

13. *Ordered*, That the Clerk of the Council inform the proprietors of the *Toronto Mail*, *Globe*, and *Leader* that a copy of the report of the proceedings of this Council and of the Interim Committee, similar to that required by law to be published in the *Journal of Education*, will be furnished on application.

14. *Ordered*, That the next regular meeting of the Council be held on the first Tuesday in October next.

15. The minutes of the meeting were read and approved.

16. Adjourned.

(Signed) H. J. GRASETT,
Chairman.

(Certified)—Alex. Marling,
C. C. P. I.

REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, 3RD SEPTEMBER, 1874.

CERTIFICATES TO MONITORS AND ASSISTANTS IN HIGH SCHOOLS AND COLLEGIATE INSTITUTES.

37 *Vict.*, ch. 27, sec. 27 (7.)

At the request in writing of any High School or Collegiate Institute Board, a High School Inspector may admit to examination any senior pupil in a High School or Collegiate Institute, or any other candidate for the position of Assistant Teacher or Monitor in such High School or Collegiate Institute, on the following conditions:—

(1). The pupil or other candidate shall present to the Inspector a certificate of good moral character, signed by a clergyman.

(2). The subject of examination for the position of Monitor shall be:—Reading, Writing, Spelling, and the elementary parts of Grammar, Geography, and Arithmetic.

(3). The subjects of examination for the position of Assistant Teacher, shall be (in addition to those required in the case of a Monitor)—a competent knowledge of Grammar, Geography, Arithmetic, the elements of Latin, and a satisfactory evidence of some knowledge of the art of teaching and school government.

An Inspector may, at his discretion, grant without examination, a certificate as assistant teacher in a High School or Collegiate Institute, to any undergraduate in Arts, of at least two years standing, on the following conditions:—

(1). That such undergraduate present to the Inspector evidence that he is in good standing in his University.

(2). That he present to the Inspector a certificate of good moral character, signed by a clergyman.

(3). That he furnish such evidence as the Inspector requires of some knowledge of the art of teaching, and of school government.

A certificate granted under these regulations may be suspended or cancelled by an Inspector, for any reason which may appear to such Inspector to warrant it.

No certificate shall be given for a longer period than one year; such certificate may, however, be specially renewed for twelve months, at the request of a High School or Collegiate Institute Board concerned; but no certificate shall be given to a monitor or assistant teacher for a third year without re-examination.

All certificates granted, suspended, or cancelled under these regulations, and all renewals of such certificates, as herein provided, shall be duly reported by the Inspector to the Chief Superintendent of Education, and to the High School or Collegiate Institute Board concerned.

CERTIFICATES TO MONITORS AND ASSISTANTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

37 *Vict.*, ch. 28, secs. 112 (27), and 114 (18.)

At the request in writing of any Public School Corporation, a Public School Inspector may admit to examination any senior pupil or other candidate for the position of Monitor or Assistant Teacher, in such Public School, on the following conditions:—

(1). The pupil or other candidate shall present to the Inspector a certificate of good moral character, signed by a clergyman.

(2). The subjects of examination for the position of Monitor shall be Reading, Writing, Spelling, and the elementary parts of Grammar, Geography, and Arithmetic.

(3). The subjects of examination for the position of Assistant Teacher, shall be those prescribed for third class certificates.

N. B.—A competent knowledge of those subjects, at the discretion of the Inspector, shall be required.

No certificate shall be given for a longer period than one year. Such certificate may be specially renewed for twelve months at the discretion of the Inspector; but no certificate shall be granted a third time without re-examination.

A certificate may be suspended or cancelled at the discretion

of an Inspector, for any cause which he may deem sufficient to warrant it.

All certificates granted, suspended or cancelled, and all other information desired, shall be duly reported by the Inspectors to the Chief Superintendent of Education.

APPEALS FROM THE DECISIONS OF LOCAL BOARDS OF EXAMINERS.

37 *Vict.*, ch. 27, sec. 32 (2), and ch. 28, sec. 115.

Any Teacher who may have been examined by a County or City Board, and any Trustee or Head Master of a High School or Collegiate Institute, shall have the right to appeal to the Chief Superintendent against the decision of a Local Board of Examiners or of a Public or High School Inspector.

Every such appeal shall be made in writing to the Chief Superintendent within two weeks from the time when the decision of the Local Board or Inspector is known to the appellant, and not later than one month after the decision itself was communicated to the Teacher or Board concerned.

A copy of the appeal, with full particulars of objections, shall be sent by the appellant to the Board or presiding Inspector.

No appeal shall be entertained by the Chief Superintendent which is not made in accordance with these regulations.

LETTER FROM THE CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION TO THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF ONTARIO, SUBMITTING THE FOLLOWING CASE FOR HIS OPINION.

EDUCATION OFFICE, TORONTO,
24th July, 1874.

MY LORD,—The School Law authorizes the Chief Superintendent of Education, when he deems it expedient, "to submit a case on any question arising under the High or Public School Acts to any Judge of either of the Superior Courts for his opinion or decision, or with the consent of such Judge, to either of the Superior Courts, for their opinion or decision." In accordance with this provision of the School Law, I am induced to solicit your opinion as to what should be regarded as the cost prices of books provided by the Educational Department for Library Books and Prizes for the Public and High Schools, and who should determine those prices—I am induced to make this application under the following circumstances:—

From the beginning I have not only procured such books, but determined their prices, while the Council of Public Instruction has decided to recommend or not recommend their use; and in applying to Government and the Legislature for authority and pecuniary grants for that purpose, I have explained what I regarded as the cost of such books and the terms—cost prices—at which I proposed to make them accessible to Municipal and School Authorities only, to enable them to perform the duties imposed upon them by law in a manner the most efficient and beneficial to the public.

Of late years, it has been contended on the part of certain booksellers, that they could supply the Municipal and School Corporations with such books upon as favourable terms as the Educational Department, and that it was unjust to prevent them from doing so. I have said otherwise, but that I had no objection to afford them an opportunity of trying to do so, though I did not think it would amount to anything. Accordingly, in the School Acts passed last session, provision is made by which Municipal and School Corporations may procure of booksellers such books as are sanctioned by the Council of Public Instruction for Libraries and Prizes in the Public and High Schools, and that I am to pay one hundred per cent. of the prices of such books, provided that I "shall not pay more than one-half of the cost of the books so purchased elsewhere, according to the prices specified for them in the printed catalogues or in the authorized lists published in the *Journal of Education*."

It has recently been objected by certain parties that I have not, according to their construction of the law, set down the full cost of the books in my statements and estimates, and that I have placed the prices of the books below the cost; and these parties have, furthermore, insisted that the prices of any books submitted by a bookseller, and sanctioned, should be inserted