

deputation from the Sanhedrin.

- (2.) How easily He conquered them, by the wisdom imparted in answer to prayer.

## THE TRINIDAD MISSION.

Letter from Mrs. Morton.

Tunapuna, Trinidad B. W. I.  
May 12th, 1882.

*My Dear Friends—*

We are just now enjoying the pleasure of a short visit from a worthy elder of our church Mr. Campbell of Moncton, New Brunswick. He has visited each missionary in his field and will be well able to give some report of our work. He will kindly forward these letters for me.

Since writing you last the new premises at Carohi have been completed, a good school house with house for the teacher. The school was opened on May 1st, Mr. McLeod was able to spare a teacher from our old field, John Dharm or Bankha, who while in training as a monitor was supported by the Truro W. F. M. Society.

Every Sabbath morning Mr. Morton conducts an English as well as a Hindustani service at Caroni. This is stipulated for by the owners of the estate who are liberal subscribers to our funds. One of them sent out from Scotland \$182 towards the erection of the buildings. On the estate area great many English speaking people who are from their isolated situation debarred from attending any place of worship; a weekly service is a great boon to many of them, and their children are taught in the school along with the Coolies.

Mr. Morton's regular Sabbath work is five services and twenty miles travelling. I am obliged to take sole charge of the Tunapuna S. School. Several of our young men render good assistance.

Our little organ is invaluable, Sankeys Hymns are sung with great vigor. Mr. Morton has translated "Hold the Fort" without altering the metre; "Had I the wings of a dove" in Hindustani, is a great favorite. We have had several applications from Creoles wishing to learn to sing with the Coolies but are obliged to refuse.

I know you are glad to hear that I have been presented with the price of the "Baby Organ" \$33, by Mrs. Cuthbert, of Ayr, Scotland, formerly residing in Trinidad.

Several of our missionaries received much kindness from herself and late husband and she still retains an interest, in our work and in the good cause everywhere. The little fund from sewing and otherwise that I had been carefully collecting for the organ will therefore be diverted to the purchase of a steel amalgam bell for Caroni which has been ordered from New York.

I have heard that Mason and Hamlin manufacture lap-organs for \$10 dollars. I should suppose from the name that they can be easily carried about; can any lady inform me as to whether such a one could be easily conveyed when driving from place to place. If so, I should certainly invest in one for schools and meetings.

The spring of our year is fast approaching we are now waiting for the first showers much as you wait for the genial warmth of spring. The ground is so baked by five months of perfectly dry weather that it is quite impossible to till it.

At Tunapuna we have not had a single heavy shower since before Christmas. Our cistern has been dry for two weeks. We are obliged to have all our water carried from Tunapuna river, which, fortunately is not very far off.

I am afraid you must sometimes find my letters monotonous. Our climate and our work are both so. No romance attaches to missionary life in this island, nor has it been our lot to meet with much of that sudden brilliant and wholesale success of which we have all read descriptions. Steady plodding work is the rule here, and perhaps without any exception the measure of solid success. Much plowing and sowing and patient watering and tending must be bestowed before this moral wilderness can become a "garden of the Lord."

Our sex is said to be fond of ornament; we will not stop to discuss the truth of the charge (no doubt it originated with the opposite sex) but for the benefit of any of you who may be interested by novelties in that line I will describe a new ear-ring which they could have manufactured with very little trouble, and it has at least one merit that of being inexpensive.

Take an empty cotton reel, Clarke's No. 30 would be about the size; cut off one end; let the other end be neatly covered with tin or some other very bright metal it might be finished off with a border of colored glass. It is now ready for inserting but the boring of the ear must be enlarged till it will accommodate the body of the