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General Report of the Bangkok Station
for the year 1896.

The work of our Station is divided into Evangelistic, Educational, Medical and Publishing work, and in that order I will try to sum up the work of this year, but it is difficult to gather the work of any year in such a manner as to give a just impression of what the work or life is.

We live our year believing that each day is the gift of God; we are conscious that the days and hours are full of work, and yet so little of it can ever be put in a report.

EVANGELISTIC.

The year commenced with Mr. Cooper in charge of the Sumray Church, but in June this connection was severed by the church calling Kru Yuan to become their pastor. The ordination and installation of the first Siamese pastor was an event of importance and interest.

The pastor's salary was pledged by the members of the church, so that one church in Siam at last steps into line with the self supporting churches of the world.

Four new members have been added to this church during the year, one new elder and two deacons have been elected.

The Second church of Bangkok at Wang Lang under the care of Mr. Carrington, has received nine new members, four of them being pupils of the H. M. House School.

This church will never be able to do the work it might be expected to do, so long as the church and school are in the same building. It is an injury to the reputation of the school to urge outsiders to attend church services within the compound that is set apart for a girl's boarding school.

I trust the time is not far distant when the Second church will be moved to a suitable location where aggressive work can be done without injury to the girl's school.

The Third Church was organized in February with nine charter members and one elder. The church is under the care of Mr. Snyder. Eleven members have been added since, 4 by letter and 7 by profession, and 6 on probation. Services have been held regularly throughout the year, every Thursday and Sabbath in both Siamese and Chinese. The Chinese Services must depend entirely upon the voluntary work of the Chinese converts who are faithful in preaching the Word to their Chinese brethren.

Mr. Snyder has no difficulty in conducting the Siamese part of the service, but he is often helped by the other missionaries and Siamese assistants.

A Bible class has lately been organized to meet on Thursday evenings and it is conducted in both the above languages, and occa-

tionally pidgeon—English is used to help to make some helpless individuals understand the teachings better.

Regular preaching services have been held at Ayuthia and Paknam and at other places of the city.

Much touring has been done this year by all the gentlemen of the Mission whose work would permit their going, and the Word of God has been preached from the farthest eastern provinces to the Laos States on the north and to the extreme south and west.

The work at Ayuthia has been under the care of Mr. Snyder, where in the floating chapel, which was built this year, services have been held and much house to house visitation done.

Mr. Snyder has given regular attention to Paknam and reports that not only the Sabbath services, but a Sabbath school are held in the building rented by the Mission, and good work is being done there

In July Mr. Snyder and Dr. Toy went on a long and interesting tour to the regions of the north, and after working in the cities and villages along the river, until they reached the Laos States, they gave themselves the pleasure of a hurried visit to their Laos friends, and returned giving a good report.

Dr. Toy and Mr. J. B. Dunlap made a short tour to Nakawn Sitamarat, and Mr. Boon Itt with Kru Huat have just returned from a profitable tour to a distant city of Pichi, of which he writes: "We found the people friendly and well disposed towards our religion. This may be accounted for by the fact that Kru Huat is a well known person in that region, having won a high reputation while in the service of the Governor of Pichi. And also the present Governor of Pechi was at one time a pupil and teacher in Sumray school."

The tour was very encouraging, and if workers could be sent into that region now, it would not be long before a Christian church would be established there.

But the great work of the year in touring has been done as usual by Dr. E. P. Dunlap of which he writes: "I have spent the greater part of the year in making several short and three long tours. The first of the long tours was made in the Mission sail boat "Kalamazoo" down the east coast of the Gulf of Siam." For this tour he had as fellow labourers the devoted native preacher Kru Yuan, his wife, and a colporteur who laboured very faithfully. This tour extended through six provinces almost to the Cambodian line.

The Chief towns along the coast were all reached and the workers by walking long distances laboured in a large number of interior settlements never before reached by the missionary of the Cross.

During the tour they sailed about seven hundred miles, and were privileged to baptize one convert and placed several on probation, and sold 3195 portions of Scripture and tracts.

The second tour extended through four provinces on the west coast of the Gulf of Siam. Mrs. Dunlap accompanied her husband on this

tour that she might labour for the women. They lodged in the new Sala in the city of Nakawn for six weeks, holding daily services thus reaching many from long distances, and encouraging the little church at Nakawn. They also made tours into the interior on elephants, in canoes and on foot, and were kindly received and hospitably entertained by the people. During the tour, seventeen adults, nine men and eight women, and fifteen little ones were baptized and added to Nakawn church, and a good number added to the class of probationers, and the second elder of the Nakawn church was ordained.

This tour extended as far as the city of Singora, the capital of the last Siamese province on the coast and consumed about three months time. The third tour was made in the Siam provinces in the Bay of Bengal side of Siam. Mrs. Dunlap also accompanied her husband on this tour. Their labours began among the Siamese on the island of Penang and extended through several provinces up the coast over into the most southern province of Burma in order to reach the numerous Siamese there. These tours extended through twenty Siamese provinces and the labourers aided by good faithful colporteurs sold 8805 portions of Scripture, Christian books and tracts. Surely good will result from all this literature in the houses of the people.

EDUCATIONAL

Mr. Cooper reports that it was thought best that the day school be moved to a new location where a building had been rented for a preaching place and so could be used both as a chapel and school, a Sabbath school also being organized there.

The school has been in session ten months of the year with an enrollment of thirty four pupils, but the average has been considerably less. The teacher has done faithful work, and the pupils who have been regular have made good progress.

The Christian High School has been in session nine months of the year, and has an enrollment of one hundred boys, four of whom were graduated in March. One member of the senior class and two former pupils have united with the church during the year. The teachers as well as pupils have taken an enthusiastic interest in the school literary society.

They have also started a daily paper of their own, with a different editor for each day of the week, and the reading of this in their literary society, has been one of the chief attractions and a very helpful one.

The routine of the school and course of study has been substantially the same as in recent years.

One new study, Universal History, has been added, but this must needs be taught orally, as there are not in Siamese text-books on that subject.

Throughout August and the beginning of September. Rev. Boon Itt taught the Fourth Grade during the illness of Miss Cooper.

Of the Wang Lang School it may be said that of pupils whose ages vary from 7 to 18 years, our average has been seventy for the year.

A teacher's life is usually intense and busy, but this effort to do the greatest amount of work with the least number of helpers, and those helpers conscious of the fact that they are receiving a minimum salary for their work, brings in a new idea of the word intense.

However the school has grown, and the new building put up with some fear that we were getting too commodious accommodations is now filled to its utmost, and within the last month we have been obliged to turn away seven children whose parents were willing to pay in full for them.

We consider our class-room work by far the easiest part of our duties, for this is not so much a school as it is a home, and the constant care for the children day and night, of their health and of their sicknesses is a work that can not be reported in detail.

Our house can accommodate but eighty. Eighty little bodies cared for, eighty little minds disciplined, eighty little souls taught that the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand, the lump sum is delightful, but we get sadly weary working up the units.

It has become necessary through our stress of work in school and our failing health, to engage a new teacher this year above the number asked for in our appropriation from the Board.

But since we have been enabled to meet all of her salary from outside sources otherwise not obtained, we wait to obtain the approval of the Board.

It is not easy for any of us engaged in this school to do much evangelistic work, but beside the Sabbath school that is maintained here, Miss Dunlap has a Sabbath school at one of the preaching places.

We have done some house visiting, but our chief work has been with the people who come to visit us. I have not kept a list of these visitors but I am sure it would reach over a thousand at least, who have come to us for entertainment, and to whom we have spoken as we could of Christianity.

The school has attempted a little literary work of a very practical nature this year. Some years ago, the older pupils translated a cook-book for their drill in English, but this year we took up the old manuscript and added some Siamese recipes and put the whole in shape, and had an edition of five hundred printed.

The experiment has proved quite a financial success, has not only paid for its printing, but also assisted the Wang Lang Hospital to build the dividing wall between the two pieces of property. This is the wall for which we have been asking funds from the Board for the last three years, and we rejoice that through the labours of Dr. Adamsen, who has charge of this Government Hospital, the worm-eaten, tottering fence has at last given place to this much needed wall.

PRESS.

The manager of the press, the Rev. J. B. Dunlap, reports that

the work of the press has been ably supported by the efficient services of every member of the Literature committee and by the voluntary contributions of at least two other members of the mission, whose work has been examined, approved and ordered published by the Literature Committee. As a result we have added more new and helpful literature to our publications this year than in many recent years.

Two of these have direct reference to Scripture study. Thus far our Scripture publications have been for the American Bible Society and according to their rules contain only the translation of the simple text without references or comparisons of similar Scripture. So that "Outlines of the Life of Christ" or "Harmony of the gospel account of the Life of Christ" prepared by Rev. E. P. Dunlap, D. D. and the "Outlines of Acts of the Apostle, establishing the early churches," prepared by Miss L. J. Cooper are most valuable helps to Siamese students of the New Testament. Following these, comes another new publication that cannot fail to be interesting either to Christian or heathen readers. That is the "Progress of the Gospel in Formosa and Madagascar," prepared by Rev. E. P. Dunlap, D. D.

Both these places have attracted much attention lately and the appearance of this tract on this subject is timely. "Christian Greetings" or Salutations is the subject of a smaller tract prepared by Dr. J. B. Thompson, intended for free distribution chiefly in colporteur and evangelistic work among strangers and new places.

The division of the work of our Mission Paper "Day break," among three Editors has made the work a much lighter burden than it must have been formerly for one man. The assistant Editors, the Revs. Boon Itt and McClure have rendered their full share of contributions to its pages. So that we can claim at least one advantage, that is, a variety that was impossible when the majority of all the contributions to its pages were the productions of one man.

The subscriptions of natives have increased and nearly all the large subscriptions for 12, 15, or 18 copies by single Missionaries have dropped to one or two copies for personal use. The present actual subscription list is 372 which is about as large as any of the local papers.

We have been repeatedly asked to make a weekly or bi-monthly issue and the suggestion has been made that we should discourse on the management of the local government and other matters relating to the state.

Thankful acknowledgements are due also to Rev. A. W. Cooper, Dr. J. B. Thompson and Rev. E. P. Dunlap, D. D. for valuable contributions to the "Day break."

In this report here, the revision of all former publications examined by the Literature committee and pulished again this year is omitted.

But simply mention that the translation of the Shorter Catechism and the sermons that were prepared by Dr. S. G. McFarland after

about fifteen years connection with the Mission were first printed by this Mission more than fifteen years ago.

During this last year just before he returned to America, Dr. McFarland carefully examined these and put his final touches on them and by order of the literature committee these have been reprinted again.

The following publications, omitting the mention of a large numbers of smaller job work will show the direct work of the press for the last year. All the Scriptures printed were for the American Bible Society, and were printed by order of the local agent, the Rev. John Carrington.

STATISTICS.

Printed	The Gospel according to St. John	15,000	copies
"	Esther	10,205	"
"	Gospel of John (large type)	5,000	"
"	Epistle to the Ephesians	2,500	"
"	Epistles of John.	10,000	"
	Scripture	Total	42,705 or 1,770,823 pps.
Printed	Mission paper "Day break"	4,800	copies
"	Bi-monthly letter of Bangkok } and Petchaburee stations }	6,500	"
"	Christian Almanac.	2,000	"
"	Catalogue of Christian High School	400	"
"	Commencement invitations "	200	"
"	Commencement programmes "	200	"
"	S. S. Lesson and golden texts for yr.	400	"
"	Harriet House Sch. Cook Book	500	"
"	Department Blanks for H. M. H. Sch.	500	"
"	Ten Commandments	10,000	"
"	Practice of Medicine	500	"
"	Gospel Proverbs (revised)	10,000	"
"	Government P. O. Report	100	"
"	Shorter Catechism	2,000	"
"	Relation of Husband and Wife	500	"
"	Christian Salutations	1,600	"
"	Scripture Cards	24,250	"
"	Outline of the Life of Christ	1,000	"
"	Outlines of the Acts of the Apostles	500	"
"	Progress of Gospel in Formosa and } Madagascar }	4,000	"
"	Sermons by Rev. S. G. McFarland	{ 1st 4000 2nd 3000 3rd 3000 4th 4000	"
	Total exclusive of Scriptures	83,950	1,648,150 pps.

The above statistics together with miscellaneous job work make the total number of pages printed about four million.

The covering and binding are not so large as last year because we commenced the year with a full stock all ready covered.

The number of volumes bound in board is over	1,000
Portion of Scriptures covered	25,326
Tracts and Christian books	18,250

Among the pleasant events of the year has been a visit from Dr. and Mrs. Peoples and Dr. Mary Bowman the first lady physician to come to Siam. They were enroute for Muang Nan but it was pleasant for us that they were obliged to spend several weeks here waiting for their Laos boats.

We have lately welcomed the coming and sped the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Callendar on their way to Lakawn. And then one more welcome this year, a warm glad welcome to the little new daughter to Mr. Snyder's home.

Among the events to be regretted was the departure in March of Mr. and Mrs. Eakin for their home for lough and much-needed rest. In May we bade farewell to Dr. and Mrs. McFarland. They have labored for Siam thirty-four years and although they were not in the Mission all of that time, still they were always in Christian work, and their labors for Siam still live in the Christian Literature they gave to Siam.

Dr. McFarland had charge of the Wang Lang Church many years after leaving the Mission.

And now at the close of this Report we would as a Mission ascribe all praise and thanks-giving to God who hath kept us in the way.

Respectfully submitted,

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General Report of the Rajaburee Station.

for the year 1896.

During the last twelve months the desire of the Mission for larger quarters has been gratified. Before last year's meetings closed a committee was appointed to secure a place, and this committee at once proceeded to Rajaburee to meet the Minister of the Interior, Prince Damrong, at the time of the King's visit to the Rajaburee Province. Prince Damrong offered a piece of land with several buildings on it. It is considerably larger than the place we then had, and is an excellent place for a Mission Station; but since the buildings were very much out of repair, time and labor had to be spent to put them in order, and hence, as one might expect, the usual work suffered to some extent.

EVANGELISTIC WORK.

There have been Sabbath services throughout the year. In these we were helped by Dr. E. P. Dunlap, Dr. Adamsen, Mr. Boon Itt and Mr. Eckels also Dr. Thompson and Mr. McClure. The attendance was always fair, but after we had moved to the new quarters, it fell off considerably, for the building, which at present we use as chapel; stands far back from the road and is enclosed by a wall. With sorrow we report the fact that people who ought to have been attending, viz: Church members, excepting those in our employ, were seldom seen at worship on the Sabbath day. Christians in a heathen land who habitually neglect public worship, do not keep the Sabbath also in other matters, and though the Church roll shows that they are members in good standing they cannot maintain their character and standing as Christians. Besides injuring their own spiritual welfare, they form one of the greatest hindrances to the spread of the Gospel in their neighborhood and to the establishment of a live church.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The Sunday School has been well attended by the pupils of the school, the average attendance being 52. It is divided into three classes, taught by the teachers of the schools and the writer of this report.

MEDICAL WORK.

Compared with the statistics of the previous year, this work was forty per cent. lighter, since the number of prescriptions, sales, and attendance amount to only 1570 against 2570 in 1895. The visits made to patients in their homes number 64. This great decrease is traceable to several causes. First of all the government has sent a physician to the Rajaburee Province, who vaccinates free to all who apply to him, hence our work in this line has been practically nil. Again the King's visit which drew a large concourse of people to the town, instead of increasing the number of patients decreased it considerably. Before, during and after his visit the sales were quite few. Another cause may be found in the fact, that we moved from our old quarters and many people not finding us at the old place would turn away without inquiring after our present location. Then again during the month of August when the whole country was several feet under water, the people in the village found it difficult to come into town. Lastly the advance in the price of medicines and surgical work, may have kept away not a few, and to my certain knowledge has kept away some. This advance in price does not mean that the dispensing of medicine free has been discontinued; on the contrary it means that where as formerly in order to come up to the estimated receipts, the poor had to pay alike with the well to do, now the burden falls largely on the latter. The former practice of charging less to the poor has been abandoned, and a new practice which is a still under trial has been substituted, namely, when a longer treatment is necessary to treat the poor free. Notwithstanding the large falling off in patients the receipts show a decline of but five per cent. The number of in patients is sixteen of which all but four were surgical cases.

Boy's SCHOOL.

This school has been in session nearly ten months. The long vacation was necessarily extended one week on account of moving; the number of pupils enrolled during the year is fifty three, daily average attendance twenty three and two fifths. The flood during the month of August kept most of the boys away, with this exception the attendance during the last six months has been very good, notwithstanding the tuition has been raised to double the former amount. The teachers "Kru Wan" and "Teau Pow" have done good faithful work. The latter, who is now a professing Christian, has charge of the devotional half hour, and his prayers and living example must in time tell on the young minds under his training.

GIRL'S SCHOOL.

The Girl's School has also increased in numbers as well as in interest the number of girls enrolled during the year is twenty seven, average attendance fifteen. The girls have been prompt in paying their tuition and are always ready to pay for their books, slates &c. The Teacher in this school is also a Christian and has given good satisfaction. In both schools the total enrollment is eighty, average daily attendance thirty eight.

The Bible Reader (Kim Hong) has taught fifty one days, giving the story of Christ (illustrated) in many homes. She has also helped in teaching the patients and women who visit us in our homes. Moving, heavy rains and sickness have prevented us from doing more of this much needed work in this town.

E. Wachter.