

previous training in mechanic science: from the first Wednesday of October to the last Thursday in June.

(b) For such candidates as hold normal school diploma of first rank, with distinction in mechanic science, and have attended the summer course in this subject, the minimum period for qualification shall be four months, beginning either the first Wednesday of October or the first Wednesday of February. The same period is required for public school teachers of successful experience who do not hold normal school diploma of first rank, but who have attended two summer courses in mechanic science.

The following constitution and by-laws of the M. T. T. A. of N. S. is printed for the information of all concerned. Persons who are likely to need a copy for reference are requested to preserve the page containing the constitution, as it will not appear again.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS ADOPTED BY THE M.T.T.A. OF NOVA SCOTIA, AT TRURO, AUGUST 27, 1903.

1. This association shall be known as "The Manual Training (mechanic science) Teacher's Association of Nova Scotia."

2. The object of the association shall be "To disseminate information in reference to manual training, and to promote its interests as a branch of education."

3. The membership of the association shall be open to all recognized teachers of the subject.

4. Any persons interested in manual training work may be elected by vote of the association as associate members.

5. Associate members shall not be eligible to vote on any question affecting the constitution of the association.

6. Honorary members may be elected as the association sees fit.

7. All candidates for membership must be proposed and seconded by existing members and approved by the executive.

8. The annual fee shall be determined by the association from year to year. It shall be payable in advance.

9. The executive of the association shall consist of the president and secretary, ex-officio, and two elective members, elected at the annual meeting.

10. The association shall meet yearly during the first week of the opening of the town schools, at Truro, or other convenient centres, preferably in conjunction with the Provincial Educational Association.

11. No alterations of the constitution and by-laws shall be made except at the annual meeting, or at an extraordinary meeting called for the purpose. Notice of proposed alterations must be sent to the secretary in writing one month before the meeting.

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SCHOOL AND COLLEGE.

Halifax city has taken a progressive step in advancing the salaries of several teachers, an example that is worthy of imitation.

Mr. James Little, vice-principal of the Truro Academy, has given \$2,000 to the First Presbyterian church of that town for a new pipe organ.

The 25th annual session of the Carleton County Teachers' Institute will be held in Woodstock on Thursday and Friday, December 17th and 18th.

The enrolment at the opening of the N. S. Normal School, says the *Midland Times*, was larger than in the two preceding years, and the ratio of young men to young women is greater than in those years. The A class has an enrolment of fourteen, the D class thirty-one, and the B class seventy-six. It is interesting to note that nearly one-half of the students in attendance have already served a period as teachers in the public schools of the province.

On Saturday, October 24th, Mr. Edward Manning, A. M., secretary of the St. John Board of School Trustees, celebrated the 70th anniversary of his birthday. Mr. Manning has long been connected with educational affairs in St. John, both as an honored and respected teacher, and more recently as the efficient secretary of the school board. He is still vigorous and alert, with the prospect of years of usefulness yet before him.

The Trenton, Pictou County, school, made an excellent display of drawings and modellings at the county exhibition held a few weeks ago. Some maps very neatly drawn were also exhibited by the pupils of the Pictou Convent. The Trenton school had the honor of receiving a diploma for a shorthand exhibit at the recent provincial exhibition. Mr. W. W. Herdman, the late principal, is now a member of the grade A. class at the Provincial Normal School.

At the formal installation of Principal Gordon of Queens University, October 15th, the honorary degree of LL.D. was conferred, among others, on President Allison, Mt. Allison University; Professor Walter C. Murray, of Dalhousie; Hon. W. S. Fielding, Minister of Finance; Hon. R. L. Borden, leader of the Opposition; Hon. G. W. Ross, Premier of Ontario; Principal Peterson, of McGill; Chancellor Wallace, McMaster University; Chancellor Burwash, Victoria University; and the degree of D.D. on President Trotter of Acadia University.

Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year.—*Emerson*.

Don't let the song go out of your life;
Though it chances sometimes to flow
In a minor strain it will blend again
With the major tone, you know.