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RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

- I.—That this Society be called the “ Calcutta Young Men’s Christian Association.”
- II.—That the basis of the Association be evangelical, and the object, the religious and intellectual improvement of Young Men.
- III.—That it be un-Sectarian.
- IV.—That the Association shall consist of Governing Members, Honorary Members, and Members.
- V.—That the Governing Members and Hony. Members shall be Members of Christian Churches, or individuals well known to Christian Ministers and Laymen, to be persons of religious character.
- VI.—That the Honorary Members shall be Governing Members.
- VII.—That any person who shall be nominated by a Member, upon payment of the Current Subscription, shall be admitted to the privileges of the Institution, subject to the approval of the Committee. Every Member shall be bound to conform to the Regulations of the Institution.
- VIII.—That the affairs of the Association be conducted by a General Committee, to be elected by the Governing Members from among themselves, and from the Honorary Governing Members of the Association.
- IX.—The means by which the object of the Association are to be carried out :—
 1. Religious instruction, comprising every subject which can be brought to bear in the elucidation and illustration of the Word of God.

2. Lectures on Religious, Scientific, and Literary subjects, having a religious bearing.
 3. A Library and Reading Room.
The Library to consist of works of a Religious, Scientific, and Literary character, the same being approved by the Library Committee.
 4. Discussion on Religious, Scientific, and Literary subjects, to be held under the management of the Committee, or Governing Members.
 5. The encouragement of devotional and other Meetings, calculated to promote the welfare of Young Men.
 6. Obtaining acquaintance with Young Men newly arrived in the Country, introducing them to Christian circles, and recommending to them respectable places of residence.
 7. The co-operation of Ministers of Religion, and establishment of Bible Classes adapted to the capacities of Young Men.
 8. The employment of any instrumentality not opposed to Christian principles, and which may be calculated to promote the religious and intellectual improvement of Young Men, resident in, or visiting Calcutta.
 9. The formation of kindred institutions in other parts of the country.
 10. That the Subscription be One Rupee a month, for Governing Members and Members, and that Donations be solicited from the Public.
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BYE-LAWS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

1st.—That all Meetings connected with the Association shall be opened and closed with devotional exercises.

2nd.—That the office-bearers and General Committee, consisting of twelve Honorary Members and twelve Governing Members, shall be elected annually by the Governing Members from among themselves.

3rd.—That the General Committee shall meet once a month, five to form a quorum; and that the Chairman be nominated at the time of Meeting.

4th.—That a fortnight's notice shall be given to the Secretaries of all motions.

5th.—That a Special Meeting of Governing Members shall be held as often as may seem requisite, to elect additional Governing Members, from a list to be given one month previously to the Secretaries by Governing Members.

6th.—That Honorary Members shall be elected at any Meeting of the General Committee, subject to the confirmation of a Meeting of Governing Members.

7th.—That the Association shall meet weekly for the following purposes:—

1.—Devotional exercises and the study of the Word of God.

2.—Reading of a paper or essay upon a subject previously approved by the General Committee, to be followed by remarks of the Members.

3.—Discussions on subjects, previously approved by the General Committee, under the provision, that the time occupied by each speaker, be limited to fifteen minutes.

4.—Public Lectures.

8th.—That the weekly Meetings of the Association be presided over by a Chairman, or in his absence, a Deputy-Chairman: both to be appointed monthly.

9th.—That no political or dogmatical discussion shall be permitted.

10th.—That all Members shall be at liberty to introduce one or two gentlemen to the weekly Meetings of the Association, and one lady to the public lectures.

11th.—That the admission fees for non-members to the Public Lectures shall be for a single ticket, or one to admit a Lady and Gentleman one Rupee, and for a Young Person eight annas: or, for a course of six Lectures, for a single ticket, or one to admit a Lady and Gentleman Co.'s Rs. 4, and for a Young Person Co.'s Rs. 2.

12th.—That the business of the Association shall be conducted by two Joint Secretaries and a Treasurer.

P r e s i d e n t :

G. F. COCKBURN, Esq., C. S.

C o m m i t t e e o f M a n a g e m e n t :

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Mr. C. S. Lerescche.

T r e a s u r e r :

Mr. Jas. Galloway.

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During seven months, beginning January, 1855.

Tuesday, January 9.—**ESSAY**:—Native Education in Bengal.

Tuesday, January 16.—**DISCUSSION**:—What are the prevailing Tendencies of the Writings of the Novelists of the present day?

Tuesday, February 6.—**DEVOTION**:—Portions of Scripture:
—Genesis xxviii.—Galatians v.

Rev. J. Richards, in the Chair.

Tuesday, February 13.—**ESSAY**:—Chemistry, as a Guide to the Appreciation of the Wisdom of the Creator.

Tuesday, February 27.—**PUBLIC LECTURE**.—On the Influence of the Writings of Lord Bacon—
By the Rev. Thos. Smith.

Tuesday, March 13.—**DISCUSSION**:—*How* does the Civilization of the present vary from the Civilization of the past?

Tuesday, March 27.—**Public Lecture**.—On the Geography of the *Jordan* and the *Dead Sea*, in connection with the proposal to form a ship-canal from the Red Sea to the Mediterranean—By the Rev. J. Mullens.

Tuesday, April 10.—**ESSAY**:—Geology, with Notices of the connected Sciences.

Tuesday, April 24.—**Public Lecture**.—On Poetry. By the Rev. E. Storror.

Tuesday, May 8.—**DEVOTION**:—Portions of Scripture:—Psalm lxxii.—Acts iv.
Rev. T. Boaz, L. L. D., in the Chair.

Tuesday, May 22.—**DISCUSSION**:—What are the prevailing Tendencies of the Writings of the Novelists of the present day?

Tuesday, June 5.—**ESSAY**:—Alchymy and the Alchymists.

Tuesday, June 19.—**Public Lecture**.—On Reading. By the Rev. T. Boaz, L. L. D.

Tuesday, July 12 — **PUBLIC LECTURE.**—On Singing. By
E. Clinger, Esq.

Tuesday, July 3 — **DEVOTION:**—Portions of Scripture:
—Judges vii.—John x.

Rev. J. Milne, in the Chair.

Tuesday, July 31.—**ESSAY:**—Life and Character of Crom-
well.

