

to the Board at the end of the year a balanced sheet.

My work is progressing well in all departments and in every quarter. I try to visit each school every two or three weeks, and then each teacher is required to send to me a report every week.

We all long for Mr. Grant's return. His house is making fair progress, and will be finished by the end of January.

Mr. Christie's name is evergreen among the coolies in Couva. He did good work here which *the day* will declare,

The new church at Prince's Town is to be opened next Monday. Mr. McLeod will then take a few weeks' holidays in Barbadoes. He needs a change and rest.

We all sympathize very much with Miss Sempé in her bereavement. Mrs. Wright and the little folks are quite well. Give my respects to Mr. McCurdy. With very kind regards I am Dear Madam

Yours very sincerely
JOHN KNOX WRIGHT.

Letter from Mrs. Wright.

Couva, Trinidad, 25th 1884.

Dear Mrs. McCurdy:—

Your very kind letter came to hand last Monday. You will think me in a great hurry to answer, but Mr. Wright is writing and thinks that I should too, and I assure you I am very willing. Your letter was very acceptable. Your sympathy, to one a stranger to you touched me very much. I shall now long to see you face to face.

The children keep me at home a good deal, but often when I wish to go with Mr. Wright to a school or hospital I take one or two of them with me. They are very good and never make a disturbance or cause any trouble during the services.

I am greatly interested in the Coolies. I know nothing of the language as yet, but hope by and by to be able to learn it.

I have a sewing class of nice little Coolie girls, they come to me three afternoons in the week, some of them can sew well, others can do nothing, but all seem greatly interested and anxious to learn.

I sometimes take the horse and buggy and set off early in the morning to help the mistress at the new school on Providence Estate get out the children, one morning I went and found her teaching

a school of ten and knowing that there were a great many more to be got I started and by means of a little coining together with some sweets and little books that I had taken in my pocket I succeeded in getting 36 in a very short time. It is very difficult to get them to attend school regularly particularly in those places where we start school for the first time.

The gift sent by your society will help to free Mr. Wright of an anxiety in reference to the extras this year. He found things necessary to be done, and did them having confidence that the Lord would provide the means in some way, and it seems that all will come right even this year.

Mr. Wright and I were in town last week. He told one gentleman that the estimate in Couva promised to be rather short owing to extras. The gentleman at once said "I will give you five dollars and he mentioned several others who all gave \$5.00 each so that he raised \$30.00 in all. This will help.

I must tell you about the mission house. The place and house is the same as Mr. Christie had. The only difference is that Mr. Wright has had a lot of drains opened and has cut away a lot of vines and creepers &c. which seemed to keep the place damp and prevent the free circulation of air. The house is very old. We shall require a new one before many years, but the whole place round about by reason of draining is very much more healthy. On the whole we keep very well. We have much reason to thank God for this.

There has been a good deal of sickness and some deaths among both Europeans and Natives this season.

Hoping that at some future time you will favor me with another letter.

I remain, Affectionately Yours,
FLORENCE WRIGHT.

A missionary in Jamaica asked a little girl in a mission school, "Who are the meek?" The child answered: "Those who give soft answers to rough questions."

No soul was ever lost because its fresh beginnings broke down; but thousands of souls have been lost because they would not make fresh beginnings.—F. W. Faber.