

down. The difficulty of getting another place and some uncertainty about a teacher, led us to give up that school for a time, and now we find that the school here requires the whole of the teacher's time. Besides the children we have now five young men who do a task in the morning, and come regularly to school at noon. My teacher left to attend the Normal School, at Port of Spain, at the end of June, and during July, I had to carry on the school alone. The new teacher has been with me only a week. You will be pleased to hear that he is a Christian Coolie, baptized by Rev. W. Dickson, of Aracua. Last Sabbath he set with us at the Communion table. He has been in the service of one gentleman ever since he came here, some eight years ago, and two of these years he spent in Britain. A servant all that time he had but indifferent advantages in the way of education, and no experience in the way of teaching. We hope, however, that he will prove of great service to the Mission, and our aim will be to help him forward. His name is Charles Clarence Soudeen.

When the Rev. G. Lambert left, I promised to give his congregation morning service twice a month. Early in May a Presbyterian congregation in Grenada applied to Rev. Mr. Brodie for some help. Arrangements were made which enabled Mr. Brodie to spend the past month in Grenada, without depriving any of the congregations here of much service. Of course it entailed double labour on the ministers, and three services, besides prayer meetings and sabbath-schools have been the rule for nearly two months. That we have had strength for the work is matter for profound thankfulness.

You have probably heard that it has been unhealthy here and that report may have exaggerated the matter. Fever of a typhoid type running on in many cases to yellow fever, has been epidemic in Port of Spain for nearly two months. There have been few cases, and scarcely any fatal, in this part of the Island. And it is now thought that the worst is past.

You ask me to write when I want money for the school. The expense of the school up to July 31st. has been raised here by ways and means which will appear when I forward accounts at the end of the year, if spared. St. John's Sabbath School have very generously voted us \$30 in addition to to ten left over from the sum sent us by them last year. This will pay the teacher for nearly three months. And I hope that all that is necessary to carry on the school to the end of the year, will be met in some way without drawing on the F. M. Fund.

I am yours, very sincerely,

JOHN MORTON.

P. S. I hope to hear that Mr. Lambert has stirred up your zeal, and that there is a prospect of another labourer for Trinidad soon. The Church has now set in action the means for converting the Coolies; the gospel is preached to them in a language they can understand. But faith must look upward and plead for the divine energy which alone can make them a willing people. I hope the Church is enjoying at home many tokens of the Spirit's presence, and that the meeting of Synod was one of great harmony and a time of much refreshing.

J. M.

Rev. P. G. MCGREGOR,  
Sec'y F. M. Board.

## News of the Church.

### Presbytery of Halifax.

The Presbytery of Halifax met at Mahone Bay on the 25th ult., and was constituted by Rev. E. A. McCurdy, Moderator, besides whom there were present, Revs. William Duff, Donald McMillan, D. S. Gordon, Matthew G. Henry, Edward Annand, John Forrest, Peter M. Morrison, Archibald Glendinning, and John McLeod, Ministers, and James Eisenhaur, Esq., ruling elder. Commissions were read and sustained from the Kirk Sessions of Musquodoboit Harbour, Annapolis, Bridgewater and Poplar Grove congregations, appointing: W. S. Kent, Elias Tupper, Abraham Hebb, and Donald Fraser, Esqrs. respectively to represent them in the Superior Church Courts during the present year. Their names were added to the roll.

Having met for the induction of Rev. Ebenezer McNab, into the newly formed congregation of Mahone Bay, the preliminary steps having been taken the Rev. P. M. Morrison delivered an appropriate discourse from John xv. 22,—narrated the steps previously taken and put to Mr. McNab the usual formula of questions to all of which satisfactory answers were given, when, after solemn prayer by the Moderator, Mr. McNab was declared duly inducted into the pastoral charge of Mahone Bay congregation. He was then suitably addressed by the Rev. Donald McMillan, and the congregation by Messrs Duff, McCurdy, McLeod, Forrest and Annand. Mr. McNab received the right-hand of fellowship from the members of Presbytery and cordially welcomed by the congregation on their retiring from the church.

This is now the fourth Presbyterian congregation in Lunenburg. At Mr. Duff's