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REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Among the various instrumentalities employed for the spread of truth and the conversion of sinners the Sabbath School certainly occupies a very important place. Second only to the direct efforts of the pulpit it should have the sympathies and support of every church, and every lover of Zion. The letters of the churches from year to year show that there is a growing interest in the cause. In this fact we rejoice, and desire to "thank God and take courage." Your Committee are of opinion that the plan adopted in some places of working the S. School by a society separate and distinct from the church may have a tendency to weaken the sense of responsibility upon the part of church members, and would therefore recommend that the church, so far as is practicable, assume the responsibility of the S. School. It would also recommend that the Association, as was the case last year, give up an hour of its time from 12 o'clock till 1 on Tuesday for the S. School Convention to hold its meeting.

All which is respectfully submitted.

T. A. HIGGINS, *Chairman.*

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REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The general subject of Education is of too vast a character to be embraced in a report like the present. Your Committee are satisfied that a higher and more efficient system of Common School education is needed throughout our Province.

The Committee beg to remind their brethren of the past doings of the Denomination, and to ask them to contemplate the results with gratitude and joy. It cannot be doubted that the position they took, more than thirty years ago, and the efforts which followed, are productive of effects of the most beneficial character. Hundreds of persons are now filling their places in society with credit and usefulness, who are indebted to our Institutions for the development of their powers, and for that intellectual and moral training which fitted them for their duties. Nor must it be overlooked that our example has