

subjects to make them eligible to compete; (3), the judges found several specimens in which the ruler had been used unduly in the drawing work and tracing in the map work, (4), the exhibit presented by the Lachute Academy merits high commendation. The two model schools also deserve high commendation. The city commissioners' schools show a distinct and decided improvement in writing. Some of the best specimens, however, were by schools which had to be ruled out, not having presented a sufficient number of subjects."

The awards are as follows:—

Academy.—Lachute Academy, 1.

Model schools.—Girls' Model school, McGill, 1; Boys' Model school, McGill, 2.

Elementary schools.—Royal Arthur school, Montreal, 1; Berthelet Street school, Montreal, 2; Sweetsburg Elementary school, Missisquoi county, 3.

The judges beg to express the hope that in future better means will be provided to enable them to perform their duty with less difficulty, and that means will be provided so that the competing specimens may be shown in the order of decision.

A pleasant evening was spent by the teachers thereafter. Soon after eight o'clock a short lecture was delivered in the Assembly Hall by the Rev. J. Abbott Smith on "Greek Art and Architecture," which was illustrated with some very good stereopticon views. Afterwards the school was thrown open. The laboratories and manual training rooms were open, and a few boys in each gave an idea of the mode of instruction. Music and refreshments were provided, and the rest of the evening passed in social enjoyment.

The closing session was held on Saturday morning, when the question of the state of our elementary schools came up for discussion. The issue of the discussion was very gratifying, a committee having been appointed to take into consideration the means at the disposal of the province for providing trained teachers for all our schools. Nothing could have been more gratifying to those who are sincerely desirous of bringing about an improvement in our elementary schools than this closing action of the Convention of 1894. As soon as we have heard from the Secretary of the Association we will publish the list of officers elected for the coming year as well as the the committees of the Executive Council.