

of the children under Joseph Annajee, have been remarkably good.

Soodeen was married in June, and Annajee in August. I visited the Couva schools once every month. Iere and Palmyra schools suffered much from small-pox. Many of the children took the disease, and some of them died of it.

BAPTISMS.

Kantoo and Juraman, both referred to in my last report, were baptized at Iere, after having been long under instruction. The former taught school for a few months; but, feeling his deficiency, asked to be allowed to return to school. He has accordingly, for the last five months, been working a task daily, and coming to school as before. I intend both these young men to take charge of schools which I hope to open on Estates in a month or two.

SABBATH SERVICES

have been held by me at Iere in Hindustani and English regularly during the year. Previous to the opening of the San Fernando Church, I attended the Iere Sabbath School; and held service on some neighbouring Estate, or hospital, every Sabbath, and occasionally held service in the School-room, San Fernando. Since the opening of the new church in San Fernando, I have taken part in the service there at 2 o'clock, p. m.—conversed with inquirers immediately after, and often held a fourth service toward evening on some Estate.

WEEK-DAY SERVICES

have been held whenever time and strength permitted—at the Convict Depot, in the San Fernando and other hospitals, and on Estates, both in this and the Iere districts.

I leave Mr. Grant to report respecting the baptisms in San Fernando, and the services in the new church. In Iere, the Sabbath services have been well attended, and throughout the whole field, the meetings on week days have been encouraging, and often very interesting.

I have met with less opposition in these meetings from Brahmans than on any previous year; not that their opposition has ceased, but they have ceased to face the foe, and content themselves with reviling us in our absence. Many hard and bitter things have been said of me during the year, by those who had not courage to oppose me face to face. I do not naturally like to be the object of reproach, but when it comes for the Gospel's sake, I cannot count it a disgrace. It is proof, too, that our influence is felt and feared, when the friends of idols and Mohammed are thus moved.

Your Board may perhaps ask, what reasons there are for thinking that the Gospel

is making progress. Our reply is, that it is more widely known, and the tendencies of its doctrines more intelligently appreciated. There is more inquiry about it, and Christianity has become a common topic with the people. Some are interested—others are in doubt and fear, and the enemies of the Gospel are angry. A box of Bibles and tracts arrived from Calcutta on the 11th March, and \$24 worth of the books have since been bought by Coolies. Altogether, while there is abundant evidence that the energies of the church and her missionaries will be taxed to the utmost before the field is won, there is much to encourage us in renewing the campaign.

We have preached the Gospel more widely than on any previous year; and, if blessed with health, the year to come shall be as this, but much more abundant. While going to the front to speak to the enemies of the Gospel, in the gates, we treat the prayers of the church, that we may not be ashamed, but that God may be glorified and sinners turned to righteousness.

Attached is a statement of school attendance and accounts.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN MORTON.

IERE CHURCH ACCOUNT.

Contributed by Creoles.....	\$54 71	
“ “ Coolies.....	34 36	
		\$89 07
Paid for a new Bell.....	\$20 00	
Incidental expenses.....	7 95	
		27 95
Paid balance to School Account.....		61 12

SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

(Income.)

Balance from last year.....	\$12 00	
“ Iere Church account.....	61 12	
“ San Fernando Ch. acct, per		
Rev. K. J. Grant....	16 82	
Rent of Rooms in Iere House.....	42 16	
Donation of H. B. Darling, Esq.....	10 00	
“ John Morton.....	8 67	
St. John's, per Miss. Ass. Hx.....	\$40 00	
Children, Kennetcook and Gore	8 00	
Newton Mills School, Upper		
Stewiacke.....	6 13	
Annie McCulloch, St. John's		
Church, Halifax.....	1 85	
N. S. Currency.....	56 00	
Spanish Currency.....	55 23	
		\$206 00

(Expenditure.)

Cost of Iere School.....	\$188 00	
Bal. of Palmyra not paid by		
Estate.....	18 00	
		206 00
Expenses of Esperanza, paid by W. H.		
Burnley, Esq.		
Expenses of Sevilla, paid by G. Turnbull,		
Esq.		