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Baptist Historical Society.

REPORT for 1916.

FOR the ninth year, the work of the Society has gone forward steadily. Research and transcription have been prosecuted with increasing difficulty, but fortunately accumulated material is still in hand, and will be available during the coming year.

By arrangement with the Baptist Union Publication Department, members in class A for the years 1916, 1917, 1918, are being supplied with two volumes of *A Baptist Bibliography* compiled by Dr. Whitley, which registers all material relevant to the history of our denomination within the Empire. The first volume has already been issued, covering the period from the earliest New Testament printed in English, till the Declaration of Independence by the United States of America, when Baptist life was almost at its nadir. The second volume, now in the press, will extend to the accession of Queen Victoria, when Baptist churches were to be found in all the oversea dominions of the Empire, now freed from the curse of slavery.

Thanks are due to the Baptist Missionary Society for the first five volumes of the *Periodical Accounts*, completing a valuable set: to the Baptist Unions of Great Britain and Ireland, and of Scotland, for catalogues of their libraries: also to Mr. Oliver Knott for several manuscripts, and to Dr. Wolfenden for many *Baptist Magazines*. Bound volumes of this publication for 1866-1885 will be welcome, as also sets of the *Primitive Church* and other extinct periodicals.

Amongst the members who have died during the year should be mentioned Mr. Charles H. Greene of Michigan, whose knowledge of the Seventh-Day Baptists was unique.

GEO. P. GOULD, *President*.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR 1916.

To	£	s.	d.
Balance from 1915	164	10	5
Annual Subscriptions	67	4	11
Temporary Advances	54	10	11
	<u>£286</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>

By	£	s.	d.
Printing and Publishing :—			
Works of John Smyth	246	17	8
<i>Transactions</i> , Vol. V., Part 1	19	17	0
Printing and Advertising	1	10	6
Research Expenses	1	2	10
Temporary Advance Repaid	4	10	11
Stationery, Stamps, &c.	1	4	1
Balance forward to 1917	11	3	3
	<u>£286</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>

OUTSTANDING LIABILITIES.

1.1.1917.	£	s.	d.
<i>Transactions</i> , Vol. V., Part 2	21	18	6
Temporary Advance	50	0	0
	<u>£71</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>6</u>

J. W. THIRTLE, *Hon. Treasurer.*

Examined and found correct, there being a balance of £11 3s. 3d. in bank, and outstanding liabilities amounting to £71 18s. 6d.

HAROLD KNOTT, *Hon. Auditor.*

23.4.17.