

these integrity could be added we would have the chief elements of usefulness and success secured. While the dry weather continued the attendance at the English service was good. When the crop was over many Creoles left the estate till the crop time comes round again, so that the average from the middle of June till the end of the year did not exceed fifteen. There are scarcely the elements out of which to organize anything permanent among the English-speaking people at present; but those who attended could not go elsewhere, some of them were convalescents from the hospital opposite our place of worship and it is something to have ministered to those thus destitute.

During the dry season, a school-room 36 x 18 feet, and a house for the teacher were erected at a cost of £137 8s. 4d.. An effort has still to be made to get the buildings painted at least on the outside.

*Tunapuna.*—Sunday-school 10.30 a. m. Teachers, Mrs. Morton, Mrs. Jagannath, Geoffrey Subarau, John Allahdua, and C. Akbarali. Service, 11.30 a. m.; weekly prayer meeting, 7 p. m., on Friday; day school, teachers, John Allahdua, and Mrs. McGregor. Class for teachers 8.10 a. m. on Saturday. At the service and prayer-meeting the gospel of Matthew was read through during the year and explained—those who could read at times reading simultaneously. The Lord's supper was dispensed twice. To Tunapuna as a centre all the communicants come. Here, too, on December 23rd, 110 children, from all the schools, gathered to enjoy their Christmas treat. The English singing, the sewing and geography have fallen principally on Mrs. and Miss Morton. The temporary employment of Mrs. McGregor did not meet the wants of the school; so that we are much pleased with the action of the F. M. Board in securing a teacher from Nova Scotia. Miss Semple arrived December 22nd and we sincerely hope her work will tell favourably on this school.

*Arucua.*—Service 2.30 p. m., teacher P. Bhukhan. At this station the attendance has been less fluctuating than last year. The children are as well drilled in the day school and attend church so well that the Sunday-school was given up to enable Bhukhan to attend to other work and particularly to teach adults who may come to him. Besides teaching the school he has held meetings at four estates in the neighbourhood. We have been indebted, as last year, to Rev. Wm. F. Dickson for the use of the school-room and to Mrs. Dickson for teaching the girls

sewing. Hitherto we have paid rent for a house for the teacher. Fritz Zurcher, Esq., has kindly granted a lot of land on the principal street of the village convenient for buildings; and Mrs. Zurcher has collected over \$100 toward their erection. The teacher's house should be proceeded with at once and the question of proceeding with the school-house I submit to the Mission Council.

*Orange Grove.*—Service 4.30. For some months I conducted this service every Sunday; after that I was present only every alternate Sunday, but a meeting was conducted by some of my helpers. From September, when Mrs. McGregor took the Tunapuna school, Allahdua, after teaching the Hindu in that school, came to Orange Grove and taught an afternoon school for Hindu. More than half of the children were girls and these were taught sewing by Miss Morton. Sunday school was also conducted by J. Allahdua and G. Subarau at 3 p. m.

*Laurel Hill.*—Service at 4.30 p. m. At the suggestion of Mrs. Zurcher, wife of the proprietor of this estate, we held a service as above indicated, from April to December 31st. We met at first under the hospital, and during the wet season in the mill-room which was tolerably comfortable. Mrs. Zurcher, when on the estate, attended these meetings regularly and to her influence was largely due the fact that they have been exceedingly well attended.

*Curepe.*—Weekly services 5 p. m. on Tuesday. Teacher C. Akbarali. Teacher and children and some adults attend Sunday-school and church at Tunapuna. The attendance at the Tuesday meeting has been good, and the people of the village have continued to pay the rent of their school-room, \$5 per month.

*Catechist.*—As I found I could not overtake all the visiting, I engaged Mrs. Jagannath for four afternoons in the week. He visited weekly three estates and two villages and on Sunday took volunteer work wherever I wished him to go.

Visiting schools and people in their homes has filled up the rest of my time in which work I have been assisted by Mrs. Morton.

*Summary.*—Hospital's visited ten. Baptisms, adults seven, children three. Marriages four. Communicants in good standing eighteen.

#### SCHOOLS.

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