

The following resolution was submitted to the Board by the students, which resolution the Board desires to bring before the Convention :

Moved by the Rev. J. H. Doolittle, seconded by Rev. W. H. Jenkins,

That we recommend the Convention to intrust the Board with the matter of taking into consideration the communication of the students, and making provision for their immediate needs.

Upon motion of Bro. A. Grant, the Convention then adjourned to meet next year at Portage la Prairie.

The Doxology was sung and the meeting dispersed.

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT.

To the Brethren assembled in Convention in Brandon :—

Whatever may be true as to what is the first duty in missions or proportions of responsibility towards home and foreign lands in older countries, it cannot be gainsaid that such a country as this, where in God's providence and grace our lot is now cast, claims all but the entire concern and devotion of the churches and their members. Temptations of the most attractive kind will recurringly present themselves to distract our minds and divide our interests and efforts, but he, we believe, is the true seer and prophet of God that regards any policy short of a whole-hearted home mission policy, as in reality trifling with the occasion and preferring what seems to be to what truly is. It cannot be charged against such an one that he has less interest in other lands and kinds of labor for our Lord Jesus Christ and souls, but having regard to wise forms of investment of present opportunities, he sees that a vigorous care for the planting and nourishing of New Testament churches in this young country is the most certain course whereby eventually, and that, too, in our case, in the near future, the largest gains will accrue to the kingdom of our Lord and the glory of our God. We want, therefore, to rally our forces of heart and brain and purse, and stay ourselves still more securely on the commission, so that our Jerusalem and Judea may not be passed by or lost as a basis of operations for the years and generations to come.

During the year of our trust as your Board of Home Missions, we have sought to inspire our hearts and direct our enterprises by such considerations as the foregoing. The year's labors have more fully convinced us than ever before that now is the time to strike ; that " penny wise and pound foolish " ways must not be allowed to cut our hopes off ; that we ourselves, in this new, great west, must present a solid breast to this work before we can expect to fire outsiders (the brethren of other provinces and lands) with our purpose. Trifling with the situation, there-