

Dr. to appoint a time and place to meet the teachers of Elgin; and gave the encouragement that in the event of an Institute being formed, the Dr. would make every effort to be present. The officers of the Association for the ensuing year were then elected: Moved by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Warburton, that Thomas Leitch Esq., assistant teacher in the St. Thomas High School, be President of this Association for the ensuing year. Carried. Moved by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Cameron, that Mr. W. B. McAlease be appointed Secretary for the ensuing year. Carried. It was considered unnecessary to draft Constitution and By-laws—that our points of order would be in the main the same as those of the Provincial Association. The subject to be discussed at each Institute will be agreed upon at the previous meeting. Mr. Butler explained his method of teaching object lessons; also his method of teaching Arithmetic. Mr. Long of the Aylmer High School gave a lecture on School Organization. The next meeting was appointed to be held in four weeks.

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—Returns from fifty-four colleges in the United States show that during the past year 2,515 degrees were conferred in this country.

—The first female school trustee elected in New Jersey under the law passed by the Legislature last winter is Miss Anne Schofield, who has been unanimously chosen in Monroe district, in Morris county.

—Rev. Dr. Herrick Johnson, of Philadelphia, has accepted a call to the professorship of rhetoric and the pastoral charge in Auburn Theological Seminary, and will enter upon his duties the 1st of next January.

—The additional 50,000 acres of school lands to which it has been discovered that Michigan is entitled are now being selected, and will add \$300,000 to the primary

school fund of the State, the lands being held for sale at \$4 per acre.

—A Baptist gentleman in Ohio has inserted a clause in his will, donating \$50,000 to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Another gentleman in New Jersey has made similar provision for leaving the seminary from \$65,000 to \$70,000.

—Phillips Academy, Andover, has this year graduated 61 students, and sent upward of 40 to college. This institution for twenty-eight years, ending with 1861, sent over 1,000 to college; while it took the Boston Latin School forty-six years, ending with the same date, to send 600.

—The Kentucky School Fund has fallen off \$241,000 since last year. For the current school year the *per capita* amount falls sixty cents below the distribution of last year. During the school year ending June 20, 1873, the *pro rata* to each child of pupil age was \$2.20.

—Virginia is doing well for education. The latest official returns show a total of 4,695 Public Schools, an increase of 648 since the preceding year, with an actual enrollment of 166,377 pupils, an increase of 35,289, and an average full attendance of 95,488, an increase of 19,766 since the preceding year. Besides 20,497 pupils are reported as attending private schools, a number which, for want of full information, is doubtless far below the actual fact.

—In Tennessee, there are 400,000 children of school age. The State Superintendent intends that his first report to the Governor, on the 15th of next December, shall embrace a history of school operations from the passage of the law to the 15th of October. His report next year will embrace a history of the entire first scholastic year, from September 1st, 1873, to August 31st, 1874, inclusive. The first semi-annual installment of interest on the permanent fund due the 1st of last July amounts to \$75,375.