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TRAVELLING ARRANGEMENTS.

Reduced rates on the railways will be granted to those attending the Convention, and becoming members thereof, at one first-class fare and one-third fare for the round trip, if more than fifty attend; or at one first-class fare if 300 or more attend.

Those travelling to the meeting must purchase first-class, full-rate, one-way tickets, and obtain a receipt on the standard certificate for purchase of tickets from agent at starting point, within three days of date of meeting (Sundays not included). The Secretary of the Association will fill in the said certificate, and the ticket for the return trip will be issued at the above rate. A standard certificate will be supplied free by the agent from whom the ticket to Toronto is purchased, and no other form will be recognized by the Railway Companies.

The following is of special interest to delegates:—

The regulations of the Education Department provide that "Any teacher who has been elected a delegate, by the Association of his County or Inspectoral Division, to the Provincial Teachers' Association, shall be at liberty to attend the meeting of such Association for any time not exceeding one week each year, providing he always report to the trustees such attendance, certified by the Secretary of said Provincial Association."

As the usual time for holding the Provincial Convention prevented the attendance of many inspectors and teachers, who took their holidays at that season of the year, special provision has been made by the Minister of Education to allow teachers to attend the Convention without interfering with their summer vacation. It is therefore hoped that this will be appreciated by the profession, and that every effort will be made to secure a large attendance at this first spring meeting, and give permanence to the new arrangement.

ARBOR DAY.

WE hope that none of our readers need to be reminded of Arbor Day, which comes this year on May 6th. The teacher who neglects to make use of the opportunity this day affords for planting trees and flowers, and otherwise decorating the school premises, neglects, at the same time, a fine opportunity to plant seeds of refining and elevating influences in the minds of the children, and so fails to do a valuable educational work. It is quite probable that in a good many cases, the school grounds are already pretty well stocked with trees and

shrubs, but there will always be found plenty to do, in the way of replacing the dead or stunted with healthier specimens; clearing up the premises and putting them into the neatest possible shape, conducting such exercises as will tend to cultivate the love of the beautiful in nature in the minds of the children, etc. In every case in which there is room for trees and shrubs, the day should be utilized to the utmost in supplying the deficiency. Make the day one of interest and joy to the children. All their future lives may be affected by the impressions made on this one day.

* Editorial Notes. *

A CIRCULAR issued by the Deputy Minister of Education announces that "for the purpose of illustrating the school system of the Dominion it has been decided to hold an exhibition of specimens of school work, school appliances, text books, etc.," in connection with the forthcoming meeting of the Dominion Teachers' Association in Montreal. A competent Committee, of which W. Patterson, Esq., of Montreal, is Chairman, has been put in charge of this department. The circular says:—

"The advantages to be derived from an exhibition of the educational work and school appliances from the different provinces would be difficult to over estimate, as teachers will have an opportunity of comparing methods and results, and examining school apparatus, furniture, text books, etc., enabling them to judge whether improvements can be introduced into their own schools," and earnestly requests that those to whom it is addressed will assist in this great educational work by sending specimens to the exhibition, and thus promote the success of the first meeting of the Dominion Educational Association, and at the same time show the educational advantages possessed by this Province. Suggestions are made as to the various classes of exhibits desired. For any information required address the Chairman, as above.

WE are sorry that part of the copy for the English Department did not come to hand until too late for this number. "Answers to Correspondents," and other matter for this Department are, therefore, necessarily held over.

ONTARIO TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

WE have received a revised edition of the programme of the Thirty-first Annual Convention of the Ontario Teachers' Association, which is to be held in the Education Department Buildings, Toronto, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 19th, 20th and 21st inst. The programme, as originally drawn up, will be found in the JOURNAL of March 15th. Our readers will please note the following changes:— A meeting of the Board of Directors is announced for 9 a.m. on Tuesday. At 8 p.m. on Wednesday, instead of the address by Hon. Edward Blake, the revised programme has the following:—

"Tact in Teaching: Its Conditions and its Effect,"—Rev. G. M. Milligan, Toronto.

"University Extension."—W. Houston, M.A., Toronto.

To be followed as before, by Reports of Committees.

The order of exercises for Thursday afternoon now reads as follows:—

Election of Officers.

"The Object of Early School Training."—Miss E. Bolton, Ottawa.

"Physical Culture."—Miss Laura E. Giddings, Boston.

"Home Preparation of School Lessons."—I. J. Birchard, Ph.D., Brantford.

The sections will meet each forenoon. There is no change in the arrangement for the Inspectors' and Public School Sections, and the Kindergarten Department.

It is expected that the High School Sections will meet on Wednesday evening, the 20th, at the Education Department.

For the convenience of all we repeat the following:—