

In the meantime, we advise our people to make the best possible use of the laws now in our statute books, to prevent the desecration of God's holy day.

We also recommend all our ministers to refer more frequently than ever to this subject in their sermons, and also in their pastoral visitations, so that the sentiment of our people may be elevated to a higher plane, yet ever remembering our Lord's words, "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath."

R. P. WRIGHT, *Chairman*.

J. H. CHANT, *Secretary*.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE *Re* SUSTENTATION FUND.

Your Committee on Sustentation Fund, having observed that, for the years 1889 and 1890, sixty-seven, or more than half the married ministers stationed within the bounds of the London Conference, received salaries of \$600 and less, forty-seven of them receiving \$550 and less, and thirty-two of these receiving \$500 and under—knowing this to be a fair representation of the case, as it occurs from year to year—would recommend:—

- (1) That a Sustentation Fund be immediately created.
- (2) That collections and subscriptions be taken annually in behalf of this Fund on all our Circuits and appointments, in the place of the March Contingent Fund collection, which shall be discontinued.
- (3) That the Financial District Meetings shall arrange for the appointment of deputations, so as to present the claims of this Fund most effectively to the people on our Circuits.
- (4) That wherever the Financial District Meetings deem it in the interest of the Fund, a deputation be appointed to endeavor to get the subscriptions to ministerial support placed upon a more liberal and permanent basis on these weaker Circuits.
- (5) That a Standing Committee be appointed by the Conference, on the nomination of the Nominating Committee, to distribute the Fund for the present year according to the necessities of the Circuit.
- (6) And that this Standing Committee recommend to the next Annual Conference a basis of distribution of the Fund, together with any modifications of this scheme that, with their extended knowledge and experience on this subject, they may deem wise, toward placing the Fund upon a more satisfactory and permanent basis.

GEORGE JACKSON, *Chairman*.

T. R. McNAIR, *Secretary*.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee hail with delight the intelligence that the movement to petition the Parliament of Canada in behalf of Prohibition has been so successful, it being reported that more than nine hundred thousand persons have signed the petitions which have already been presented to the Parliament.

1. Your Committee beg to submit to this Conference for its adoption the following resolutions: Whereas the various denominations of the Church of Christ in our land are engaged in a united effort petitioning Parliament for the passage of a prohibitory law, therefore be it