

seemed eager to hear the Word of God, and have promised to wait on the services now commenced under S. Seunaryan who is to act at once as teacher with the boy F. Budhlal and catechist. The school has been opened, with nine the first day but on Monday last the 14th inst there were twenty-two in the classes, and by the end of this week about thirty are expected. From the above it will be noticed, that at least at Belmont there is great need for mission work.

We paid a visit to Samaritan on Tuesday, which is eight or nine miles distant. Word had been sent that we were coming. It was a most unsuitable hour, at 2 P. M. We held the meeting. Many were at their work in the cocoa plantations. Notwithstanding, that drawback, the meeting was attended by one hundred and twenty-two; children 30, women 12, males 80. They are simply clamorous for a school and we were assured if a teacher were to be placed in their midst, at least forty would be enrolled in a short time. We think of removing Budhlal to Samaritan and engaging a monitor, to assist Seunaryan at Belmont. Bye and bye we hope to obtain another catechist who with the one at Belmont might be able to conduct services in three places at least.

But the question that faces me is, where are the men to come from? What a blessing it would be if an institution such as a Normal School or training college were established in Trinidad. From what I saw when there, during the month of April, there is ample material for a school of the kind suggested. This subject must face you ere long, if not already, and the Presbyterians everywhere ought to, as I cannot but believe they would, aid you, if properly represented. East Indian immigration to the West Indies is on a very large scale. No field is so well occupied as Trinidad is by your church and from no island could there be prepared at so little cost, young men for the mission field of the West Indies, as in Trinidad. One principal, with the aid of his brethren could for three or four hundred pounds a year, educate, both for schools and missions those recommended and seemingly fitted by talents and zeal. The query then is, how is this to be accomplished? By your Church making an appeal for aid, not only to Canada, but to America, Great Britain, and her colonies. The labours of these Coolies are enriching all, and if the matter was fairly set before

our Christian communities, sufficient support would be given. You have a good case, why then not present your claim? Grenada is calling upon you for help. St. Vincent, St. Lucia, and other islands demand your attention, united requests for help have already I believe been before you, from places named. British Guiana is calling aloud for men from you. truly allies seem to be looking to you for men. It is as if the voice of God were heard saying to you, "Send them help for I have given you these people to train for the field which is white unto harvest." Nay, He says, "India have I chosen. She is to be won to me, the prayers of my people have I heard. These are sent to you, that you may prepare a people to gain India for me. You must answer to my call." This is not mere imagination. The Providence of God seems to point and proclaim that.

I trust you are quite strong now, and nothing the worse of your hard work in Grenada. Kindest regards to all your circle. Remember me to all the brethren. In the hope that Lal Behari reaches you, in safety and that we may hear from you soon.

I am, Yours faithfully,  
JAMES MUIR.

Report from Mrs. Morton.

Tunapuna, Trinidad, B. W. I.

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My Dear Friends:—

I have nothing new or striking to report to you about our work; the Gospel is being preached; the heathen are getting some knowledge of the name of Jesus, a name that in their ignorance is often hateful to them. A Mohammedan once said Jesus, Jesus, Why do you always talk about Him? I hate the very sound of His name.

Our schools are quietly doing a good work: the children taught there will be incapable of receiving with the blind submission of their fathers the errors and absurdities of Hinduism; a good soil is being thus prepared in which the good seed of the word will doubtless take root and bring forth fruit long after the patient sower has gone to rest. At Arouca several nice boys have been baptized, one of them is monitor at Tacarigua school and does very well; his family are all heathen; he has an old grandfather nearly blind who sometimes with his long staff feels his way to church and seems to enjoy the native hymns very much; he expressed pleasure to Mr. Morton that his grandson was a