

OFFICIAL CALENDAR

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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

June:

- 23. Examinations in Oral Reading, Drawing and the Commercial Course in High, Public, and Separate Schools, begin.
- 28. High School Entrance Examinations begin. Public School Leaving Examinations begin.
- 30. High Schools close, third term. [H. S. Act, sec. 42].
- Public and Separate Schools close. [P. S. Act, sec. 173 (1); sec. 173 (2); S. S. Act, sec. 79 (1).]
- Semi-Annual Reports of High Schools to Department, due.
- Semi-Annual Reports by Public School Trustees to Inspector, due. [P. S. Act, sec. 40 (13).]
- Rural Public School Trustees to report average attendance of pupils to Inspector. [P. S. Act, sec. 207.]
- Protestant Separate Schools to transmit to County Inspector, names and attendance during the last preceding six months. [S. S. Act, sec. 12.]
- Semi-Annual Reports of Separate Schools to Department, due. [S. S. Act, sec. 28 (18); sec. 62.]
- Trustees' Report to Truant Officer, due. Truancy Act, sec. 12.]
- Assessors to settle basis of taxation in Union School Sections. [P. S. Act, sec. 95 (1).]

As the drawing books authorized by the Department were not issued in time to be used conveniently in every case for the July Entrance Examinations, the Examiners are hereby instructed to accept the work of candidates this year either in old or new series. The acceptance of the work in any blank exercise book is already provided for by the regulations.

As the course of the School of Pedagogy is to be extended to one year—probably from September to May—a special examination will be held in December for those who failed at the last examination and for candidates eligible for examination without attendance at the School of Pedagogy.

EXAMINATIONS 1892.

June:

- 28. High School Entrance and Public School Leaving Examinations begin.

July:

- 4. Kindergarten Examinations at Hamilton, Ottawa, and Toronto begin.
- 6. Examination for Commercial Specialists' certificates at Education Department begin.
- 11. Departmental Primary, and High School Leaving and University Matriculation Examinations begin.

By the interpretation clauses of the Public Schools Act passed at the last session of the Legislature, section 109 of the statute, is shown not to apply to any portion of township which forms a union school section with a town or incorporated village.

One hour each week must now be employed in teaching Temperance and Hygiene in every Public School, and the inspectors are required to see that this regulation is carried out.

The revised regulations regarding Teachers' Institutes provide for only one meeting each year.

The new regulations regarding the Entrance Examination provide that the names of candidates passed or recommended shall not be published until after the decision of the Minister has been received. Of those who fail, only the following should be recommended: (a) Those who fail to reach the standard prescribed in some subject but who make considerable more than the aggregate marks required; (b) Those who in the opinion of the examiners, on account of age or for some special reason, should be recommended. There appears a general opinion in favor of advancing the standard for admission to High Schools. It may be seen, however, that examiners by closely following the regulations have it in their power to keep up a fair standard for admission.

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