

ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION,
IN CONNECTION WITH
MCGILL NORMAL SCHOOL.

Time in its flight has carried us on over another year; and our Association has completed, this month, its eleventh year of existence. Your Committee report that if the attendance at all meetings has not been as large as might have been desired, yet life and interest in the prosperity of the Association has been shown by many. The papers read before the Association have all been of a high character and very interesting and instructive. As we go on, the wants of the teacher are better understood, his qualifications more freely discussed, and insisted on. New suggestions are listened to with pleasure, weighed, examined, and thoroughly investigated. The cause of education is progressing in our midst, its importance more felt, and what can be more encouraging to teachers than to see the community taking an interest in their work? Large sums of money have already been expended in the cause of education, large school houses built, with all the modern improvements, yet we do not mean to stop there. But a few years ago—five or six—our Protestant Board of School Commissioners had at their disposal only a few thousand dollars. In 1867 all that the Board had to spend for education was from Government allowance \$338.40; from the City Council grant, \$1,921.50, representing a total of \$2,759.90. It is now, since the increase of the "School Tax," \$22,816.95. This is certainly an immense progress, and public opinion seems so much in favor of it, that taxes are still to be increased, yea even doubled, to satisfy the great call for