

churches of the Union, and in behalf of the cause of the Saviour generally.

After praise and prayer by the President, the meeting adjourned for a short recess.

SESSION SECOND.

Conference again met, and was opened by praise and prayer ; minutes read and sustained.

The secretary presented a report of the order of business, which was accepted.

Dr. Howson read the following report of the Provincial Mission Executive Committee :—

At last meeting of Conference, the Executive Committee of the Evangelical Provincial Mission for the current year were appointed to arrange a scheme for carrying out the objects for which the Mission was organized, and present a draft of the same at the present meeting of Conference. Your Committee were also requested meanwhile to do all in their power to further the great aim of the mission.

In reference to the last of these two objects, for which your Committee were appointed, we regret to say that little comparatively has been done. It is true that the friends of our Evangelical movement were requested through the pages of the *Day-Star* to contribute to the funds of the mission, but as almost no funds* are as yet in the hands of the treasurer, and as we knew of no available and efficient Missionary to occupy the field, the mission has, as a matter of necessity, been at a stand still. As however there are various fields of usefulness in the Provinces, and thousands all over the country ignorant of God, and of Jesus Christ whom he hath sent, we hope and earnestly pray that life and energy may soon be given to our mission, and the simple gospel in all its saving and sanctifying power may be extended throughout the length and breadth of the land.

That the Provincial Mission may to some extent be an agency in the hand of God of bringing about this most desirable object, your Committee beg to submit the following scheme :—

1st.—That each of the Churches and preaching stations be earnestly requested to take a practical, hearty, and immediate interest in the mission.

2nd.—That the general Committee, and all other friends of a free gospel in connection with our movement, or who sympathize with us, be urged, through the pages of the *Day-Star*, to send donations and annual subscriptions for the support of the mission.

3rd.—That a suitable preacher for the missionary work be secured as speedily as possible.

4th.—That collections be taken up at all the stations where the missionary may preach, for the funds of the mission.

* Since the above Report was adopted by Ex. P. M. Committee, they are glad to say that a good beginning has been made by the friends of the cause. See subscription List attached to this report.