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Education Office, May 1st, 1914.

Elementary Agricultural Education.

REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

1. Any Board of School Trustees that provides for and satisfactorily maintains instruction in Elementary Agriculture with School Gardening, in accordance with the course prescribed by the Board of Education in this subject, shall be entitled to receive a special grant of thirty dollars per school year. In case, however, the full amount of such grant has not been expended for such maintenance, as shown by a statement of expenditure submitted by the Board of School Trustees at the close of each term, the payment of an amount equal to that expended shall be made.

2. The grant to Boards of School Trustees for the first year, after Agricultural Instruction with School Gardening has been undertaken as a permanent and integral part of the school work, shall be fifty dollars, and thereafter as specified in Regulation 1 above.

3. The Minister of Agriculture shall pay to the certificated teacher who carries on this work satisfactorily, as shown by reports of the Director, a special grant, at the rate of fifty dollars per school year.

Teachers with only one session of special training in Elementary Agriculture with School Gardening shall, upon the recommendation of the Director, receive a special grant for satisfactory teaching in this work, at the rate of thirty dollars per school year.

4. In all cases the amounts paid for this special work to both teachers and School Boards must be approved and recommended by the Director.

5. School officers intending to introduce or to continue this work, and to qualify for the grants, must give notice to the Director of such intention on or before the first day of September, or the seventh day of January in each school year. This notice shall be signed by the Trustees, or their Secretary by order of the Board, and by the teacher.

6. The time to be allotted to this work shall be not more than one and one-half hours per week during the school year.

7. Throughout the year the teacher shall record from week to week on a form supplied by the Director, the work carried on in the garden and the instruction given in the school, specifying the subjects taken up and the

method followed. At the end of each term these records shall be included in the Agricultural Instruction Return. These weekly Records shall be available to both Inspectors and Director at all times.

8. At the meeting of the Board of Education before the end of each school year, there shall be apportioned from the amount of money set apart by the Minister of Agriculture for Elementary Agricultural Education, a fund to be used for the encouragement of schools and pupils, to be applied as prizes in School Garden, home plot work and school fairs.

For this purpose each County shall form a unit for distribution. All work thus encouraged shall be carried on under the instruction and supervision of the teachers in the public schools.

9. At the same time an amount shall also be determined upon for the improvement of school grounds, which afford an opportunity for the care and study of trees, shrubs and vines, for the purchase of pedigreed seeds and bulbs and for extending such practical work along agricultural lines and the improvement of country life.

10. When the equipment on which special grants to Trustees have been paid remains unused for two years, said equipment may be transferred, on recommendation of the Director, to another school in the Province.

NOTE.—The pupils receiving instruction in this subject should be encouraged to make notes and records in a systematic manner, having special reference to Nature Study observations, agricultural conditions and school garden work. These record books should receive recognition in determining the standing of pupils. Care should be taken to interest and encourage pupils, rather than to urge them in this special work.

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Interprovincial Teachers' Institute

N. S., N. B., and P. E. I.

To Meet in the Technical College, Halifax

Aug. 26, 27 and 28th, 1914

N. B. Teachers are requested to note, that there will be no Provincial Institute held this year, but that all are urged to attend the Interprovincial Meeting at Halifax. There are many matters of importance and mutual interest to discuss.

For all Teachers who attend the Halifax Meeting the public schools will reopen after the summer vacation Aug. 31. For all other teachers, schools will reopen Aug. 26.

A full programme with necessary information will be published.

Make your plans early to attend.

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