

4. That the thanks of the Conference be presented to the Ministers of the St. John's Circuit, for their considerate regard for the comfort and accommodation of the Ministers attending this Conference.

5. That the Conference gratefully appreciates the kindness and hospitality of the friends in St. John's in entertaining the Ministers during the session, and that the same be appropriately expressed from the pulpits of our Churches in this city on next Sabbath.

4. SABBATH SCHOOLS.

It is with great pleasure that we present this, our first report of Sabbath School work within the bounds of the Newfoundland Conference. The sphere of the Sabbath School is a most important one, and its progress gives a very fair criterion of the progress of general Church work, and the moral and spiritual advancement of the congregations. It is indeed, an indication of the wisdom and foresight of the Christian Church, that an increasing interest is being manifested in this department.—Our own section of the Church has, from the first, shown itself eager to do its part in respect to it; and the fostering care of our own Conference, has resulted in an impetus to the work within its limits, the momentum of which is rapidly increasing.

There have been within the St. John's District some 47 Sabbath Schools, with 356 officers and teachers, and 2,975 scholars, in working order during the past year; and within the Carbonear District some 36 Sabbath Schools, with 282 officers and teachers, and 2,065 scholars.

The reports of the various Circuits within the Conference show generally a healthy state of things. In some Circuits new schools have been opened, and are now in full working order, and in all there seems to be considerable interest manifested among both teachers and scholars.

St. John's Circuit reports, "The Gower Street School continues in fine working order; and the George Street School has been most auspiciously organized, with a staff of zealous and competent officers and teachers, who are striving to make it in every respect compare favorably with the Gower Street or parent school. Both schools are pretty well equipped with such material aids as Catechisms, Libraries, Maps, Illuminated Cards, &c. and are regularly supplied with the International Bureau Leaves. Quarterly Sabbath School Missionary Meetings are held, which are rendered very attractive by Music, Recitations and Addresses. The sum of \$40.00 has been collected in school for our Missions and \$315.92 has been raised by Juvenile Cards and Missionary Boxes."