

GENERAL REGULATIONS.

1. The Annual Session shall commence on the first Wednesday of November and close on the first Tuesday after the 8th of July.

2. Applicants holding a valid license from the Council of Public Instruction, also graduates of chartered colleges, and graduates of recognised normal schools of other countries, shall be admitted as students without examination. All other applicants shall be admitted on passing successful examination on the syllabus of Grade D, exclusive of professional requirements.

3. Students who have not attended previously shall be admitted only at the beginning of the Session. Applicants for admission by examination must present themselves on Wednesday the first day of the Session. Those who do not require to be examined may be admitted any time previous to the formal opening of the Session on the second Wednesday of November.

4. Applicants for admission shall lodge with the principal a satisfactory certificate of age and moral character, dated within three months of the time of presentation; shall pay a library fee of fifty cents; and shall subscribe the following declaration:—

I hereby declare that my object in attending the Provincial Normal School is to qualify myself for the business of teaching, and that my intention is to teach for a period of not less than three years, in the Province of Nova Scotia.

Applicants not wishing to be enrolled as pupil-teachers, or to sign the foregoing declaration, may be admitted on paying a tuition fee of \$20 for the Session.

5. In the event of insufficient accommodation for all applicants preference shall be given—

- (1). To students of former sessions
- (2). To those holding license of Grade A, B, or C.
- (3). To those who pass the best examination.

6. If, in the judgment of the Faculty of Instructors, the progress or character of any student is not satisfactory, or if any disqualification for the charge of children shall appear, on unanimous decision of the Teaching Faculty the Principal shall remove such student from the Institution. The Principal shall at once inform the Superintendent of Education of this action.

7. For the general work of the Institution the students shall be arranged in two classes, a *C or First Year Class*, and a *B or Second Year Class*. This classification shall be based on qualification irrespective of grade of license held.

8. At the close of the session diplomas of grade Superior, Good, or Fair, signed by the Faculty of Instructors and countersigned by the Superintendent of Education, shall be awarded to students on the following conditions:

- (a) A record of attendance and of conduct not less than 95 for all grades.
- (b) Scholarship as indicated by recitation and written exercises, for the different grades as follows,—Superior 75, Good 65, Fair 50.
- (c) Professional Standing, based on recitation and written exercises on professional subjects, skill in teaching, and general fitness for the teacher's office, or the different grades as follows,—Superior 75, Good 50, Fair 35.

Students who, from any satisfactory cause, are unable to remain during the whole session may be permitted to complete their course in any subsequent year.

Certificates will be given to students who show ability to teach Industrial Drawing.

9. The students shall lodge and board at such houses as are approved by the Principal. Ladies and gentlemen shall not be permitted to board at the same house. Before permitting students to board at any house, the Principal shall assure himself, by personal inspection, or otherwise, as to the fitness of the accommodation to give physical comfort, to allow of undisturbed study, and to contribute to the moral welfare of the students; and he shall, from time to time, throughout the session, visit the boarding houses, maintaining such oversight as may be necessary to give him all reasonable assurance that good order and decorum are maintained.

10. Students whose standing entitles them to a Normal School Diploma, and who have signed the declaration of intention to teach, shall, at the end of the session, be paid travelling expenses at the rate of five cents per mile to and from the Institution.

11. The holidays shall comprise Saturdays, proclaimed public holidays, one week at Christmas, and one week at the end of April.

TEACHERS' ASSOCIATIONS.

Whenever ten or more duly licensed Teachers within an Inspectoral District shall in writing request the Inspector to this effect a Teachers' Association for such District shall be formed in accordance with the following principles and directions.

1. *Objects.*—The exclusive object of the Association shall be to promote the efficiency of the Teaching service within the limits of the District. The means to be employed for securing this object shall be conversation and discussion of Educational methods, the preparation and reading of papers on special subjects, and illustrative exercises. All questions and discussions foreign to the practical work of teaching are to be strictly avoided.

2. *Membership.*—The Association shall be composed of the Inspector and all duly licensed teachers of the District on enrolment and annual payment of such fee as the Association may determine. The annual fee shall not exceed one dollar.

3. *Management.*—The Inspector shall be *ex officio* President of the Association. The Association shall elect annually from its members a Vice President (who shall preside in the absence of the President) a Secretary-Treasurer, and four other persons to form with the foregoing officers a Committee of Management.

4. *Meetings and Sessions.*—The time and place of the first meeting of the Association shall be determined by the Inspector after consultation with such of the Teachers requesting its formation as he may consider expedient, and if thought necessary with the Superintendent of Education, and the Inspector shall notify all the Teachers of his District of the same at least one month in advance. Subsequent meetings shall be held annually at such place and time as the Association may from year to year decide. The meeting of the Association shall occupy two days of the week for which it is called, and those days shall always be Thursday and Friday. There shall be at least two sessions on each day, and each session shall not be less than two hours in length.

5. *Attendance of Teachers.*—On giving a week's notice to Trustees and pupils, Teachers will have liberty to close their schools for the purpose of attending the Meeting of the Association during the days hereinafter provided. The President of the Association shall furnish to the Superintendent of Education a list of the Teachers in attendance at the Sessions of the Association, and he shall allow to the Board of Trustees their proportion of the County Fund for the two days as if the School or Department had been open, and the Provincial Grant to teachers shall suffer no abatement for same. An additional half day's or day's allowance shall be made in both the foregoing respects, when the President shall certify that the Teacher was obliged to be absent from his school one half or the whole of Wednesday in order to reach the place of meeting in time for the opening session.

6. The programme of the first meeting shall be arranged by the Inspector after consultation with such of the Teachers requesting the formation of the Association as he shall deem necessary.

7. The Superintendent of Education is recommended to deliver a public lecture on some Educational subject germane to the object of the Association on the evening of the first day of the meeting, when compatible with his other engagements.

THE EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF NOVA SCOTIA.

"The Superintendent of Education shall have authority to assemble annually in either Halifax or Truro, or any other place which may be approved of by two-thirds of the Executive Committee hereinafter provided for, an Educational Association, whose object shall be to promote the efficient operation of our Public School System, and the professional improvement of its own members by the discussion of educational questions.

I. The Association shall be composed as follows:

1. The Superintendent of Education, the Principal and Professors of the Normal School, the Provincial Examiners for Teachers' Licenses, and the Inspectors of Schools shall be *ex officio* members of the Association.

2. All members of the late (voluntary) Educational Association, all licensed Teachers, the Chancellor and Fellows of the University of Halifax, and the Presidents and members of the Faculties of the various Colleges affiliated therewith, may become members of the Association by enrolment and the payment of such fee (not exceeding one dollar) as the Association itself may determine.

II. The Association shall be directed as follows:

1. The Superintendent of Education, the Principal of the Normal School and seven persons chosen annually by the Association from among its members, shall constitute an Executive Committee. This Committee shall have control of all funds raised by the Association, and shall appoint its own Secretary-Treasurer to receive those funds and disburse them under the direction of the Committee. The Committee shall also determine the days of the year on which the Annual Meeting of the Association shall be held, and the programme of exercises for each meeting.