

## SABBATH SCHOOLS.

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## REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Committee, by careful investigation of the progress of Sabbath Schools in connection with this Conference, would beg permission to report—

That there is a measurable increase of interest in the promotion of Denominational schools in our connexion. In the comparison of the past statistics with the present we discover such marked variations in the component parts of the reports that it would lead us to judge that the S. S. Reports in the past have been quite imperfect:

*Therefore, Resolved,* That your Committee recommend that this Conference require from each preacher in charge an official report signed by the Secretary or Superintendent of each Sabbath School on his work.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Your Committee upon Sabbath Observance beg leave to report as follows:—

Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy is one of the precepts of the law given to Moses by Jehovah upon the mount, and written by the finger of God upon the tablets of stone under the most impressive circumstances. The duty of Sabbath observance has been recognized by the Church of God in all ages, beginning with the divine example at the creation, and reiterated by prophets and apostles. It stands in force to-day upon the statute book of heaven as one of the most important requirements contained in the sacred Scriptures.

That the Sabbath is grievously violated we have only to open our eyes and ears to obtain the evidence. How often do we hear the shrill whistle of the locomotive upon the Sabbath, and see persons driving for pleasure, fishing, hunting, and frequenting drinking saloons and other places of idle resort, and in many instances en-