

in relation to this question of Sabbath desecration, ought to be, and might be, to our great advantage, brought to an end. The Jews regarded the day preceding the Sabbath as a time of preparation for Sabbath observance. So ought all opportunity be given, wherever possible, to the employees of the land for preparation for Lord's Day observance. Many are so employed that the Lord's Day is to them as all other days, a day of secular work, with no Sabbath and no sanctuary privileges. Capitalists or employers might wisely make Fridays or Mondays of each week their pay-days, and so lessen the occasion of late hour sales on Saturday nights.

Your Committee recommend that this Conference heartily endorse every part of Mr. Charlton's bill, entitled "An Act for the Better Observance of the Lord's Day," especially as it supplies a want that, for the best interests of the youth of our country, has been too long neglected.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALBERT C. WILSON, *Chairman.*

R. W. MARSH, *Secretary.*

The report was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC GIVING.

Being convinced as we are that in the Scriptures the duty of systematic giving is clearly taught, we regret that there is so little effort made by us as a Church to teach it to our people, we therefore venture to suggest its judicious teaching by the ministers of this Conference.

In order to teach it honestly and successfully we see how necessary it is that we adopt it ourselves, we therefore urge its adoption amongst us. We recommend an occasional sermon on this subject.

Having had reported to us a society known as the Christian Stewards' League, in which the principle of the tenth as the minimum amount of contribution is adopted by the members signing a pledge to that effect, we recommend this society to the favorable consideration of this Conference; we also recommend the circulation of literature on this subject more extensively than hitherto; we also recommend that an earnest effort be made to induce the young people of our Church to adopt this system.

JAMES C. SEYMOUR, *Chairman.*

JOHN W. TOTTEN, *Secretary.*

The report was received and adopted.

CHURCH PROPERTY REPORT.

CANNINGTON DISTRICT.

The trustees of the Cannington church property ask permission to transfer the burying-ground to a joint stock company. Moved by J. M. Farris, seconded by W. B. Seecombe, That this Committee recommend that said trustees be permitted to sell to the cemetery company, which owns the adjoining property, for the extension of their cemetery, for such a sum as the trustees may see fit, proceeds to be applied according to Discipline. Carried.

NAPANEE DISTRICT (BAY CIRCUIT).

The trustees of the Gosport and Parks churches ask permission to sell