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## \* Editorial Notes. \*

AT the request of Mrs. Solomon Thatcher, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Lady Managers, created by Act of Congress of the United States, to have general charge and management of all the interests of women in connection with the Exposition, we have much pleasure in publishing the following announcement which will be of interest to all lady teachers who propose to attend the Columbian Exposition. The Board of Education of the Public Schools of Chicago have tendered to the Board of Lady Managers, under certain conditions, the use of the public school buildings of Chicago, free of charge, for the entertainment of the lady teachers attending the Columbian Exposition during the months of July and August. The buildings set apart for the use of the lady teachers are magnificent structures of brick and stone, situated in pleasant grounds, many of them ornamented with shade trees. They contain from twelve to fifteen large rooms each, and are well ventilated and lighted. These rooms are approached by wide staircases and well lighted halls. Each room will accommodate from twelve to fifteen teachers, and will be furnished with single wire spring cots, mattresses, pillows, covers, chairs, tables and simple toilet necessaries. Most of the rooms have toilet rooms adjoining. Each teacher will furnish her linen and soap. One large room in each building will be set apart as a reading-room, where friends may meet,

parties gather for the Exposition, and for teachers' headquarters in general. Each building will be under the personal care of an excellent matron, who will devote her time to the comfort and safety of her guests. A trusty janitor and maids will be employed. The buildings have been selected with reference to their convenience to the Exposition grounds; some will be within easy walking distance, others on cable street lines connecting with it. Restaurants will be abundant in all parts of the city during the Fair. Most teachers, however, will take one or more meals each day at one of the numerous cafes within the Exposition grounds.

These School buildings have been tendered free of charge for the use of the lady teachers; certain necessary preliminary expenses, however must be incurred—the buildings must be furnished and prepared as dormitories, desks must be removed; the buildings renovated, cots, chairs and simple toilet necessities provided; insurance must be paid and ample bonds given for the return of the buildings in good condition. To meet these expenses memberships will be issued to teachers who desire the use of the dormitories. The certificate of membership will cost \$2.00, and is payable in advance with application. Certificates are transferable to teachers only. These certificates entitle the holder to lodgings in one of the school dormitories at the nominal rate of forty cents per day, and are good for a period not to exceed two weeks; at the end of that period time may be extended if vacancies exist. Payments for first week's lodging will fall due March 1st. 1893. Payment for second week's lodging due upon arrival.

As the number of school buildings is entirely inadequate to accommodate the great number of teachers who will desire to attend the Fair, it is positively necessary that application be made promptly. Accommodations can only be guaranteed to those who act at once. All orders for furnishings must be given by March 1st, therefore no applications for lodgings can be considered after that date. Rooms will be assigned in the order in which certificates are pur-First applications will receive choice of time and will be allotted to buildings nearest the Fair grounds. efforts will be made to please parties of friends who may wish to obtain exclusive

use of entire dormitories. Schools will be ready July 2nd, and the time will be divided into terms of two weeks each, commencing July 2nd. In order to simplify details it is desired that each Superintendent, Principal, or some teacher selected by them, apply for whole number of accommodations required in his school or district; single receipts will be returned to him, filled out to correspond with names sent by him.

## HOW TO APPLY.

Fill out application blanks and send to Mrs. Solomon Thatcher, Jr., Lady Manager and Chairman School Dormitories. Enclose with application draft, postal or money order, made payable to J. O. Curry, Treasurer. As soon as money is received receipts will follow. Enclose stamp with letter of inquiry. Upon the payment of first week's lodging, certificate assigning time, name and location of school will be sent, so that teachers upon arriving in the city, can go at once to their buildings.

All applications or other correspondence must be sent to Mrs. Solomon Thatcher, Jr., Lady Manager and Chairman School Dormitories, River Forest, W. Chicago, Ill.

WE regret that we shall be unable to announce the results of our Model Lesson Prize Competition, until the next number. The papers have been placed in the hands of two well-known School Inspectors, whose names will be a guarantee of competency and fairness. But the careful examination of such a pile of manuscript is no small task, and it is better that time should be taken to do the work thoroughly. We fully expect to be able to give the names of the prize-winners in our next number, after which we will immediately commence the publication of the successful papers.

In reply to two or three inquirers, who have written to the "Question Drawer" department, we may say that copies of the School Act can be procured from the Education Department in Toronto, price fifty cents. There has been no change in the length of the Normal school terms. For information with regard to the books used at the Normal schools, the conditions of admission, the subjects required for First-class, or Senior Leaving examinations, and all official information of that kind, please direct to the Education Department. The printed circulars, etc., will, no doubt, be promptly forwarded, and candidates will thus have the latest information at first band.