

often as possible, the tribes on the east and west coasts of the island, the islands of the gulf, and the tribes on the mainland, so far as they are not reached by any other Protestant missionary. He shall also, if possible, make two trips in the year to the Simpson District, and convey the Chairman to all points in the District that the boat can reach, spending say four weeks in this work on each occasion.

(c) In order to conform to the laws of the Province, we recommend that a certificated captain and engineer be employed, that these be selected in view of their suitability to do missionary work and assist the missionary in charge.

(d) We further recommend, that for the present year, Nanaimo be the port, and that the house erected for the teacher at Nanaimo be utilized as a house for the family of the *Glad Tidings* missionary.

(e) We recommend that Rev. T. Crosby be instructed to go on and get needed repairs to the *Glad Tidings*, including a new boiler, made immediately, and that a recommendation be forwarded to the Missionary Society for a grant to cover expenses.

5. Regarding the discontent of our Indian brethren on the land difficulties, we recommend that the General Secretary be requested to confer, and arrange with the Governments concerned, and secure the highest possible advantage for our Indian people, and that inasmuch as our Indians complain that they have received no answer to their former representations, that a special embassy, consisting of the General Secretary and President of the Conference convey the reply secured by effort with the Government, either as to land, schools or other advantages, and that our Conference agree, through its authorities, to render the General Secretary and General Board all the aid in this matter in our power. We would further recommend that our decision on this matter be referred to the General Board, and that in case the embassy above named is unable to go to the Simpson District on this business, the General Board be requested to make suitable provision.

6. In reference to the resolution of the Rev. J. P. Howell, concerning the basis upon which the salaries of missionaries on Domestic Missions be calculated, we recommend that the Financial District Meetings consider all cases of special necessity, and report their findings to the Missionary Committee of the Annual Conference through the Chairman.

J. F. BETTS, *Chairman*.

C. M. TATE, *Secretary*.

REPORT OF EPWORTH LEAGUE COMMITTEE.

Although the information accessible to your Committee is of the scantiest description, we are glad to report that this new social and religious organization, which has been recommended by the General Conference for universal adoption in our Churches, has made considerable progress in British Columbia, as shown by the fact that ten Leagues are reported in active operation, with a membership of 588. It is cause for rejoicing that so large a number of our young people have been banded together with the high purpose of securing for themselves and for others, the highest New Testament standard of Christian experience. Already the most salutary effects have been produced in the quickening of the