

Ramfen should associate himself with the complainants - being last remaining member of old P.W.D. gang, he is in fortunate position of drawing 10% month more money than the others. He is also single.]

No work for island labour, who mostly went fishing & spent cool of evening working on their houses.

Party six in charge Bawa & Teloa went cut timber for lotrine wharf.

Self & party of three went to try scrounge old timber from wreck for flooring lotrine wharf. Tomar insists that what we got will be O.K., but I think it is all too rotten.

Still no sign Minna - if she does not arrive before Monday, we shall have to go back to regular work, & chance her being delayed by arriving where people are away in the bush.

### 12<sup>th</sup> JANUARY - SUNDAY.

Wind variable N.W. to N.N.E., force 1 during daylight, 0 after nightfall. Hot, sunshine all day. Rainfall - NIL.  
[Henceforth wind strengths will be expressed by Beaufort scale numbers - this seems more satisfactory.]

By dint of using sundry old mats, sails etc., the pious managed to prepare school for church service. At present there is not sufficient thatch to cover the roof. More thatch is due on "John Bolton" in February.

Little office work & letter writing - otherwise almost idle day.