

MINIMUM.

Grade.	B.	C.	D.	E.
From Section	\$75 00	\$40 00	\$20 00	\$30 00
Govt. Grant.....	60 00	45 00	30 00	22 50
Total.	135 00	85 00	50 00	52 50

Average Salary for Winter Term.

From Section	\$171 00	\$76 00	\$54 00	\$46 00
Govt. Grant.....	60 00	45 00	30 00	22 50
Total.....	231 00	121 00	84 00	58 50

Average Salary for Summer Term.

From Section.....	\$171 00	\$91 00	\$67 00	\$35 00
Govt. Grant.....	60 00	45 00	30 00	22 50
Total....	231 00	136 00	97 00	57 50

I cannot admit that we look for improvement on the part of the teacher only. It would require an advance of 25 per cent. upon the present supply of books and apparatus, to put our schools in a position to take full advantage of the labors of good teachers; and I would suggest that no Section, except those classed as "Poor Sections," which will not vote a minimum sum for the support of schools, and comply with the Regulations (1 & 2) of the Council of Public Instruction, with reference to Books, &c., be allowed a full participation in the distribution of Provincial Grants.

I would not for a moment overlook the pleasing fact, that we have some teachers in this County who understand the true end and aim of education, and expend all their efforts to get their pupils to gain knowledge for themselves. Their course stimulates the pupil's efforts, strengthens his powers, quickens his interest in the subject, and makes him take pleasure in learning it, teaches him how to learn other subjects, leads him to the formation of habits of thinking for himself, and in short, promotes the true object of education. I have very little sympathy with mere text-book teaching. My conviction, formed after much observation, being that it must, in the end, retard progress, and work an injury alike to pupils and teachers.

Bonus.—It could but be expected that teachers, whose service entitled them to the Bonus, and those who were making preparation and looking forward to it, should be disappointed on learning that it is withdrawn. I believe it has been the means of retaining teachers at the work longer than they otherwise