

As a result of the fact that the periodicals issued by our Book Room have undergone a very general rearrangement during the year, we are unable to give a comparative report on this department, but we are pleased to note a very gratifying increase in the amount and quality of Sunday-school literature taken.

We would draw attention to the fact that but about fifty-six per cent. of our schools are kept open during the whole year, and in but fourteen per cent. are regular teachers' meetings held, and would earnestly urge the attention of all our Sunday-school workers to these matters, and suggest that, as far as practicable, each school be kept open during the whole year, and regular teachers' meetings be held.

We are pleased to note the increased spiritual power of our schools, as evidenced by the fact that the number of Church members is increased so largely; and would hope that with increased activity our schools be made not only a means of disseminating truth, but also of leading the children into the fold of the Church.

We would urge upon our ministers the importance of attention to the requirements of Discipline in regard to the management and work of our schools, and that they impress upon parents the fact that the Sabbath-school is no substitute attendance upon public worship, nor for careful and prayerful home instruction.

The finances are in a gratifying condition, and show increased liberality in support of our schools; but we have reason to advise that the collection in aid of the Sunday-school Extension Fund be more carefully arranged for and generally observed the revenue would be greatly increased, and the means to supply the needy applications in this benevolent department considerably augmented.

The Rev. W. Jolliffe having resigned his position as Secretary-Treasurer of this Committee, we recommend that the Conference hereby tender their heartiest thanks for seven years' faithful and efficient service in that capacity.

We recommend that Rev. J. J. Rae be appointed Secretary-Treasurer for the ensuing year, and that he be appointed as delegate from this Conference to the Provincial Sunday-school Association.

We recommend that all schedules be presented at opening of Conference, so that the report of next year may be presented on the second day of Conference, and that an order of business be reserved for that day for this purpose.

JAMES CURTS, *Chairman.*

JOSEPH J. RAE, *Secretary.*

WM. JOLLIFFE, *Treasurer.*

The report was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE EPWORTH LEAGUE COMMITTEE.

In the Bay of Quinte Conference there are sixty leagues, with 2,782 members. The following resolution was passed by the Committee:—

a { That, while the conducting of Epworth Leagues does, in one sense, lay additional toil upon the pastor, nevertheless, your Committee find that these organizations do much to rally the young people of our congrega-