

lecturer received a hearty vote of thanks. Mr. A. F. McLean took up the subject of Vulgar Fractions, and treated it in a thoroughly practical manner. Then followed the selection of subjects for next promotion examination. The subjects selected were Reading Writing, Arithmetic, Grammar, Composition, Geography, Spelling, History—the Brunswick period—and Algebra and Geometry for those in the sixth class.

C. B. LINTON, Sec.

HALIBURTON.—The first meeting of the Teachers' Association for the County of Haliburton was held at Minden on the 26th and 27th of September last. The convention was certainly a success. After the delivery of the Inspector's able address the following officers were elected: Dr. Chas. D. Curry, B.A., I.P.S., President; Wm. Smith, Vice-President; E. J. Unger, Secretary-Treasurer; Committee, Miss Nellie Unger and Messrs. Angus, Dudley, Houston and Reid. The preliminary business being disposed of, Mr. W. Leith introduced the subject of "Elementary Arithmetic," which was handled in a masterly manner. Mr. J. S. R. Angus followed with an excellent paper on "Teaching Reading to Junior Classes." This closed the first day's work. On Saturday Mr. C. J. Unger took up the subject of "Algebraic Factoring." Mr. J. E. Hicks next gave his method of school management. Mr. J. D. Reid then introduced the subject of "Geography." Mr. T. T. Grimmett's exposition of his plan of teaching analysis closed the practical work of the Association. The Association then adjourned, to meet in Haliburton on the second Thursday and Friday in February.

E. J. UNGER, Secretary.

LINCOLN.—This Association held its regular half-yearly meeting at the St. Catharines Central School on the 24th and 25th of October. Geo. W. Ross, Esq., M.P., conducted a Teachers' Institute, the first afternoon taking up School Routine and Arithmetic. In the evening he delivered an able address on "Popular Education" to a large audience in the City Hall. The Collegiate Institute Literary Society gave several choice musical selections during the evening. On the second day Mr. James Hughes, P. S. I. of Toronto, conducted a Teachers' Institute on Writing, History and Drawing. In the afternoon he gave a very interesting lecture on the Kindergarten. On the first day of the Association a resolution was passed condemning Smith & McMurphy's Elementary Arithmetic, and expressing the desirability of having a more suitable work authorized in its stead for use in the public schools,—a work which should contain a great variety of practical examples and a large number of them; a copy of the resolution to be sent to the Minister of Education.

W. F. RITZENHOUSE, Secretary.

NORTH PERTH.—The semi-annual meeting of this Association will be held in the new High School, Stratford, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, the 30th and 31st of October, and 1st of November, commencing each day at 9 a.m. PROGRAMME.—Thursday forenoon—Dr. McLellan, Mathematical subjects. Afternoon—Rev. J. E. Croley, M.A., The Moral Element in Education. The Association will attend the opening of the High School by Rev. Dr. Ryerson, late Chief Superintendent of Education, at 3 p.m. Evening—Public meeting, at which addresses will be delivered by Rev. Dr. Ryerson, Dr. McLellan, G. W. Ross, Esq., and others. Friday forenoon—G. W. Ross, Esq., Inspector of Public Schools, School routine, recitations, methods of teaching—illustrated by Model School class. Afternoon—J. M. H. Harrison, A.M., Professor of Elocution, &c., Elocutionary instruction. Evening. An entertainment of readings and recitations by Professor Harrison. Saturday forenoon—R. A. Coleman, B.A., Physical Science as an Educator. H. Dickenson—Common Proofs of the Earth's Sphericity examined. W. Alexander, Promotion Examinations and Text-books.

B. ROTHWELL, President.

H. DICKENSON, Secretary.

EAST VICTORIA.—A Teachers' Convention will be held in the Centro Ward School House, Lindsay, commencing on Friday, the 7th November, at 10 o'clock a.m. PROGRAMME.—Friday, 10 to 10.20 a.m., Opening Address, by Mr. R. L. Dobson, President. 10.20 to 11, Geometry, by Mr. J. D. McMurphy. 11 to 11.30, Arithmetic, with class, by Mr. John Elliott; 11.30 to 12, Music, with class, by Miss Peplow; 2 to 2.40 p.m., Algebra, by Mr. Wm. Wood, Fenelon Falls, 2.40 to 3.20, Arithmetic, with class, by Mr. J. H. McPaul, 3.20 to 4.30, Phonic Reading, by Mr. J. Hughes, Inspector, Toronto; 8 to 8.30, p.m., Lecture on Kindergarten, by Mr. J. Hughes, Inspector, Toronto, 8.30 to 9, Lecture on Use of the Study of History, by Rev. Dr. Smithott. Saturday—9 to 9.40 a.m., Prosody, with class, by Mr. J. H. Knight, Inspector. 9.40 to 10.20, Fourth Book Literature, by Mr. J. Braden, Peterboro', 10.20 to 11, Grammar, with class, by Miss Hunter, Lindsay; 11 to 12, Debate "Should Music form a part of Public School Work?" by Messrs. Knight and Dobson.

R. L. DOBSON, President.

J. H. McPAUL, Secretary.

No. 2, LEEDS.—The next meeting of the Teachers' Association for District No. 2, Leeds, will be held at Farmersville, Thursday and Friday, November 13 and 14th. PROGRAMME.—Thursday, 9 a.m. Business meeting. Roll call of members. Election of officers. Second and Third Class Arithmetic Papers, Messrs. Eyre and Wheery. Arithmetic, Miss Beatty. School reports from teachers. Difficulties met with, and how overcome. Question-drawer. 1.30 p.m., Reading to Juniors. Miss Fulton and Mr. Sheldon. Penmanship, Mr. Rowat. Pronunciation, Mr. Rowman. Grey's Memoria Technica, R. Kinney. Physical Geography, Prof. Macoun. 7.30, p.m., Lecture by Prof. Macoun, the North-West. Friday—9 a.m. Grammar. Messrs. Eaton and Mott. Algebra, Second and Third Class Papers, Messrs. Rowat and Curtis. Elocution, Prof. Lewis. Class Questioning, Mr. Burko. 1.30 p.m., Object Lessons, Mr. Stone. Botany, Prof. Macoun. Elocution, Prof. Lewis. Essay, Mr. Cornell. Chemistry, the Misses Bullard and Miss Karley. Reports from delegates. 7.30, p.m., Readings by Prof. Lewis.

R. KINNEY, Cor. Sec.

A. BOWERMAN, M.A., President.

WENTWORTH.—The regular half-yearly meeting of this Association will be held in the Collegiate Institute, Hamilton, on Friday and Saturday, the 24th

and 25th of October. PROGRAMME.—Friday, forenoon session, 10 to 11 a.m., Routine business, 11 to 12, Reports of committees. Afternoon session, 1.30 to 2 p.m., President's Address, George Dickson, M.A.; 2 to 3, English Elocution, T. C. L. Armstrong, M.A.; 3 to 4, History and How to Teach it, Rev. Alex. Burns, LL.D.; 4 to 4.30, Practical Botany, E. A. Stevens. Evening session, 8 p.m., Lecture, "Some relations of Psychology to Education," Rev. Geo. P. Young, M.A. Saturday, forenoon session, 9 to 10 a.m., Commercial Contracts, W. M. Sutherland, B.A.; 10 to 11, Physical Geography, Rev. W. P. Wright, M.A.; 11 to 1, Question Drawer. Teachers will please send questions for the "Drawer" to J. H. Smith, P. S. Inspector, Ancaster, before the meeting of the Association. Friday will be considered a visiting day. All teachers are expected to attend.

J. H. SMITH, P. S. Inspector.

GEO. DICKSON, President.

FRON ENAC.—Thursday, Nov. 6th. 11 a.m., Business meeting; 1.30 to 2.30, p.m., How to Teach History, Mr. Summerby; 2.30 to 3, A few plain facts, Mr. Bole, 3 to 4, English Literature, J. M. Buchan, M.A.; 4 to 5, Contractions in Arithmetical Operations, Prof. Dupuis; 7.30, Public Lecture—"Poetry and Politics"—J. M. Buchan, Esq., M.A. Friday, Nov. 7th, 9 to 9.45, a.m., Education in Ontario, Miss Woollard; 9.45 to 10.30, Some subjects discussed at the last meeting of the Ontario Teachers' Association, Mr. Benstridge, 10.30 to 11, Composition, Mr. Metcalfe, 11 to 12, English Grammar, J. M. Buchan, M.A., 1.30 to 2.15, How to teach the First Book, Mr. McIntyre.

ELGIN.—The next semi-annual meeting of the Elgin Teachers' Association will be held at the High School buildings on Friday and Saturday, 7th and 8th November. PROGRAMME.—Friday, A. M.: 10-11, Business Meeting; 11-12, Reading—N. W. Ford. P. M.: 1.30-2.30, Music—Rev. J. F. Paradis. 2.30-3.00, Writing—S. C. Williams, 3.00-3.30, Object Lesson—Miss Jennie Baldwin; 3.30-3.40, Chemistry—H. L. Rice. Evening Session.—7.30, Lecture—G. W. Ross, M. P., Model School Inspector. Saturday.—A. M. 9.00-10, Arithmetic (fractions)—N. M. Campbell; 10-11, School Management—W. P. Killachy; 11-12, Grammar—S. C. Woodworth. The proceedings will be interspersed with music. In order to make the work more practical, classes will be provided in the subjects of Reading, Object Lesson, Arithmetic, and School Management. N. M. CAMPBELL, President; THOMAS LETCH, Cor. Sec. St. Thomas, October 24th, 1879.

REVIEWS.

AMERICAN HEALTH PRIMERS. Philadelphia: Lindsay & Blakiston. Toronto: Hart & Rawlinson. 50c. "Eyesight and How to take care for it." This is No. 4 of the series, and the most important yet issued for teachers. No question is perhaps of greater importance to both teachers and pupils than how to preserve the sight. It is a startling fact that over 60 per cent. of the pupils who leave school at 16 years of age are near-sighted.

The November ATLANTIC has several important articles. Perhaps the one which will attract most attention among thoughtful people is "The Prospect of a Moral Interregnum," by Goldwin Smith, who predicts a period of laxity and license in consequence of the alienation between religion and the scientific thought of the time. Col. Geo. E. Waring, Jr., writes a curiously interesting account of "The Waldenses of To-day." A skilful writer, whose name is withheld, discusses with great force and interest "Our Military Past and Future." The author of Massy Sprague's Daughter" contributes "Sister Mary's Story," which is certainly one of the best magazine stories recently printed. Jennie Young writes of "The Ceramic Art in America;" "From the Missionary" is concluded. "Englishwomen in Recent Literature," "Mysterious Disappearances," and "Late Books of Travel," though anonymous, are thoroughly interesting. Richard Grant White discusses "Assorted Americanisms" as heartily and freshly as if it were a wholly new topic. The Contributors' Club abounds in bright things, and a chapter of "Recent Literature" concludes a very good Atlantic.

APPLETON'S JOURNAL is chiefly devoted to the two excellent novels, "The Seamy Side," by Besant and Rice; and "Vivian the Beauty," by Mrs. Edwards. It also contains good articles on "Antwerp;" "Spiritual Christians in Eastern Russia;" "Otway;" and "Two Men of Letters, Lever and Gaultier."

BLACKWOOD'S MAGAZINE. "Reuta" is advanced by a large instalment; there is also a short tale, "A Deadly Foul;" the Greek play, "Ion," is carefully analyzed; and several other articles are given of an instructive character.

THE CONTEMPORARY REVIEW. This contains nine articles, each of which is worthy of being published by itself. The most interesting are "India and Afghanistan," "Critical Idealism in France," "The Supreme God in Indo-European Mythology" and "The Moral Limits of Beneficial Commerce."

THE NORTH AMERICAN REVIEW. This Review for November will be mainly interesting on account of the very full presentation of "The Other Side of the Woman Question," which contains the views of Julia Ward Howe, T. Wentworth Higginson, Lucy Stone, Mrs. Stanton and Wendell Phillips.

THE PRIMITIVE METHODIST MAGAZINE is well worthy of patronage by any one desiring a well-conducted religious journal. Published by John Dickenson, Sutton St., London, Eng.

THE JOURNAL OF SPECULATIVE PHILOSOPHY is edited by Dr. Harris, Superintendent of Schools, St. Louis. It is the best, indeed the only metaphysical journal published in America. Those interested would do well to send for a specimen number.

HARPER'S MONTHLY. This is the time for subscribing for next year, and any one who wishes one containing choice stories, and delightful descriptive articles relating to travel, art, society, &c., can do no better than subscribe for Harper's. The Editor's Drawer, and Science, History and Literature Departments are very full.