

The afternoon session opened with a very able paper from Miss Jackson, of Kings, on the "Relation of Skilled to Unskilled Labor." Principal MacKay, Pictou Academy, and Principal Hutton, of the Deaf and Dumb Institution, Halifax, followed, speaking in high terms of the manner in which the subject had been presented in the paper.

Professor Mullin, of the New Brunswick Normal School, who was sitting on the platform, was at this stage introduced by the Chairman. In a very pleasing address he expressed the pleasure it gave him to meet his fellow educationists of Nova Scotia, intimating that he was one of a committee appointed by the Educational Association of New Brunswick to bring the matter of an interprovincial convention of the teachers of the three maritime provinces before this Association. He hoped the proposition would be looked upon favorably by the three provinces, and that they might experience great benefit from such association with each other.

Prof. Burwash, of Mount Allison College, read a very well illustrated address on "Elocution as a Study for Teachers." To his fame as one of our ablest scientific instructors, he has thereby added the reputation of being a most skilful and accomplished elocutionist. A complimentary and interesting discussion on the subject was engaged in by Principal Calkin, Professor Denton, of the Halifax Academy, Mr. Andrews, of Margaret's Bay, Principals Kennedy and Burbidge.

In the evening a public meeting was held, presided over by Sir Adams G. Archibald. Mayor Muir, in a short address, welcomed the convention to Truro, and was responded to by Principal MacKay, who also referred to the important subject of industrial art education, on which the lecturer of the evening, Mrs. Leonowens, was about to address the meeting. Mrs. Leonowens spoke for nearly an hour in a most fluent and effective manner, detailing some points of her experience in Burmah, which illustrated most powerfully the possibilities of a proper school of art. It is saying very little of what might be said when we say that scarcely ever had we seen a platform speaker so completely charm an audience as did the beautifully eloquent speaker on this occasion. Short and appropriate addresses following were made by President Sawyer of Acadia College, Principal Hutton, and Mrs. Condon, of Halifax. Never was a public meeting better enjoyed, to judge from the remarks going out, as well as by the department inside.

On Thursday morning Principal MacKay was called on to report for the committee managing the Summer School of Science. After this report he moved that "this Association approve of an interprovincial con-

vention of teachers for Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and P. E. Island; the executive to make such arrangements as may be necessary to carry the same into effect." Seconded by Professor Eaton of the Normal School, and spoken to by Messrs. Kennedy, Denton, Burbidge, and Brown, and passed unanimously. Principal O'Hearn, Halifax, read a most practical and valuable paper on "Economy in Education," which was followed up by short speeches from Principal Kennedy, Principal MacKay; and Professor Denton. Principal Burbidge made a good point in showing how economy in education could be effected by making our grammar for the English language itself instead of following the models of the classical grammars.

President Sawyer, of Acadia College, followed with a powerful address, showing in what respects the prescribed register was and was not a correct index of the work of the teacher. In a comparatively short compass a great many important points were given the teacher. President Forrest, of Dalhousie College, who was on the platform, was then introduced by the Chairman. In an eloquent speech he referred to what had been done towards the advancement of education during the past few years, gave practical advice for the present, and congratulated the teachers on having such a paper as the EDUCATIONAL REVIEW, which he just saw on the Chairman's desk. Principal Calkin, the Chairman, said that President Forrest had anticipated him in speaking of the EDUCATIONAL REVIEW. The paper was worthy of the support of the profession, and he hoped every teacher in the province would get it. The balloting for the Executive Committee for the ensuing year, which now took place, resulted in the election of Principal MacKay, Principal Cameron (Yarmouth Academy), Principal Kennedy, Miss Taylor, Inspector Roscoe, and Inspector MacDonald.

Thursday afternoon's session was opened by an address from Professor Denton, after which he introduced a motion, recommending the Executive to arrange to have one session for the discussion of any subject of which a teacher might give notice. The motion passed. E. M. Chesley, of Boston, then read a paper entitled, "Idealism or Spiritual Science." The paper showed extensive reading, and a masterly grasp of the problems of mental philosophy and an especial appreciation of the idealistic schools. This paper drew out the university scholars. Professor H. Mellish of the Pictou Academy, and Principal Ebenezer MacKay of the New Glasgow High School, made very felicitous speeches. President Sawyer concluded the discussion in his own masterly fashion. The paper of Professor Roberts on "The Teaching