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AT the Convention held in December, 1883, it was resolved "That a Medal to be called the T. Subba Row Medal be annually awarded to any Fellow of the Theosophical Society who would produce the best essay on any of the following subjects :

1. Aryan Occult Science and Philosophy.
2. Buddhist Esoteric Philosophy.
3. Chaldean Esoteric Science and Philosophy and Zoroastrianism.
4. Jewish Kabala and Esoteric Interpretation of the Christian Religion.

The following conditions were added by a Resolution passed at the Convention of 1888 (see page 40 of Report of that year).

1. The Medal shall be competed for each year, by Essays written for this purpose by Fellows of the Theosophical Society.
2. Such Essays must reach the Editor of *The Theosophist* not later than December 1st each year and shall be marked "T. Subba Row Medal Competition".
3. The best three of these Essays shall be selected by the President in Council and shall be read before the Convention ; the Medal to be given to the best of the three in the opinion of the Medal Committee.
4. The subjects prescribed by the Resolution shall be taken in rotation —one subject being proposed each year.
5. The subject for 1889 shall be "Aryan Occult Science and Philosophy".
6. The selected Essay shall be published each year by the Theosophical Society.

The Fund was started in 1884, the first donation being Rs. 100 by a "Master". As far as our records show the Medal has been awarded as follows :

- 1885 to P. Sreenivasa Rao.
1888 ,, Madame H. P. Blavatsky for her articles on "The Esoteric Character of the Gospels".
1895 ,, Mrs. Annie Besant for her Convention Lectures of 1894.
1896 ,, A. P. Sinnett.
1897 ,, C. W. Leadbeater.
1898 ,, G. R. S. Mead.
1899 ,, W. Scott-Elliot (W. Williamson), Author of *The Great Law*.
1900 ,, Bhagavan Das.
1906 ,, Dr. T. Pascal.

- 1909 to Dr. Rudolf Steiner.
 1911 ,, J. Krishnamurti, for *At the Feet of the Master*.
 1912 ,, Dr. F. Otto Schrader.
 1913 ,, C. Jinarajadāsa.
 1923 ,, Purnendu Narayan Sinha.
 1924 ,, Ernest Wood.
 1925 ,, Dr. J. J. van der Leeuw.

The Fund, at the end of 1925, amounts to Rs. 2,558-8-0.

At the Convention of 1891 it was resolved: "That in future the Subba Row Medal be awarded by each Annual Convention to the author of the most valuable contribution of the year to Theosophical literature either by translation into English or original compositions."

At the General Council meeting held in Bombay on February 5, 1880, it was decided to award a Medal called "The Medal of Honour of the T.S." under competition. (See March, 1880, *Theosophist*, Vol. I, page 134.)

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The Theosophist Prizes : Awards by vote of the Readers :

1. Gold Medal to Babu Rama Prasad of Meerut, for "Nature's Finer Forces".
2. Silver Medal to Henry Pratt, M.D. of Leamington, Warwickshire, for his "Travestied Teachings" series.