

Trinidad.

LETTER FROM REV. K. J. GRANT.

[For the Maritime.

SAN FERNANDO, Dec. 30, 1887.

Dear Mr. Scott:

Our Annual Reports will be mailed to the Board next week.

Last year I told you of a lecture delivered by the Chief Justice, in our church. This year when much was said about the best way of celebrating the Jubilee of the Queen, I resolved to arrange for a few lectures for the general good, and we had them delivered to packed houses. The Attorney General delivered the first, "Fifty years under the Crown." Mr. McCarthy, government Analyst and Commissioner to the London Exhibition last year, delivered the second, subject, "The Exhibition." It is now published and for general use in all the schools. The third by Mr. Wharton, a young barrister, "Progress and inventions during the last fifty years."

We employed this wet season the method of employing good, intelligent, faithful men, to give us their evenings after their task was finished, for the purpose of giving them instruction. We are well pleased with the results, but now for a time in the crop or harvest season we shall have to discontinue that method.

In the year we had 129 baptisms, and the Communion roll shows a gain of 73. It now stands, the roll being purged, 243.

Adults receive baptism on a profession of their faith in Christ, but rarely do we admit to the Communion until a further probation, growth in knowledge and continuance in well doing being the requirements.

Our wealthiest, most liberal and zealous family in Oropouche, the Bennys, with Teelaksingh and his family, left for India in September. They yearned to see their country and friends. We trust they may return. Joseph Benny gave promise, I may say, above all the youths of our mission, of being a valuable helper, and I feel confident that he will be useful wherever he may be situated. Their annual contributions were about

EIGHTY DOLLARS.

They had a draft mule which they prized highly, and being desirous of aiding us they gave us the mule before leaving.

This was a seasonable and valuable gift, and will be of great service to us in our work.

Last Sabbath a man applied for baptism for himself and family. Let me tell

WHAT LED HIM TO APPLY.

He suffered much from an ulcer in his foot. He had frequently heard what Jesus had done and one day he said to a Christian countryman at the same station, "If Jesus Christ will relieve my sufferings and make me well, I will be one of his disciples."

The man to whom he spoke replied—"Jesus did very much greater things than this which you seek, and you should trust him for what he has done. At the same time, we are allowed to tell him our troubles"—and with these words proposed that they should pray together. They did pray and the ulcered foot is well.

The poor man was convinced that there was some connection between prayer to Jesus and his recovery and he now asks to be baptized. Of course his idea of Christ and Christianity would be a poor foundation to build upon, but in whatever way men are led to think about Christianity we are always thankful when they come as inquirers. and now that he has begun to inquire into the religion of Jesus, we hope that he may be led to him and that by and by we may see the way clear to granting his request.

Faithfully yours,

K. J. GRANT.

THE MISSION SCHOOL AT PRINCETOWN.

Miss Semple in reporting from the school in Princetown, Trinidad, for the year just closed, writes:

"In looking at the history of the past year we cannot be too thankful to God. * * * My health, that seemed so uncertain some months ago, has been quite restored, and I feel about as vigorous to-day as when I first landed in Trinidad. I cannot present a full report of the Princetown school for the past year, as I have had charge of it for six months only. I remember how very important a place this school has had in the records of the past, and although I am not privileged to record any remarkable or extensive movement among the pupils towards the Truth, I think I may humbly