

about sixty—all active members of the profession. The chair was occupied by the County Inspector, who is by the constitution President of the Association. Mr. W. S. Howell was first called upon for some explanations in Grammar, after which Mr. G. E. Crawford took up the selection chosen for Analysis, which he made very interesting by his manner of treatment. In the afternoon the subject of Object Teaching was introduced by the President, who exemplified it by a lesson on the method of teaching the several parts of a flower. Mr. S. B. Nethery succeeded with a very interesting object lesson on the beaver. Messrs. Rothwell, J. Benson, Wilson and Crawford next explained some of the more difficult problems in Elementary Arithmetic, after which Mr. Nethery made clear the solution of several examples in "Exchange." On Saturday the subject of Reading was taken up, when practical examples were given by a number of teachers present. Mr. Rothwell read "Bernardo del Carpio" in a very spirited manner. Miss Nina Conger displayed superior taste in her rendering of Byron's "Address to the Ocean." Miss Eliza Moran depicted very naturally the conflict between Fitz James and Roderick Dhu, in the language of Sir Walter Scott. A selection from Eliza Cook was well read by Miss Maggie Graham; but it is no disparagement to the others to say that Miss Mary E. Browne, late of the Institute for the Blind, at Brantford, merited the highest applause for her almost faultless elocution as exhibited in the reading of Byron's "Battle of Waterloo." Miss Browne also contributed an excellent, though brief essay, in farther elucidation of the subject. The next thing on the programme was Derivation, which was taken up by the Inspector, who showed the manner in which he thought it should be taught, and gave a number of examples of a peculiar and interesting character. He gave the preference to personal blackboard illustration in teaching the derivation of words, rather than the system of assigning lessons to be memorized by the pupil. In the afternoon Mr. S. M. Dorland, who has been attending the Normal School during the past session, and has achieved the very honorable distinction of a First Class, Grade A certificate, gave very clear explanations of some of the difficulties of prac-

tical Algebra, which was the last subject on the programme. The following were elected officers of the Association: President, G. D. Platt, B. A.; Vice-Presidents, B. Rothwell and J. A. Clark, M. A.; Secretary and Treasurer, S. B. Nethery; Executive Committee, J. Benson, J. A. Youmans, R. M. White, J. Wilson, J. Hicks, and Misses Eliza Moran, S. J. Brown, J. Gillespie and Nina Conger. It was resolved to have the Annual Excursion on the 13th August, and to go to Alexandria Bay or the International Camp Ground down the St. Lawrence. J. A. Clark, M. A., was appointed delegate to the Provincial Convention in Toronto, and a resolution was unanimously adopted authorizing him to bring before the teachers of that Convention the necessity of steps being taken to compel Trustees to provide for the quarterly payment of teachers' salaries.

—The following circular has been issued by A. McMurphy, Esq., Secretary of the Ontario Teachers' Association:

The Fifteenth Annual Convention of the Ontario Teachers' Association will be held in the Theatre of the Normal School buildings, Toronto, on Tuesday, the 10th day of August next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, and continue in session three days.

Tickets of membership can be procured by communicating with the Secretary. The annual fee is fifty cents to those who are members of Branch Associations, and one dollar to others. Ladies, engaged in teaching, free.

Most of the railway companies have agreed to grant return tickets to members attending the Convention for one and a third fare, which must be presented at the beginning of the journey.

Efforts will be made to secure accommodation on as favorable terms as possible for members of the Association while in Toronto. A person will be in attendance at the Theatre of the Normal School Buildings, on the first day of Session, to give the necessary information.

The Opening Address will be delivered by the President, Professor Goldwin Smith, at half-past seven o'clock on Tuesday evening. An address may be expected from the Very Reverend Principal Cavan. The order of business will be as under: 2.00 p.m. Tuesday—Treasurer's Report; Samuel