

## REPORT.

Your Sub-Committee, having received the reports of the different Sub-Committees appointed by Local Councils throughout the Dominion to investigate as far as possible the extent to which various localities have suffered from the circulation of impure literature and pictures, as reported at the last Annual Meeting of the National Council, beg to report as follows:—

First: Nearly all the Local Councils report that there is little or no evidence of impure literature reaching school-children at the schools themselves.

Secondly: That there is doubtless a considerable amount of prohibited and impure literature circulated in insidious ways. Your Sub-Committee is informed that names of boys and girls are procured from school pass lists published in newspapers, from lists of names attending social parties, or in some other way, and that specimen papers etc., are then sent by mail to these children or young people, offering a free supply to them in return for lists of other names. Your Sub-Committee is informed that parents have, in several instances, found such communications in their children's pockets. Packets of such prohibited papers and other literature appear also to be brought into this country through the medium of steamers plying between the U. S. A. and Canada on the two seaboard and on the lakes. It appears from the reports sent in that prohibited papers are often to be found in barber's shops in many towns, and your Committee is also informed that in some cases they can be obtained from night porters on sleeping cars and at some newstands; and there are no doubt other methods and sources of distribution.

Your Sub-Committee begs to append to this report the names of the prohibited papers, and recommends that the Local Councils should draw attention to the names of these papers which are generally of so innocent and misleading a character as not to awaken alarm.

Your Sub-Committee have been informed of one instance where a large number of one of those papers were sent to