

2. A fixed round number, say 200, to be taken by all the judges as representing the "full marks" due to an essay in all respects such as might be expected from a young person of the maximum prescribed age.

3. Of these marks a certain definite proportion, say three-fourths, to be given on the ground of (A) excellence of substance, and the remainder for (B) excellence of form. The marks may be apportioned as follows:—

- A { I. For fullness of historical research combined with accuracy of historical statement
—a maximum of 75.
II. For aptness, sagacity, originality of investigation, illustration, comment or deduction—75.
- B { III. For excellence of style as regards choice of appropriate words and grammar, vigor, rhythm of sentence—25.
IV. For symmetry and proportion of the composition as a whole, indicating some feeling for literary form—25.

DEPARTMENT V.—TEACHER-TRAINING.

The Course in this Department embraces:—

A.—A weekly study of the International Sabbath School Lessons.

B.—A supplementary course covering three years.

First year, 1895.—The principles and practice of Teaching as applied to Sabbath Schools. Text Book, "The Sabbath School Teachers' Handbook," by Thomas Morrison, M. A., LL. D., Principal of the Free Church Training School, Glasgow. (Price 70 cents.)

Second year, 1896.—Christian Evidences. Text Book, "A Primer of Christian Evidence," by R. A. Redford, Professor of Systematic Theology and Apologetics, New College, London. One of the International Sabbath School Normal Text Books. (Price 50 cents.)

Third year, 1897.—"The Bible the Sabbath School Teacher's Text Book," by Alfred Holborn, M. A. One of The International Sabbath School Normal Text Books. (Price 70 cents.)

For the prosecution of this course of study it is recommended that teachers and senior scholars form themselves into a class under the most competent leader that can be secured. The name and post office address of the leader, with 25 cents for each member, as enrollment fee, should be sent to the convener, who will send in return *The Teachers' Monthly*. This will contain brief articles on important points connected with the portion of Scripture studied, full notes on the lesson, a working outline for class use, hints to the Primary teacher, (with a blackboard sketch) and an analysis of a portion of the text book. The text book will be covered in six months. Classes may make it up during the first and fourth, or second and third quarters, if they wish.

A written examination will be held at the end of each quarter, and at the close of the year a diploma will be given to all who have obtained 50 per cent. of the total marks. The rules governing the examinations will be the same as in other departments as far as applicable. A class may begin at any time, and four quarterly examinations will count as a year.

If a text book cannot be readily obtained through a local book seller, the order (*with price enclosed*) may be sent to the convener, who will see that it is filled.

All contributions and orders for *Leaflet*, *Quarterly*, or *Teachers' Monthly*, should be addressed to Rev. T. F. Fotheringham, M. A., 107 Hazen Street, St. John, N. B., Convener.

All communications referring to the *Syllabus* and *Examinations* (including *Teachers'*) should be addressed to Rev. W. Farquharson, B. A., Claude, Ont., Vice-Convener, in charge of this branch of the committee's work.

All communications referring to *Statistics* should be addressed to Rev. Jas. W. Rae, Acton, Ont., Vice-Convener, in charge of Statistics.