

The Committee then proceeded to draw up the following rules and regulations for awarding the prizes :—

### *Rules and Regulations for Awarding Prizes to Evening Classes.*

1. The Association of Mechanics' Institutes will award three prizes of the value of \$10, \$6 and \$4 respectively, to any Mechanics' Institute establishing an Evening Class or Classes with an average attendance of not less than 12 members and of not less than 25 instruction meetings on separate evenings. The prizes to be awarded as 1st, 2nd and 3rd for general proficiency in at least two of the five classes of subjects named in the programme of studies.

2. These prizes are open to all members of affiliated Institutes who are not students of any College, Graduates or Under-graduates of any University, certified School Teachers, or who are not following any of the learned professions.

3. The subjects for study and examination are as follow :—

- I. English Grammar and Composition.
- II. Arithmetic, Geometry and Mensuration.
- III. Principles of and Practical Mechanics.
- IV. Chemistry.
- V. Geometrical and Decorative Drawing.

### **LOCAL COMMITTEES.**

4. The directors of affiliated Institutes desirous of co-operating with the Provincial Association in promoting the education of their members by means of Evening Class instruction, are invited to form a special Committee to manage the Class or Classes and arrange for awarding the prizes. The Local Committee must consist of not less than three members, and should be composed of persons who will give their time and earnest attention to the work.

5. The examination of the Classes must be concluded by the first week in May, and the returns as required by the Certificate annexed (see Sec. 8) must be sent to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Provincial Association not later than the 15th of the same month.

6. The treatises in general use in the Schools and Colleges of Ontario are recommended as Text books, but the Local Committee may adopt any other suitable books. In awarding the prizes, real knowledge, however or wherever acquired, should be accepted, and the exposition of a subject in the candidates' own words preferred.

7. The Local Committee may either award the prizes in money or otherwise, but they must be of the value of \$10, \$6 and \$4 respectively.

8. Before obtaining the Prize money, the President and Secretary of the Institute, or the members of the Local Committee, must make the following affirmation :—

"We, the undersigned, hereby certify that the Mechanics' Institute of \_\_\_\_\_ established an Evening  
"Class or Classes in the month of \_\_\_\_\_ last ; that there was an average attendance of \_\_\_\_\_ scholars ;  
"that they met for instruction on \_\_\_\_\_ separate evenings ; that the \_\_\_\_\_ (state  
"subjects) \_\_\_\_\_ classes of subjects in the Programme of studies (see Sec. 3) were  
"taken up ; and that, after due competition, the Provincial Association's prizes were awarded as follows :—

1st Prize \_\_\_\_\_  
2nd Prize \_\_\_\_\_  
3rd Prize \_\_\_\_\_

Signed and Sealed in  
presence of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
President.  
Secretary.

9. Upon receipt of the foregoing Affirmation, duly signed, sealed and witnessed, the Secretary-Treasurer will transmit the Prize Money, which will be payable to the President of each Institute or his order.