

out in the boat and never spoke a word but sat with her hand to her head. Dr. Mackay shouted, Sing "Forever with the Lord." She is here still and so cheerful and happy. Neighbours, old and young, converts and non-converts, poured out to welcome us. The above is all *truth*, and no sentiment. The Jamiesons well. We are all well too.

DEMERARA.

Distribution of Clothing to the Nitvlugt School Children.

ZEEBURG HOUSE, 6th Jan., 1888.

MRS. GIBSON.—Thank you very much for your kind letter of the 18th Nov., which arrived about a month later. It is encouraging to get a letter from one so interested in our work as you are, and I highly appreciated it. I shall always be very glad to hear from you, and will in return give you any information concerning our work here which I think may be of interest to you. Mr. Gibson did study at Knox College. I am not a Canadian, and have never even visited North America; that is a pleasure in store for me which I hope to realize at no very distant date. I shall then have an opportunity of becoming personally acquainted with you and some other friends interested in our work.

Your mission report also arrived safely, but I have not had time to do more than glance through it, as I have been unusually busy for the past two months making garments for distribution among the children of the Nitvlugt school at Christmas. I think I undertook rather much, and am quite glad that it is all over. Through the year I have often been grieved to see many of the children, boys and girls, going to school almost naked, some of the latter entirely so. I made the fact known to some of my relations here, and they very kindly contributed their children's cast-off clothing to cover the most naked. This I found caused some jealousy amongst those who were fortunate enough not to require such aid. Several boys called on me going from school, and after their usual "Salam, Mem Sahib," said, "You give girls napra (cloth) an' boys shirts, an' you no gi' a we shirt." I told them it was because they were naked I gave them these things, to make them look decent in school. One little fellow said, "Then I come bare skin to-morrow." I made him understand that he would not gain anything by so doing, but told them if they were good boys, and went to school regularly, I should give them each a garment for Christmas. It was rather