

Some of the items which go to make up the total (\$28,907.48), are incomplete. For instance, the reports of only two Districts make mention of money raised for Sabbath Schools. It is not to be understood that the other Districts failed in this branch of work. The explanations of the omission is that the Clerks of five Districts, knowing that a report dealing exclusively with Sabbath School work is presented by an officer of the Conference, did not think it necessary to include financial or other particulars of Sabbath School work in their reports to your Corresponding Secretary.

Other items, also, as Education, Y P Societies and others, are, manifestly, not fully reported.

The aim for some years has been to have prepared for the information of Conference a statement of all monies, for all purposes, raised in all the churches. There is an improvement in the reporting, but to get everybody who has to do with these things to be as systematic and painstaking as is desirable is found to be a not easy thing. There is yet much to be done before the reports will convey an accurate financial statement, or an adequate idea, in any respect, of the work the denomination has in charge, and how the ministers and churches are seeking to do it, and with what success.

SOME AVERAGES.—Of all money reported for all purposes, the average payment per resident member is found to be \$4.61—being \$2.06 for ministers' salaries, \$1.91 for other local purposes, 4 cents for Home Missions, 6 cents for Foreign Missions, 8 cents for Conference fund, and 45 cents for all the other purposes specified in the financial table

By **DISTRICTS** the average payment per reported resident member is, 1st Dis \$2.82; 2nd Dis \$6.19; 3rd Dis \$6.55; 4th Dis \$2.95; 5th Dis \$2.60; 6th Dis \$4.51; 7th Dis \$4.45.

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE FUND.—The Home Mission money was contributed by thirty-eight (38) churches, reporting 2428 resident members; the Foreign Mission money by fifty-one (51) churches reporting 2911 resident members; the Conference Fund by eighty-eight (88) churches reporting 5465 resident members.

Twenty-two churches contributed to Foreign Missions only; ten churches to Home Missions only; twenty-nine churches contributed to both Home and Foreign Missions.

The number of churches which contributed to H M, or F M, or both, are, by Districts, as follows: 2nd Dis 13; 3rd Dis 12; 4th Dis 3; 5th Dis 8; 6th Dis 22; 7th Dis 3.

Churches reporting 3829 resident members gave nothing for Home Missions; and churches reporting 3348 resident members gave nothing for Foreign Missions.

The Sixth District has the distinction of having contributed most to Home and Foreign Missions, of having the largest proportion of its churches