

The French question is so important that a place has again been assigned to it and the services of Messrs. Curtis and Gregor enlisted. Another important question at last Convention was "What part of arithmetic should be included in a course for elementary schools," and in reviewing the question this year, "acrobatic feats in arithmetic" were condemned, and the question was discussed in all its bearings. In response to the resolution of the academies, requesting that model schools be recognized in connection with academies, and grants made to them, the Protestant committee agreed that the written examination of academies should in future include second grade model school pupils. The constitution and by-laws of the association have been revised, and it is expected to have the association incorporated. There is a balance in the hands of the treasurer and it was carried over to next year. The report took up and analyzed the present programme, insisting on its strong points and regretted the absence of Sir William Dawson, though it was pleasant to know that Dr. Johnson, the vice-principal of McGill, would represent the University.

After the reading of the report, a discussion took place in which the following gentlemen took part, namely, Messrs. Kneeland, Rexford, Masten, Hubbard, Howard, Hewton, Arthy, Patterson and Renaud, when it was finally adopted and ordered to be engrossed on the minutes of the Association. Miss Robins, of the McGill Normal School, read the report of the curator and librarian of the Association, which was greeted with applause. On motion of Dr. Harper, a special vote of thanks was passed to Miss Robins, in view of the interest she had taken in the affairs of the Association, and the onerous duties she had assumed and fulfilled without remuneration. The Treasurer's report was then submitted by Mr. Humphreys with the result stated, namely, a balance of \$249 in hand, and a vote of thanks was accorded to the reader.

Rev. E. I. Rexford submitted the report of the Pension commissioners which showed a capital account on 30th June, 1888, of \$140,045.93, an increase of \$6,670.29 over 1887. The revenue for 1887-8 was \$26,407.18, compared with \$23,002.66, in 1886-7. The items for 1887-88 were as follows: Stoppages on grants, \$4,200; on teachers' salaries, \$12,422.30; on Normal school salaries, \$334.25; on Inspectors' salaries, \$550.55; on Pensions, \$326.38;