

Burdens that had to be borne in former years by your missionaries are now taken up by willing, skilful hands. For example we bring together annually the membership of the whole district; this year the Catechists subscribed the cost of the treat, and in a most satisfactory way carried out the whole arrangements.

As in the past old friends have stood by us. Messrs. Tennant, Lamont, Cumming and the Colonial Company estate proprietors, and also Mr. Robertson, Mayor, have our best thanks.

For every favor we desire to acknowledge him in whose hands are the hearts of all men.

REV. MR. MACRAE'S FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT.

PRINCESTOWN, Trinidad, Dec. 31st 1891.

DURING the year I was somewhat over seven months absent from the field on furlough, having left on the 9th of May, and owing to an unavoidable delay did not return until the 7th January.

In the first part of the year two new school houses were built, one at Morichal and the other at Fairfield, also two teachers houses—one at Ben Lomond and the other at Jordan Hill.

This completes the list of buildings provided for in the estimate for 1891, viz; four school houses and two teachers houses, the only change being that a teachers house at Jordan Hill was substituted for a schoolhouse on Lothian's Estate.

The Catechist work was carried on with the usual vigor. Besides Mr. Soodeen, ten men were employed during the year all of whom with one exception, did good work. The usual instruction was given to both Catechists and teachers on Saturdays.

The school work required vigorous efforts on the part of the managers to keep up the attendance. The schools at Morichal and Fairfield, two important districts, have hitherto been carried on at the expense of the Mission, but as the requirements of Government are now complied with we hope they will soon be put on the list of Government Assisted Schools.

Owing to the amalgamation of two schools into one there are now 13 schools in this district having an aggregate roll of 627, and a daily attendance of 495.

It was a great comfort to me on going home, to leave Mr. Thompson in charge of the field, and a greater comfort still on returning to find that by himself and Mr. Soodeen the field had been managed so well and the work carried on so successfully.

Besides \$25.00 donated specially to the college, the Native Congregation contributed this year \$432.00—the amount estimated.

The number of marriages for the year is 14. Baptisms 45; viz., Adults 26, Infant 19.

REV. J. COFFIN'S SECOND ANNUAL REPORT.

Couva, Trinidad, Dec. 31, 1891.

THE past year has been one of extension and progress. The field has been more fully occupied with schools and catechists than in former years, and a foundation laid for future work in a large section previously under no-Christian teaching. Amid many influences that are not helpful there are hopeful signs visible. Gradually our work is being more felt by the mass of the people, greater confidence is bestowed, the way is being prepared for the reception of the truth and the door of opportunity is wider open. The Christian people are exhibiting more interest in the work of the Mission, while a feeling of strength, and hopefulness for the future is manifested. Greater intelligence on the part of converts has been noticeable throughout the year.

SCHOOLS.

Much time has been given to school-work which has been considerably extended during the year. I add statistics for 1891.

Name of School.	Boys.	Girls.	Total	Dail Average.
1. Exchange.....	67	39	97	63
2. Esperanza.....	48	16	64	48
3. Perseverance.....	30	21	50	39
4. Chandernagore.....	33	14	47	33
5. Chnseville.....	27	14	41	29
6. Milton & Rivulet.....	39	30	69	50
7. Praysal.....	35	9	44	31
8. Calcutta.....	13	30	93	50
9. Carapichaima (upper).....	30	10	40	30
Total.....	381	174	555	373

Compared with 1890, the above shews an increase of 181 enrolled and 103 daily average; compared with 1889, an increase of 329 enrolled and 214 daily average. Schools, Nos. 1-6, have been, during the year, on the list of schools assisted by the Government. *Praysal* and *Calcutta* schools, owing to delay of Government, have not yet been placed on the list, but as they fulfil all the conditions and have been recommended by the Inspector of schools, in all probability they will come on as Government assisted schools from January 1892. *Carapichaima* (upper) was opened during the year and conducted at a small expense to the Mission as a branch of the *Calcutta* school.

Few changes have occurred in the teaching staff for the year. Considerable improvement has been shewn by the teachers in activity and increased interest in their work. Throughout the year I trained the teachers in secular studies from 8-11 A.M. on Saturdays, devoting also some time to the study of the Bible-lessons to be taught in the schools in the following week.

New school-houses have been erected and occupied at Calcutta, Rivulet, Praysal, Persever-