

ANNUAL REPORT 1921.

The year 1921 has been a memorable one in the history of the SIAM SOCIETY, in fact it might be described as the *Annus Mirabilis* of the Institution. Ever since the War, the membership had been growing smaller and beautifully less;—ordinary General Meetings had been of very rare occurrence, and to the outward eye the Siam Society seemed to be approaching the moribund condition. But during the past year great events have happened, and the Society is now in a stronger position than it has ever been since its foundation in the year 1904. During that period the Society has lost only 4 members, three resigning and one through death. The Ordinary Membership stands at 187, of which no less than 120 have been elected during the year 1921. It is also a pleasure to notice that the Siamese are taking more interest in the Society, there being now 10 members of that nationality.

Turning to the work of the Society for the past year, four Ordinary General Meetings have been held, at which papers of great interest were read by Messrs. Coëdès, Hansen, Sewell, and Seidenfaden. Much good work has been done by the Ethnological Sub-committee which, in reply to the "questionnaire" circulated by the Society have received very valuable answers from Chiangmai, dealing with the Red and the White Karens, Shans, Yaos, Lü and Meo. It is most gratifying to note that these answers have come from Siamese, who are thus showing their interest in their own country. It is a matter for regret that only two parts of the Journal have appeared this year, but the Publishing Sub-committee have now plenty of material on hand, and can promise a much larger output for 1922. The Council also expects to have a good programme of interesting papers to be read before the Society during the year. Good progress is being made with the printing of the Rev. R. Halliday's Mon-English Dictionary 150 pages having been already printed off. It is hoped that the said work will be published before the middle of 1922. In July a Dinner was held at the Hotel Royal to celebrate the fact of the Society's having attained its 100th member. H. R. H. Prince Damrong, the Vice-Patron of the Society was present and a very pleasant evening was spent.

From the statement of accounts, it will be seen that the Society is in a very sound financial position and thus the year 1922 opens with the brightest prospects.

B. O. CARTWRIGHT,

Hon. Secretary.

Statement of accounts for 1921.

Receipts.			Ticals	Stgs.	Expenditure.			Ticals	Stgs.
Balance from 1920, at Hongkong & Shan- ghai Bank ...			1,473	84	Bookcase ...		360	00	
Subscriptions received for 1920			220	00	Stationery ...		42	65	
do. do. 1921			3,345	00	Refreshments at General Meetings ...		78	90	
do. do. 1922			150	00	Dinner on 2nd July 1921 ...		245	00	
Sale of Journal ...			136	01	Purchase of books for Library ...		166	00	
Sale of bookcase ...			70	00	Printing questionnaires, forms and circulars...		104	00	
Odd receipts Tcs. 22.50					Typewriting and dupli- cating Mr. C. A. Sey- mour Sewell's paper, and photographs for same; addressing Journal ...		86	00	
Dinner of July 2nd Tcs. 50.00			72	50	Hon. Secretary's postages ...		17	89	
Interest ...			23	86	Hon. Treasurer's postages ...		80	13	
					Sundries ...		39	93	
					Printing Journal, Vol. XIV, Part I ...		490	80	
					Fixed deposits Tcs. 2,000 4%, due on 5th July 1922. Tcs. 1,000 3½% due on 5th Jan. 1922.		3,000	00	
					Balance of current ac- count at Hongkong & Shanghai Bank ...		779	91	
Ticals ...			5,491	21	Ticals ...		5,491	21	

J. G. RAGGI,

Hon. Treasurer.

