

and one or more delegates from all our missions, circuits and stations.

For a few years we held these conventions, and through them our Sunday-School work gained in interest and usefulness an hundred fold; and though to continue them will be to entail onerous duties upon a few, and some sacrifices upon all, we are assured the results for good will be far more than an ample recompense.

For this year, as by General Conference order a Sabbath-School Parliament will be held in August within the bounds of our Conference, we think it will be wisdom in us to turn our efforts toward the success of that undertaking. We would suggest, however, that a secretary be named to correspond with the Secretary of the S. S. Parliament Committee, with a view to securing the representation of our Sunday-Schools in the work of that Parliament.

We would further recommend the establishment of Missionary Societies in connection with all our Sunday Schools—such society to hold an annual Missionary meeting, to be made interesting by having addresses, recitations, music, etc.

The children should be encouraged to make a *monthly* contribution to the funds of their society; and at the annual meeting the names of contributors and amounts paid would form a financial report. Your Committee feel assured that in this way our Missionary treasury would be greatly replenished, and, what is of more importance, our children would be taught the Christian duty of *giving* for the support of the Gospel.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Our present condition as a Church is a subject of profound interest, and demands our most serious and prayerful consideration. Our growth and prosperity in the past is very cheering, while our present obligations and responsibilities are sufficient to make us exclaim, "Who is sufficient for these things?" With a membership approaching thirty thousand and an itinerant ministry of nearly three hundred, we are entering upon a new epoch in our Church's history. We are firmly established in this country, both