

THE ONTARIO EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

To the Editor of THE CANADA EDUCATIONAL MONTHLY AND SCHOOL MAGAZINE :

DEAR SIR,—The success of the Ontario Educational Association meeting during next Easter holidays will be so largely conditioned by the attendance and assistance of teachers of rural schools, that I hope you will kindly allow me sufficient of your valuable space to call the attention of your readers to the following : Chap. 4, Sec. 73, Clause 7, of the recent Departmental Regulations, says :—

“Any teacher who has been elected a delegate by the association of his county or inspectorial division to the Provincial Teachers' Association, shall be at liberty to attend the meeting of such Association for any time not exceeding one week for each year, provided always he shall report such attendance to the trustees, certified by the secretary of said Provincial Association.”

Many familiar faces were missing

at the last Convention owing to this clause, which renders it impossible for rural teachers to attend unless they have been appointed delegates by their Conventions. The difficulty can be overcome by appointing delegates at the regular Association meeting, or by empowering the secretary of the County Association to appoint as delegates all who signify their desire to attend the Provincial Convention. As the *general* meetings of the Association are hereafter to be held only in the evening, it is necessary to prepare much longer programmes for departments than formerly. Any who would be willing to read papers or who desire to suggest the names of others would confer a favour by communicating with the secretary, R. W. Doan, Esq., 216 Carleton Street, Toronto, or with the secretaries of the respective departments. It is desirable that such communications be sent prior to Jan. 1st, 1893. Very truly yours,

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Pres., O.E.A.

Hamilton, Dec. 1st, 1892.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

WE thank Inspector J. H. Knight, Lindsay, for his neat and suitable examination papers, used for promotion purposes in East Victoria. The same words of commendation are due to Inspector Dearness for his attention to the public school department. Happy New Year to all our readers.

THE Massachusetts Teacher's Association adopted recently a report to the following effect :—

1. The Association asks for competent school supervisors.

2. It asks that college graduates be trained in the art of teaching, the State to provide suitable schools—high normal schools.

3. Next the Association demands that only those who have had a four years' high school course be admitted to the normal schools.

4. The compulsory law is declared radically defective.

5. A state board of examiners is called for.

The aim is higher scholarship, more preparation for teaching and mature men and women in all our schools.