S Subrahmania Iyer.	2nd Grade Pleader, Dindigul.
Dumraon ...	The Dumraon T. S. ...	1883	Babu Devi Prasad ...	Mr. M. Ommo Aii	Inspector of Dumraon Raj Schools, Dumraon.
Durbhanga ...	The Durbhanga T. S. ...	1883	Pandit Lakshmi Narain...	Babu Ganganath Jha, M.A.	Durbhanga.
Ellore ...	The Gupta Vidya T. S. ...	1887	Mr. D. Sriramulu ...	...	Ellore.
Ernacolum ...	The Ernacolum T. S. ...	1891	Mr. W. Ramiah, B.A. ...	Mr. T. S. Subbaraya Iyer.	Clerk, Dewan's Office, Ernacolum, Cochin.
Erode ...	The Erode T. S. ...	1891	...	Dormant ...	...
Fatehgarh ...	The Jnana Marga T. S. ...	1885	Munshi, Bakhtwar Lal, B.A.	Lâlâ Har Prasad ...	Head Clerk, R. M. Ry. Loco. Office, Fatehgarh, N. W. P.
Fyzabad ...	The Ayodhaya T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Ghazipore ...	The Ghazipore T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ..	...
Gooty ...	The Gooty T. S. ...	1883	Mr. J. Srinivasa Rao ...	Mr. P. Kesava Pillai ..	Pleader, Gooty ...
Gorakhpur ...	The Sarva Hitakari T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ..	...
Guntur ...	The Krishna T. S. ...	1882	Mr. V. Bhavanachari ...	Mr H. Bhagavanta Row Pantulu ...	Post Master, Guntur.

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Guntur ...	Sadvichara T. S. ...	1891	Mr. Chegu Kanakaratna Garu ...	Mr. D. Purushottam ...	Sadvichara T. S., Guntur.
Gujranwalla ...	Gujranwalla T. S. Centre ...	1894	Mr. Ralla Ram Arora ...	Mr. Dewan Chandra Verma	Lane Mull Singh Kapur, Gujranwalla
Gya ...	The Gya T. S. ...	1882	Babu Hari Harnath ...	Babu Indra Narayan Chakravarti ...	Government Pleader, Gya, Behar.
Habiganj ...	The Habiganj T. S. ...	1897	Babu Umanath Ghosal, B. A., B, L. ...	Babu Mohini Chandra Dutt, M.A., B L. ...	Pleader, Habiganj, Sylhet.
Hoshangabad ...	The Nerbudda T. S. ...	1885	Choudry Prayagchand ...	Babu Jagannath Prasad ...	Pleader, Hoshangabad, C. P.
Howrah ...	The Howrah T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Hyderabad (Deccan) ...	The Hydorabad T. S. ...	1882	Mr. Dorabji Dassabhoy ...	Mr. Jehangir Shorabji ...	Chadder Ghat, Hydorabad, Deccan.
Jallandhur ...	The Tatwajnana Pracharni T. S.	1893	Babu Sandhiram ...	Babu Sawan Mall ...	Busteegoozan, Jallandhur, Punjab.
Jalpaiguri ...	The Jalpaiguri T. S. ...	1889	...	Babu Bonode Behary Banerji ...	Dy. Commissioner's Office, Jalpaiguri
Jamalpore ...	The Jamalpore T. S. ...	1882	...	Dormant ...	...
Jand ...	Jand Centre ...	1894	Sirdar Sahib Singh ...	Lala Anantaram ...	Contractor, N. B. S. Ry. Jand Pindi.

Jessore ...	The Tatwajnana Sabha T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Jeypore ...	The Jeypore T. S. ...	1882	...	Dormant ...	...
Jubbulpore ...	The Bhrigu Kshetra T. S. ...	1883	Babu Kalicharan Bose, B. A.	Mr. Manohar Lal ...	Treasury Head Clerk, Deputy Commissioner's Office, Jubbulpore, C. P.
Kanigiri ...	The Olcott T. S. ...	1890	...	Dormant ...	...
Karachi ...	The Karachi T. S. ...	1896	Mr. Daulat Ram Jethmul..	Mr. D. P. Kotwal ...	Karachi, Sind.
Karur ...	The Karur T. S. ...	1885	...	Mr. T. R. Ramachendra Iyer ...	Pleader, District Munsiff's Court, Karur.
Kapurthala ...	The Kapurthala T. S. ...	1883	Sirdar Bhagat Singh ...	Lala Harichund ...	Judicial Asstt., Kapurthala, Punjab.
Karwar ...	The North Canara T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Krishnagiri ..	The Krishnagiri T. S. ...	1897	Mr. C. Subbramania Aier, B.A., B.L. ...	Mr. C. Rajengar ...	Pleader, Krishnagiri.
Krishnaghur ...	The Nuddea T. S. ...	1882	...	Dormant ...	...
Kuch Behar ..	The Kuch Behar T. S. ...	1890	...	Dormant ...	...
Kumbhakonam ...	The Kumbhakonam T. S. ...	1883	Mr. T. Krishnamachariar, B. A. ...	Mr. M. C. Krishnaswamy Iyer ...	2nd Grade Pleader, Kumbhakonam.
Kurnool ...	The Satkalatchepa T. S. ..	1883	Mr. T. Chidambaram Row	Mr. C. Venkataramiah ...	Collector's Office, Kurnool.
Lahore ...	The Lahore T. S. ...	1887	Lala Nath Mal ...	Pandit Ikbalnath Taimini	Clerk, Government Advocate's Office, Lahore.
Lucknow ...	The Satya Marga T. S. ...	1892	Rai Narsindas Bahadur...	Babu Mrityunjaya Chatterji, B. A. ...	Head Clerk, General Department, Office of the Postmaster-General, Lucknow.

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Ludhiana ...	The Ludhiana T. S. ...	1891	Rai B. K. Lahiri ...	Babu Abinash Chander Biswas ...	Hd. Clerk, Dy. Commissioner's Office, Ludhiana.
Madras ...	The Madras T. S. ...	1882	Mr. Koralla Subbarayudu garu ...	Mr. W. A. Krishnamachari, B.A. ...	Clerk, Agent's Office, Madras Ry, Royapuram, Madras.
Madura ...	The Madura T. S. ...	1883	Mr. P. Narayana Iyer, B.A., B.L. ...	Mr. V. Ramachandra Iyer, B.A., B.L. ...	Pleader, New Street, Madura.
Madanapalle ...	The Jijnasa T. S. ...	1891	Mr. O. L. Sarma ...	Mr. M. K. Subba Row ...	Madanapalle.
Malegaon ...	The Malegaon T. S. ...	1897	Rao Bahadur Dadoba Sukharam ...	Dr. Kishengir Anandagir .	Malegaon
Mannargudi ...	The Mannargudi T. S. ...	1891	Mr. B. Viraswamaiyah Garu ...	Mr. S. Venkataramiar .	Municipal Councillor, Mannargudi.
Masulipatam ...	The Masulipatam T. S. ...	1887	Mr. V. Sundaramaya Pantulu Garu, B.A. .	Mr. P. Sobhanadri Chetty Garu. ..	English Hd. Accountant, Kristna Collectorate, Masulipatam
Mayavaram ...	The Mayavaram T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Meerut ...	The Meerut T. S. ...	1882	Babu Rama Prasad, M.A..	...	Pleader, Meerut.
Midnapore ...	The Midnapore T. S. ...	1883	Babu Grish Chendra Mittra ...	Babu Ishanchandra Singh.	Pleader, Judge's Court, Midnapur (Bengal).
Monghyr ...	The Monghyr T. S. ...	1887	...	Dormant ...	...
Moradabad ...	The Atma-Bodh T. S. ...	1883	..	Dormant ...	...

Motihari ...	The Motihari T. S. ...	1896	Babu Krishnadhan Mukherji, M. A. ...	Babu Rajendra Lall Mukherji, M.A., B.L. ...	Pleader, Motihari
Muzaffarpur ...	The Muzaffarpur T. S. ...	1890	Babu Surendra Krishna Dutt, B.A., B.L. ...	Babu Raghunandana Prasad Sarma ...	Zemindar of Mahamedpur Susta, viz., Silont, T. S. Ry., Muzaffarpur Dt.
Muddehpoorah ...	The Muddehpoorah T. S. ...	1881	...	Dormant ...	...
Muttra ...	The Muttra T. S. ...	1891	Pandit Jai Narain Banaru, C. E. ...	Dr. Ramji Mull, L.M.S. ...	Medical Hall, Muttra City.
Multan ...	The Multan T. S. ...	1896	Rai Bahadur Harichand...	Sham Sunder ...	English Clerk, Divisional Court, Multan City.
Mysore ...	The Mysore T. S. ...	1896	Mr. A. Narasinha Iyengar.	Mr. A. Mahadeva Sastri, B.A.	Curator, Govt. Oriental Library, Mysore.
Nagpur ...	The Nagpur T. S. ...	1885	Mr. C. V. Naidu ...	Mr. C. Srinivasa Das ..	Clerk, Revenue Secretariat, Nagpur (C. P.)
Naini Tal ...	The Kurmachal T. S. ...	1888	Babu Lakshminarayan Banerji ..	Babu Hira Lall ...	Allahabad Bank, Ld., Naini Tal.
Narail ...	The Narail T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Narasarowpet ...	The Narasarowpet ...	1891	Mr. T. Anjaneya Sastri ...	Mr. K. Viyyanna Pantulu.	Pleader, Narasarowpet.
Nassik ...	The Nassik T. S. ...	1891	...	Mr. D. R. Tarkadhar, B.A.	Hd. Master, High School, Nassik.
Negapatam ...	The Negapatam T. S. ...	1883	Mr. S. Chakrapani Iyor ..	Mr. P. Kanaka Sabhapathy Sastrial ...	2nd Grade Pleader, Negapatam.
Nellore ...	The Nellore T. S. ...	1882	Mr. Parthasarathy Naidu.	Mr. A. Narayana Iyor, B.A.	Vernacular Hd. Clerk, Collector's Office, Nellore.
Namakal ...	The Namagiri T. S. ...	1897	Mr. P. S. Singaravelu Pillai	Mr. N. V. Anantarama Iyer ...	Pleader, Namakal.
Nilphamari ...	The Nilphamari T. S. ...	1892	Babu Janakinath Biswas..	Babu Rajani Kanata Sirkar	Pleader, Nilphamari, Bengal.

Indian Section—*Continued.*

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Noakhali ...	The Noakhali T. S. ...	1886	...	Dormant ..	...
Ongole ...	The Ongole T. S. ...	1891	Mr. T. Sawmy Iyer Avergal, B.A. ...	Mr. B. Lachminarayana Row ...	Pleader, Ongole.
Ootacamund ...	The Dodabetta T. S. ...	1883	Major-Genl. H.R. Morgan.	Pandit R. Jayaraja Row...	Collector's Office, Ootacamund.
Orai ...	The Orai T. S. ...	1886	...	Dormant ...	...
Pahartali ...	The Maha Muni T. S. ...	1887		Dormant ...	...
Pakur ...	The Pakur T. S. ...	1891	Rajah Satish Chandra Panday Bahadur ...	Babu Patiram Bannerji..	Pakur, Bengal ..
Palni ...	The Palni T. S. ...	1897	Mr. M. Saketarama Naidu.	Mr. H. Ramasawmy Iyer.	Manager, National Middle School Palni.
Palghat ...	The Malabar T. S. ...	1882	Mr. V. Vengu Iyer ...	Mr.S. Veeraraghava Iyer ..	Sagaripuram, Palghat.
Paramakudi ...	The Paramakudi T. S. ...	1885	Mr. S. Minakshi Sundram Iyer ...	Mr. A. S. Krishnasawmy Sastriar, B. A. ...	Paramakudi.
Penukonda ...	The Penukonda T. S. ...	1893	Mr. A. Ramachandria ...	Mr. N. Kurruttalwar ...	Head Master, Board Lower Secondary School, Penukonda.
Periyakulam ...	The Periyakulam T. S. ...	1884	Mr. V. Ramabhadra Naidu	Mr. A. Nadhamuni Ayya and Mr. R. Sundrarajier	Retired Teacher, Periyakulam. Periyakulam.
Pollachi ...	The Pollachi T. S. ...	1885	...	Dormant ...	...
Pondicherry ...	The Pondicherry T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ..	...

Poona ...	The Poona T. S. ...	1882	Khan Bahadur Naoroji Dorabji Khandalwalla...	Mr. Rajana Linga ...	Pleader, Malcolum Tank Road, Poona. ...
Prodattur ...	The Prodattur T. S. ...	1893	Mr. Y. Nagaiya ...	Mr. G. Venkataramaiya ...	2d Grade Pleader, Prodattur.
Rai-Bareilly ...	The Gyanavardhini T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Rajahmundry ...	The Rajahmundry T. S. ...	1887	...	Mr. K. Rama Brahmam Garu ...	Rajahmundry.
Rajmahal ...	The Rajmahal T. S. ...	1887	Babu Panchanan Ghose...	Babu Phagu Lal Mandul...	Rajmahal, Bengal.
Ranchi ...	Chota Nagpore T. S. ...	1887	Babu Nibaran Chandra Gupta ...	Babu Manmatha Nath Chatterji ...	Ranchi, Chota Nagpur.
Rangoon ...	The Irawadi T. S. ...	1885	...	Dormant ...	...
Do. ...	The Shavai Daigon T. S. ...	1885	...	Dormant ...	...
Rangoon ...	The Rangoon T. S. ...	1885	C. S. Prince, Esq. ...	Mr. C. Vedaranyam Pillay	Head Clerk, General Post Office, Rangoon.
Rawalpindi ...	The Rawalpindi T. S. ...	1881	Babu Shyama Charan Bose	Babu Dharendra Kumar Banerji ...	Rawalpindi.
Sangrur ...	The Sangrur T. S. ...	1896	Babu Raghunath Das ...	Mr. Shazad Singh ...	Translator, Foreign Office, Sangrur, Jind State, Punjab.
Salem ...	The Salem T. S. ...	1897	Mr. T. N. Ramachendra Iyer, B.A. ...	Mr. R. Anatarama Iyer B.A., B.L. ...	High Court Vakil, Salem.
Srivaikuntham ...	The Srivaikuntham T. S. ...	1897	Mr. V. Veeraraghava Iyer	Mr. S. T. Ponnambalanatha Mudaliar, ...	Pleader, Srivaikuntham
Searsole ...	The Searsole T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Secunderabad ...	The Secunderabad T. S. ...	1882	Mr. Bezonji Aderji ...	Mr. Kavasha Eduljee ...	Pleader, Tower Street, Secunderabad, Deccan.
Sivaganga ...	The Sivaganga T. S. ...	1897	Mr N. Sambasiva Iyer, B.A., B.L. ...	Mr. M.S. Sankara Iyer B.A.	Sheristadar, Lessee's Hd. Office, Sivaganga.
Satur ...	The Satur T. S. ...	1897	Mr. N. Ittunikando Panikar Avergal, B.A. ...	Mr. M. V. Bhagavant Rao.	2d Grade Pleader, Satur.

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Seoni-Chappara ...	The Seoni T. S. ...	1885	Mr. P. Baijnath, B.A. ..	Mr. S. G. Subedar, B.A. ..	Extra Assistant Commr., Seoni-Chappara (C.P.)
Sholapore ...	The Sholapur T. S. ...	1882	...	Dormant ...	...
Sholinghur ...	The Sholinghur T. S. ...	1889	Mr. V. Coopooswami Iyer, M.A. ...	Mr. L. Sreenivasa Raghavier ...	Pleader, Sholinghur, North Arcot
Siliguri ...	The Siliguri T. S. ...	1885	...	Dormant ..	...
Simla ...	...	1882	...	Dormant ...	...
Do. ...	The Simla Eccleetic T. S. ...	1881	...	Dormant	...
Srivilliputtur ...	The Natchiyar T. S. ...	1883	Mr. E. Krishna Aiyer ...	Mr. G. Veeraraguva Iyer	2d Grade Pleader, Srivilliputtur
Surat ...	The Sanatan Dharma Sabha T.S.	1887	Mr. Nautamram Uttamram Trivedi ...	Mr. Indrabadan M. Hora..	Saghadiwad, Surat.
Tanjore ...	The Tanjore T. S. ...	1888	Mr. K. S. Srinivasa Pillai.	Mr. S. Venkatasubba Aiyer	Pleader, Vennar Bank, Tanjore
Tinnevelly ..	The Tinnevelly T. S. ...	1881	Mr. N. Sarvottama Row Avergal B.A., B.L. ...	Mr. S. Ramachendra Sastri ...	Clerk, District Court, Tinnevelly
Tipperah ...	The Tatwagnana Sabha T. S. ...	1889	Prince Rajakumar Navadwipchandra Dev Varman Bahadur ...	Babu Chandra Kumar Guha ...	Sheristadar, Collectorato, Comilla. Tipperah, E. Bengal.
Tirupattur (Madura Dist.) ...	The Tirupattur T. S. ...	1884	...	Dormant ...	...

Tirupattur, (Salem Dist.) ...	Do	1897	Mr. O. V. Nanjundier ...	T. Ramanujam Pillay ...	Sub-Engineer, Tirupattur.
Tirur ...	The Tirur T. S. ...	1884	Mr. A. C. Kannan Nambiar ...	Mr. C. S. Adinarayana Aiyer ...	Pleader, Tirur, Malabar.
Tiruvalur ...	The Tiruvalur T. S. ...	1891	Mr. N. Vaidyanathier ...	Mr. T. K. Ramaswamier.	2d Grade Pleader, Tiruvalur, Tanjore District.
Trevandrum ...	The Trevandrum T. S. ...	1883	...	Dormant ...	...
Trichinopoly ...	The Trichinopoly T. S.	1883	Mr. A. Ramachendra Iyer.	Mr. N. Hariharn Iyer, B.A., B.L. ...	Pleader, Trichinopoly (S. I. Ry.)
Udamalpett ...	The Udamalpett T. S. ...	1894	C. K. Venkataramana Iyer ...	Mr. P. L. Palaniandi Pillai	2d Grade Pleader, Udamalpett.
Umballa ...	The Umballa T. S. ...	1891	...	Babu Shyamacharan Mukherji ...	Royal Medical Hall, Subder Bazar Umballa Cantonment.
Vaniyambadi ...	The Vani T. S. ...	1897	Mr. O. Sundara Row	Mr. Subbarnya Aiyer ...	Manager, Municipal Office, Vaniyambadi.
Vellore ...	The Vellore T. S. ...	1884	P. Venkata Kanniah Garu	Mr. Krishnaswamy Iyer.	Pleader, Vellore.
Vizagapatam ...	The Vizagapatam T. S. ...	1887	...	Mr. P. T. Srinivasiengar, M.A. ...	Principal, Hindu College, Vizagapatam.
Vizianagaram ...	The Vasishtha T. S. ...	1884	...	Dormant ...	...
Warangal ...	The Satyavichara T. S. ...	1891	Mr. C. Luxman ...	Mr. T. Govindarajulu Naidu ...	Care of Station Master, Warangal, N. G. S. Ry.

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CEYLON BRANCHES.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Anuradhapura ...	Maha Mahendra T. S. ...	1889	..	Dormant ..	...
Badulla ...	Uva T. S. ...	1887	...	,, ..	...
Batticaloa ...	Sugatapala T. S. ...	1889	...	,, ..	...
Do	Parajnanamarga T. S. ...	1891	...	,, ...	...
Bentota	Bentota T. S. ...	1880	...	,, ..	...
Colombo	Colombo T. S. ...	1880	Mr. R. A. Mirando ...	Henry Dias ..	Buddhist Hd. Qrs.
Dikwella	Moggalipatta T. S. ...	1889	..	Dormant ...	...
Galle ...	Galle T. S. ...	1880	Mr. T. D. S. Amarasurya..	Mr. O. A Jayasekhara ...	Mahinda College, Galle.
Jaffna ...	The Jaffna T. S. ..	1890	...	Dormant ...	...
Kandy ...	Kandy T. S. ...	1880	Mr. A. D. J. Goonewardhana.	...	...
Kataluwa ...	Saripatra T. S. ...	1889	...	,, ...	...
Kurunegala ...	Maliyadeva T. S. ...	1889	..	,, ..	...
Matale ...	Ubhaya-lokârthasadhaka T. S....	1889	...	,, ...	...
Matara ...	Matara T. S. ...	1880	..	,, ...	...
Mawanella ...	Ananda T. S. ...	1889	...	,, ...	...

Panadura	...	Panadura T. S.	...	1880	...	Dormant	...	...
Ratnapura	...	Subaragamuwa T. S.	...	1887	...	"	...	...
Singapore	...	Singapore T. S.	...	1889	...	"	...	...
Trincomalee	...	Mahadeva T. S.	...	1889	...	"	...	...
Do	...	Sat-Chit-Ananda T. S.	...	1889	...	"	...	...
Weligama	...	Siddhartha T. S.	...	1889	...	"	...	...

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AMERICAN SECTION.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Chicago, Ill.	Chicago T. S.	1884	Geo. E. Wright	Miss Isabel M. Stevens	26, Van Buren St., Room 420.
Minneapolis, Minn.	Ishwara T. S.	1887	Mrs. Kate B. Davis	Mrs. E. Cora Haskins	525, Medica Block.
Portland, Oregon	Willamette T. S.	1890	Alex. R. Read	Wm. H. Galvani	P. O.
Muskegon, Mich.	Muskegon T. S.	1890	F. A. Nims	Mrs. Sarah E. Fitz Simons	382, Grand Ave.
Toronto, Canada	Toronto T. S.	1891	A. G. Horwood	F. E. Titus	27, Bank of Commerce Building.
St. Paul, Minn.	St. Paul T. S.	1891	Mrs. H. E. Pruden	Mrs. Jeannie M. Campbell	1187, Dayton Ave.
Toledo, Ohio	Toledo T. S.	1892	Dr. F. L. Maguire	Mrs. Kate F. Kirby	1503, Broadway.
Los Angeles, Cal	Harmony Lodge T. S.	1894	W. C. B. Randolph	Mrs. H. McL. Randolph	Station D.
Chicago, Ill.	Shila T. S.	1894	Mrs. Julia A. Darling	Miss Angelina Wann	6237, Kimbark Ave.
Honolulu, H. I.	Aloha T. S.	1894	...	Wm. R. Sims	...
Tacoma, Wash.	Narada T. S.*	1895	Miss. Ida S. Wright	Arthur F. Knight	1014, S. 9th St.
East Las Vegas N. M.	Annie Besant T. S.	1895	John Knox Martin	Almon F. Benedict	Box 337.
San Francisco, Cal.	Golden Gate Lodge T. S.*	1895	Davis J. Lamoreo	Wm. J. Walters	Palace Hotel.
Pasadena, Cal.	Unity Lodge T. S.	1896	Frank T. Merritt	Mrs. Sarah E. Merritt	Public Library.
Santa Cruz Cal.	San Lorenzo T. S.	1896	Mrs. Rachel Blackmore	Mrs. Nellie H. Uhden	145 3rd and Riverside Ave.

Seattle, Wash ...	Ananda Lodge T. S. ..	1896	Thos. A. Barnes ...	Mrs. Harriet C. Stein ...	824 35th Ave.
Spokane, Wash ..	Olympus Lodge T. S. ...	1896	Prof. John Mukonzie ...	...	...
Butte, Montana ...	Butte Lodge T. S. ...	1896	John P. Hanson ...	August B. Edler ...	Box 213.
Sheridan, Wyoming ...	Sheridan T. S. ...	1896	Fernando Herbst ...	Mrs. Eliz. McN. Simpson..	...
Minneapolis, Minn	Yggdrasil Lodge T. S. ...	1897	Niels Juel ...	Thore A. Netland ...	405 20th Ave. N.
Streator, Ill. ...	Streator T. S. ...	1897	Fawcett Plumb ...	George Goulding ...	...
Buffalo, N. Y. ...	Fidelity Lodge T. S. ..	1897	Dr. T. P. C. Barnard ...	Geo. B. Hastings ...	877, Ellicott Square.
Chicago, Ill ...	Englewood White Lodge T. S. ...	1897	Mrs. Maude L. Howard...	Miss Gertrude Longenecker ..	7257, Stewart Ave.
Brooklyn, N. Y. ...	Mercury T. S. ...	1897	Alfred A. Ury ...	Miss Ellen H. Hendrickson	547, Classon Ave.
Cleveland, Ohio ..	Cleveland T. S. ...	1897	Mrs. Amanda L. Cady ...	Miss Helen B. Olmsted ...	1085, Prospect St.
New York, N. Y.	New York T. S. ...	1897	Frederic W. Leonard ...	Thos. B. Clatworthy ...	93, Chambers St.
Washington, D. C. .	Washington T. S. ...	1897	Azro J. Cory* ...	Mrs. Anna M. Jaquess ...	202, Indiana Ave, N. W.
Philadelphia, Pa...	Manasa T. S. ...	1897	Alex. W. Goodrich ...	Washington, J. Shore ..	1423, Locust St.
Topeka, Kan. ..	Topeka T. S. ..	1897	Thos. Du G. Humphreys...	Mrs. Eliz. M. Wardall ...	307, Van Buren St.
Chicago, Ill. ...	Eastern Psychology Lodge T. S..	1897	Mrs. Kate C. Havens ..	Mrs. Kate Van Allen ...	6237, Kimbark Ave.
Newark, N. J. ..	First Newark Lodge T. S. ...	1897	Gustav J. T. Kluge ...	Mrs. Cecel H. A. Kluge ...	570, Hunterdon St.
Denver, Col.	Brotherhood T. S. ...	1897	Mrs. Julia H. Scott ...	Mrs. Alice L. Prentice ...	200, Pearl St.

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American Section—*Continued.*

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
San Diego, Calif ...	H. P. B. Lodge T. S. ...	1897	Mrs. Anna F. Smith ...	Miss Louise C. Heilbron..	1406, D. St.
Sacramento, Calif.	Sacramento T. S. ...	1897	Mrs. Mary J. Cravens ...	Miss Eugenie Weisman ...	404, O. St.
Ellensburg, Wash..	Ellensburg T. S. ...	1897	Clyde Warner ...	Patrick H. W. Ross ...	...
Clinton, Iowa ...	Indra T. S. ...	1897	James H. Reed ...	John Healess ...	215, Peril St.
Omaha, Neb. ...	Omaha T. S. ...	1897	' ...	...	...
Menomonie, Wis. ..	Menomonie T. S. ...	1897	John H. Knapp ...	Mrs. Ethel G. Copp ...	...
Kalamazoo, Mich	Kalamazoo T. S. ...	1897	Dr. James W. B. La Pierre	Carl G. Kleinstück ...	Saxonia Farm.
Jackson, Mich. ...	Jackson T. S. ...	1897	Mrs. Delia Robb ...	John R. Rockwell ..	...
Ann Arbor, Mich...	Ann Arbor T. S. ...	1897	Wm. A. Crandall ...	Wm. L. Miggett ...	48 S. 12th St.
Lynn, Mass** ...	Lynn T. S. ...	...	Mrs. Helen A. Smith ...	Nathan A. Bean ...	176, Washington St.
Galesburg, Ill. ...	Galesburg T. S. ...	1897	Dr. David E. Coulson ...	Sam J. Hoffheimer ...	549, N. Seminary St.
Lily Dale, N. Y. ...	Lily Dale T. S. ...	1897	Mrs. Jennie S. White ...	Mrs. Julia E. Hyde ...	...
Dunkirk, N. Y. ...	Dunkirk, T. S. ...	1897	Mrs. Harriet B. Fink ...	Miss Minerva Gifford ...	40 W. 4th St.
Detroit, Mich. ...	Detroit T. S. ...	1897	Dr. R. Stewart Gibbs ...	Miss. Lulu L. Kerr ...	484. Walnsh Ave.
Green Bay, Wis. ...	Green Bay T. S. ...	1897	Andrew Reid ...	Rowland T. Burdon ...	1005, S. Jackson St.

Rochester, N. S. ...	Blavatsky T. S.	...	1897	John L. Goddard ...	Mrs. Mary B. Bingham ...	10, Scio St.
Syracuse, N. Y. ...	Central City T. S.	...	1897	Dr. T. C. Walsh ...	Rev. Axel. H. Hamilton ...	204, Hawthorne St.
Albany, N. Y. ...	Albany T. S.	...	1897	...	...	...
Boston, Mass. ...	Petrovna T. S.	...	1897	Dr. Bertram L. Shapleigh	Anthony J. Philpott ...	Boston "Globe."
Indianapolis, Ind. ..	Dhyana T. S.	...	1897	...	...	...
Kansas City, Mo. ...	Olcott Lodge T. S.	...	1897	Thomas C. Job ...	...	*Pres* 2415 E. 11th Street Kansas City, Mo.

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EUROPEAN SECTION.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
			Great Britain.		
London ...	London Lodge ...	1878	A. P. Sinnett ...	C. W. Leadbeater ...	*Pres.*, 27, Leinster Gardens, W.
Edinburgh ...	Scottish Lodge* ..	1884	(Private Lodge) ...	G. Dickson ...	*Sec.*, 9, India Street, Edinburgh.
London ...	Blavatsky Lodge* ...	1887	Mrs. Besant ...	Mrs. Sharpe ...	*Sec.*, 19, Avenue Rd., Regent's Pk., N. W.
Brighton ..	Brighton Lodge* ...	1890	Mrs. Tippetts ...	Dr. Alfred King ...	*Sec.*, 30, Buckingham Place, Brighton.
Birmingham ...	Birmingham Lodge* ...	1890	O. H. Duffell ...	S. H. Old ...	*Sec.*, 74, Stanmore Road, Edgbaston.
Bradford ...	Bradford Lodge* ...	1891	Oliver Firth .	J. Midgley ..	*Sec.*, Central Coffee Tavern, Westgate, Bradford.
Chiswick ...	Chiswick Lodge* ...	1891	A. A. Harris ...	W. C. Ward ...	*Sec.*, 2, Church Terrace, Richmond.
London ...	Adelphi Lodge* ...	1891	J. M. Watkins .	Frank Hills ..	*Sec.*, 8, Duke Street, Adelphi, W. C.
Harrogate ...	Harrogate Lodge* ...	1892	Hodgson Smith ...	Miss Shaw ...	*Sec.*, 7, James Street, Harrogate.
Manchester ...	Manchester City Lodge* ...	1892	C. Corbett ...	Mrs. Larmuth ...	*Sec.*, 24, Eccles Old Road, Pendleton, near Manchester.
Leeds ...	Leeds Lodge ...	1892	W. H. Benn ...	Mrs. Orage ...	*Sec.*, 3, Exmouth Grove, Claypit Lane, Leeds
Bournemouth ...	Bournemouth Lodge* ..	1892	H. S. Green ...	Dr. Nunn ...	*Sec.*, Gestingthorpe, Boscombe, Bournemouth.
Edinburgh ...	Edinburgh Lodge* ...	1893	G. L. Simpson ...	J. Handyside (*pro tem*).	*Pres.*, 152, Morningside Rd., Edinburgh.
Middlesborough ...	Middlesborough Lodge* ...	1893	W. H. Thomas ...	... ...	*Pres.*, 7, Ryedale Ter., Borough Road, Middlesborough.
Bristol ...	Bristol Lodge ...	1893	Miss Hastings ...	James Parsons ...	*Sec.*, 0, Hillside, Cotham, Bristol

Bradford ...	Athene Lodge ...	1893	H. Saville ...	Mrs. Gale ...	*Sec.*, Washington Street, Girlington Road, Bradford.
London ...	North London Lodge* ..	1893	A. M. Glass ...	R. King, Jun. ...	*Sec.*, 60, Barnsbury St., Liverpool Rd., N.
Margate ...	Margate Lodge ...	1894	P. Holmes ...	Mrs. Holmes ...	*Sec.*, 39, High Street, Margate.
Norwich ...	Norwich Lodge ...	1894	J. Fitch Thorn ...	Selby Green ...	*Sec.*, The Croft, Limetree Road, Norwich.
London ..	East London Lodge ...	1895	Harry Banbery ...	E. Cumberland ..	*Sec.*, 15 Worsley Road, Hampstead Heath.
Liverpool ...	City of Liverpool Lodge ...	1895	J. H. Duffell	Mrs. Gillison ...	*Sec.*, 14, Freehold, Liverpool
Sheffield ...	Sheffield Lodge ...	1896	Frank Dallaway ...	C. J. Barker .	*Sec.*, 503, Intake Road, Sheffield.
London ...	West London Lodge ...	1897	Miss Edith Ward ..	G. H. Whyte,	7, Lauhill Road, Elgin Avenue, W.
Do. ...	Hampstead Branch T. S. ...	1897	Mrs. Alan Leo ...	...	*Pres.*, 9, Lyncroft Gardens West Hampstead, London.
	Bath Centre* ...	...	...	Edwin Hill	9, Tyning Road, Widcombe, Bath
	Bolton Centre* ...	...	...	A. F. Marshall ...	73, Egerton St., Blackburn Rd., Bolton.
	Brixton Centre ...	...	...	Matthew Boyd ...	27, Vidal Road, Acre Lane, Bristol.
	Burnley Centre ...	...	...	...	...
	Derby Centre* ...	...	...	Miss Emma Ousman ...	Fritchley, near Derby.
	Eastbourne Centre ...	...	...	Jas. H. McDougall .	68, Willingden Road, Eastbourne.
	Essex Correspondence Centre	...	...	George Coates ..	Banavie, King's Place, Bucklurst Hill.
	Exeter Centre* ...	...	...	Miss L. Wheaton ...	*Sec.*, Longbridge Cottage, Newton St. Cyres, near Exeter.
	Falmouth Centre* ...	...	...	Miss S. E. Gay ...	Roaveau, Falmouth

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European Section—*Continued.*

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
	Folkestone Centre* ...	...	...	Wm. Fagg ...	Landeo Villa, Park Road, Folkestone.
	Glasgow Centre ...	...	...	James Wilson ...	151, Sandyfauld's Street, Glasgow.
	Herne Bay Centre ...	...	...	H. A. Vasse ...	25, William Street, Herne Bay.
	Hull Centre* ..	...	W. H. Dyer ...	H. E. Nichol ...	*Sec.*, 19, Louis Street, Hull.
	Kingston-on-Thames Centre.	...	...	S. F. Weguelin-Smith.	2, Doric Villas, King's Road, Kingston-on-Thames.
	Llandudno Centre* ...	...	...	W. Kingsland ...	Roslin Cottage, Old Road, Llandudno.
	Macclesfield Centre ...	...	...	J. Harrison	88, Great King Street, Macclesfield.
	Merthyr Centre* ...	...	...	E. M. Thomas ...	18, Park Place, Merthyr Tydfil.
	Peterborough Centre ...	...	...	L. Stanley Jast ...	143, Lincoln Road, Peterborough
	Plumstead Centre* ...	...	...	W. G Wratten ...	60, Wrottesley Road, Plumstead, S. E.
	Plymouth Centre ...	...	...	Alfred Weekes	1, Thorn Park Avenue, Mannamead, Plymouth.
	Ramsgate Centre ...	...	...	Miss H. Hunter ...	5, Royal Road, Ramsgate
	Stoke-on-Trent Centre* ...	...	...	Thomas Ousman ...	36, South Street, Mount Pleasant, Stoke-on-Trent.
	Tavistock Centre* ...	...	...	Rev. John Barron ...	Middlemoor, Tavistock.
	Thornton Heath Centre ...	...	...	F. Horne ...	27, Keen's Road, Croydon.
	York Centre ...	...	...	E. J. Dunn ...	Kelfield Lodge, near York.

				Austria.		
Vienna ...	Vienna Lodge* ...	1887	...	Count Leiningen-Billigheim.		*Sec.*, Billigheim, bei Mosbach in Baden, Germany.
	Blue Star Centre* ...	...	...	Herr Carl Weinfurter ...		*Sec.*, Kolargasse, 715, Weinberge, bei Prag.
				Canary Islands.		
	Canary Islands Centre ...	...	...	Miss J. de Forssmann ...		Lomo de los Guirres, Orotava, Teneriffe.
				France.		
Paris ...	Ananta Lodge* ...	1891	Mons. Paul Gillard ...	Mons. Renard ...		*Pres.*, 58, rue de Verneuil, Paris.
Toulon Sur-mer ...	Toulon Lodge ...	1895	Mons. le Dr. Pascal ...			*Pres.*, 39, rue Victor Clappier, Toulon.
Nice ...	Nice Lodge ...	1897	Mrs. Terrell ...	Mons. H. de Castro ...		*Sec.*, 57, rue de la Paix, Nice.
	Cherbourg Centre ...	...	...	Mons. Syffert ...		18, rue de Château, Cherbourg.
	Breton Centre ...	...	...	Mons. le Dr. Leissen ...		10, Grande Rue, Hennebont.
	Lyons Centre ...	...	...	...		...
				Germany.		
Berlin ...	Berlin Lodge* ...	1894	...	Graf von Brockdorff ...		*Sec.*, Paulstrasse 23, Berlin, N. W.
	Leipzig Centre ...	...	...	Frl. Hedwig Kolbe ...		Westrasse 16, Lyceum, Leipzig.
	Munich Centre ...	...	...	Herr O. Huschke ...		Lerchenfeldstrasse, 5, Munich.
				Greece.		
Corfu ...	Ionian Lodge ...	1879	Prof. Pasquale Menelao ...	Mons. Otho Alexander ...		*Sec.*, Corfu, Greece.

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European Section—*Continued.*

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
			Italy.		
Rome ...	Rome Lodge* ...	1879	Mrs. Lloyd ...	Decio Calvari ...	31 Via Lombardia.
	Genoa Centre ...	...	...	Stanley C. Bright ...	35, Via S. S. Giacomoe Filippo, Genoa.
			Russia.		
	Odessa Centre ...	...	...	Mons. Gustav Zorn ...	P. O. Box 84, Odessa.
	Warsaw Centre ...	...	...	...	
			Spain.		
	(Original Spanish Group Charter)	1889			
Madrid ...	Madrid Lodge* ..	1893	Sr. D. José Xifré ...	M. Treviño	*Sec.*, 127 Calle d' Atocha deep 3 Madrid.
Barcelona ...	Barcelona Lodge ...	1893	Sr. D. José Plana y Dorca	Srta. Carmen Mateos ...	*Pres.*, Calle de la Cendra 30 y 32, 3, In, Barcelona.
Alicante ...	Alicante Lodge ...	1894	Sr. D. Manuel F. Maluendo	Sr. D. Carbonel Joverñ ...	*Sec*, Calle del Cid 16, Alicante.
	Coruña Centre ...	...	...	Sr. D. Florencio Pol ...	Ordenes, Galicia.
			Switzerland.		
Zurich ...	Zurich Lodge ...	1896	Herr. J. Sponheimer ...	Dr. A. Gysi	*Sec.*, Börsenstrasse, 14, Zurich, I.
	Geneva Centre ...	...	...	Herr Karl Brünnich	Ingenieur, rue Prévost-Martin, 31, Geneva.
	Locarno Centre ...	...	...	Dr. Pioda ...	Locarno.

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SCANDINAVIAN SECTION.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
	Original Swedish Lodge Charter ...	1889	**Sweden.** ...	...	..
Stockholm ...	Stockholm Lodge* ...	1893	Herr A. Knos ...	Fru Alme Edstrom ...	Uplandsgatan 22, Stockholm.
Do ...	Orion Lodge* ...	1893	Herr J. F. Rossander ...	Fru Ada Rossander ...	Lilljansplan 7, do.
Do ...	Ajax Lodge* ...	1895	Dr. Emil Zander ...	Herr O. Zander ...	Hokensgatan 10, do
Gotenburg ...	Gotenburg Lodge* ...	1893	Herr E. Liljestrand ...	Fru H. Sjostedt ...	Viktoriagatan 15, Götenburg.
Lund ...	Lund Lodge* ...	1893	Herr H. Sjöström ...	Herr O. E. Hagg ...	Lilla Tvargatan 23, Lund.
Örebro ...	Örebro Lodge K. V. ...	1893	Fru Annie Wallström ...	Fru Annie Wallström ...	Engelbrohtsgat 17, Örebro.
Smedjebacken ...	Smedjebacken Lodge ...	1894	Herr G. Weibull ...	Herr G. Weibull ...	Starbo, Gräsberg.
Jönköping ...	Jönköping Lodge* ...	1894	Herr C. M. Ericsson ...	Herr G. Nyman ...	Stora Hotellet : Jönköping.
Solleftea ...	Solleftea Lodge* ...	1895	Herr Aug. Berglund ...	Herr A. Westbarg ...	Solleftea.
Upsala ...	Upsala Lodge ...	1895	Herr G. A. Ahlstrand ...	Herr Hj. Lindborg ...	Borjegat 13, Upsala.
Lulea ...	Bäfrast Lodge* ...	1897	Herr S. T. Sven-Nilsson...	...	Lulea.
			Norway.		
Christiania ...	The Norweginn T. S.* ...	1893	Herr R. Eriksen ...	Herr Ole W. Dahl ...	Rodfyldegaden 18, Christiania.
			Denmark.		
Copenhagen ...	Copenhagen Lodge* ...	1893	Herr G. Howitz ...	Herr Anker Larson ...	Osterbrogade 126 iv, Copenhagen

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NETHERLANDS SECTION.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Amsterdam ...	Amsterdam Lodge ...	1891	Te Herr W. B. Fricke ...	Te Herr H. W. van Coehoorn	*Pres.*, Amstoldijk, 76, Nieuer Amstel, Amsterdam.
Gelderland ...	Vahana Lodge ...	1891	Te Herr K. P. C. de Bazel	Miss Gruntko ...	*Pres.*, Bourmalsen, Gelderland.
Haarlem ...	Haarlem Lodge ...	1891	Te Herr van Manen ...	Te Herr J. Hallo ...	...
Helder ...	The Helder Lodge ...	1891	Te Herr T. van Zuilen ...	Te Herr S. Gazan ...	*Pres.*, Molenstraat, 64, Helder, Holland.
Rotterdam ...	Rotterdam Lodge ...	1897	Te Herr Hagenberg	Te Herr I. A. Ferwiel ...	...
Hague ...	The Hague Lodge ...	1897	Dr. Binenweg ...	Miss C. DePrez ...	...
Vlaardingen ...	Vlaardingen Lodge ...	1897	Te Herr DeLange ..	...	...

Address :— Te Herr W. B. Fricke, General Secretary, Amstoldijk, 76, Amsterdam.

AUSTRALASIAN SECTION.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Sydney ...	Sydney T. S. ...	1891	Mr. Geo. Peell ...	Mr. G. H. Chappell ...	T. S., 42, Margaret St., Sydney.
Do Surry Hills	Dayspring T. S. ...	1895	Mr. G. W. Marks ...	Mr. Wesslink ...	T. S. Room. Redfern Town Hall, Sydney.
Melbourne ...	Melbourne T. S. ...	1890	Mr. H. W. Hunt ...	Mr. S. Studd ...	178, Collins St., Melbourne.
South Yarra, Melb.	Ibis T. S. ...	1894	Mr. C. M. Sinclair ...	Miss C. Birnie ...	T. S., 8, Garden St., S. Yarra, Victoria.
Adelaide ...	Adelaide T. S. ...	1891	Mr. N. A. Knox ...	Miss Kate Castle ..	T. S. Victoria Square, East.
Brisbane ...	Queensland T. S. ...	1891	Mr. W. G. John ...	Mr. W. A. Mayers ...	T. S., Albert and Elizabeth Sts., Brisbane, Queensland.
Bundaberg ..	Bundaberg T. S. ...	1894		Mrs. Nicol ...	Custom Household, Bundaberg, Queensland.
Rockhampton ...	Capricornian T. S. ..	1893	Mrs. M. A. Irwin ...	Mr. W. Irwin ...	Rockhampton, Queensland.
Maryborough ...	Maryborough T. S. ...	1896	Mr. F. J. Charlton ...	Mrs. Julius ...	Maryborough, Queensland.
Cairns ...	Cairns T. S. ...	1896		Mr. C. Handley ...	Cairns, Queensland.
Hobart, Tasmania..	Hobart T. S. ...	1890	Mr. J. Benjamin ...	Mr. J. W. Beattie ...	53, Elizabeth St., Hobart.
Perth, W. A. ...	Perth T. S. ...	1897		Mr. W. W. Knight ...	G. P. O., Perth.
Mt. David, Rockley, N. S. W. ...	Mt. David T. S. ...	1897	Mr. H. Wiedersehn ...	Mr. A. N. Smith ...	Mt. David, Rockley, N. S. W.

There are centres at Launceston in Tasmania, Mt. Gambier in South Australia, Newcastle N. S. W., Toowoomba and Gympie in Queensland.
Address :—J. Scott, M. A., General Secretary, Australasian Section, 42, Margaret St., Sydney.

NEW ZEALAND SECTION.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Auckland ...	Auckland T. S. ...	1891	Mr. S. Stuart ...	Mr. W. H. Draffin ...	Mount Mera, Sarsfield Street, Ponsonby, Auckland.
Wellington ...	Wellington T. S. ...	1888 re-organized 1894	...	Mr. J. Davidson ...	23, Owen Street, Newtown, Wellington.
Dunedin ...	Dunedin T. S. ...	1893	Mr. G. Richardson ...	Mr. A. W. Maurais ...	"Star" Office, Dunedin
Christchurch ...	Christchurch T. S. ...	1894	Mr. J. Bigg-Wither ...	Mr. J. McCombs ...	3, York Street, Christchurch.
Woodville ...	Woodville T. S. ...	1895	Mr. W. Nicholson ...	Mrs. Gilbert ...	"Woodlands," Napier Road, Woodville.
Pahiatua ...	Pahiatua T. S. ...	1895	Mrs. Moore ...	Miss Moore ...	Council-Chambers, Pahiatua.
Auckland ...	Waitemata T. S. ...	1896	Mrs. Draffin ...	Mr. J. Dinsdale ...	B. C. Office, Devonport, Auckland.
Wanganui ...	Wanganui T. S. ...	1896	...	..	...

Address:—Mr. C. W. Sanders, General Secretary, Mutual Life Buildings, Lower Queen Street, Auckland, N. Z.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Place.	Name of the Branch.	Date of Charter.	President.	Secretary.	Secretary's Address.
Japan ...	Yamato T. S. ...	1889	...	Mr. M. Matsuyama ...	Nishi Hongwanji, Kioto, Japan.
Manilla ...	Manilla T. S. ..	1892	...	Mr. B. C. Bridger ...	Escotta, 14, Manilla.
Buenos Ayres ...	Luz T. S. ...	1893	Señor Federico W. Fernandes ...	Señor Alejandro Sojondro.	Buenos Ayres, S. America.
South Africa ...	Johannesburg T. S. ...			Lewis Ritch ...	Box 936, Johannesburg, South Africa.

☞ Blanks and errors indicate that Branches have failed to report official addresses. Branches and Fellows are warned against impostors collecting money without written authority from the President or General Secretaries of Sections, and beggars who use their own, or stolen diplomas to extort charity to which their characters do not entitle them.

RULES OF THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

As revised in General Council, July 9, 1896.

CONSTITUTION.

1. The title of this Society, which was formed at New York, United States of America, on the 17th of November, 1875, is the "Theosophical Society."

2. The objects of the Theosophical Society are:

I. To form a nucleus of the Universal Brotherhood of Humanity, without distinction of race, creed, sex, caste or colour.

II. To encourage the study of comparative religion, philosophy and science.

III. To investigate unexplained laws of Nature and the powers latent in man.

3. The Theosophical Society has no concern with politics, caste rules and social observances. It is unsectarian, and demands no assent to any formula of belief, as a qualification of membership.

Membership.

4. Every application for membership must be made on an authorized form, and must be endorsed by two members of the Society and signed by the applicant; but no persons under age shall be admitted without the consent of their guardians.

5. Admission to membership may be obtained through the President of a Branch, the General Secretary of a Section, or the Recording Secretary, and a certificate of membership, bearing the signature of the President and the seal of the Society, and countersigned by one of the above-named officers, shall be issued to the member.

Officers.

6. The Society shall have a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer.

7. The President-Founder, Colonel H. S. Olcott, holds the office of President of the Theosophical Society for life, and has the right of nominating his successor, subject to the ratification of the Society.

8. The term of the Presidency is seven years (subject to the exception named in Rule 7.)

9. The President shall nominate the Vice-President, subject to election by the Society. The Vice-President's term of office shall expire upon the election of a new President.

10. The appointments to the offices of the Recording Secretary and the Treasurer shall be vested in the President.

11. The President shall be the custodian of all the archives and records of the Society, and shall be one of the trustees and administrators for property of all kinds, of which the Society as a whole is possessed.

12. The President shall have the power to make provisional appointments to fill all vacancies that occur in the offices of the Society, and shall have discretionary powers in all matters not specifically provided for in these Rules.

13. On the death or resignation of the President, the Vice-President shall perform the presidential duties until a successor takes office.

Organization.

14. Any seven members may apply to be chartered as a Branch, the application to be forwarded to the President through the Secretary of the nearest Section.

15. The President shall have authority to grant or refuse applications for charters, which, if issued, must bear his signature and the seal of the Society, and be recorded at the Head-quarters of the Society.

16. A Section may be formed by the President of the Society, upon the application of seven or more chartered Branches.

17. All Charters of Sections or Branches, and all certificates of membership, derive their authority from the President, and may be cancelled by the same authority.

18. Each Branch and Section shall have the power of making its own Rules, provided they do not conflict with the general rules of the Society, and the Rules shall become valid unless their confirmation be refused by the President.

19. Every Section must appoint a General Secretary, who shall be the channel of communication between the President and the Section.

20. The General Secretary of each Section shall forward to the President, annually, not later than the 1st day of November, a report of the work of his Section up to that date, and at any time furnish any further information the President may desire.

Administration.

21. The general control and administration of the Society is vested in a General Council, consisting of the President, Vice-President, and the General Secretaries.

22. No person can hold two offices in the General Council.

Election of President.

23. Six months before the expiration of a President's term of office his successor shall be nominated by the General Council, and the nomination shall be sent out by the Vice-President to the General Secretaries and Recording Secretary. Each General Secretary shall take the votes of his Section according to its rules, and the Recording Secretary shall take those of the remaining members of the Society. A majority of two-thirds of the recorded votes shall be necessary for election.

Head-quarters.

24. The Head-quarters of the Society are established at Adyar, Madras, India.

25. The Head-quarters and all other property of the Society, including the Adyar Library, the permanent and other Funds, are vested in the Trustees for the time being of the Theosophical Society appointed or acting under a Deed of Trust dated the 14th day of December 1892, and recorded in the Chingleput District Office, Madras, India.

Finance.

26. The fees payable to the General Treasury by Branches *not comprised within the limits of any Section* are as follows: For Charter, £1; for each Certificate of Membership, 5*s.*; for the Annual Subscription of each member, 5*s.* or equivalents.

27. Unattached Members not belonging to any Section or Branch shall pay an Annual Subscription of £1 to the General Treasury.

28. Each Section shall pay into the General Treasury one-fourth of the total amount received by it from annual dues and entrance fees.

29. The Treasurer's accounts shall be yearly certified as correct by qualified auditors appointed by the President.

Meeting.

30. The Annual General meeting of the Society shall be held at Adyar in the month of December.

31. The President shall also have the power to convene special meetings at discretion.

Revision.

32. The rules of the Society remain in force until amended by the General Council.

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Official.

H. S. Olcott, P. T. S.

C. W. Leadbeater,

Secretary to the Meeting of Council.

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