

Trinidad.

REV. J. W. McLEOD.

In our last issue we gave, in letters from Trinidad the particulars of Mr. McLeod's death. He was born at North River, Colchester, April 23, 1853. In early youth he was set apart to the work of the ministry by a pious mother, who died when he was twelve years of age. He entered Dalhousie College in 1872, taking the highest prizes in classics and mathematics in his course. His first two years in Theology were taken at Princeton, the last at Pine Hill, Halifax, where he graduated in April 1880. On Nov. 23, of the same year he was appointed the fourth missionary to Trinidad, and was ordained and designated to that work in St. Matthew's Church, Halifax, on the 20th of December. He was married to Miss Bessie W. Dowling, daughter of Edward Dowling, Esq., of Lunenburg, and immediately after left for Trinidad, sailing from New York early in January.

His work during the past five years is known to most of our readers, and the opinion of it by his fellow-laborers is truly given in the resolutions given below.

During the first two years the climate and work told upon his strength, but in weakness he labored on, having during his fourth year, in addition to his other work, the care and responsibility of building the new church at Princetown, which he carried to a successful completion.

During the last year, unable to preach, he resigned his position as missionary and was appointed to train the native teachers and catechists, which he carried on until within a few weeks of his death. The last sad scene has been already pictured and need not be reproduced.

The following resolution was passed by the Presbytery of Trinidad on the 23rd of April:

"The Presbytery desire to record their sincere sorrow at the death, on the 1st April, of their dear brother, the Rev. J. W. McLeod, M. A. While humbly acquiescing in the dispensation of the great Head of the Church, the Presbytery would express their heartfelt sympathy with Mrs. McLeod and her children in their very great loss, and prayerfully in faith and love commend them to Him who is the Father of the fatherless, the Judge of the widow, and the faithful Promiser.

The Presbytery also desire to record their deep sense of the loss the Mission to the East Indian Immigrants and the cause of Christ in the island have sustained in the early removal of their late friend, and would recognize in his death a solemn call to themselves individually to be prepared for the coming of the Lord; as also to greater zeal and more prayerful, self-denying effort to build up and extend the Redeemer's cause in this island."

The resolution passed by the Mission Council is as follows:

"This Council in removing the name of their late brother from their roll, desire to record their sense of his fitness, from natural endowment, culture, acquisitions, and consecration, for the work in which he was engaged; their admiration of the resolute manner in which he carried on his work amid weakness and suffering for above three years; their gratitude to the head of the church for the measure of success vouchsafed, and for the grace which imparted calmness and resignation in the prospect of death. The Council, too, in tendering to the widow and fatherless their assurances of sympathy would commend them to the orphans stay and the widows shield with the prayer that the little flock gathered out of heathenism but now deprived of the fostering care of the under-shepherd may be more entirely in the keeping of the Great and Good Shepherd Himself."

MR. MORTON ON FAITH CURES.

(For the Maritime Presbyterian.)

TUNAPUNA, April 28th, 1886.

I lately received a letter from one of your readers who seems to have been grieved at reading in your columns that I, on one occasion, advised a sick man to go to a doctor. Others may have felt in the same way, and as I have little time to write individuals, I would be glad if you would allow me, once for all to answer in this matter.

1. I cannot plead ignorance, for I am quite aware of the Faith-cure movement, and have read the books and studied the texts of scripture referred to.

2. I have unbounded faith in "the power of the loving Saviour to heal the body," and have no doubt of His special care for the sick, and I am to the full extent of my knowledge a medical mission-