



The Fifth Annual Report,

of the

Ladies Association

For

**Salisbury,
Calne,**

**Melksham,
Devizes, &c**

In Aid of the Cause of

Negro Emancipation.

“And I said unto them, We, after our ability have redeemed our brethren the Jews, which were sold unto the heathen; and will ye even sell your brethren? or shall they be sold unto us? Then held they their peace, and found nothing to answer.” Nehemiah v. 8.

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“Tis liberty alone that gives the flower
Of fleeting life, its lustre and perfume:
And we are weeds without it. All constraint,
Except what wisdom lays on evil men,
Is evil; hurts the faculties; impedes
Their progress in the road of science; blinds

The eye-sight of discovery; and begets
In those that suffer it, a sordid mind,
Bestial, a meagre intellect, unfit
To be the tenant of man's noble form."
Cowper

REPORT

In commencing their annual task, the Committee of the Ladies' Association, in aid of the cause of Negro Emancipation, regret that the little they have been able to effect, during the past year, furnishes them with but few materials upon which to ground a Report.

Although the Society has not actively engaged in adopting means for the promotion of its Great Cause, yet we hope, from the willingness with which the subscriptions have been paid, and from the regular distribution of the Monthly Reporters, (the demand for which is a little increased,) that the interest of our Members is yet undiminished. Many of them, we believe, have the subject deeply at heart, and would sincerely rejoice, should an opportunity present, of more warmly espousing the cause of the oppressed. Whether these are of the opinion, that at present little can be done, or whether they may desire the adoption of more decided measures, let them preserve in exerting the influence they may possess, amongst their families at home, and as occasion may offer, in a more public manner; remembering how important it is, to keep the subject in view, amongst those who are convinced of the wickedness of Slavery, and to enlighten the understandings of others, who are yet unacquainted with its evils.

By referring to the Treasurer's report, it will be seen, that during the past year, £25 have been presented to the London Antislavery Society, £15 to the Antigua Refuge Society, £15 to the Society for the relief of the deserted Negro Slaves in that island, and £5 to the Hibernian Negro Friend Society.

Some of the Committee have lately had an affecting picture, of the state of things in the West Indies, brought before them, by receiving from a recent eye-witness, a description of Negro Slavery, as it now exists, in one of the British Colonies. In this Island*¹ where the features of Slavery are comparatively mild, it appears, that, though the bodily wants of the slaves are tolerably well supplied, and though it may not be the lot of many to possess kind and humane masters, yet the state of moral and religious degradation into which they are sunk, is dreadful in the extreme, and as the narrator observes, "nearly reduces them to the level of brutes."

The proposals of reform, made in the Jamaica legislature, and negatived by a large majority, too clearly prove that no improvement is adopted there, and for further proofs of which we refer our readers to the affecting cases of Henry Williams, and George, in No. 65, page 356 and 357 of the Anti-slavery Reporter. shou

¹ Barbadoes

Whilst, therefore, the Committee feel unable to do much in a public manner, they would endeavour to impress upon the minds of every Member of their Society, that slavery still exists, and not, as we fear many suppose, in its ameliorated, but only concealed form, disguising under the mask of improvement, the horrors of a system, which the Christian Religion alone, should teach us to abhor and condemn!

At the Fifth Annual Meeting of this Society, held at Devizes, September 17, 1830, Mrs. Slade, and Mrs. Waylen, were appointed Secretaries in the place of Mrs. Townsend, who has resigned her office from indisposition.

Committee Members and Officers

Surname	Given Names	Title	Society Role	Abode	Notes
Allbutt		Mrs.	Committee Member		
Allbutt		Mrs.	District Collector	Devizes	
Bendry		Mrs.	Committee Member		
Elliott		Mrs.	Committee Member		
Elliott		Mrs.	District Collector	Devizes	
Finch		Mrs.	District Collector	Melksham	
Fowler		Miss	Committee Member		
Fowler		Miss	District Collector	Elm Grove, near Melksham	
Gundry		Miss	District Collector	Quemerford, near Calne	
Gundry		Mrs.	Secretary	Calne	
Gundry	S.	Miss	Committee Member		
Gundry	S.	Miss	District Collector	Calne	
Gundry	W.	Mrs.	Treasurer	Springfield, near Calne	
Harris		Miss	Committee Member		
Harris		Miss	District Collector	Calne	
Jefferys		Mrs.	Committee Member		
Kent		Miss	District Collector	Bath Wick Hill, near Bath	
Methuen	T.	Mrs.	Committee Member		
Methuen	T.	Mrs.	District Collector	All Cannings, near Devizes	
Neave		Miss	Committee Member		
Neave		Miss	District Collector	Springfield, near Calne	
Pearson		Mrs.	District Collector	Deanery, Salisbury	
Simpson		Miss	Committee Member		
Simpson		Miss	District Collector	Melksham	
Simpson	W.	Mrs.	District Collector	Melksham	

Slade		Miss	Committee Member		
Slade		Miss	District Collector	Devizes	
Slade		Mrs.	Secretary	Devizes	
Townsend		Miss	District Collector	Calstone, Near Calne	
Waylen		Miss	Committee Member		
Waylen		Miss	District Collector	Devizes	
Waylen		Mrs.	Secretary	Devizes	

Surname	Given Names	Title	District	Abode	Donations			Subscriptions			Notes
					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
			Calne					6	0	A friend by Mrs. Gundry	
			Calne					12	0	A friend by Mrs. Gundry	
			Calne					10	0	A Friend to the Cause	
			Calstone Wellington		0	0	8			Collected in small Sums	
			Devizes		0	1 2	0			A friend by Mrs. Slade	
			Devizes					0	5	0	Two sisters
			Fordingbridge, Hampshire					0	5	0	A friend to the cause
			Fordingbridge, Hampshire					0	5	0	A friend to Emancipation
			Hungerford		1	0	0				Anonymous
			Salisbury					2	0	0	The Lord Bishop of Salisbury
			Salisbury					1	0	0	The very Rev. the Dean of Salisbury
			Salisbury					0	5	0	A friend
			Salisbury					0	2	6	A friend by Mrs. Bennett
			Salisbury		1	2	6				Collected by Miss Piers
Allbutt		Mrs	Devizes					0	5	0	
Andrews	H.	Mrs.	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Anstie	P.	Mrs.	Devizes					0	10	6	
Atkinson	G.	Mrs.	Salisbury					0	10	6	
Atkinson	T.	Mrs.	Salisbury	Longhill				0	5	0	
Baily		Mrs.	Calne						7	6	

Baily		Miss	Calne					5	0	
Baily	T. P.	Mrs.	Calne					7	6	
Baker		Miss	Hungerford		0	1 0	0			
Balston		Mrs.	Poole, Dorset					0	7	0
Bendry		Mrs.	Calne	Castle House				1	0	0
Bennett		Mrs.	Salisbury					0	5	0
Bewly		Mrs.	Calne						5	0
Biggs	W.	Mrs.	Devizes					0	5	0
Binns		Mrs.	Poole, Dorset					0	10	0
Bishop		Miss	Calne						5	0
Bowley		Mrs.	Calne	Cirencester					12	0
Brixey		Mrs.	Fordingbridge, Hampshire					0	5	0
Brown		Mrs.	Salisbury					0	5	0
Bruges		Mrs.	Melksham					0	5	0
Bucknell		Miss	Calne						5	0
Burgess		Mrs.	Salisbury					1	0	0
Butler		Mrs.	Poole, Dorset					0	5	0
Button		Mrs.	Calne						5	0
Cadby		Miss	Bradford						5	0
Cadby		Mrs.	Devizes					0	5	0
Caulfield		Miss	Calstone Wellington	Henly						
Chubb		Miss	Fordingbridge, Hampshire					0	5	0
Clark		Mrs.	Devizes					0	5	0
Coward		Miss	Devizes		0	5	0			
De Bolville		Madame	All Cannings	Ashlington, near Devizes				1	1	0
De Horn		Mrs.	Poole, Dorset					0	10	0
Elliot		Mrs.	Devizes					0	5	0
Elliott		Miss	Devizes					0	5	0
Elliott	S.	Miss	Devizes					0	5	0
Evans		Mrs.	Melksham	Bristol				0	5	0
Evans		Miss	Melksham					0	5	0
Evans		Mrs.	Salisbury					0	5	0

Evans	S.	Mrs.	Melksham					0	5	0	
Eyles		Mrs.	Melksham					0	5	0	
Felton		Mrs.	Salisbury					1	0	0	
Field		Mrs.	Calne						12	0	
Finch		Mrs.	Melksham					0	7	0	
Foote		Miss	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Fowle		Miss	Devizes					0	5	0	
Fowler		Mrs.	Melksham					0	10	0	
Fowler		Miss	Melksham					0	10	0	
Fowler	J.	Mrs.	Melksham					0	7	0	
Gaisford		Mr.	Melksham	Henmarsh near Seend				0	2	6	
Gale		Miss	Chippenham					0	2	6	
Garland		Mrs.	Poole, Dorset					0	10	0	
Glass		Miss	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Goodall		Mrs.	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Grey		Mrs.	Fordingbridge, Hampshire					0	5	0	
Grove		Mrs.	Salisbury					0	12	0	
Gundry		Mrs.	Calne						12	0	
Gundry		Mrs.	Calne	Heddington					5	0	
Gundry		Miss	Calne						5	0	
Gundry		Misses	Calne						17	6	
Gundry		Miss	Calne	Quemerford					5	0	
Gundry		Mrs.	Chippenham					0	12	0	
Gundry		Mrs.	Devizes					0	5	0	
Gundry	W.	Mrs.	Calne	Springfield					12	0	
Hamlyn		Mrs.	Melksham	Holt				0	5	0	
Harris		Miss	Calne						5	0	
Hawkins		Mrs.	Calne	Sherston				1	1	0	
Heale		Mrs.	Calne	Quemerford	1	0	0				
Heathcote		Mrs.	Melksham					0	15	0	And family
Henly	R.	Mrs.	Calne						10	0	
Hillier	H.	Miss	All Cannings						5	0	
Hoby		Mrs.	Salisbury	Weymouth, Dorset				0	5	0	
Hogflesh		Miss	Hungerford					0	2	6	
Hollister		Mrs.	Calne						5	0	

Hughes		Mrs.	Calne	Buckhill					12	0	
Hughes	S.	Miss	Calstone Wellington					1	0	0	For Negro Schools
Hume	M.	Mrs.	Salisbury					0	10	0	
Jefferys		Mrs.	Melksham					0	12	0	
King		Miss	All Cannings						5	0	
Lanfear		Miss	Calne						7	0	
Lanfear		Mrs.	Hungerford		0	3	0				
Lanfear	A.	Mrs.	Hungerford					0	5	0	
Leach		Miss	Devizes					0	5	0	
Livius		Mrs.	Salisbury					0	7	0	
Long		Mrs.	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Marlow		Mrs.	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Marriott		Mrs.	Melksham	Holt	0	1 0	6				
Marsh		Mrs.	Salisbury					1	0	0	
Matravers		Mrs.	Melksham					0	7	0	
Methuen	E. M.	Miss	All Cannings						5	0	
Methuen	T. A.	Mrs.	All Cannings					1	0	0	
Millish		Mr.	Hungerford		0	1	0				
Milne		Miss	Hungerford		0	2	6				
Minty	A.	Mrs.	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Money		Mrs.	Calne	Whetham					12	0	
Morse		Miss	Hungerford		0	2	6				
Mount		Mrs.	Hungerford		0	5	0				
Nalder		Mrs.	Calne	Barwick					5	0	
Neave		Miss	Calne	Springfield					5	0	
Neave		Mrs.	Fordingbridge, Hampshire					0	5	0	
Neave		Miss	Fordingbridge, Hampshire	Bicton				0	5	0	
Neave		Mrs.	Poole, Dorset					0	5	0	
Neave	J.	Mrs.	Fordingbridge, Hampshire					0	10	6	
Neave	S.	Miss	Fordingbridge, Hampshire					0	5	0	

Norris		Miss	Calne	Nonsuch					10	0	
Oates		Mrs.	Fordingbridge, Hampshire					0	2	6	
Osmond		Mrs.	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Pawsey		Miss	Devizes					0	5	0	
Pearson		Mrs.	Salisbury					1	0	0	
Pearson			Salisbury		1	0	0				Children of Mrs. Pearson
Penruddocke		Miss	Calstone Wellington	Fyfield					10	0	
Pepler		Mrs.	Calne	Heddington					10	0	
Phillips		Mrs.	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Phillips	J. E.	Rev.	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Piers		Mrs.	Salisbury	Preston				0	5	0	
Piers		Miss	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Pinkerton		Miss	Salisbury					1	0	0	
Pinniger		Mrs.	Calne						5	0	
Pontin		Mrs.	Devizes					0	5	0	
Powell		Mrs.	Melksham					0	12	0	
Quinton		Mrs.	Fordingbridge, Hampshire		0	1	0				
Randell		Mrs.	Devizes					0	5	0	
Rooke		Mrs.	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Ruddle		Mrs.	Calne	Bishops Cannings					5	0	
Seagrim	W.	Mrs.	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Short		Mrs.	Chippenham					0	10	0	
Simpson		Mrs.	Melksham					0	7	0	
Simpson		Miss	Melksham					0	5	0	
Simpson	C.	Miss	Melksham					0	5	0	
Simpson	W.	Mrs.	Melksham					0	5	0	
Slade		Mrs.	Devizes					0	5	0	
Slade		Miss	Devizes					0	5	0	
Slade	A.	Miss	Devizes					0	5	0	
Stagg		Miss	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Stephens		Miss	Chippenham					0	5	0	
Tanner		Miss	Calne						5	0	
Tanner		Mrs.	Devizes					0	5	0	

Tate		Miss	Salisbury					1	0	0	
Thomas		Mrs.	Calne	Prior Park		1	0				
Thomas		Miss	Calne	Prior Park		1	0				
Thompson		Miss	Poole, Dorset					0	10	0	
Toone		Mr.	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Toone		Master	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Townsend		Miss	Calstone Wellington		1	0	0	0	5	0	
Townsend	C.	Mrs.	Calstone Wellington						12	0	
Tyzard		Mrs.	Salisbury	Weymouth				0	5	0	
Veal		Mrs.	Fordingbridge, Hampshire					0	5	0	
Vincent		Miss	Calne					1	0	0	
Viner		Mrs.	Hungerford		0	2	6				
Vivian		Mrs.	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Ward		Mrs.	Calne	Buckhill					5	0	
Waylen		Mrs.	Devizes					0	5	0	
Waylen		Miss	Devizes					0	5	0	
Waylen	C.	Miss	Devizes					0	5	0	
Wayte		Mrs.	Calne						7	0	
Westall		Mr.	Hungerford					0	2	6	
Wheeler		Miss	Salisbury					0	10	0	
Whitchurch		Mrs.	Devizes					0	5	0	
Whitchurch		Mrs.	Salisbury					0	10	0	
Whitchurch		Miss	Salisbury					0	10	0	
Whitchurch	W.	Mrs.	Salisbury					0	10	0	
White	Charlton	Mrs.	Poole, Dorset					0	10	0	
Willis		Mrs.	Salisbury					0	5	0	
Wilshire		Mrs.	Melksham					0	5	0	
Wilshire		Miss	Melksham					0	5	0	
Withy		Mrs.	Melksham					0	7	0	
Withy		Miss	Melksham					0	7	0	
Young	M.	Miss	Salisbury					0	5	0	

Abstract of the Cash Account
From October 5, 1829 to October 29, 1830

Receipts				Payments			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance in Hand	26	18	11	London Anti-Slavery Society	25	0	0
Subscriptions and Donations	73	2	2	Distressed Negroes in Antigua	15	0	0
Bags, Seals, and Books	6	1	2	Refuge for Destitute Negroes in Antigua	15	0	0
Cards, Reports, &c.	0	6	10	Printing	9	10	6
Negro Box Mrs. G. Atkinson's Kitchen		5	6	Anti-slavery Reporters	5	3	3
				Anti-slavery Reporters for Salisbury	5	11	0
				Expended in Devizes District	4	2	6
				Hibernian Negro Friends Society	5	0	0
				Tracts	1	12	9
				Postage and Carriage	0	3	8
				Cash in Hand	20	10	11
Totals	106	14	7		106	14	7