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REPORTS.

WHEREAS, The young people of our Conference have shown their devotion and Church loyalty, and

WHEREAS, There is among them a spirit of liberality in the support of the cause of missions within the bounds of our Conference.

Resolved, That we notice with pleasure their devotion and loyalty to the Church in her various activities.

2. That we rejoice over their liberality in the support of the Gospel within our Conference.

3. That we are glad to notice the interest that our young people are taking in the study of God's Word, in the Normal Course and the Reading Circle. The progress on these lines we deem necessary for their intellectual and religious developments. We would with renewed emphasis urge our young people to make the best use of their excellent opportunities.

MEMORIAL.

BISHOP J. J. ESHER.

WHEREAS, It has pleased the All-wise God to remove from our midst to eternal rest our highly esteemed and honored Bishop J. J. Esher; therefore be it

Resolved, That we feel grateful to the great Head of the Church and the Bishop of our souls for the successful life and the blessed influence of this noble witness of the Truth and defender of our beloved Church, and that we feel grateful to God that the deceased brother was a member of our Conference uninterruptedly from its organization to the end of his life, and that he especially sought to advance the interest of our Conference in every respect. We can never forget his kind disposition, his wise counsel and his deep insight in the Cause and Kingdom of God. Being dead yet he lives.

WHEREAS, The life of our sainted Bishop has been of so great value to us, and since his wise counsel seemed indispensable to us; therefore we feel the loss the more keenly, yet since our loss is his unspeakable gain, we humbly and submissively bow to the will of an All-wise Providence.

3. We hereby extend our heartiest sympathy to the bereaved and assure them of an interest in our prayers. Especially will we remember the aged widow. May the Lord of all Grace abundantly bless her with the riches of His Grace and in His own time afford her a joyful entrance into eternal rest.