

function together as one school. The special duty of the principal is to develop a unity of purpose and an effectiveness of co-operation in all the schools under him. It is assumed in the law that the subordinate teachers are acting under the direction of the principal who is appointed as the expert adviser of the school board with such an end in view.

SEMI-ANNUAL ADVANCE OF CLASS OF LICENSE.

The semi-annual payment of Provincial Aid to teachers shall be paid on the basis of the class of license held at the opening of the school each half year.

MID-SUMMER AND WINTER VACATIONS.

Hereafter the regular midsummer vacation in all schools may be eight weeks or as specified from time to time in the JOURNAL OF EDUCATION. In rural sections, on previous arrangement with the Inspector, this vacation time may be taken wholly or partially in winter. In such cases there may be authorized teaching within the regular midsummer vacation time after the regular close of the schools near the first of July, the returns of which shall be sent in for the half year ending near the first of February following.

SCHOOL LIBRARIES (RURAL).

It should be remembered that notice of the intention to compete for a rural school library grant should be given the Inspector in the regular notice of the opening of the school. If overlooked then it should be given as soon after as possible, for the Inspector should not recommend any grant unless he has had an opportunity to see that the card catalogue, accession book, and accounts, etc., are kept according to regulations.

For the *Five* dollar grant this year, the value of the books must be at least *Forty five* dollars. Next year it will be *Fifty* dollars, which will remain constant henceforward, as well as the number of issues during the year, which must be at least *one hundred and fifty*.

For the *Ten* dollar grant henceforward, the value of the books must be at least *One Hundred* dollars, and the issues for the year at least *Three Hundred*.

SCHOOL LIBRARIES (SUPERIOR).

Every school in which the teacher is qualified otherwise for a Provincial grant greater than that of Class B (whether Academy, High School or Superior Common School) must have a Library (or access to a library) worth at least *One Hundred* dollars, fulfilling the requirements of regulation 53. This Library should be furnished