

as has been done by many of our ministers and leading lay brethren, but our efforts should not cease. Reformation only proceed in proportion as they are agitated; therefore our pulpits should be bold and outspoken in denouncing this monster evil. Also our church discipline should be strictly enforced upon those who by tipping disgrace their christian profession. Your Committee rejoice in the success which has attended the efforts of the different organizations in the world, especially in our own Province, during the past; and sincerely hope the future may bring with it renewed and increased labor, and more abundant success; until there shall appear upon our statute books a law that shall forever prohibit the importation, sale, and use of all that can intoxicate man. In conclusion, your Committee deeply regret that any of our churches are in the habit of using intoxicating wine at the communion table; and most earnestly recommend this Conference to officially utter its protest against the use of alcoholic wines at the "Lord's Table."

W. DOWNEY, *Chairman.*

Rev. S. K. West showed, by forcible illustration, intemperance to be a moral evil.

Rev. S. N. Royal spoke of the importance of disallowing the use of alcoholic wines at the Sacrament table.

Rev. F. Reed spoke of the position Maine occupies on the subject.

Rev. Mr. Heath spoke of the importance of suppressing the traffic by legal suasion.

Rev. J. McLeod spoke of his indignation towards the rum seller, and his hatred of the traffic.

Rev. A. Taylor said the thought, "We are not in danger," is the great trouble.

All the speeches were earnest, and good.

The Report on the Sabbath was called for, but was not forthcoming; so the Report on Education was called for, and read, as follows:

Your Committee consider Education a very important interest both to the world and to the church. By education we do not mean simply book knowledge, but the development of a true and useful humanity.

Our citizens have reason to be proud of a common school law inferior to none in the world. And while under its genial influence the youth of our country are rising in the scale of intelligence, they naturally demand that the higher interests of society be committed to such as are capable of not only retaining but pressing those interests to fuller development.

Among the various interests of society there are none so high and important as religion. It is the great and glorious panacea for earthly suffering and woe. It connects earth and heaven, and leads its possessor to the glorious fruition of love in eternity. Through what channel is the world to receive these inestimable blessings but through the Church of Christ? When he commanded to "go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." The church possesses two essential elements of power for the execution of her work—knowledge and consecration, or the Lord with her. Ignorance fetters and circumscribes her usefulness, and effectually narrows her horizon. Your

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