

the Council of the Royal Asiatic Society, the best of such Essays receiving a Gold Medal to be called the "Royal Asiatic Society's Indian Empire School Medal."

At present the funds at the disposal of the Society only admit of this scheme being applied to seven schools, viz., Eton, Harrow, Rugby, Winchester, Charterhouse, Westminster, and Merchant Taylors, but should, as is hoped and expected, further subscriptions be received, the number will be gradually increased, so that the scheme may possibly eventually become of national importance.

ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY,  
22, ALBEMARLE STREET.  
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### GIBB MEMORIAL.

We have much pleasure in announcing that a fund has been established in memory of our late distinguished member, the well-known Turkish scholar, Mr. E. J. W. Gibb. The clauses of the Trust Deed under which the fund will be administered are a model of what such clauses ought always to be. Clause 3 especially, dealing with the objects to which the interest of the fund may be applied, is so well deserving the notice of our readers that it is here set out in full:—

3. The trustees shall apply the income of the "E. J. W. Gibb Memorial" to or for all or any of the objects or purposes following (but during the life of the said Jane Gibb with her approval in writing) that is to say—

(A) The search for or procuring by purchase or otherwise of books or manuscripts ancient or modern in any of the following languages that is to say : Turkish (as well its Eastern as Western dialects) Arabic and Persian in their various forms and dialects both ancient and modern.

(B) The translation and editing with or without notes of all or any such books and manuscripts or of any books dealing in any way with the language literature or history of the Turks (Eastern or Western) the Arabs or the Persians.

(C) The printing or reproduction in facsimile or otherwise and publishing of any such books manuscripts or translations or of any books dealing in any way with any such language literature or history as aforesaid but so that the title page of every publication shall contain a statement that it is "published by the trustees of the E. J. W. Gibb Memorial."

(D) The dissemination and distribution by gift sale or otherwise of books or other literature bearing upon any such language literature or history as aforesaid.

(E) The making of money grants to students by way of travelling scholarships or otherwise for the purpose of some work of investigation connected with any such language literature or history as aforesaid which in the opinion of the trustees shall be likely to advance the studies aforesaid and so that every student who shall receive in any year a grant of or exceeding the sum of £50 shall be called a "Gibb scholar."

(F) The appointment and payment of lecturers on the study of the Turkish language literature or history and so that every lecturer be called a "Gibb lecturer."

(G) The contribution of money in or towards all or any of the objects or purposes aforesaid whether being affected or carried out by any other person persons body of persons or institution alone or jointly with the trustees ; and

(H) Any other object or purpose the effecting or carrying out of which may in the opinion of the trustees promote or advance the study of the language literature or history of the Turks (Eastern or Western) the Arabs or the Persians but not in any case by monumental or other inscriptions.

The income of the Fund, which amounts to about £6,000 and has been provided by the generosity of Mrs. Jane Gibb, will be rather more than £200 a year. Its administration has been entrusted to Professor E. G. Browne of Cambridge, Mr. Guy Le Strange, Mr. H. F. Amedroz, Mr. A. G. Ellis, Mr. R. A. Nicholson, and Principal Denison Ross, all of them members of this Society, as the first trustees, with power to fill up vacancies in their body.

It would have been impossible to devise a plan more certain to keep alive the memory of the able and earnest scholar whose name it bears. The selection of the first trustees is admirable, and the scheme may be expected to yield important results to Oriental scholarship.

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V. ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY.

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