

his poverty. "Oh," said he, "I have gained something better than money. I am now a sorcerer, and can do many wonderful things, and take any form I like." He then proposed taking the form of a tiger. Before effecting this metamorphosis, however, he mixed certain substances, and instructed his wife to sprinkle the mixture upon him when he became transformed, and he would then immediately cast off the guise of a tiger and assume the form of a man. As soon as he became a tiger, his wife, friends, neighbours and everyone, terrified, fled from his presence. No one attempted to approach him to sprinkle the mixture, and with the ferocity of a tiger he committed terrible depredations. He had not only the strength and blood-thirsty nature of the tiger, but his fore-limbs could be used as the hands of a man. Thus he was enabled to open doors, to climb, and perform feats that no ordinary tiger could perform. Now, it was this man-tiger, that, nine years ago, seized this boy and disfigured him as he now appears. After fruitless attempts to approach him to sprinkle the mixture, the safety of the community required that he should be shot, and a rifle bullet closed his career."

The poor woman told this story with every evidence of sincerity, and her two boys often chimed in to emphasize the narrative. The sober countenance and the frequent nodding of the head showed that the by-standers accepted as a verity what to us was only an idle tale. Later, on enquiry, I found that the story was generally accepted by the people on the estate.

To get minds thus pre-occupied to take in the sober realities of divine truth, requires an agency more than human; to scatter the darkness that has been deepening through the ages requires the presence of Him who is the Light of the World. Will not Christians pray that His presence and power may be felt?

Urgent Need for a Training School at San Fernando, Trinidad.

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MR. GRANT. - I am just informed by the Rev. P. M. Morrison, of Halifax, of a donation to this Mission District from your Society of \$300. The gift is most generous, and the ladies of the Society have our heartiest thanks. Nothing is hinted as to the