

quence that they are of no value whatever as rewards of merit. The Committee recommend that the amount be so distributed, according to regulations of the Protestant Committee, as to increase the equipment of deserving schools.

*4. Appointment of an experienced teacher on the staff of the Department of Public Instruction.*

The necessity of supervising the work of the Elementary Schools, by a competent person trained in the Quebec school system, was made apparent to the Committee at its session of the 28th November, 1895, after an examination of the bulletins of the inspectors. From enquiry made it was clear to the Committee that so far as the Protestant schools are concerned the English-speaking members on the staff of the Department are too few in number properly to undertake this duty, and the Committee feel it incumbent on them to suggest and strongly to recommend that an additional English-speaking officer be appointed, who shall undertake this special work, and report to the English-speaking Secretary the result of his examination. In fact, he should act as assistant to the English Secretary. It must be borne in mind that the Secretaries are *Deputy-heads*, with all the responsibilities attached to such an office. An experienced teacher only can accomplish this task.

The following resolution was passed at the meeting in relation to this subject:—

Moved by Rev. E. I. Rexford, seconded by the Venerable Archdeacon Lindsay, and resolved:—

“That after careful consideration of the best means of promoting the interests of our Elementary schools, this Committee recommends that an experienced teacher be appointed to the Department of Public Instruction to superintend wisely and intelligently the work of the Protestant elementary schools, through school bulletins and others (as is now done for the Roman Catholic schools), and to relieve the English Secretary of some of the routine work, in order that he may be able to devote more time to the work of elementary schools.”

*5. A Special grant for the payment of the expenses of holding the Institutes.*

The Committee have found it necessary (there being but one Protestant Normal School for the training of teachers,