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## II. CHINESE MISSIONS.

Your Committee feel satisfied that considerable progress has been made during the year with the work among the Chinese, as evidenced by the number of conversions which have occurred. Resident missionaries have been appointed at Victoria and Vancouver, and suitable buildings are about to be erected in connection with these Missions.

All of which is respectfully submitted

JOSEPH HALL, *Chairman.*  
W. S. HAMPSON, *Secretary.*

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee recognize the grave position of the temperance cause at the present time, and the importance of a clear, strong, and emphatic deliverance on this question, and of earnest effort in every part of our work for its advancement and success.

2. We rejoice that the work in this Conference is steadily advancing, that the membership of the different Temperance organizations is increasing all along the line, and never has the Temperance outlook been as bright as at the present. We cannot allow this opportunity to pass without recording our appreciation of the good work which is being done by the I. O. G. T., and the W. C. T. U., in reaching the children and training them in Christian principles.

3. We deplore the defeat of the Scott Act in so many places in the Eastern Provinces, yet we are firmly of the opinion, that there is not a real weakening of the Temperance movement, but a conviction manifested that the non-enforcement of the Act makes necessary a general effort for the Total Prohibition of the liquor traffic throughout the Dominion.

4. *Resolved*,—That we, the ministers and laity of the Conference, solemnly pledge ourselves to oppose, by all constitutional methods, any government, political party, or individual member of Parliament, who shall, directly or indirectly, oppose prohibitory legislation.

5. *Resolved*,—That, as the ultimate power of the people to influence the Legislature, is found in the ballot box, we declare our purpose by the pulpit, by the press, and by every legitimate means, to inculcate the responsibility of all Christian men and good citizens, to subordinate political party alliances, to the great work of securing the abolition of the accursed liquor traffic.

6. Your Committee deplore the way in which the Sabbath is desecrated through the drink traffic, and would urge upon the licensing commissioners and city councils, that action be taken to close the saloons from seven o'clock on Saturday night, to six o'clock on Monday morning, as well as all other places of business.

7. We would also call the attention of the proper authorities to the way the law is violated by the steam-boats, for liquor is sold at the landings, for which they have no license, and great trouble and annoyance is the consequence, and we strongly urge upon those authorities, that more stringent means be taken to stop this evil.

We also lament the fact, that notwithstanding the stringent Indian liquor law now in force, the Indians are able to procure large quantities of