

The report was read by Dr. Kneeland. It opened by a historical sketch of legislation in Europe and America. Then followed the opinions of eminent jurists and prominent teachers in regard to this important subject. The report concluded by a recommendation that steps be taken to present the importance of the subject to the attention of the Legislature at its next session. The report was adopted and referred to the Executive Committee for action.

The treasurer's report, read by Mr. C. A. Humphrey, showed that \$665.16 had been received, and \$361.75 expended, leaving a balance on hand of \$303.41, as against \$210.72 last year.

Dr. Robins then reported on behalf of the Pension Commissioners. This report will probably appear in full in our next issue.

The report of the Committee on Canadian History, while mentioning the names of a committee representing all the provinces of the Dominion that had been suggested as a proper representation to secure a text book on Canadian History for all the provinces, indicated at the same time how far the original plan had lost something of its character. The prize money is no longer a donation but a mere loan. As the report says: To accomplish the purpose in view the means at the disposal of that committee are the use of \$2500 for two or three years, without interest, kindly given by Mr. J. H. Burland, B.A.Sc., of Montreal. The report stated that it was likely that this money would be offered as prizes in a competition for the best history. Further pecuniary assistance, however, was required, because provision must be made to meet the expenses of the Dominion Committee. It would cost about \$600 to hold one meeting of that committee, and more than two or three meetings would not be necessary.

The report of the Committee on Examinations in Elementary Schools was read by Mr. McOuat, of Lachute, but as it involved recommendations of a very important character, it was decided that action should be delayed until the report had been printed and distributed among the teachers. A copy of the report, we trust, will be placed at our disposal for insertion in the RECORD. A like action was also taken in connection with the report of the Committee on Government Grants for Superior Education. The discussion on this report, therefore, took place on Saturday morning, when a recommendation which will appear elsewhere, involving a new method of distributing the grants, was ordered to be placed before the Protestant Committee.

Mr. R. J. Hewton, M. A., of Sherbrooke, then read his paper on the "Professional Training of Teachers," which opened up