

was said of me it was always kept in the foreground that I was a parson-man. The labourers all worked well; but there was no water and all became intensely thirsty. Water had been sent for and I started to see that another gang did not intercept it. Just then a man appeared with two cans of water. Being very thirsty, I lifted one of the cans to my head in full view of the Coolies and drank. Some Creoles came forward and seized upon the other can. I saw at once that a mistake had been made. The Coolies would be insulted if asked to drink from the same can as the Creoles, and I felt very doubtful whether the new Coolies, at least, would taste the water from my can. Without hesitation I carried it to them and said, in a joking way in Hindustani, "I was very thirsty and drank; you are very thirsty, drink too. I am a Brahman, do not fear to drink after me, and I will pour the water for you besides. Hold hands." The Coolies do not drink as we do. They form a cup of their hands. They then place their mouth between their hands near the wrist and drink while the water is poured in at the fingers. They looked at each other, and smiled, and held their hands while I poured the water for them. Not one refused his drink. The overseer on the ground said that he never saw a gang of Coolies get over their caste prejudices in that way before. Selal, the Coolie boy who stays with us, now eats cow's flesh, and when in the hospital, Juraman began to do the same thing.—Juraman is now attending school, but he is not yet able to work, and is never likely to be as strong as before.

More than a month ago we started a school about a mile and a half from this. The Iere village school meets from 7½ to 10½ o'clock, and the Mount Stuart village school from 12 to 2. This is a relief to me for I do not go to the new school every day. All the time I can save in this way is devoted to the language. The new school meets in an unoccupied Coolie house, with clay floor, tiash walls and thatched roof. The children are all beginners and not very large.

I have nothing particularly encouraging to write. I have felt very well and vigorous for the last three months, and feel that I have made very decided progress in the language. Selal has been a great help to me. There is so much to be done that I would like to hear that another labourer had offered for Trinidad.

I am,

Yours, very sincerely,

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News of the Church.

Church Membership of Children.

This is the title of an admirable Tract on the Baptist question, by Rev. John Munro, Wallace. We recommend this tract for circulation among our people, especially wherever errorists are engaged in making proselytes. Bible classes could study this Tract with profit, as it gives the scriptural argument for the baptism of children very concisely. The price is 2 cents per copy, or \$1.50 per 100. Orders may be sent to Miss Katzman, Halifax.

Presbytery of Truro.

This Presbytery, according to appointment, met in the centre Church, Onslow, on the 5th inst., for the Ordination of Mr. J. H. Chase, A. M., colleague and successor to the Rev. J. I. Baxter. There were present on the platform, the Rev. Messrs. Baxter, Moderator, *pro tem.*, Byers, Ross, Wyllie, McKay, Currie, McGillivray, and Glendinning corresponding member; and Mr. Chase. There was a large congregation in attendance, yet hardly up to what might have been expected, considering the number of strangers present. This may be accounted for, by the scattered nature of the congregation as well as the unfavorable state of the weather and of the roads. The services were commenced by public worship, conducted by Mr. Currie. He preached an appropriate discourse from Eph. iii. 10—"To the intent, 'hat now, unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places, might be known by the Church the manifold wisdom of God." The preacher spoke specially of the exhibition made of the divine attributes, particularly the attribute of wisdom, through the instrumentality of the Church. The gospel is preached, and the purposes of God in the salvation of man are brought about. These purposes are thus accomplished in such a way that even the various orders of angelic beings are constantly learning more and more of the divine wisdom. Mr. Byers narrated the steps. He spoke of the Presbytery suggesting the propriety of a colleague, of the interview between the Presbytery and congregation, of the congregation heartily entering into the matter, of them hearing probationers and unanimously making choice of Mr. Chase, and of him being proved by the Presbytery to their entire satisfaction in every point.

Mr. Baxter being appointed as senior minister to ordain, put the questions of the formula and engaged in prayer, during which and by which and "the laying on of