

making the full breadth of the building 45 feet. Between the roof of the gallery and the eave of the main building are small open Gothics, 18 inches apart, and the roof which is of galvanized iron projects sufficiently to prevent rain from drifting in. The sides of the gallery are completely open, but as soon as the wet season sets in we intend planting shrubbery which in a few weeks will largely obstruct the rain and the breeze also. The back end is completely boarded in but without ornament, and the church founded on a gravel bed which possesses almost the solidity of a rock is without a floor, and to the roof is entirely open.

The end fronting on the street has received principal attention, and in consequence has largely swelled the cost. Immediately in front of the galleries on each side is a tower, eight sided rising 32 feet, and capped by a dome. The basement of each furnishes a comfortable little room, which will be found very convenient, whilst in the upper part is a belfry, and G. Turnbull, Esq., of Glasgow, who has several Estates here, is forwarding us a bell as his contribution to the church. By the towers the galleries are hidden from view and between the towers there is what may be called a breastwork enclosing the end of the building and rising sufficiently high to hide the gable end of the roof. The entrance is by one door in the centre, and on each side of it is a gothic window, the only glass windows in the building, and the space above the doors and windows is relieved by plain mock gothics, which add materially to the appearance, the towers are relieved in the same manner.

EXPENDITURE TO DATE.

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| Land \$481.50, sale of old house \$45, | |
| Land net..... | \$436 50 |
| Foundation..... | 213 00 |
| Carpenters..... | 908 40 |
| Iron work, flags for steps, cartage..... | 56 20 |
| Scantling, boards, nails, &c..... | 1208 69 |

\$2822 79

RECEIPTS TO DATE.

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| From Coolies..... | \$742 43 |
| San Fernando..... | 161 18 |
| Naparimas..... | 207 00 |
| Couva..... | 129 00 |
| Port of Spain..... | 216 40 |
| San Fernando congregation in acknowledgment of Mr. Grant's services..... | 60 00 |
| Agent of Church, Nova Scotia..... | 480 00 |
| A lady, New Glasgow..... | 4 80 |
| A friend, Merigomish..... | 2 40 |
| Capt Munroe, brig Chief..... | 2 40 |
| Crew of Chief..... | 1 92 |
| Bridgewater cong., N. S.... | 20 60 |

\$2027 53

Expenditure over receipts.....\$795 26

To meet this we have subscribed \$130 and hope to collect in addition \$170, which will leave a deficit of \$495.26.* It will be necessary to paint the building outside before the wet season. Temporary seats must be provided and steps built at church door, for which materials are already on hand.

It may be interesting for your Board to know something of the subscription list:—

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| 3 Companies contributed each..... | \$50 00 |
| 1 Gentleman "..... | 30 00 |
| 3 " " each..... | 25 00 |
| 4 " " "..... | 20 00 |
| 14 " " "..... | 10 00 |
| 34 " " "..... | 5 00 |
| 26 " " "..... | 2 50 |

The balance in smaller sums, a considerable proportion of it in five cent pieces.

Episcopalians as well as Presbyterians contributed very handsomely, and amongst the highest subscribers are the names of Roman Catholics. The Mayor of San Fernando, a Roman Catholic, in view of the style of building contributed \$25. This hearty response to a call for aid seems in a measure to illustrate the sympathy which is here cherished for the mission which your Board has undertaken.

The enterprise too has brought us in contact with a large body of Coolies to whom we would have been for a long time strangers. Our work has thus been more extensively published. Farther, the Coolies felt that the church is theirs, they felt a special interest in it, and again and again have we been told if we returned or came again to collect that all men would give. We do not however think that it would be judicious to go for some considerable time.

In conclusion, we would say that we desire to cherish sincere gratitude to God for the way in which we have been sustained in this work by friends of the Mission here and in Nova Scotia, and still we would trust and not be afraid.

Very respectfully submitted,

K. J. GRANT,
JOHN MORTON.

REV. P. G. MCGREGOR,
Sec. of F. M. Board.

* The real deficit up to date will be \$420.26, as there are \$75 of volunteer contributions from friends in the Lower Provinces which have not reached San Fernando.—P. G. McG.

Letter from Mr. Morton.

SAN FERNANDO,
March 25th, 1872.

REV. AND DEAR BROTHER,—

In the work here incidents are constantly occurring which I doubt not would be interesting to many of the readers of the *Record*; but from familiarity they do not