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Report on Missions.

Your Committee are deeply impressed with the vast importance of the cause of missions—both in home and foreign lands—inasmuch as they believe that mission work is the grand instrumentality that God will use for the redemption of the world. When the mission cause flourishes then Christ is honored and souls are saved.

In the opinion of your Committee there is nothing to which our churches and people need to be awakened more fully,—both in order to their own spiritual prosperity and the glory of God,—than to their legitimate and vital relationship to this great cause. God has by His providence and grace rolled upon us weighty responsibilities and opened to us blessed opportunities in connection with the work of missions.

Look across our home fields. Behold scores of weak, scattered, languishing churches. Behold, too, large districts, parched and thirsting for the waters of salvation through Christ all these God has placed in our hands to care for and cultivate for Him.

Look again at the hundreds of millions in heathen lands while they lift their spiritually blinded eyes in reverence and fix them upon their dumb idols or bow their knees in worship before them, and then let us weigh the fact, glad but solemn, that God has placed us within speaking distance of all these and bidden us tell them of Him who is "mighty to save."

Oh! that as the redeemed of the Lord we might take our places beside Him who redeemed us and look upon Him as he looked upon and wept over Jerusalem and over us! Surely then we should weep also over a world perishing in sin.

Respectfully submitted,

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Report on Sabbath Schools.

Your Committee observe with pleasure that nearly every church in the Association reports a prosperous school under its supervision, believing as they do that there never has been a time in the history of the denomination when work in this department was more necessary. Free schools have made readers of all children. The land is full of literature of a sceptical and pernicious nature, the influence of which, we believe, can only be counteracted by a thorough grounding in the doctrines of God's Word. Therefore, while we acknowledge the benefits to be derived from a study of the International Series of Bible Lessons, we would strongly recommend that they be not used to the exclusion of questions and answers which they do not suggest, but that each scholar be