

No.	NAME.	COUNTY.	SUBSCRIPTIONS RETURNED.
577	Newton, Geo. A.	Haldimand	6, February, 1876
578	Pritchard, Stewart	Durham	7, January, "
579	Radford, Joseph A.	Lanark	8, March, "
580	Rankin, Jno.	Kent	6, April, "
581	Reesor, Solomon	York	8, May, "
582	Rodgers, Joseph M.	Victoria	5, " "
583	Riddell, Geo.	Northumberland	4, " "
584	Roche, C. F.	Peel	7, " "
585	Sinclair, Jno.	Lanark	81, January, "
586	Steel, Thomas	Ontario	7, " "
587	Summers, Wm. H.	Dundas	6, March, "
588	Switzer, J. A. E.	York	9, April, "
589	Snell, Elton	Huron	9, May, "
590	Scott, Walter W.	York	7, " "
591	Tait, Edwin E.	Kent	2, January, "
592	Watt, Arven C.	Simcoe	3, February, "
593	Wilson, D. W. M.	Northumberland	10, March, "
594	Waddell, Geo.	Prescott	2, May, "
595	Zimmer, Danl.	Waterloo	7, March, "

STATEMENT showing Moneys returned to Widows and Representatives of deceased Teachers.

No.	NAME.	COUNTY.	MONIES RETURNED.
596	Fergusson, Jno., representative of Colin D. Fergusson	Lanark	\$16 45, Jany., 1876
597	Gibson, Mrs. Florence, representative of Jno. M. Gibson	Wellington	23 25, March, "
598	McDonald, Mrs. Matilda A., widow of Donald McDonald	York	4 96, April, "
599	Roberts, Mrs. Elizabeth P., widow of Richd. Roberts	Haliburton	6 35, Jany., "
600	Russell, Mrs. Clarinda, widow of Andrew Russell	Addington	10 02, May, "

II. Proceedings of Teachers' Associations.

1. ELGIN TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

The Elgin Teachers' Association assembled in the Public High School building to deliberate on questions relating to the profession. C. D. Burdick, president, presided. The syllabus being submitted, a paper on the mode of teaching history was elucidated by Mr. Thomas Leitch, which proved to be interesting and instructive. The afternoon session was largely attended. It was moved by Mr. Miller, classical teacher of Public High School, and seconded by Mr. Black, "That this Association regards the low standard of qualification for third class certificates as very injurious in its effects on the teaching profession, and would urge the earnest consideration of the subject upon the Government, and that a copy of the same be forwarded to the proper authorities." Carried. Moved by Mr. J. W. Cook, and seconded by Mr. Miller, and resolved: "That in the judgment of this Association, a person who, at the expiration of a term of service under a third-class certificate, having shown capacity as a teacher, passes a creditable examination upon second-class papers, should have another third-class certificate granted, such third-class certificate, however, only to be valid until the next meeting of the Examining Board." An animated discussion ensued, in which Messrs. Walker, Black, Butler, Miller, and Cook took an active part. J. W. Cook discoursed learnedly on the method of teaching philosophy, illustrating the same from exercises on the blackboard. In the evening a mass meeting was held in the Court House, when addresses were given by J. H. Wilson, M.P.P.; Mr. Butler, Inspector of Schools; and Mr. Miller, classical teacher of Public High School. The chair was occupied by C. D. Burdick, Esq.—*London Advertiser*.

2. COUNTY DURHAM TEACHERS' PIC-NIC.

On 30th ultimo, the School Teachers of the County of Durham held a pic-nic at the Summit. Mr. Ross, M.P., was appointed chairman, and addresses were delivered by Messrs. Scott, Dr. McLennan, Crooks, and Rosevear, M.P.P. Mr. J. J. Tilley, Inspector for the District, was then presented with a tea service worth \$180, and a very complimentary address. To this Mr. Tilley made the following reply:—"Fellow teachers, words are called signs

of ideas, and language is used by man to give utterance to his thoughts, but we often look in vain for words which shall suitably express the deep emotions of the heart; and were I on this occasion to attempt to express my feelings in words, I should come far short of what they deserve or what I desire. But as this is the only medium available, allow me to express to you my deep and sincere gratitude for this token of your good-will. I shall always prize it most highly, not only for its extreme beauty and intrinsic worth, but more especially since it furnishes me such indisputable proof that I am held in esteem by those among whom and with whom it has been my good fortune to labour for the past eight years. I know but too well that I am unworthy of it, but since you in the goodness of your hearts judge otherwise, then on behalf of my wife and myself I accept it, and assure you we shall ever esteem it as one of the most cherished mementos of earth which it is our privilege to possess. I thank you for your kind allusion to my recent appointment to the Central Committee, and for your well-wishes for the future prosperity and happiness of Mrs. Tilley and myself. I trust that I shall be able in that extended field of labour to assist in still further developing the educational resources of this fine Province. As many of you know I am about to leave the country for a time, that I may better prepare myself for the more efficient discharge of the duties of my office, allow me to commend to you my successor, Mr. Davey. I trust that in his journeyings through the county he may receive the same unmeasured kindness and hospitality that has always been extended to me, and that he may require your cordial and active co-operation in the discharge of duties, many of which are necessarily new to him. In taking leave of you, I am sure you will join with me in the hope that a kind Providence may spare our lives to meet again, and that we may be permitted to renew and cement our friendship while we join our efforts and our hearts in that noble work which calls us here to-day, and in which I am fully assured you are all deeply interested. Allow me again to express my appreciation of your kindness, and to extend to you my heartfelt thanks and reciprocal well-wishes."

Books were then presented to the successful competitors by Hon. Mr. Crooks, Dr. McLennan and Mr. Scott assisting, and honour cards by the Inspector to those deserving of them. Games of cricket, base-ball, &c., took up the remainder of the day. The band of the 46th Regiment supplied some excellent music during the day. Altogether, the gathering was a most successful one, and a very enjoyable time was spent.—*Port Hope Guide*.

3. PRINCE EDWARD'S TEACHERS' CONVENTION.

A very interesting session of the County Teachers' Association was held on the 26th ult. The chair was occupied by G. D. Platt, B.A., Inspector, and the attendance included most of the prominent Teachers of the County. The programme consisted of explanations of the Questions upon the Second and Third-class Arithmetic papers of the late Examination, by Mr. W. S. Howell, Assistant in Trenton High School; the Natural Philosophy paper, by Mr. S. M. Dorland, Principal of Public School, Cobourg; the Second-class Grammar paper, by the County Inspector, assisted by Mr. B. Rothwell, of S. S. 7, Ameliasburg, and the method of teaching Reading, by W. T. Kinney; S. S. 6, Ameliasburg, explained by Misses Conger, Sawyer, Moran and Brown. The election of officers next took place, resulting as follows:—President, G. D. Platt, B.A.; 1st Vice President, James Gibson; 2nd Vice President, W. T. Kinney; Secretary-Treasurer, S. B. Nethery; and an Executive Committee of nine, whose names we are unable to give. A programme was arranged for a Special Meeting of the Convention in September, at the time of the promised visit of the Hon. Minister of Education, after which the Convention adjourned.

III. Local School Administration, etc.

1. COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION IN AMELIASBURGH.

This deeply interesting event took place at Ameliasburg, and was attended by upwards of a hundred children, as well as a large number of teachers, parents and friends. The exercises were under the direction of the County Inspector, who was ably assisted by the following gentlemen as examiners: Messrs. S. B. Nethery, Bloomfield Public School; Thos. Wicher, Upper Canada College; Fred. Manly, Toronto Collegiate Institute; John Kinney, Well; and Geo. McDonald, Student Queen's University. Questions were submitted to the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th classes, in the subjects of arithmetic, grammar, geography and spelling, and to the 5th class alone in history and algebra, while all were examined in reading. The names of the successful candidates were read by the Inspector.