

been held since the last session of the Convention submitted, with programme of proceedings for the session as prepared by the Executive Committee.

4. Regular business as arranged by the Executive Committee.

5. New business.

6. Adjournment.

10. Seven members shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the Association, and three at those of its Committees.

11. No alteration shall be made in these By-Laws except by a two-thirds vote at an annual convention; but rules of order may be suspended for any session, by a two-thirds vote at that session.

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*Secretary of Provincial Association of Protestant
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EDUCATION IN SHERBROOKE.

I take it for granted that one of your main objects is the circulation of information regarding the schools of the Province, and perhaps a short account of the Protestant schools of this little city may not prove uninteresting to your readers. We have not anything to boast of, but the record even to ourselves may be useful.

In the year 1876 an Act was passed, under which the schools of the city were divided into two classes, and two boards of School Commissioners, the one Roman Catholic and the other Protestant, were appointed. Many persons at the time, both Roman Catholic and Protestant, objected to this division, on the ground that a departure from the Common School system, tending to religious separation in the matter of education, must in the end prove mischievous by fostering religious differences, thereby creating divisions amongst the people, when the true interests of the country demand harmony. It was contended that the spirit of toleration was especially necessary amongst such a population as that of this section of the Province of Quebec, so varied is nationality and even antagonistic in creeds. However these sentiments were held mostly in private, and pro-