

#### OFFICIAL CALENDAR

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### DEPARTMENT

#### EXAMINATIONS 1893.

October:

2. Notice by Trustees of cities, towns, incorporated villages and township Boards to Municipal Clerk to hold Trustee elections on same day as municipal elections, due. [P. S. Act, sec. 103 (1).]

Night Schools open (Session 1893-4).

- 3. School of Pedagogy opens.
- I. HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAMINATION— (1) The examination in History will be in Canadian History alone. No questions will be set in British History. The Inspector shall see, however, that the subject is taught orally, and shall report any case of negligence to the Board of Trustees.
- (2) Physiology and Temperance are compulsory, and shall take rank with the other subjects for the Entrance Examination. The new text-book in this subject may not be ready before the first of October, and this fact will be taken into account in the construction of the examination rapers for 1894.
- (3) The work in Drawing is limited to Drawing Book No. 5, and in Writing, to Writing Book No. 6.
- (4) The Public School Leaving Examination or some modification thereof, will be substituted for the present High School Entrance Examination as soon as the results of the present changes in the Public School Leaving Examination justify the Education Department in adopting this course.
- II. PUBLIC SCHOOL LEAVING EXAMINATION—The changes with respect to the Leaving Exmination are as follows:
- (I) The subjects of the Fifth Form may be taught in any school, irrespective of the num-ber of teachers on the staff or the grade of cer-tificate which they may hold. Pupils may

write at the Leaving Examination without having passed the Entrance Examination.

- (2) The examinations will be conducted by the Board of Examiners having charge of the Entrance Examination, and will be paid for at the same rate per candidate.
- (3) Physiology and Temperance are compulsory, and the examination in this subject will include the ground covered by the new text-
- (4) The subjects of Euclid and Algebra will be included in a small text-book which will be the basis of the examination and will be ready about 1st October.
- (5) Agriculture, Botany, and Physics are optional subjects; the course in each to be determined by the teacher, subject to the approval of the Inspector.
- (6) The High School Reader will be used for Reading and Literature. The Public School Arithmetic will be enlarged to admit of greater practice in Commercial work, but no change will be made in its price. The additional exercises will be required for the Fifth Form. The text books in the other subjects will be those authorized for Public Schools.
- (7) Candidates who obtain Public School Leaving certificates shall be entitled to admission into the classes in Form II. of a High School in all the subjects of that examination, and the Commercial course for the Primary should, it possible, be completed before they enter the High School. Candidates who fail at the Leaving Examination but who obtain 25 per cent. of the marks for each subject, will be admitted to a High School.
- III. High School Primary Examination.—
  (1) The course prescribed for the Primary Examination with the Science option may be taught in any Public School, subject to the approval of the Trustees and the Inspector.
- (2) The amount of school work prescribed for the Commercial course has been reduced and the details of the course modified, especially in Drawing. The examination of all candidates will be conducted by the Principal of the High School and the High School teachers in charge of such subjects, but a written examination will be required, in addition, on papers prepared by the Department. For 1894, any four of the books of the High School Drawing course will be accepted, in the case of candidates for the Primary Examination, in lieu of the prescribed books of the new course, and any two books in the case of other pupils. The work done in Book-keeping in the blank books hitherto used, will also be accepted for 1894.
- (3) The whole of Euclid Book I. is now prescribed and will form the subject for examination in 1894.

Minor details of the proposed changes will be found in the Regulations, to which your attention is respectfully directed.

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