

Thus ended a pleasant gathering, and one we trust that will prove of much benefit to the Institution, and be a fresh starting point upon which those engaged in carrying out of the objects of the Nova Scotian Mission will be able to look back with pleasing satisfaction. The visit of the Governor and so many friends on this occasion, and more especially at this time must be particularly gratifying to the promoters, and to their indefatigable worker the Revd. Mr. Grant.

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TO THE EDITOR OF THE TRINIDAD
CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR—We had a visit from the Governor yesterday. It was apropos, and appears to have given very general satisfaction. The Coolies are loud in their praises of His Excellency. He came especially to visit and examine the Coolie School here, and tho' there was no formal public announcement of the visit; yet at an early hour on Wednesday morning, the activity shown by young Indians and Chinese in the erection of an arch on the grounds of the Sussamannar Church, showed that something was up.—And it was quite an event. At 12 o'clock the Governor arrived. Having taken the seat of honour, he was in a few minutes literally wedged in by the very large gathering of ladies and gentlemen assembled. As representatives of large plantations and as employers of thousands of Coolie labourers, and as gentlemen directly engaged in encouraging the Coolie schools on their respective plantations, we may be excused for noting the presence of the Hon. Mr Fenwick, Attorney for the Col. Company, G. White, Esq., for the Messrs. Tennants; and C. Gardie Esq. for Mr Lamont. In the opposite end of the room and facing His Excellency was a large number of our well-to-do Indians, several of whom have large interests at stake in the Borough, all evidently in the best of humour and conscious of the honour done them in this visit of the Representative of the Empire of India.

At the close of the examination, which gave much satisfaction, a young lad stepped forward and read an address to which the Governor replied in words of counsel and encouragement, calling in the aid of an interpreter that the old as well as the young might fully understand him. He expressed high gratification at the attainment of the pupils and with the management of the School, — encouraged the pupils to perseverance in seeking know-

ledge—reminded the parents and friends of the children that so far as Mr. Grant, was concerned, it was a labour of love, and that in no way could they give more emphatic expression to their gratitude than by doing all in their power to secure a regular and ever increasing attendance of the young—assured them that intellectual emancipation and moral instruction would secure their reward, and that in a colony like ours where place and influence were not limited to any favoured class, to the exclusion of others, the Indian youth might share the fruits of patient continuance in well-doing.

In well chosen and impressive words, His excellency told of the tender maternal interest of Her Majesty our Queen, particularly in the humblest and weakest of her subjects, that she is their guardian and friend—His language was fitted to strengthen the sentiment of loyal attachment to her person and to awaken gratitude for the privilege of being one of her subjects. When the good Governor resumed his seat, Mr. Dick, a manager of the School, rose, and on behalf of the managers thanked his Excellency, his party and the ladies and gentlemen present for their presence. This terminated the day's work at the school, but the influence for good sown by this visit will yet appear more manifest. The Indian now feels—having the testimony of his eye and his ear—that the Governor is his friend. Designing countrymen will not shake this conviction, and not only will the promoters of education amongst them reap the benefit, but in the quiet and peace that springs from assured confidence all will profit.

A WORD TO THE BOYS.

BY C. H. SPURGEON.

When I was just fifteen I believed in the Lord Jesus, and joined the Church of Christ; and nothing on earth would please me more then to hear that those that I am writing to had been led to do the same. It is twenty-five years ago now, and I have never been sorry for what I did; no, not even once. I have had plenty of time to think it over, and many temptations to try some other course; and if I had found out that I had been deceived, or had made a gross blunder, I would have made a change before now, and would do my best to prevent others from falling into the same delusion. I tell you, boys, the day I gave myself