

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1911.

The past year will be memorable in the annals of the Siam Society owing to the fact that the Society has now a reigning Sovereign for its Patron. His Majesty the King of Siam, while still Crown Prince, always took great interest in the Society and has now graciously consented to become the Patron. The Council and Members of the Society are deeply sensible of the high honour that has thus been conferred upon the Siam Society, and sincerely trust that a new era of progress and prosperity will attend the Society's future.

The membership during the past year, shows an increase of two, and now stands at a total of 104, eleven members having either resigned or left the country, and thirteen new members have been elected during 1911. The financial position of the Society still continues to be satisfactory, there being a bank balance of Ticals 1,786 Stgs 42 to the Society's credit.

Although up to now, but one paper has been read before the Society during the year under consideration, a fair number of papers have been published in the Journal, and there is every prospect of an excellent output for 1912.

Particular mention should be made of the papers by Nai Thien, on the Early Relations between Siam and Burma, which authorities have declared will become the standard work on a most interesting, though hitherto little-known, period in the history of two of the more important Eastern nations.

Dr. Hight has also most kindly promised a report on the Meteorology of Siam for the last ten years, and it is also expected that the paper on the Attitudes of the Buddha by Dr. Frankfurter will be published early in the present year. Publication of this latter has been delayed owing to the difficulties experienced in getting the blocks for the illustrations made. As this paper will be fully illustrated with representations of the various attitudes, taken from the most authentic sources, it cannot fail to be of great value to those who are interested in the subject.

The Council have decided that the back numbers of the Journal be made up as far as possible into complete sets which will be obtainable only by those who are members of the Society. As the number of such complete sets is strictly limited (there being only twenty-five) and as they are not likely to be reprinted, members who may be desirous of possessing a complete set should bear this fact in mind. The complete set up to date consists of eight volumes, containing a mine of information not otherwise accessible dealing with scientific and other matters of general interest connected with one of the most interesting countries of the East.

Bangkok, February 1st, 1912.

B. O. CARTWRIGHT,
Hon. Secretary.

O. FRANKFURTER, PH. D.
President.

ACCOUNTS OF THE SIAM SOCIETY FOR THE YEAR 1911.

Credit.

Debit.

				Ticals.	Cts.					Ticals.	Cts.
By Balance at Bank	31-12-10	...	..	2,114	20	To Lenz & Co., expenses of Magic Lantern				15	00
Cash in hand	31-12-10	...	...	—	28	Printing, binding and issuing Journal				1,484	65
Subscriptions	...	...	...	1,060	00	Draft on London £1-6-0	...	..		17	12
Sale of Journal	...	...	...	131	15	Stationery	...	...	...	2	00
Interest 1%	30-6-11	...	...	10	08	Stamps	...	...	...	10	58
" "	31-12-11	...	...	7	76	Excess postage	...	...	...	—	20
						Cash in hand	31-12-11	7	50
						Balance at Bank	31-12-11	1,786	42
Total ...				3,323	47	Total ...				3,323	47

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2nd January, 1912.

O. FRANKFURTER,
President.

C. A. S. SEWELL,
Hon. Treasurer.