

through the labours of Messrs McKenzie and McDonald the whole of the New Testament has been translated into the Efatese language, being printed by the British and Foreign Bible Society and placed in the hands of the natives."

We may well exclaim, as we think of this Mission Synod meeting for business uninterrupted during eight days in one of its own churches on Tanna, "What hath God wrought?" He hath stilled the adversary and avenger. He hath answered the prayers of His servants, sometimes it would seem by terrible things in righteousness, but during these recent years by bringing peace to His people and multiplying them in their rest.

TRINIDAD MISSION.

A number of changes have taken place in the personnel of this Mission. When last report was submitted Couva was vacant, and a student, Mr. Simon A. Fraser, had gone out to assist the labourers on the ground in giving it supply. This work he performed, while necessary, to the complete satisfaction of all concerned.

Mr. and Mrs. Morton were obliged to return to Nova Scotia for the summer on account of the ill health of the former. He visited, on his way home, Clifton Springs, in the State of New York, and derived much benefit from his treatment in the Sanitarium there. He passed through Toronto and some other western cities, and set before the people, as opportunity presented itself, the work among the Indian immigrants in the West Indies. It was August before he reached Nova Scotia—still weak, though much improved in health. His main purpose was to rest and regain strength for further work in the Mission, but his active nature would not permit idleness. He visited many of the churches and was present at the meeting of the Synod in October, at Pictou. Mrs. Morton not only accompanied him, but made several independent visits, and everywhere stirred up an increased interest in the work. They returned in November, but not alone. The long called-for missionary to Couva had come forward in the person of Mr. F. J. Coffin, a native of Prince Edward Island, a graduate of Dalhousie College and a divinity student of the Presbyterian College, Halifax, and the Seminary, Princeton. He was accepted by the Committee, at its meeting in Pictou at the time of the Synod; was introduced to and welcomed by the Synod, and was ordained and designated to his work, at the request of the Committee, by the Presbytery of St. John, which had a short time before licensed him to preach the gospel, and which looked forward to him as a co-presbyter, as

he was under call to one of their vacant charges. They cheerfully gave him to the church at large for the work in Couva. Nor was he the only fellow-laborer of the Morton's to accompany them. During the summer intimation came to the Committee that both Miss Copeland, of the San Fernando School, and Miss Semple, of Princetown, would retire in the autumn. To fill their places Miss Graham and Miss Archibald had been obtained, and went forth in company with the returning missionaries and Mr. Coffin. Successful farewell meetings were held in Truro, Halifax and St. John, at which the missionaries presented, with great effect, the circumstances and claims of the Mission. Early in December, the company landed in Trinidad in good health and spirits. Mr. Coffin was inducted into the charge of the Couva station. Miss Archibald was placed in charge of the school at Princetown, and Miss Graham of that in San Fernando. Reports of their work have since been received, which show that the Committee was happily guided in making choice of them as its agents. The Morton's on their return, resumed their work with all their old time ardour and avidity, and with new plans for compassing much before the night comes on.

Miss Blackadder had returned in July, and was found with apparently a new lease of life at her post in Tacarigua when the others arrived. Thus the Mission Staff was again complete. But no! there was one sad blank! Mrs. MacRae, who had thrown her whole heart into the work along with her husband, and was becoming thoroughly acquainted with the methods of successful instruction, was taken suddenly sick on September, and after a few short days if suffering was called to her everlasting rest and reward. Her sorrowing husband went bravely on with his labour—providing as he best could for the care of the little two-year old boy, now left motherless. He has the deepest sympathy of the Committee and of the whole Church. The Lord will fulfil to him His promise, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee."

For years members of the Mission Council in Trinidad have been reminding the Committee of the necessity of providing means for training a native ministry. Last summer the matter was seriously considered, and it was agreed to appoint a fifth missionary as soon as practicable, to be at the disposal of the Council for the accomplishment of this work, in the way their judgment may decide as best. It is expected that the new missionary, who is to be sent out this fall, will be able to relieve one or two of the older