

Inspector Boyle's report of London Public Schools for September showed the total number of pupils entered for the month to have been 2,753, with an average attendance of 2,096.

SENIOR MATRICULATION, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.—The following scholarships have been awarded upon the results of the examination just concluded:—Scholar in classics, Harris, E. J.; in mathematics, Francis, D.; general proficiency, Malloy, C. W.

Mr. O'Hagan, Principal of the Belleville Separate School, has been appointed a member of the Board of Examiners for the County by the Minister of Education.

W. A. Bruce Teachers' Association passed a resolution in opposition to allowing teachers to have the option of taking the Latin or Science groups at examinations for certificates.

Perth High School has been advanced to the rank of a Collegiate Institute. The following staff of teachers has been engaged for the ensuing year at the salaries named: F. L. Mitchell, Rector of the Collegiate Institute, one thousand dollars; E. L. Currie, classical master, seven hundred dollars; J. H. Stewart, English master, seven hundred dollars.

Mr. Jarvis has been elected chairman of the Board of Trustees in Stratford.

At the last meeting of the East Middlesex Teachers' Association the following resolutions were passed:

On motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. J. W. Hodgins, it was resolved that in the opinion of this Association, three years' teaching is not equivalent to professional training, and that such teachers should be required to attend the Normal School.

The Committee on "Uniform Promotion Examinations" submitted their report, which was taken up *seriatim*, and adopted as follows:—

1st. That such examinations would be very beneficial to the schools of the inspectorate, tending to stimulate both teachers and pupils, secure uniformity of classification, and increase the interest of parents and guardians in the school, &c.

2nd. That they should be held twice in each year, in the months of April and November.

3rd. That the questions be prepared by a committee appointed by the Association for such examination.

4th. That the questions, with the number of marks allowed for each, the time-table, and instructions for conducting the examination, be sent to each teacher, who will conduct the examination, examine the papers of his own pupils, promoting as he sees fit, and forwarding the result of the examination to the inspector.

5th. That the expenses of the examination be borne by this Association. A very animated discussion arose on the reading of the several clauses, which showed the interest taken by the teachers in the work mentioned.

In order that the large expense connected with the work of such an undertaking may be lightened as much as possible, it was resolved that an electric pen be procured for the Association, giving the Library Committee, at the same time, power to act in the matter.

QUEBEC.

At the recent competitive examinations in McGill College, Montreal, the following scholarships and exhibitions were awarded to the undermentioned students and candidates for entrance:

I. SCHOLARSHIPS (TENABLE FOR TWO YEARS).

Third Year. Mathematical Scholarships—Wm. A. Ferguson, \$125 yearly; donor, W. C. Macdonald, Esq. Natural Science Scholarships—Henry Ami, \$125 yearly; donor, W. C. Macdonald, Esq. Classical and Modern Language Scholarship—A. Falconer, \$125 yearly; donor, W. C. Macdonald, Esq. Classical and Modern Language Scholarships—John W. Tucker, \$125 yearly; donor, W. C. Macdonald, Esq.

II. EXHIBITIONS.

Second Year.—H. I. Hague, Upper Canada College, \$125 yearly; donor, W. C. Macdonald, Esq. H. A. Laffeur, High School, Montreal, \$125 yearly; donor, W. C. Macdonald, Esq. Henry Fry, High School, Quebec, \$100 yearly; founder, Mrs. Redpath.

First Year.—John D. Cameron, Huntingdon Academy, \$125 yearly; donor, W. C. Macdonald Esq. W. Hunter, Hamilton Collegiate Institute, \$125 yearly; donor, W. C. Macdonald Esq. J. G. W. Brown, Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown, P.E.I., \$100 yearly; donors, the Government.

The inconveniences arising from the dead-lock in the Government, affecting so seriously the educational and other interests of this Province, still continue, but it is to be hoped that the dif-

ficulty will very soon be got over now in one way or another, and governmental affairs resume their normal state once more.

The circumstance of greatest interest in an educational point of view during the past month was the meeting, in the city of Quebec, of the sixteenth Annual Convention of the Provincial Protestant Teachers' Association. The sessions of the Association held on 16th, 17th and 18th of October, were in the hall of Morrin College, except on the evening of the last day, when the meeting was in the Musio Hall, as, owing to the great numbers of teachers present, and the lively interest felt in the proceedings by the public, the Morrin College Hall was found too small. Notwithstanding certain *contretemps*, such as the long detention by fog of the Montreal boat with 150 teachers on board, and the somewhat defective arrangements for their accommodation in the city, the numbers present being unusually large, the convention was a great success. An excellent spirit pervaded its meetings; much interest was awakened in the too much neglected cause of education; many papers, ably written, on important educational subjects were read and discussed, in some instances at considerable length; school books, school maps, globes of ingenious construction, and school apparatus and appliances of different kinds were exhibited by various publishers, and examined by the Teachers. It was a pleasing and must have been also an instructive time for them, especially in listening to the able speeches and papers of men of such culture and large experience in everything pertaining to education in all its branches as Principals Dawson and McVicar; the Hon. G. Ouimet, Superintendent of Public Instruction; Professor Robins, &c. Dr. Miles, of the Department of Public Instruction, President of the Association for the past year, occupied the chair at the different sessions of the Association. The following is a list of papers read, with their authors: Mr. Masters, of the Coaticook Academy, "On the Teaching of Primary Arithmetic;" Mr. School Inspector Hubbard, "On School Discipline;" Mr. Parkins, of Sherbrooke Academy, "On the Teachers' difficulties and the Study of the Classics;" the Rev. Canon Norman, of Montreal, "On Higher Education." Mr. Juvet explained the beautiful and ingenious globe invented by himself, illustrating clearly the diurnal motion of the earth, its true position, the difference of time, &c. Rev. Mr. Rioux, "On Rewards in Schools;" Mr. McGregor, of Huntingdon Academy, "On the Course of Study in County Academies;" Professor Murray, of the Montreal High School, "On English Etymology;" Mr. Thomas, of Waterloo Academy, "On the Moral Support extended to Teachers;" Mr. Fletcher, Quebec, "On Oral Teaching;" Rev. Mr. Rexford, of Montreal High School, "On a plea for reform in the District School System of the Eastern Townships;" the Hon. G. Ouimet, Superintendent of Public Instruction, an address in French on "Education;" Professor Robins, Montreal, "On Object Lessons;" Miss Luttrell, of the Royal Arthur School, Montreal, "On Female Teachers;" Mr. Taylor, Quebec, "On Phonography;" Inspector McLaughlin, "On reform in the District School System of the Eastern Townships;" Mr. Arnold, of Montreal, "On forty years' experience as a Teacher in Canada;" Principal McVicar, Montreal, "On the Teacher in his Study and in the Class Room;" Principal Dawson, of McGill University, "On Retrospects and Anticipations."

It is impossible in such an article as this to give even a short synopsis of the different papers read; but as most of them, if not all, will be published, they will doubtless appear in future numbers of the JOURNAL either *in extenso*, or such portions as may be considered most valuable.

Dr. Miles' address as President was "On the Superannuation of Teachers."

The Rev. Principal McVicar, of Montreal, was unanimously elected President of the Association for the ensuing year; Mr. F. Hicks was re-elected Secretary, and Professor McGregor, Treasurer.

The Convention meets next year in Montreal.

On motion of Principal McVicar, seconded by Mr. Bell, it was unanimously resolved that the Government should be memorialized to frame an Act for the amendment of the School Law, to provide that the taxes collected from joint stock companies should in future be divided among the Catholic and Protestant School Boards in proportion to the amount of stock held by Protestant and Catholic stockholders in the school district, instead of on the basis of the population of each, as heretofore.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

As announced last month, the Albert County Teachers' Institute held its second annual meeting at Hillsborough on the 2nd and