

Extract Letter from Mrs. Gibson, Demerara, Referring to Mr. Gibson's Death.

EDINBURGH HOUSE, MARCH 12TH, 1889.

My husband was apparently in perfect health on Sunday, the 18th November, but after the usual services he felt very weary. In the evening he seemed quite well, and helped me to select dresses (out of those sent from Canada) for three children who were to have been presented for baptism on the following Sabbath. This was his last mission work. During the night he was taken ill with acute dysentery, accompanied by fever. The best medical aid was called immediately, and was in constant attendance night and day, but it was of no avail, and he breathed his last on Monday the 26th November.

It is needless to say that while I remain here I shall take a deep interest in the Mission, the welfare of which my dear husband had so much at heart, and talked about when his voice was almost inaudible.

The childrens' gifts and prizes arrived safely early in November. I shall write again and tell you about the distribution, etc. In the meantime will you please thank the ladies who so kindly sent them, and say the thought of their coming encouraged us greatly through the year.

Distribution of Gifts and Prizes at Demerara.

THE VILLA BELFIELD, EAST COAST,
APRIL 11TH, 1889.

MRS. GIBSON.—I enclose a newspaper cutting from which you will see how and when the prizes and gifts so kindly sent by the Canadian ladies have been distributed. I regret not being able to be present at the Hague distribution. Dear little baby was very unwell and I could not leave her. I made all the arrangements, however, and my two nieces, assisted by the estates manager (Mr. Thorpe) and his wife, and the Rev. G. Stephen (Sec'y. of the Mission Council), distributed the things. The children were highly delighted with them, particularly the dolls; even the