

PLATFORM OF THE LIBERAL PARTY

Adopted at the Convention held in Toronto,
November 23rd and 24th, 1904

I. EDUCATION AND AGRICULTURE.

That this Convention affirms its confidence in the instruction of the youth of Ontario in all the courses of study directed by the Education Department, to which have recently been added those practical courses of study which specially fit them for agricultural and industrial pursuits, and in this connection desires to express its approval of the introduction of manual training and domestic science into the Normal, Public, High and Separate Schools and the establishment of Technical Schools in several of the leading cities of the Province. Technical education might well be further assisted, and the Dominion Government should lend substantial aid in this branch of study, affecting as it does the interests of trade and commerce. This Convention further expresses its approval of the educational work of the Department of Agriculture through the Agricultural College, Farmers' Institutes, Dairy Schools, Fruit Growers' Associations and other similar associations, feeling confident that, judging by the past record of the Liberal party, Ontario will continue to hold a pre-eminent position among the Provinces of the Dominion for educational enterprise and efficiency, under a Liberal administration.

That the Provincial University in all its departments should continue to receive such support from the Legislature as its growing needs may require, and as the interests of higher education imperatively demand.