

Trinidad.

GENERAL REPORT OF OUR MISSION FOR 1887.

The year's work is finished. How much real work, acceptable to Christ, has been done in it only the day of His coming shall declare. Humbly and thankfully we tell of what we have been permitted to see, and to judge of under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Not unto us, not unto us but unto God's name be the glory of all that has been done.

We note with satisfaction the continued prosperity of our schools, the continued generosity of the several proprietors during a season of depression, the regular and increasing attendance of the people upon the means of grace, and the consistent and steadfast lives of many before men, also the restoration of Miss Semple to health and her return to the service of the Mission.

We record with deep sorrow the death of Miss Archibald, also the breaking down of Mrs. Wright's health and the consequent near removal of Mr. Wright from Trinidad.

The debt on Couva field has been cleared off. The balance of debt on Couva church is very small and is provided for by subscriptions on the book not yet paid in.

The debt on Tunapuna church has been reduced from £255 9 3 to £133 7 0.

It is remarkable how readily the Indian children in our schools adopt the English language in place of their own in ordinary conversation.

We refer to the statements in Mr. Morton's report in reference to distribution of literature. These statements apply with equal fitness to the whole Mission.

The taste for reading has been steadily increasing. An average of £50 worth of Indian books each year have been sold in connection with the Mission during the last three years. This sum represents a large number of books, as they are sold at low prices.

We have never asked for grants from publishing societies in India, but they have allowed us most liberal discount on purchases; and we take this opportunity of tendering thanks to the North Indian Bible Society, the North Indian Tract Society, the Christian Vernacular Society,

and also to Oliver W. Warner, Esq., Emigration Agent at Calcutta, for his kindness in getting our orders forwarded to us.

Two new schools have been opened in St. Lucia early this year. Early next year, when the dry season sets in, it is proposed that one of our number should visit these schools, when details of the work on that island will be duly reported to the Board.

There have been in all 203 baptisms during the year—85 children and 118 adults. This makes a total of 1,410 baptisms since the opening of the Mission here.

Twenty couples have been married during the year.

There are now 371 communicants in good standing, of which 76 were added during the past year.

There have been 33 schools in operation, giving the following aggregate figures:—

Boys on the Roll	1,310
Girls " " "	533
Total	1,843
Daily average	1,269

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As Rev. John Hendrie has retired from St. Joseph District and it has been worked during the whole year in connection with Tunapuna, this report is drawn to cover the work in both fields.

Statistics.—

	DAY SCHOOLS			SUNDAY SCHOOLS	
	On the Roll		Average	Average	
	Boys	Girls		Daily	Daily
St. Joseph	47	18	65	38	22
Caroni	40	10	50	35	21
Tunapuna	38	14	52	34	46
Tacarigua	78	57	135	86	70
Orange Grove	23	12	35	28	29
Arouca	34	20	54	42	23
Red Hill	20	8	28	18	21
Total	280	139	419	281	232