

Moved by Mr. A. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Brebner,—That the Convention continue in session in order to take up the Report of the Committee on the Professional Training of Teachers. Carried.

The Report of the Committee on the Professional Training of Teachers, presented in 1888 and referred during the meeting of 1889 to this meeting, was then discussed.

The discussion was postponed until to-morrow morning.

Moved by Mr. Suddaby, seconded by Mr. Scarlett,—That a Committee composed of Messrs. Marshall, Barber and Mackintosh be, and is, hereby appointed to report on Mr. Powell's paper. Carried.

The Association then adjourned.

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THURSDAY, August 14th, 1890.

The Convention was called to order at 9.30 a.m.  
1st Vice-President, Mr. J. Johnston, in the chair.

Mr. Duncan read a portion of Scripture and led in prayer.

On motion the Convention resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to discuss the Report of the Committee on the Professional Training of Teachers. Mr. Alexander in the chair.

The Committee reported as follows:—

Deficiencies which need to be remedied in the training of teachers:—

(a) Their training secures them little or no experience in the work of ungraded schools.

(b) That in the Model Schools as at present constituted the students have insufficient opportunity to learn and practice actual governing and classifying.

(c) The non-professional training is not now given, as a rule, with a view to qualifying for professional work.

(d) The age now required for teachers entering the profession does not guarantee sufficient maturity for its responsibilities.

(e) The low percentage now required to pass in the non-professional examination does not protect against immaturity of judgment and character any more than against imperfect knowledge.

(f) Different standards in the professional examination in different counties interfere seriously with the general efficiency of teachers.

(g) The work of Normal Schools is not now sufficiently con-