

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AS ADOPTED.

Your Committee, in presenting this report, wishes to express its deep sense of the loss sustained by the Society in the death of Mrs MacCoy, the efficient and beloved President of the Nova Scotia Branch. At the request of the Committee, a letter of sympathy was written by the President to the Secretary of the N. S. Branch.

JAPAN.

At the last meeting of the Board, a request from Rev. Dr. Eby for the establishment of a central home for evangelistic work in Hongo could not be granted; but it was recommended that a home be provided for two Bible-women, and that the ladies from Azabu visit in the district. The Council in Japan acted upon this, but it was found unsatisfactory, and the Bible-women were withdrawn, believing that their time could be more profitably employed in Komagoma, Shytaya, and Kakigara, three other districts. Dr. Eby then applied to the General Society to send a lady worker to that especial district. This the General Society thought unadvisable. A committee was appointed from the Committee of Consultation and Finance, to confer with your Executive on the subject. After a minute and careful consideration of the requirements of the work, and the desirability of such an appointment being clearly recognized, it was agreed to recommend the establishment of a second centre for woman's work, which would meet the needs of the Tabernacle and adjacent churches, to be under the direction of the Woman's Missionary Society; the General Society to aid in providing the Home, the W. M. S. to appoint and maintain the women workers; also that representatives of the two Societies confer together and lay down certain general principles as a basis of co-operation.

In view of information received later, and the probability of changes being made in regard to the Tabernacle at the Japan Conference, it was

Resolved,—That this Committee does not see it way clear to proceed with the plan agreed to previously, but would desire to continue work along the line laid down by the Board of Managers.

A letter was received from Mrs. Large, tendering her resignation. This was followed by one addressed to Mrs. Large, and signed by all the ladies in Japan, urging Mrs. Large to withdraw her resignation. It was

Resolved,—That no action be taken at present in regard to Mrs. Large's resignation, believing that her good judgment and deep interest in the work will, directed by our heavenly Father, lead her to a right decision.