

of the inspector." In such a resolution the principle of payment by results is fully recognized. It is very doubtful whether we have yet reached the stage when such a principle can be extended to our elementary schools, yet there is no doubt that the bonus principle has excellent results, if the bonus be large enough. What is wanted first of all is an increase of grant, to be obtained by an increase in the Government subsidy, so that the inspectors' recommendations may be enforced, and the schools thereby improved.

—The Teachers' Institutes have been of the usual successful character this year. The influence of this work is being felt in every section of the province, and so far has its success been recognized that Mr. Stinson, at the meeting of the Inspectors, in August, advocated the organizing of such institutes for all teachers, Protestant and Roman Catholic, in the province. As the issue of his excellent address on the subject, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: "Resolved that the School Inspectors of the Province of Quebec, assembled in convention, are convinced that it is of the highest importance that a course of pedagogy be established for those teachers who have not graduated from a Normal School."

—The Inverness Meeting, the first Institute held in the Megantic District, was attended by over sixty teachers, numbering all the teachers, with one or two exceptions, of the whole district. This shows to some extent how the influence of the newly appointed Inspector of Schools and the Principal of the Academy is being felt among the teachers, as it was, no doubt, owing to their indefatigability that such a large attendance was secured. Mr. Parker was also one of the lecturers of the Institute, the other lecturer being the Inspector of Superior Schools. The greatest interest was taken in the work during all the sessions. The programme included directly professional topics, with illustrations of method. In the evenings there were public gatherings, at which the people of the district joined the teachers in listening to illustrated lectures, while the local committee made arrangements for a large public assembly in the church, at which there were addresses from Mr. Lambly, Mr. Whyte, the Rev. Mr. Sutherland, the Rev. Mr. Henderson and Dr. Harper, interspersed with music by the village choir.

—The Shawville Meeting, the second Institute held in that district, was even more largely attended than the one held there last year. The lecturers were Professor Parmalee, of the McGill Normal School, and the Inspector of Superior Schools. Inspector McGrath, of the Ottawa District, was present at nearly all the