

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Missions report as follows:—

I. INDIAN MISSIONS.

1. Bro. Tate having applied for an assistant, to labor between Popcum and Hope, we recommend that the application be referred to the Chairman of the District, and Bro. Tate to arrange the same with the Missionary Committee.

2. *Simpson District.*—Having considered the resolutions of the Simpson District Meeting, *re* The Boys' Industrial Institute, we regret that owing to the inefficiency of the Principal of the Boys' Industrial Institute, and to his misunderstanding certain letters received from the Ex-President and General Secretary of the Central Board of Missions, the erection of the Boys' Industrial Home has not been proceeded with, and we would recommend that the name of Rev. G. F. Hopkins be substituted for that of Rev. D. Jennings, as one of the Board of Managers; and that the erection of the Boys' Industrial Institute be proceeded with on the terms of the report adopted at our last Conference.

3. *Re the Application for a Medical Missionary.*—We recommend the Conference to urge the Missionary Committee to take this matter into its earnest consideration.

4. *Re Steamer "Glad-Tidings."*—Whereas, the legal transfer of the *Glad-Tidings* to the Methodist Church has been at length completed; and whereas, in the past this steam-boat has been running short-handed, necessitating the Chairman of the Simpson District taking the place of a common sailor; therefore, we ask the Conference to recommend the General Board of Missions to make provision for meeting the expenses of providing a captain and a crew of three men to manage the Mission steamer.

5. *Re Girls' Home, Port Simpson*—An encouraging report was received from the Girls' Home at Port Simpson, and, from representations made, we recommend to the Woman's Missionary Society, the erection of a new building for this Institution at as early a date as possible.

6. *Re Indian Title.*—In response to a resolution from the Simpson District Meeting, representing the neglect of the Government to arrange an equitable settlement with the Indians, or to carry out the promises made by the Commissioners in October, 1887. We regret the fact of such neglect, and recommend that this Conference re-affirm the position taken last year, and pledge itself in every legitimate way to help the Indians of the Province of British Columbia, to secure their just rights and the redress of their grievances.

In connection with the above, we recommend that a committee be appointed, consisting of the President of the Conference, the Secretary of the Conference, with the Rev. J. E. Starr, and Messrs. J. E. McMillan, T. G. Rayner, and W. S. Hampson, to watch the interests of the Indians during the coming year.

7. *Re Mission Steamer for the Fraser River.*—In reference to the application of Bro. Tate for a Mission steamer for the Fraser River, your Committee make no recommendation.