

Moved by Mr. H. Gray, seconded by Mr. A. Embury (I) That the Public School Section of the Ontario Teachers' Association takes this opportunity to express its disapproval of the course of certain members of the Ministerial Profession in continually misrepresenting the standing of the Public Schools of this Province in regard to moral training, and that we hereby assure the public generally that we know that moral training in our schools is in a higher state of efficiency now than in previous years, and that continual progress is being made in that direction.

II. That the Ministers be requested to improve their privileges in regard to giving religious instruction in Public Schools.

III. That these resolutions be brought before the General Association.—*Carried.*

On motion the Section adjourned to meet at the close of the session of the General Association in the afternoon, to receive the reports of the various committees.

Pursuant to adjournment the Section met in the usual place at 5.30 p.m., Mr. R. Coates presiding.

The committee on the question of increased Legislative Grants to Public Schools reported as follows, which on motion of Mr. G. W. Holman, seconded by Mr. W. S. Howell, was received and adopted :—

I. Whereas a great majority of the children of this Province depend entirely upon a Public School education, and that the education received in Public Schools forms the basis of after training, and whereas a comparison of High and Public School statistics shows in 1885 the Legislative Grant to the former to be \$10.50 per pupil, and to the latter \$1.17 per pupil (See pp. 13, 18, 36 and 37, Report of Minister of Education, 1886); also that the grant to High Schools was 20 $\frac{3}{4}$ % of the total expenditure, and to Public Schools not quite 8%, it is the opinion of the Public School Section of this Association that the Public Schools do not receive the share of Legislative aid to which their importance entitles them.

II. That the Honorable the Minister of Education be requested to secure an increased Legislative Grant to the Public Schools; that the mode of distribution among the Public Schools in each municipality be so amended that it shall be apportioned upon the basis of average attendance of only those pupils who shall have attended the full 100 days per annum; that the necessary equipment of each school have a first claim upon the grant to that school, upon the written order of the Inspector.

The Secretary was instructed to forward a copy of the report to the Honorable the Minister of Education.

Mr. J. Munro reported on behalf of the committee appointed to examine the new Public School Grammar that owing to lack of time no decision had been arrived at.