

Council was read, and the election of the following office-bearers and members of Council for 1858, proceeded with:—President, The Hon. the Chief Justice Draper, C.B.; 1st Vice-President, Colonel Baron De Rottenburg, C.B.; 2nd Vice-President, John Langton, Esq., M.A.; 3rd Vice-President, Hon. W. B. Robinson; Treasurer, D. Crawford, Esq.; Recording Secretary, Thomas Henning, Esq.; Corresponding Secretary, E. A. Meredith, LL.D.; Librarian, Professor H. Croft, D.C.L.; Curator, Professor H. Y. Hind, M.A. Council, Professor E. J. Chapman, Professor J. B. Cherriman, M.A., Sanford Fleming, C.E., J. George Hodgins, Esq., M.A., Rev. Professor W. Hincks, F.L.S., Professor D. Wilson, LL.D. A very cordial vote of thanks was unanimously given to the Office-bearers of the last year. The next meeting of the Institute will be on the 9th of January.—*Colonist and Globe Reports.*

IX. Departmental Notices.

To Municipal and School Corporations in Upper Canada. PUBLIC SCHOOL LIBRARIES.

The Chief Superintendent of Education is prepared to apportion *one hundred per cent.* upon all sums which shall be raised from local sources by Municipal Councils and School Corporations, for the establishment or increase of Public Libraries in Upper Canada, under the regulations provided according to law. Remittances must not be in less sums than five dollars.

In selecting from the General and Supplementary Catalogues parties will be particular to give merely the catalogue number of the book required, and the department from which it is selected. To give the names of books without their number and department, as is frequently done, causes great delay in the selection and despatch of a library. The list should be written on a distinct sheet of paper from the letter, attested by the corporate seal and signature of the Trustees; or by the corporate seal and signature of the Reeve or Clerk of the Municipalities applying for libraries. See accompanying Form.

The Form of Application should be as follows:

SIR,—The School Trustees [*or Reeve of Municipal Council*] of _____, being anxious to supply the Section *Township, &c.* with suitable books for school prizes, hereby make application for the books enumerated in the accompanying list, in terms of the Departmental notice, relating to Prizes in Schools. The books selected are, *bonâ fide*, for distribution as prizes in the school [*or schools of the municipality, &c.*] and the school [*or municipal*] corporation hereby pledges itself and its successors in office, not to dispose of these books, nor permit them to be disposed of to any private party or for any private purpose whatsoever; but that they shall be distributed exclusively as prizes in the school, [*or schools of the municipality, &c.*] in terms of the Regulations granting one hundred per cent. on the present remittance of \$_____.

In testimony whereof, the Trustees [*Reeve, or Chairman of Board of Trustees*] of the _____ above mentioned—hereto affix their names and seal of office this _____ day of _____, 185—, at _____ [*Name of Trustees, &c.*] [*Seal.*]

We hereby authorise _____ to procure for us the _____ above mentioned books, in terms of the foregoing application. [*Name.*]

TO THE CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION, TORONTO.

NOTE.—A Corporate Seal must be affixed to the foregoing application, otherwise it is of no legal value. Text-books cannot be furnished on the terms mentioned above. They must be paid for in full at the net catalogue price. The 100 per cent. will not be allowed on any sum less than \$5, which must be remitted in one sum.

PRIZES IN SCHOOLS.

The Chief Superintendent will grant one hundred per cent. upon all sums not less than five dollars transmitted to him by Municipalities or Boards of School Trustees for the purchase of books or reward cards for distribution as prizes in Grammar and Common Schools.

SCHOOL MAPS AND APPARATUS.

The Chief Superintendent will add 100 per cent. to any sum or sums, not less than five dollars, transmitted to the Depart-

ment from Grammar and Common Schools; and forward Maps, Apparatus, Charts, and Diagrams to the value of the amount thus augmented, upon receiving a list of the articles required by the Trustees. In all cases it will be necessary for any person, acting on behalf of the Trustees, to enclose or present a written authority to do so, verified by the corporate seal of the Trustees. A selection of articles to be sent can always be made by the Department, when so desired.

SCHOOL REGISTERS.

School Registers are supplied gratuitously, from the Department, to Grammar and Common School Trustees in Cities, Towns, Villages and Townships by the County Clerks—through the local Superintendents. Application should therefore be made direct to the local Superintendents for them, and not to the Department. The present year's supply for Common Schools has been sent to the County Clerks. Those for Grammar Schools have been sent direct to the head Masters of the Schools.

PENSIONS—SPECIAL NOTICE TO TEACHERS.

Public notice is hereby given to all Teachers of Common Schools in Upper Canada, who may wish to avail themselves at any future time of the advantages of the Superannuated Common School Teachers' Fund, that it will be necessary for them to transmit to the Chief Superintendent, without delay, if they have not already done so, their annual subscription of \$4, commencing with 1854. The law authorizing the establishment of this fund provides, "*that no teacher shall be entitled to share in the said fund who shall not contribute to such fund at least at the rate of one pound per annum.*" This proviso of the law will be strictly enforced in all cases; and intimation is thus early given to all Teachers, who have not yet sent in their subscriptions, to enable them to comply with the law, and so prevent future misunderstanding or disappointment, when application is made to be placed as a pensioner on the fund.

TO SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

A TEACHER of several years' experience, whose present engagement expires on the 1st January next, would be glad to hear from any person requiring his services. He is competent to teach, according to the most approved method, the Common and Higher Branches of a thorough and liberal English Education, with the French, Latin, and Greek languages. Address, stating salary, X. Y. Z., Sheffield, P. O., Beverly Township, C. W. December 7th, 1857.

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Extract from the notice of the work in the August No. (1857) of the Journal of Education for Lower Canada, page 128.

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