

sion one of the most inspiring meetings in the annals of Manual Training, either in the old world or the new.

On Tuesday, January 15, Professor Robertson addressed the Public School Board of Toronto on the proposed system of Manual Training. He described the method of instruction in the classes in English schools. The whole effort, he said, is to train the boy to have that general control of, and skill in, the use of his body that other studies give him in the use of tongue, ears and memory. He also pointed out in many ways how Manual Training assists other studies and develops every side of a boy's character. At the conclusion of his convincing address the Board unanimously and almost without discussion accepted the offer of Sir William Macdonald to establish schools in Toronto, so that in the near future Toronto will share the opportunities that are being so well appreciated by other great towns in the Dominion. In Ottawa itself Manual Training is making rapid headway. There are now open five centres, one providing accommodation for 50 boys and four for 20 each, and in this way facilities are

offered for the training of 1,400 boys, who each receives instruction for two hours every week. The principals of the Public Schools are enthusiastic and unanimous in their praise of Manual Training, its influence upon the boys and its beneficial effect upon the other work of the schools. On Saturday, Jan. 12, the inaugural meeting of the teachers' classes was held, and nearly 100 teachers were present to listen to addresses by Inspector Glashan, Professor Robertson, Ex-Governor Hoard, and the Director for the Province. Great interest was shown, and the enthusiasm already felt by the teachers was deepened and intensified. Over 95 teachers have joined the classes, which will be held in three centres.

Altogether as far as the work has gone, the Canadian boys have shown great aptitude, and in their progress bid fair to outstrip the boys of England. Their adaptability, their fertility of resource and their general intelligence, go to show that the coming generation of Canadians promises even to outstrip that which in South Africa has done so much to uphold the glory of that Empire we all love so much.

**U**NDER a recent act of the New York Legislature, the business institutions of the State are to come under the public educational authorities. These schools are prohibited from using the names college and university, and may not grant degrees or issue diplomas without official permission from the regents of the State university. The object of such legislation is to raise the standard of business schools and protect the public against inferior institutions of this

character. Only schools doing the required amount of work, and of a high quality, will be registered by the regents. A curriculum has been prepared which these schools must offer to enable their pupils to obtain a State business diploma. The diploma granted will rank next to the certified public accountant's certificate, which is the highest State business credential. To enter these schools, the applicant must have a high school education or its equivalent.