

until now they are not one whit in any particular, inferior to the very best of our Collegiate Institutes : why is this the case ? The Westminster has come to the same conclusion which The Canada Educational Monthly was forced to arrive at years ago, that the demand of parents for these schools was unmistakable evidence of their dissatisfaction with the state controlled schools. Canadians do not pay twice for the same service it they can at all avoid it. In regard to the duty of the Government both as regards the schools and teachers of our public schools we are glad of the hearty support of the Westminster in urging upon the attention of the school authorities the vital importance of the question under discussion.

The Canada Educational Monthly cannot see any just reasons which can be consistently pleaded against these so called "private" schools being debarred from financial support by the Government as well as wise and liberal inspection. Equal recognition for equal service in all parts of our educational field, is our position.

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Judged from the standpoint of numbers, this year's meeting of the Dominion Educational Association was a failure, judged from the fact that many of the prominent men whose names appeared on the programme failed to appear, it was also a failure. But otherwise it was a great success, a fact which was due in no small measure to the energetic efforts of Dr. Goggin, Superintendent of Education for the Northwest Territories.

At the public meetings, at the committee meetings, and at the meetings of the Higher Education Section, for whose programme he, as its chairman, was responsible, his tact and common sense brought the best results out of the discussions and caused them to be embodied in practical form, and not in resolutions only. The Association did well to elect him as its president for the meeting to be held at Winnipeg in July, 1903. He will see that the meeting is duly advertised and that the attractions of Winnipeg are set forth in sufficiently alluring form to draw thither a goodly representation from all parts of the Dominion and from the adjoining States.

Mid-August is not a good time for a convention of teachers, in Ontario especially, even if they had known early enough that the meeting was to be held. But had they known how attractive Ottawa is, with the Parliament, and other, public buildings, its parks in the city and out in the suburbs, they would have felt that a week or ten days could be pleasantly spent there as a holiday, at no great cost. The electric railways offer easy access to Rockcliffe, Britannia, and Alymer, which are as attractive as any pleasure resorts to be seen near any other city in Canada. The trips up or down the Ottawa River and on the Rideau are incomparable, while the beautiful views of mountain and river are unsurpassed even at Quebec, Montreal, and Queenston Heights. When to all this were added papers far above the average on subjects, not only of professional importance but also of national concern, those who