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XIII. Educational Intelligence.

CANADA.

— UPPER CANADA TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of the Teachers' Association for Upper Canada, met at Toronto, on Tuesday, August 6th, in the Hall of the Mechanics' Institute. There was a large attendance of the members of the association. In the absence of the President, the meeting was called to order by the 1st Vice-President, Archibald McCallum, Esq., Principal of the Hamilton Central School.

The Rev. Dr. Jennings opened the proceedings with prayer; after which he delivered a short introductory address, wherein he referred to the objects of the Association, and stated that in all their labours they might depend on his sincere co-operation. He was sorry he was obliged to leave, as he had to attend a Synod committee meeting.

The first business was the adoption of the constitution, brought forward at the last general meeting, and already published. After a lengthened discussion, the first four clauses were adopted without amendment.

The Convention adjourned at twelve o'clock, and on re-assembling at two, p.m., Mr. McCallum read a short essay on the "Objects, Benefits, and Prospects of Teachers' Conventions."

The discussion on some of the remaining clauses of the constitution was resumed.

In the evening, the Rev. Dr. McCaul delivered a very instructive lecture before a large and attentive audience, on the "Advancement and Diffusion of Knowledge." The lecture was delivered in the Doctor's usual eloquent manner, and was listened to with marked attention throughout. He was repeatedly applauded, and at the close received a cordial and enthusiastic vote of thanks from the audience.

On the second day, the association met at nine o'clock, a.m., in the lecture hall of the Mechanics' Institute. The chair was again occupied by the 1st Vice-President, A. McCallum, Esq., who called on the Rev. Dr. Barclay to open the proceedings with prayer.

The first business taken up was the consideration of the following preamble to the constitution and bye-laws, which after some discussion was adopted:—The objects of this association are—

1st. To secure the general adoption of the most approved system of imparting instruction.

2nd. To secure the improvement of text-books, or the adoption of others more suitable to the wants of the country.

3rd. To enlarge the views of teachers, and stimulate their exertions for the advancement and diffusion of knowledge.

4th. To encourage the frequent interchange of ideas and kindly intercourse among the members of the profession throughout the country.

The meeting adjourned at twelve, and re-assembled at two o'clock.

The Rev. Dr. Burns then delivered a most excellent dissertation on the "Educational Duties of Teachers, and the qualifications they should possess to mould and develop the tender minds of those who may be entrusted to their care, with a view to their physical, moral, and intellectual culture." The Rev. Dr. concluded his very able address amid the hearty applause of the members of the association.

The following officers of the association were then appointed for the ensuing year:

President: The Rev. Dr. McCaul, President of University College; 1st Vice-President: A. McCallum, Principal of the Central School, Hamilton; 2nd do.: J. Herbert Sangster, A.M., Normal School; 3rd do.: J. B. Boyle, Head Master, Central School, London; 4th do.: Thomas McKee, Head Master, Central School, Oshawa; 5th do.: Thomas Dixon, Superintendent, Newmarket; 6th do.: W. Anderson, Head Master, Park School, Toronto. Mr. Alexander, Newmarket, Treasurer; Mr. Acres, Paris, Secretary.

Councillors for Counties: Ontario, Mr. Robins; Middlesex, Mr. Ander-