

County Board of Examiners who is not engaged either in teaching or inspecting, or has not been so engaged within three years.—*Carried.*

Moved by Mr. John Millar, seconded by Mr. Alexander, That in the opinion of this Convention, the judgment of High School Masters should in some legal manner be taken into consideration regarding the moral character and fitness to become teachers of those who have under them received their non-professional training.—*Carried.*

The Committee to which the communication of the Hon. the Minister of Education was referred beg to report as follows :—

That in the opinion of the Committee the information respecting average attendance at the Public Schools asked for by this Association last year is of such importance as to justify the appointment of a committee to wait upon the Hon. the Minister of Education to set forth respectfully the advisability of publishing such information in his annual official reports.

Respectfully submitted

J. DEARNESS, *Chairman.*

Moved by Mr. Doan, seconded by Mr. Dearness, that the report be received and adopted.—*Carried.*

Moved by Mr. R. W. Doan, seconded by Mr. R. Alexander, that the following gentlemen be and are hereby appointed a Committee to collate the items in the Reports of delegates to this meeting :— Messrs. Dearness, Telford, and Millar, and report at to-morrow evening's meeting.—*Carried.*

Mr. Alexander gave notice that he would move the following resolution at the afternoon session to-morrow :—

That in the opinion of this Association the demand for such a change in the school law as will make it obligatory on teachers to give religious instruction in Schools is unreasonable; that it is expedient to leave the whole question of Bible reading and religious instruction, as the law has left it for many years, to the public opinion of each school district; and that until the clergy give the present system a fair trial by generally availing themselves of the opportunities afforded them by the present law of giving religious instruction to pupils in the Public Schools, any attempt on their part to agitate for a change should be discountenanced by all who desire to see our non-sectarian Educational system kept free from sectarian controversy.

The Convention then adjourned.

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