by Prof. F. Jodl; and a translation of Dr. Paul Topinard's "Introduction of Man as a Member of Society."

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

QUEBEC, May 20th, 1896.

On which day the regular quarterly meeting of the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction was held.

Present:—R. W. Heneker, Esq., D.C.L., LL.D., in the chair; the Venerable Archdeacon Lindsay, M.A., D.C.L.; the Reverend Principal Shaw, D.D., LL.D.; A. Cameron, Esq., M.D.; Professor A. W. Kneeland, M.A.; the Reverend A. T. Love, B.A.; Principal W. Peterson, M.A., LL.D.; E. J. Hemming, Esq., D.C.L., Q.C.; the Very Reverend Dean Norman, D.D., D.C.L.; Peter McArthur, Esq.; N. T. Truell, Esq., and Principal S. P. Robins, LL.D.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.