

hazard attendance, where no one is responsible for the diffusion of its influence, but of distinctly appointed delegates responsible to the bodies appointing them for reports of their proceedings.

3. It is most desirable, as recommended by the Executive Committee in June, that District Provincial Conventions should be held annually in each of the districts of the Province, viz., north, east, and west, that the whole area may be reached by the inspiration and example which such a gathering would afford.

4. That, as has been abundantly proved of late years, in England, the isolation of classes in their own separate rooms would greatly contribute to the power, efficiency and comfort of our teachers, it is desirable that, so far as possible, new Sabbath School erections should have regard to this advantage, especially in view of the attendance of the adult portion of our congregation upon Biblical study in the Sabbath School.

5. That as primary work is primary in the same important sense as the foundation of a building, it demands the best teachers, the most generous equipments, and the widest possible information. As to the principles of its success, it is suggested that these would be aided by the establishment, in connection with the Association, of a branch of the National Primary Union, which deserves to be International.

Your Secretary may not close this report without expressing gratitude to Almighty God for His blessing, which has made the work not only possible without a single default through sickness, but has made every service undertaken a source of deeper personal consecration and joy in the Master's service. Moreover, the generous hospitality and cordial co-operation of pastors, teachers, and people throughout the Province, have awakened Christian communion and friendships which would have amply repaid far better service than it has been in his power to give. The hopeful dawn of the coming century is already breaking, in which the youth in our Sabbath Schools to-day, will be charged with the issues material and eternal which it will evolve. Let us prove our patriotism to our country, and loyalty to our God, by laying deep and firm, "as wise master builders," the foundation principles of the Word of God in the characters we are helping to build.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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