

Trustees, namely, Revs. J. B. Howard and G. Douglas, and J. H. Dumble and John Beatty, Esqs. The names of the College visitors are, the President of Conference, ex-President, Drs. Jeffers and Taylor, and Hon. James Ferrier, B. M. Britton, B.B., W. W. Dean, B.A., C. M. Cameron, M.D., M. Lavell, M.D., Wm. Beatty, M.P.P., and W. Brouse, M.D. The motion was unanimously adopted. The President of the Conference suggested the propriety of making the December collections more remunerative in future, so that the result may be more commensurate with the wants and claims of the College. The Revs. Thomas Keough, D. Madden, and Wm. Pollard, were appointed Auditors for the College accounts for next year. The thanks of the Conference were presented to the Treasurers of Victoria College for their services during the past year. The Rev. Dr. Rice read the report of the Educational Fund Committee, from which it appears that the amount in the Treasurer's hand, including a balance from last year, is \$3,308, that the disbursements attendant on the examinations are \$492, disbursements to students attending College \$444, loan to Victoria College \$1,000, and leaving a balance on hand of \$1,372. The report which was very satisfactory, was unanimously adopted. It was then resolved that the Collections for the Educational Fund be made, during this year as last year, in aid of the general fund for the working of the College. In the address to the British Conference the Canadian Conference says:—The Government having withdrawn public aid heretofore granted to the denominational Colleges of this country, we have decided upon appealing to the liberality of our people, and uniting our own personal contributions with theirs, for the sum of, at least, one hundred thousand dollars to endow the University of Victoria College. More than half that sum has been subscribed already; and we hope, by Divine blessing, to complete, in the course of the present Conference year, the work so auspiciously commenced, of placing our University College in a position of independent and entire efficiency. It is a matter of thankfulness and encouragement that the attendance of students and pupils at our University and Female College is in advance of any former year; while we bear testimony to the truly Christian and Wesleyan spirit, and efficient manner in which these noble institutions have been conducted.

X. Departmental Notices.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

1. In regard to those Publishers and Printers who have transferred, or may hereafter transfer to the Chief Superintendent of Education, and to the control of the Council, the copyright of School Text Books which have been or may be approved and authorized by the Council, it is deemed right, and best for the encouragement of authors, and the maintenance of a proper standard in the mechanical execution of the books, that the Chief Superintendent of Education should not sanction or countenance, for at least twelve months after the authorization of such text books, the reprinting of them by any other than the party who has incurred the expense and responsibility of preparing and printing the first edition of such authorized school text books.

2. It is regarded by the Council as a duty in their acceptance of and subsequent action respecting the copyright of any book authorized by them to be used in the Public Schools, to secure the interests of the public by the issue of a good and suitable edition at a reasonable price, and, at the same time, to provide, so far as they properly can, for the adequate remuneration of both Author or Editor and Publisher.

3. The interests of the public are sufficiently secured by the existing arrangements, that no book or new edition shall be authorized by the Council without their previous examination and approval of matter, paper, typography, binding and price.

4. The interests of the Publisher are also sufficiently provided for by the arrangement that he shall have exclusive rights for at least one year.

5. With a view to the adequate remuneration of the Author or Editor, and the encouragement of the preparation of Literary or Scientific Works by Canadians, no extension of time shall be granted, nor any new or revised edition sanctioned or permitted without payment by the Publisher for the privilege; the amount and mode of such payment to be determined by arbitrators, one to be selected by the Council of Public Instruction, one by the Publisher, and an umpire, if required, to be selected by the two previously appointed. Such arbitrators shall also decide whether all or a portion, and if a portion, what portion, shall be paid to the Author or Editor, for the new revised edition, even though the latter shall have been prepared by another Editor specially employed for the work.

6. In the case of several publishers wishing to publish a new or revised edition, each shall pay the same amount.

7. The payment of the said arbitrators shall be divided equally between the Author or Editor and the Publisher or Publishers.

8. In those cases in which works that are not portions of a series, are approved by the Council before publication, tenders shall be invited by public advertisement, from Publishers within Canada, for the purchase of the exclusive right of publishing for at least one year, such tenders to state the retail price at which copies will be sold, and also whether the whole, or if only part, what part of each book will be executed within the Dominion.

9. New or revised editions shall not be published or advertised under the designation of new or revised editions until such date as may have been approved by the Council and communicated to the Publisher or Publishers.

10. Each Publisher of a new or revised edition shall give security, himself in \$2,000, and two sureties in \$1,000 each, guaranteeing that such edition, when completed, shall be, including each separate copy, in accordance with the official standard copy. The necessary bonds shall be prepared at the expense of the Publishers, and executed before permission to print or advertise the new or revised editions.

11. Before the receipt of the final authorization from the Council, satisfactory provisions must have been completed relative to the payment of the Author or Editor.

12. All new or revised editions, after January 1st, 1870, shall be printed in Canada, on paper made in the Dominion, and shall also be bound therein.

EDUCATION OFFICE, }
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FOUR KINDS OF LIBRARIES WHICH MAY BE ESTABLISHED UNDER THE DEPARTMENTAL REGULATIONS.

"The Public School Libraries are becoming the crown and glory of the Institutions of the Province."—LORD ELGIN.
"Had I the power I would scatter Libraries over the whole land, as the sower sows his seed."—HORACE MANN.

Under the regulations of the Department, each County Council can establish *four classes* of libraries in their Municipality, as follows. City, Town, Village, and Township Councils can establish the first three classes, and School Trustees either of the first and third classes.

1. An ordinary *Common School Library* in each school house for the use of the children and rate-payers.

2. A *General Public Lending Library*, available to all the rate payers of the Municipality.

3. A *Professional Library* of books on teaching, school organization, language and kindred subjects, available to teachers alone.

4. A Library in any *Public Institution*, under the control of the Municipality, for the use of the inmates, or in the *County Jail*, for the use of the prisoners.

We cannot too strongly urge upon School Trustees, the importance and even the necessity of providing, (especially during the autumn and winter months,) suitable reading books for the pupils in their school, either as prizes or in libraries. Having given the pupils a taste for reading and general knowledge, they should provide some agreeable and practical means of gratifying it.

TABLET READING LESSONS.

The new Tablet Reading Lessons, consisting of thirty-three large sheets, can be obtained at the Depository at 75 cts. per set; at \$1.00, free of postage; or \$4.50, mounted on cardboard. The 100 per cent. is allowed on these lessons when ordered with maps and apparatus, &c.

TRUSTEES' SCHOOL MANUAL.

In reply to numerous applications for the Trustees' School Manual, we desire to intimate that a new edition of the School Acts is now ready. Single copies, 35 cents, including postage. New School Sections will be supplied gratuitously.