

wishes of the Society in its appropriation, and if I get no definite instructions I will try to make it contribute to the object mentioned in my last letter, namely, the training of native agents to preach the Gospel. In my opinion our Church has greatly erred in not having taken up this work in a more definite form years ago. Well furnished Indians are most effective agents, and it is the wisdom of the Church to send forth such; but it is impossible for the missionary with the amount of work laid upon him, to do this training work as it ought to be done. I sincerely trust that the way may very speedily be opened to carry on this work efficiently, and I think I may safely add that your donation will hasten the matter.

My school in this town has from 130 to 150 in daily attendance now, and Judge Lamb, who had been appointed to prepare a new Education Ordinance for Trinidad, made a tour of inspection, and in his official report to the Governor spoke as follows of our school:—"In the Coolie Mission School at San Fernando, a great work is successfully carried on, and it is in every way a model school." Four months hence Miss Copeland will retire from the work and go home. Her successor should be on the ground before she leaves. The Foreign Mission Committee of the Eastern Section has already advertised. If I had a suitable man to supervise the Mission School and give special attention to the training department referred to, I would prefer it, as I suppose it would be useless at the present stage of public opinion on the question to ask for both a male and a female teacher. Our lady teachers are paid \$400 a year and travelling expenses, or passage out and home. If the Board gave this amount from other sources, a supplement might be obtained of at least \$100 to commence with. Your Society probably understands the situation, and possibly may aid in bringing forward the one whom God has chosen to take up the work here in October.

Mr. Fraser, a student from Halifax, arrived a week ago for Couva, the mission field occupied by Mr. Wright. We would rejoice to get a man of his spirit and vigor here, but we dare not hint it with the urgent claims of Couva before us. We don't wish any person to come that is not entirely in sympathy with the work, that is not prepared to enter soul and body into the service. We are much cheered. The Lord is with us. By this time Mr. and Mrs. Morton may have reached Toronto. They hoped to be in time for the General Assembly; they will, *circa* too (a more effective instrument than the pen), tell you of the whole work. We are very thankful for your sympathy, your