

We have felt the presence of the Holy Spirit, whose it is to convince and convert sinners, and to build up Christ's people in the faith.

We have found among those outside a greater readiness than ever to hear the message and to consider the teachings of the Gospel, and among the converts themselves a deeper appreciation of the fundamental truths of our glorious religion, coupled with an earnest desire to understand them more perfectly.

We have followed the same plan of services as last year with the exception that the service formerly held at California was transferred to Esperanza. We have regularly held four services on Sabbath:—Esperanza at 9 a. m., Sevilla Hospital at 11 a. m., Couva Church in Hindustani at 3, and again in English at 7 p. m.

Each week, as far as possible, we have visited barracks and hospitals at Exchange, Perseverance, Esperanza and Milton, and other places as we could find time and opportunity.

The schools have been visited, as a regular thing, twice each month. They have done very well. One hundred and seventy one pupils have made the number of attendances required for presentation before the Inspector.

The averages have been much the same as last year. As, by a mishap, the figures for monthly average roll appeared in the average daily attendance column last year, it seems proper that we should give the averages for last year and for this in parallel columns in this report.

The Waterloo School was closed at the end of June because of the withdrawal of the allowance from J. Cumming, Esq., at that date, so that the report of that school is for six months only.

The fees paid to the Government School at Cuckuta Village in behalf of Indian children are included in the item of general incidentals in our financial statement.

Through the generosity of the Foreign Mission Board in Canada and of friends in Trinidad our church is now all but free of debt.

Owing to diminution of expenditure in the latter part of the year, we have been able—with the £30 granted by the Foreign Mission Board, and the \$100 voted by the Mission Council from old house proceeds—to wipe off the debt that stood on our report last year.

In two things we find cause for sadness,

first the death of Miss Archibald. She entered upon her work at the beginning of the year with very great ability and diligence. She did her part well up to the Midsummer holidays, but during the first week of her vacation the call came and she passed away to the glorious rest and joy of heaven.

It is impossible to say here what might be said of her, but let this suffice—she was every way satisfactory as a Mission Teacher.

Another cause of sadness is the serious breaking down of Mrs. Wright's health, and the opinion of Medical Officers that she should not remain in a tropical climate.

In this the Mas. er has intimated that I should leave the work to which with all sincerity and earnestness I had given myself up. I have therefore resigned and will return to Canada in a few months.

As this is my last Missionary Report I may be permitted to say a word or two in reference to my whole work since arrival.

When I came to Couva there were one hundred names on the Baptismal Roll, of that number only twenty-five are now in the district. There were forty names on the Communion Roll, of these twenty-one have been removed.

Eighty-nine names have been added to the Baptismal Roll; some of these have died or gone away from the neighborhood, but the bulk of them remain. Twenty-three have been added to the Communion Roll, of which eight have removed. We have had only one case of repudiation after baptism.

Some are careless, but the most of the people regularly attend the services of the church, and evidence before men that they are abiding in Christ and seeking to walk according to His truth.

There are large settlements of free Indians lying to the east of this field which call loudly upon us to extend our operations.

I trust that the Church may soon be in a position to increase the funds so that these places may be taken up.

The result of four years' labour may appear small, but we have honestly done our best, and have refused to enlarge our numbers by taking in unsatisfactory material, and although we could have wished much greater results: we thankfully receive what has been given as evidence that we have not laboured alone nor spent our strength for naught.