

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention met at 8 p.m.
1st Vice-President in the chair.

The Secretary read the minutes of the previous meetings.

Moved by Mr. Scarlett, seconded by Mr. Duncan,—That the minutes be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Brebner,—That the consideration of Mr. Powell's paper be postponed, and that Mr. Birchard be asked to read his paper on Text Books. Carried.

Mr. Birchard read an address on Text Books.

This paper was discussed by Messrs. Reid, Stewart, Hammond, Alexander, McAllister, Craig, Powell, Mackintosh, after which a vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Birchard for his paper.

Moved by Mr. Alexander, seconded by Mr. McAllister,—That, in the opinion of this Association, no text book should be authorized until it has been submitted to the opinion of the teachers of the Province. Lost.

Moved by Mrs. Wylie, seconded by Mr. Mackintosh,—That this Association do hereby invite the Kindergartners of Ontario to become an organic part of said Association, either as a separate section or as a sub-section of the Public School Section. Carried.

Moved by Mr. A. Campbell, seconded by Mr. J. Brebner,—That, in the opinion of this Association, the Prose and Poetry prescribed for Third Class candidates should be the same as those prescribed for Second Class and Junior Matriculation Candidates; that the examination papers for both classes of candidates should be set by the same examiners, and that, in the preparation of questions, due respect should be paid by the examiners to the necessity for the gradation of the papers in the matter of difficulty. Carried.

Moved by Mr. J. J. Craig, seconded by Mr. C. A. Barnes,—That, in the opinion of this Association, no text book should be authorized before it has been published; been in the market for a reasonable time, and until this Association has had an opportunity of expressing its opinion thereon. Carried.

In amendment it was moved by Mr. Dearness, seconded by Mr. Reazin,—That, in the opinion of this Association, no text book should be authorized until it has been submitted to a committee of experts of the Minister's nomination, and has received the recommendation of such committee. Lost.