

£40,000 FOR LONDON MOSQUE.

NIZAM OF HYDERABAD'S GIFT.

Information has been received by Moslems in London that the Nizam of Hyderabad has promised five lakhs of rupees (about £40,000) to the fund which is being raised for building a mosque in London. The gift was made as the result of an appeal by Lord Headley last December at Delhi, where he presided over the All-India Tahbligh Conference. Lord Headley was afterwards the guest of the Nizam in his capital.

About 600 Moslems are resident in London, and throughout the country there are about 3,000, but the floating population is much greater. At present there is a mosque at Peckham and one of the Ahmadiyah section at Southfields.

The movement to build a central mosque for London was started in 1906, but the War stopped its progress. The total cost of the scheme, which includes a house for the priest, a guest house, baths, and possibly a restaurant, is estimated at £100,000. A substantial sum remains to be raised, but the Nizam's gift will enable the committee to proceed with arrangements for construction as soon as a site has been obtained.

Moslems resident in Great Britain will present an address to the King of Afghanistan when he visits this country.