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THE NEAR EAST

The Near East presents at this time a situation that should command not only the attention but the sympathy and the cooperation of all Christians.

Politically, Turkey, Armenia, Mesopotamia and Arabia are the storm centers in which mutually hostile forces are contending and where the entire area is in unstable equi-Without outside assistance, and that soon, long librium. continued peace-such even as now exists-seems impossi-Within the country outlined there exists no governble. ment capable of maintaining order or of affording the people there even a semblance of justice. The country expectantly awaits the ratification of the League of Nations by the United States, hoping that soon thereafter the League will begin to function and something effective will America's delay may cause the sacrifice of eventuate. hundreds of thousands of lives in Turkey and Armenia. The suffering, due to the Turkish atrocities of five years ago and the subsequent misery, appeals mightily for the continued sympathy of the benevolent people of America.

Tens of thousands of Armenian, Greek and Syrian orphans and thousands of Christian girls and women rescued from Moslem homes are wholly dependent upon American philanthropy, and, while present conditions prevail, their need will persist. The Near East Relief has not yet fathomed all the depths of misery and need that make that land of the Bible a land of heart-breaking sorrow and mourning. Here is a call to Christian America to

CLASSIFIED LIST OF BOOKS IN THE URDU LANGUAGE SUITED TO MOSLEM READERS

The Urdu language grew up with the Mohammedan conquest of India. It was the lingua Franca for all business purposes in North India. The English Government has adopted Urdu and the Persian character of the language for all its courts and departmental offices. It is taught in all the primary and grammar schools, together with the Persian language as a classic. This is the language and character for the literature published for Moslems in the Punjab and a large part of the United. Provinces of Agra and Oudh, and the Mohammedans themselves publish their newspapers and general literature in Persian Urdu. For this reason the missionaries have used this language and character for all publications addressed to Mohammedans. The Bible and all Scripture portions are also printed in this language and character.

For Christians, the Roman character has been widely used, but many prefer the Persian character. The number of people who use the Urdu language is generally estimated at 100,000,000; but the literates capable of reading Persian Urdu may be estimated at no more than 5,000,000. This represents a very large portion of the Moslem people in India. I cannot now give the official statistics on this point.

This language is the medium through which the Gospel can be brought to Moslems in North and West India. The publishing societies—Bible, Tract and Book Societies have been publishing extensive literature in this language and character for three-quarters of a century. Mission and private presses in Ludhiana, Lahore, Amritsar, Allahabad, Lucknow, Agra and elsewhere are busy printing

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and publishing in this language. Scores of books and tracts have gone out of print where new and better tracts and books have been written by men whose knowledge of Islam has enabled them to understand the thoughts of the people and so at once to avoid offending the reader by unjust and unnecessary offensive statements and at the same time to present the Truth in a way to attract the Moslem reader.

I shall now give a summary of the most important publications available for use among Moslems. (These are all printed in the Persian character.)

I. LIVES AND STUDIES OF CHRIST

- 1. Hayátúl Masih (Life of Christ) by Rev. Talib-ud-Din, B. A., pp. 238, 8vo. Illustrated.
- 2. Isa ki Sirat (The Character of Christ). Bushnell, pp. 40, 8vo.
- 3. Masih ka Namuna (Image of Christ), Stalker, p. 288, 8vo.
- 4. Masih ki Talim (Teaching of Christ), James Robertson, pp. 319, 8vo.
- 5. Tawarikh u'l Masih (A History of Christ) by Dr. Maulvi Imadud-Din, 2 vols., pp. 87 and 140, 8vo.
- 6. Yisu Masih si Giriftári aur Maut. (The Arrest and Death of Jesus Christ), Stalker, pp. 308, 8vo.
- 7. Zinda Masih aur Anajil-i-Arba (The Living Christ and the Four Gospels) Dale and translated by Rev. Tálib-ud-Din, pp. 232, 8vo.
- 8. Hayát-i-Paulus (Life of St. Paul), Stalker, translated by Rev. Canon I. Ali Bakhsh, pp. 112, 8vo.
- 9. Kawa'if-us-Saha'if (The Nature of the Books) by Rev. Maulvi Imad-ud-Din, D. D., pp. 198, 8vo.
- 10. Masihi Mazhab ke Ibtidai Halat (The Beginnings of Christianity) pp. 135, 8vo.
- 11. Tahqiq-i-Baibal (Investigation of the Bible) by Marcus Dodds, translated by Rev. Tálib-ud-Din, pp. 154, 8vo.
- 12. Tulu i Aftáb i Sadāqát (Rising of the Sun of Righteousness) pp. 172, 8vo.

II. THEOLOGY-DOGMATIC AND DOCTRINAL

- Masihi Din ki Usuli Báten (Fundamentals of the Christian Faith) Bishop Moule. (Outline of Christian Doctrine, pp. 166, 8vo.
 Mu'jizat-i-Masih (Miracles of Christ), by Rev. Talib ud Din,
- 14. Mu'jizat-i-Masih (Miracles of Christ), by Rev. Talib ud Din, pp. 322, 8vo.
- 15. Muqaddama-i-Mu'jizat-i-Masih (Introduction to the Miracles of Christ) by Rev. Talib-ud-din, B. A., pp. 107, 8vo.
- 16. Tasdiqi Kitab (Verification of the Book) pp. 31, 8vo.
- 17. Tashrihul Taslith (An Exposition of the Trinity) D. M. Thomas, pp. 212, 12mo.
- 18. Masihi ka 'Aqida (The Faith of a Christian, Bp. Gore, translated by L. Chandu Lál, pp. 164, 8vo.

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III. Apologetics—Evidence of Christianity

- Bailbal aur Ségar Kutúb i Mugaddiso (The Bible and other Sacred 19. Books), by M. L. Rallia Ram, pp. 56, 16mo.
- Hal-i-Mushkilát (Solution of Difficulties), by Prof. J. Orr, trans-20. lated. 2 vols., pp. 200 and 114, 8vo.
- Haqiqat-i-Masih (The Faith of Christ), Rev. Talib-ud-Din, B. A. 21. pp. 168, 8vo.
- Mas'ala-i-Kaffara (Doctrine of Atonement), by Rev. J. Qalandar, 22. pp. 13, 8vo.
- Tajassam ka Mas'ala (Doctrine of Incarnation of Christ), Rev. J. 23.
- Qalandar, pp 22, 8vo. Najat ki Talim (Doctrine of Salvation), Rev. Canon Hooper, 24. Translated by Rev. Talib-ud-Din, pp. 228, 8vo. **D**. **D**.
- Pesh Khabr-i-an-Masih ke haqq men (Prophecies concerning 25. Christ), pp. 68, 8vo.
- 26. Tuhfatúl Ulama (A gift for the learned), Rev. A. Broadhead, D.D., pp. 80, 8vo.
- Yisu Masih Kaun tha (Who was Jesus Christ), Norman Macleod, 27. translated by Prof. Muhammad Ismail, pp. 40, 8vo.
- 28. Abdúl Masih Wald Ishaq Kandi (The Apology of Al Kandi), translated from the Arabic by Rev. Imad-ud-Din, pp. 204, 8vo.
- 29. Al Masihiyat wa'l Islám (Christianity and Islam), Rev. J. Qalandar, pp. 198, 8vo.
- Al Quran (A new translation into Urdu by Rev. Ahmad Shah, 30. pp. 508, 8vo.
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- Asmar-i-Shirin (Sweet Firstfruits), translated from the Arabic, 32. pp. 270, 16mo.
- Dáwat-i-Islam (An Invitation to Islam), Dr. Wm. Muir's 33. "Moslems Invited to Read the Bible," translated by Rev. J. David and S. Nihal Singh, pp. 56, 8vo.
- Din-i-Islam (Faith of Islam), by Rev. E. M. Wherry, D. D., 34. translated by Prof. Muhammed Ismail, B. A., pp. 52, 12mo.
- Din-i-Islam aur us ki Tordid oz ru-i-Islam, by Rev. E. M. Wherry, 35. D. D., translated by Prof. Muhammed Ismail, B. A., pp. 32. 12mo.
- Fasahutu'l Quran (The Eloquence of the Quran, by M. Akbar 36. Masih, pp. 180, 8vo.
- Ganjúna-i-Islam (Treasury of Islam), by Rev. E. M. Wherry, 37. D. D., (Roman Urdu), pp. 146, 8vo. (Text Book).
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- Hidayat ul Mumtarin (Guidance to Doubters), by Rev. E. M. 40. Wherry, D. D., 8vo.
- Hidayat ul Muslimin (A Guide to Moslems), by Rev. Imad-ud-**4**I. Din, D. D., pp. 390, 8vo.
- Injil-i-Barnabas (The Gospel of Barnabas) by Salim Abdul Ahd and Rev. W. H. T. Gairdner, translated by Prof. Muhammad 42. Ismail, B. A., pp. 45, 12mo.
- **4**3. Injil-i-Daud (The Gospel of David), by the Rt. Rev. Bishop French, pp. 350, 8vo.
- Injil ya Quran (The Bible or the Quran), by Rev. G. L. Thakur 44. Das, pp. 184, 8vo.

- Islam men Masih (Christ in Islam), by Rev. W. Goldsack, trans-45. lated by Prof. Muhammad Ismail, B. A., pp. 45, 12mo.
- Khuda-i-Islam (The God of Islam), by Rev. W. Goldsack, trans-46.
- lated by Prof. Muhammed Ismail, B. A., pp. 45, 12mo. I'tirazul Muslimin ma' Jawabat (Moslem Objections with answers) by Dr. St. Clair Tisdall, translated by Rev. Ahmad Shah, 47. pp. 148, 8vo.
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- Miftah-ul-Asrar (The Key to Mysteries), Dr. Pfander, pp. 84, 49. On Divinity and Holy Trinity. 8vo.
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- Tauqid ul Khiyalat (A criticism of thoughts, by the Rev. Dr. 69. This book is a series of tracts intended to refute Imad-ud-Din. the naturalistic form of Islam put forth by Sir Sayed Ahmad Khan, C. S. I.

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- 81. Izhar-i-Iswi (Christian Declarative), by Rev. G. L. Thakur Das.
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- 86. Review-i-Burkhan-i-Ahmadi (An Exposure of Ghulan Ahmad of Qadian.)
- 87. Salasat-ul-Kutub (On the Holy Trinity).
- 88. Tahqiq ul Iman (Investigation of the Faith), by Rev. Imad-ud-Din, D. D.
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- 2. The Atonement (Goldsack)
- The Atonement (Goldsack) Twenty tracts by Rev. G. H. Rouse for special use among Moslems: The Names of God—The Sinless Prophet—The Paraclete—The Fatiha—Isaac and Ishmael—The Day of Judgment—God Our Father—The Ten Commandments of God—Are the Gospels Abrogated?—Prophecies Concerning Christ—Christ or Mohammad 3. mad-On Prayer-Jesus Christ-On Fasting-On Mohammad-Integrity of the Gospels-The Quran-The True Islam-The Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

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23. On Sin (A. E. Day).

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Law and Grace (Newton). The Nature of Repentance. 27.

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The Literature needed for Moslems in the New Era is two-fold:

(a) A Spiritual literature addressed to men, not as Moslems, or Hindus, but as sinners needing to be reconciled to God and filled by His Spirit.

(b) A Scriptural apologetic, holding up Jesus Christ as the Saviour of the world whose law of liberty must become the only law of life.

This will necessitate a revision of much of the literature already published for the defense of the faith and for the overthrow of Islam. In its day that literature has not been useless. It was largely forced upon us by the Moslems themselves. Moslem converts like Maulvé Imad ud Din, Sayed Abdulla Athim, Talib ud Din, J. Qalandar, Safdar Ali, met their antagonists on their own ground and defeated them. Naturally other Indian Christians took up the same weapons. Men like G. L. Thakur Das, Fazl Babu Ram Chandar, and Thomas Howell became recognized champions of the Christian faith. On the European side a more learned polemic was maintained. Sir William Muir, Canon E. W. Sell, Dr. St. Clair Tisdall, G. H. Rouse and others have practically covered the whole sphere of controversy with Orthodox Islam, from the standpoint of Orthodox Islam; heterodox movements have risen so that now the champions of Islam belong to the ranks of the Ahmadiya and Baha'i sects. These are being met by Christian writers. But the New Era movement now inaugurated depends more upon an earnest endeavor to circulate widely the word of God and by personal work with individuals persuade them to read the Bible and especially the Gospels. This with a spiritual literature setting forth the life and doctrine of Christ will

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avail to turn multitudes of Moslems into the way of the Church of the Living God. A great deal of good is being done through the English language by the publications of the Christian Literature Society for India (Islam Series). Such writers as Canon Sell, E. M. Wherry, Wm. Goldsack, J. Takle, H. J. Lane Smith, H. U. W. Stanton, J. J. Lucas, H. D. Griswold and Siraj ud Din, have done excellent work.

The new literature for Moslems will include, Urdu Commentaries on the four Gospels and Acts, written for the Moslem mind; an Urdu work on the Holy Spirit (modelled on Christian Dynamic) by J. F. Edwards; works on Jesus in History, Jesus in Life (McFadyen); The Fact of Christ (P. Carnegie Simpson); Christ and Womanhood; Christ and the Children or Christ and the Home. A long list of tracts dealing with Practice and Religion, Christian Graces, Temperance and Social Service, etc.

This literature should be prepared during a period of seven to ten years and would approximately cost, I estimate, about R15,000 annually.

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