

largest in the history of such conventions in the province. As usual, the city press gave courteous attention to the proceedings, and it is from the *Gazette* and the other papers that we cull our report.

The proceedings were opened on the morning of Thursday, the 24th of October, in the McGill Normal School, Dr. Robins presiding. The morning was entirely given up to the reception of the various reports, all of which were received and adopted with little or no discussion.

The Executive Committee reported having held nine meetings during the past year. At the last convention it received instructions to take steps to effect the incorporation of the association, and a bill was properly drafted and forwarded to Quebec for that purpose, which was effected. Also, at the last convention, a committee was appointed to endeavor to secure the representation of the association on the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction, and that committee reported that in the month of November last they learned of the existence on the Protestant Committee of two vacancies, and a deputation was appointed to wait upon the Premier, who, on being approached, expressed his concurrence in their desire, and stated that although the vacancies in question were already filled, yet if, as seemed probable, the law officers of the Crown reported that Protestants were entitled to increased representation on the Council, he would be careful to consider the representations of the teachers in any future vacancies. The issue of the action taken by the Executive Committee, was the recommendation of Dr. Kneeland to the government as a member of the Council of Public Instruction. This recommendation was acted upon by the government, and Dr. Kneeland was appointed along with Dr. Cameron and the Rev. Dr. Shaw. The Committee, having so far succeeded, did not consider its duty accomplished, but urged the necessity for further representation upon the Legislature through Dr. Cameron, one of its members, and a bill was passed by virtue of which the Teachers' Association may send a representative, elected annually at the convention, to take part in the deliberations of the Protestant Committee as an associate member of that body.

The report on the Summer School held at Dunham in July last was also made by Mr. Arthy. It expressed satisfaction at