

fluence with the Church in Canada to secure the establishment of such an institution.

We look with pleasure at the result of your training in the successful career of the Rev. Lal Behari and others labouring with you.

We beg to thank the Canadian Presbyterian Mission and other good friends for their benevolence in sending Missionaries here, a sacrifice we recognize to be greater than their spending of thousands of pounds in the work of our education.

We also take this opportunity to acknowledge with grateful hearts the sympathy shown and the pecuniary support given by the Estate proprietors, the Government and others, to help you to carry on the work of education and evangelization among us.

Dear Pastor, you have been among us for nearly twenty years, and we thank God our Heavenly Father for the health he has given to you and your family. Others of the Mission staff, who had come out at a later period, are no more with us. Some have gone to receive their reward in their everlasting rest, but God has preserved you and yours hitherto unbroken.

We cannot close this address without referring to Mrs. Grant and thanking her for the interest she has always taken in our well-being.

We now beg your acceptance of this purse of sovereigns as a feeble expression of our sincere esteem and regard for you.

And now we bid you a hearty God speed, and commend yourself and family into the hands of Him "Who keepeth Israel," still to protect and preserve you and yours; and may your lives be precious in His sight, that you and yours after your much needed rest, may return with renewed health and vigour to carry out the noble work which you have so earnestly undertaken for our Divine Master.

And when your task on earth is done, may He invite thee saying, Well done thou good and faithful servant, come inherit the Kingdom, prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

We remain, Dear Pastor,
Yours gratefully,

Albert Sammy, Timothy Sirju, Jacob Corsbie, and twenty-six others.

To which Mr. Grant, deeply moved, replied:
Messrs A. Sammy, T. Sirju, J. W. Corsbie and others.

My very dear Friends,—For myself and family I thank you sincerely for your kind address and for the substantial gift that accompanies it. I require neither the address nor the purse to be assured of your loyalty and affectionate attachment, yet in them we

have further assurances. Mission work was the dream of my childhood, and in this bright evening, as my eye looks into these countenances beaming with joy, I am realizing the fond anticipations of my early years.

The work is congenial, and in it God has given us a measure of success, for which we should all be thankful. But I am not unmindful that the General who has won the battle may get all the credit, and yet, what could he have achieved without the brave, loyal hearts of the rank and file that sustained him? You have nobly co-operated, and it gives me pleasure to speak of our hand-in-hand work, yet we refer to it tremblingly, for we must all be conscious of very many short comings.

You have placed the Canadian Presbyterian Church in Canada in the fore-ground of disinterested benefactors. In this you have wisely and fairly discriminated, but you have at the same time properly referred to others without whose aid the Presbyterian Indian Mission could not to day occupy the advanced position it does.

The employers of Indian labor, at a very early day, responded generously to any appeal for aid made to them, and still they stand the tried, firm friends of our Mission.

Governor Longden, in 1871, made some provision for our School in this town, and every successive Governor has shown a sympathy, particularly with our educational efforts. To our present Governor, however, Sir William Robinson, we are more indebted than to any of his predecessors for liberal provision in the matter of Indian education. The general public, too, and those immediately directing our sugar estates, have done very much to facilitate our work.

We are quite of your opinion in regard to the importance of a training school from which teachers and preachers might be sent forth. A Missionary is now under appointment, and on his arrival something more systematic than present methods may be undertaken. I will not fail, as you request, to urge this matter in its various aspects on the Church at home. Your own countrymen must be your pastors. Some of them are quitting themselves like men, and we must increase their numbers.

Trinidad has treated us well. We go mindful of courtesies and kindnesses received from persons in every social position, and after a few months' rest, we hope to have the privilege of resuming our loved work in your midst, for "ye are our joy and crown if ye stand fast." "I now commend you to God."

Adieu!

K. J. GRANT.