

work among the Indians, but now these doubts were removed and that nothing succeeds like success. He also remarked about the cleanliness and general appearance of the children present.

It is on occasions like this that we feel the need of the clothing which is so liberally provided by ladies at home. Although there is a certain amount distributed every week it is when they all come together that we need most. The untidy ones, themselves, seeing others around looking brighter, cleaner and happier than they, feel ashamed and ask for a new suit. Boxes have been received during the year from Pictou, Halifax, Richmond, and Port Elgin, also a parcel from Merigomish, and we most sincerely thank the ladies for their continued contributions.

We are often asked to write letters for societies. I admit that I have not been as attentive in that respect as I might be, but in all my letters I have asked for letters in return. It certainly encourages us, to hear from friends of the mission at home, and to be asked questions which may give us a clue to the information wanted there, but this year I have not received even one letter from a mission society in Nova Scotia, saving from Pictou my own home, I am indeed grateful to friends there for their considerate kindnesses.

There are many members of many societies and if one cannot find time to write surely another can, for mission teachers as well as others like their letters to be acknowledged.

In this report I have limited myself to work with which I stand personally connected, but in conclusion would simply add, that this whole mission district presents much to encourage, and to awaken gratitude.

Yours faithfully,
C. F. COPELAND.

28th Dec., 1888.

ABSTRACT OF REPORTS FOR 1888.

SCHOOLS.

	ON ROLL			
	Boys	Girls	Total	Daily avg.
Tunapuna District,	295	143	438	306
San Fernando,	628	203	831	547
Princetown,	309	142	451	305
Couva,	174	67	241	145
	1406	555	1961	1303

BAPTISMS.

	Adults	Children	Total
Tunapuna,	17	16	33
San Fernando,	83	73	156
Princetown,	32	6	38
Couva,	28	17	45

Total 160 112 272

MARRIAGES.

Tunapuna,	6
San Fernando,	19
Princetown,	12
Couva,	7

Total 44

COMMUNICANTS IN GOOD STANDING.

Tunapuna,	36
San Fernando,	251
Princetown,	48
Couva,	47

Total 382

STATION	MISSIONARY	CAN. TEACHER
Tunapuna	John Morton	Miss Blackadder absent on furl'gh
S. F'do	K. J. Grant	Miss Copeland
S. F'do	Lalbihari asst.	
P. Town	W. L. Macrae	Miss Semple
Couva		

Catechist in Tunapuna District—Paul Bhukhan.

A MINUTE OF MISSION COUNCIL.

SAN FERNANDO, TRINIDAD,

Dec. 20th, 1888.

Mission Council met *Inter alia*. "Mr. Grant reported that his nephew Rev. James Adam Johnson died at West Coast Demarara on the 18th Nov., and the Rev. John Gibson at the same place a week later. After engaging in prayer, on motion by Mr. Morton, the Mission Council resolved to express their solemn sense of the Divine Sovereignty in this sudden visitation; their deep sympathy with the friends bereaved, particularly with Mr. Johnson's mother, and Mr. Gibson's wife, and their earnest prayer that these events may not deter others from taking up the work that has fallen from these workers' hands."

K. J. GRANT.
Sec. to Mission Council.