

The Secretary submitted the following communications and correspondence for the consideration of the Committee:—

1. From the Superintendent, informing the Committee that the Hon. Horace Archambault, has been appointed a member of the Council of Public Instruction, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Hon. P. J. O. Chauveau, and that Dr. L. Leprohon, has been appointed a member of the Council of Public Instruction, to replace the Hon. Honoré Mercier, resigned. The communication was received.

2. From F. H. Coombs, Bolton Centre, concerning an Academy Diploma.

The Secretary was instructed to inform F. H. Coombs, that the Committee has no power under existing regulations to grant him a diploma without examination.

3. From the Secretary of the Provincial Association of Protestant Teachers, inviting the members of the Committee to attend the Annual Convention, to be held in Montreal on the 16th, 17th and 18th of October next.

The Secretary was directed to acknowledge the receipt of the communication, and to thank the Association for their invitation.

4. From the School Commissioners of South Durham, Fort Coulonge, Beebe Plain and Sandy Beach, concerning the establishment of model schools in their municipalities.

The Committee agreed:—1st, that the schools at South Durham, Fort Coulonge, and Beebe Plain, should be placed on the list for inspection and examination, and that their status should be considered at the next distribution of grants, and 2nd, that the same privileges concerning the establishment of a model school at Sandy Beach, should be granted to the school commissioners of Haldimand as were granted to the school commissioners of Gaspé Village.

5. Concerning the Special Model School grants to Gaspé Village and New Richmond.

The Committee agreed in view of the representations submitted to make a grant of fifty dollars to the school at New Richmond, for the year 1888-89, and a similar grant to the school at Gaspé Village, for the year 1889-90.

6. Concerning the status of the Superior Schools at Cookshire, Waterville and Lachute.

The Secretary was directed, 1st, to inform Mr. J. H. Keller, of Cookshire, that it is necessary for a school to comply with Regulation 63, concerning the teaching staff, before it can be recognized as an Academy.

On Motion of Sir William Dawson, seconded by Mr. Masten, it was resolved, "That the Committee is pleased to hear of the proposed introduction of kindergarden work into the Waterville Model School, and that the question be referred to the Superintendent, with the request, that arrangements be made, if possible, to encourage the work.