

REGULATIONS IN REGARD TO THE INTERCOURSE OF THE STUDENTS IN THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

In connection with certain cases of violation of the Rules affecting the relations to each other of the Students of the Normal School, the Council deem it advisable to adopt the following Regulations in regard to the intercourse of Male and Female Students attending that Institution :—

As the sole object of the Norma School is to afford to Teachers and Candidates for teaching every facility possible to acquire the best qualifications for their noble profession ; and, as any diversion from that object, during their short connection with the Normal School, tends to impede their progress ;—and, as many of those attending the Normal School have left their Homes and friends for the first time ;—and their Parents having expressed the utmost anxiety that every care should be exercised in regard to their conduct and intercourse at the Normal School ;—and so that no Student may hereafter plead any want of definite information on the subject, the Council of Public Instruction deem it proper to have a copy of the following Regulations suspended in each of the Waiting Rooms of the Students attending the Normal School :—

I. That there may be no neglect of the ordinary courtesies of life, salutations are permitted to take place between Male and Female Students when they meet ; but, within the Normal School Buildings, such salutations are not permitted, as they are unnecessary in such circumstances, and may often interfere with the necessary Order and Discipline of the Institution.

II. With the above exceptions, Male and Female Students, while connected with the Normal School, are not permitted, either during hours of recreation, or holidays, or at any time, or place, to hold any communication with each other, direct, or indirect, by visits, walking together, conversation, Letters, Notes, or Messages of any description.

III. Nor can any Female Students be permitted to form acquaintances, or have intercourse of any kind with young men in the City, not of the Normal School ; nor can Male Students be permitted to form acquaintances, or have intercourse of any kind with young women in the City, not of the Normal School.

Note by the Council.—A due regard to the best interests of the Students, as well as the expressed wishes of the parents, or guardians, of many of them, and to the well-being and usefulness of the Normal School, has induced the Council of Public Instruction to establish and insist upon the observance of these Regulations by all Students who wish to enjoy the advantages of the Institution during their connection with it, and the commendation of its Authorities when they go out from it as Teachers of youth.

The subject of the best mode of promoting, to the greatest extent possible, the patriotic objects of the Legislature in granting One Thousand pounds, (£1,000,) per annum to facilitate the attendance of Teachers at the Normal School for Upper Canada, having been carefully considered by the Council it was,—

Ordered, That, as the ordinary course of Lectures and training of Student-teachers in the Normal School extends through two Sessions of Twenty-two Weeks each, and as it is desirable and important that each Teacher-in-training should attend the whole course during these Sessions ; and, as, from the very large number of Teachers in attendance, it is not possible to make them all a pecuniary grant of Five shillings per week each during two Sessions, it is intended hereafter, (until modified by the Council,) to give, during the first Session of the attendance of each Student-teacher-in-training, free instruction and provide such Student with the necessary Books and Stationary ; and, during the second Session of his, or her, attendance, to grant, in addition, a sum at the rate of Five shillings per week, or Five pounds, ten shillings, (£5.10.0,) for the Session, payable at the end of the Session.

Ordered, That the present Terms of Admission to the Normal School be altered in accordance with the foregoing Regulations.

July 22nd, 1853. The Chief Superintendent of Education submitted the following statement of the Special Building Grant Fund up to this date,—

Due at the Bank at the last Meeting of the Council.....	£8,038	0	11
Paid out since last Meeting.....	184	4	8½
Total sum now due to the Bank	£8,222	5	7½

The Letter of Mr. William Mundie, together with the plans and drawings of the proposed Out-buildings and Greenhouses having been under consideration of the Council it was,—

Ordered, That the Chief Superintendent of Education be authorized to take the necessary steps to have these Buildings erected by the first of October next, in accordance with the plans submitted by Mr. Mundie.