

board of examiners should be selected from the members of the College by the Council. The scheme itself is the real issue; how the public will regard it remains to be seen; it will certainly do the cause no good to assume in the outset that it will fail, and that the public will refuse to recognize the good it is likely to accomplish. Its demands are reasonable and just, and they must prevail.

3. "There must be a responsible individual, or body of individuals, somewhere, to whom the public will look for a wise and careful expenditure of the public money."

The answer to this statement is that the College of Preceptors does not intend to assume control of the expenditure of public money at all; the money that it would control would belong to the Society; it would be collected in the form of fees from its members, and the expenditure would be confined to expenses necessary for carrying on its work. The chief objection urged against the present Central Committee is that it is in no way responsible to the teachers for whom it acts. The two High School Inspectors and the two Separate School Inspec-

tors, together with the permanent Chairman, are apparently life members of the committee; that is to say, they are perpetual members of an examining board. The necessity for change in examining boards is recognized now by every one, and it is strange that this state of things should have existed so long, or that it should have come into existence at all. The objection raised that the scheme is unprecedented has little or no force. If it is just that the lawyers, the physicians, the land surveyors, the dentists and the druggists of the Province should control the admission of their members and organize themselves into societies, surely the teachers of the Province should also have the right of organizing themselves into a society possessing powers commensurate with the importance of the work they have to do.

Mr. Robertson suggests several things which, if even partially carried out, would tend to mitigate the evils which just now fall to the teacher's lot, and I hope that he will return to the subject again, for it is just such honest and fearless discussion as he has opened up that will at length find the true remedy. E. N.

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

### MARCH! BY THE RIGHT.

THE British officer moves his company as one man by the life-word, "March." And as a caution adds, "by your right." We, the army of light, passing another sign-post on our line of travel may, for encouragement and profit, think of the near future. The children come to us from all homes—thrifty, kindly, well-managed homes—homes full of energy and bands. Blessed are the people among

whom such nurseries abound. They come to us from homes unthrifty, where kindness shines not, hard and callous homes. Woe to the people among whom such habitations prevail. Scholars troop to us from a very large number of homes between these two extremes. We are placed by the Master to quicken and to make fruitful the germs of life principles sown in the one, and not only to counteract the effects of vicious teaching and example which are so common in the