

poppy cultivation, but still appeals for all possible insistence on the affirmation of the House of Commons that the Indian opium traffic with China is morally indefensible. It urges a stringent dealing with the opium vice in British Settlements, along with due precautions against the introduction of narcotic substitutes for opium. Finally, it calls upon all Christian people to pray for the effectual repression of the opium evil.

52. The Conference, while frankly acknowledging the moral gains sometimes won by war, rejoices in the growth of higher ethical perceptions which is evidenced by the increasing willingness to settle difficulties among nations by peaceful methods; it records, therefore, its deep appreciation of the services rendered by the Conferences at The Hague, its thankfulness for the practical work achieved, and for the principles of international responsibility acknowledged by the delegates; and, finally, realising the dangers inseparable from national and commercial progress, it urges earnestly upon all Christian peoples the duty of allaying race prejudice, of reducing by peaceful arrangements the conflict of trade interests, and of promoting among all races the spirit of brotherly co-operation for the good of all mankind.

53. The Conference desires to call attention to the evidence supplied from every part of Christendom as to the grave perils arising from the increasing disregard of the religious duties and privileges which are attached to a due observance, both on the social and spiritual side, of the Christian Sunday. In consequence of this, the Conference records its solemn conviction that strong and co-ordinated action is urgently demanded, with a view to educating the public conscience and forming a higher sense of individual responsibility alike on the religious and humanitarian aspects of the question.

The Conference further, in pursuance of the Resolutions passed upon this subject in former Conferences, calls upon Christian people to promote by all means in their power the better observance of the Lord's Day, both on land and sea, for the worship of God and for the spiritual, mental and physical health of man.