

LOCAL ITEMS.

Protestant Board of School Commissioners, Montreal.—The regular meeting for the month of May was held on Tuesday afternoon, May 13th. After confirmation of the minutes and other routine business, Miss Coe and Miss Osgood, trial teachers, were placed upon the permanent staff, Miss M. Watson received appointment on trial in the Sherbrooke street school. Miss Roger and Mr. Donald were requested to do additional work in the senior school during the next two months. The committee reported the annual April examinations complete and all promotions made, and that twenty-one pupils, having fulfilled the requisite conditions, were entitled to promotion to the high school on Commissioners' scholarships. The oral examinations were fixed in the girls' high school, for Tuesday, 27th instant, in the preparatory school and the High School of Montreal for the two following days. A communication was read from His Excellency the Governor-General continuing to the High School the medal presented by his predecessor. Miss Luttrell's resignation was accepted, to take place on the 1st day of June next. The monthly statement of accounts was submitted and new bills ordered for payment, amounting to \$2,500, inclusive of certain balances for contracts on the new buildings, the charges of which have now been liquidated with the exception of a few hundred dollars.

Quebec Teachers' Association.—The annual meeting of the Quebec Local Association of Teachers was held in the National School, on Friday evening, 23rd May. Dr. Marsden occupied the chair. After the usual preliminaries, the annual report was read by Miss Macdonald as follows:—"In taking a general view of what has been accomplished by this Association during the past year, there seems to be very much room for encouragement. Its present prosperous condition presents a striking contrast to the state in which it has lingered for a number of years, one of merely nominal existence. Our Association has been convened six times during the past year, which represents a number of meetings equal to the sum of those held during three preceding years. Our meetings have been comparatively large, the average attendance being eighteen. Yet one would fail to get a correct estimate of what is being done, by judging either of the number of meetings we have held or the manner in which they have been attended. The best indications of progress may be seen in the active interest which has lately been shown by every member of our Society, the prompt execution of the duties assigned to the various members, and the kindly feeling that exists among the teachers. Some interesting papers on various subjects have been read and discussed, and we have pleasure in certifying that all our deliberations have been characterized by a harmony never broken; that, whilst on some points differences of opinion have been manifested, charity and courtesy have never failed. Some