

The Convener, Mrs. Harvie, and Mrs. Campbell, were appointed a sub-committee to confirm the minutes when written out by the Secretary.

N.B.—The sub-committee met on the 17th and confirmed the foregoing.
E. L. MACDONNELL, *Secretary*.

Report of Conference Between the Executive Committee Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and the Assembly's Home and Foreign Mission Committee.

THE Conference took place at Knox College on the evening of Tuesday, Oct. 8th. It was held pursuant to resolution of General Assembly of June last, to consider a proposal to widen the constitution of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society so as to include Home Missions.

The chair was occupied by Dr. Wardrope.

The first speaker was Dr. Cochrane. He urged, in general terms, the desirability of the proposed change, and disclaimed any wish on his own part or that of the Committee to antagonise the Foreign Mission work of the women.

He was succeeded by Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, who spoke very decidedly against the multiplying of organizations within the Church. Thought there should be but one women's society in a congregation, and that it should be so constituted as to be able to take charge of any and all work which women could suitably undertake. Alluded to the Women's Association in St. Andrew's Toronto, which, he said, did all the work of an auxiliary, availing itself of the missionary intelligence supplied by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and contributing to that society a portion, more than one-half, of the funds raised, but taking up, at the same time, other objects of interest. Mr. Macdonnell thought there were too many meetings, and that people were beginning to think they would be better to spend more time at home for the good of their own spiritual life and that of their children. Therefore, instead of multiplying organizations, he would like to take advantage of machinery already existing and of meetings already held. The reading and discussion of letters from the foreign field was undoubtedly one of the prominent features of