

attempt to lift one's self by one's boot straps. He told of the work done by the Manitoba School Trustees' Association and the improvement which had resulted. At their instance also a commission has been appointed by the Manitoba Government to investigate the status and salaries of the teachers, and the commission was about to present its report. Mr. Iverach added that attention should be given not only to the salary question, but also to the residential accommodation provided for teachers.

The motion of Principal Vance was withdrawn and the motion of Mr. Joy adopted.

The Chairman appointed Mr. Joy, Dr. McIntyre and Principal Vance a committee to consider this question and report.

The Council concurred in the suggestion of Dean Coleman that Prof. Cudmore, of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, should be invited to address the meeting regarding the educational statistics being compiled under his supervision. Dean Coleman was requested to extend the invitation.

The meeting then adjourned.

Third Sitting, Wednesday Morning, February 18

The meeting was called to order at 10.15 a.m.

In addition to those present at yesterday's sessions, His Lordship Bishop Richardson, of New Brunswick, was in attendance.

Dr. Anderson announced that the Pathoscope Company offered to give an exhibition of moving pictures, including a film depicting some of the activities in Saskatchewan in the matter of Canadianization. The picture would show the instruction given in household science, first aid, Canadian games, physical culture, etc.

On motion of Dr. Anderson, seconded by Dr. Helen MacMurchy, the offer of the Pathoscope Company was accepted.

Report of Committee on Survey of Text Books

Prof. Carrie F. Derick presented the following report:

"The special committee appointed to nominate experts for the making of surveys of Canadian text books of literature (including readers), of history, and of geography, and to estimate the cost of the surveys, beg to report that they have carefully considered the matter submitted to them and recommend as follows:

"(1) That the enquiry in each field include a review of the text books used in Canadian schools and suggestions as to improvements which would further the ultimate purpose of this Council, namely, the strengthening of moral factors in Canadian education.

"(2) That, in view of the difficulty of selecting experts whose qualifications are generally known and because of the extent of the work involved, Queen's University be asked to make the survey of literature, the University of Toronto the survey of history, and McGill University the survey of geography, each associating with its investigators other especially qualified persons.

"(3) That the Executive Committee be empowered to make the necessary expenditures involved in making the surveys."

At the suggestion of Dean Coleman, Prof. Derick explained why certain universities had been designated. In literature Queen's University had already been making a special study along the lines proposed and a great deal of material was already available. In the survey of history the knowledge of such men as Dr. Wrong, of Toronto University, would be exceedingly valuable. Dr. Bancroft, one of the younger geologists at McGill, was an authority on physiography, and with him might be associated such men as Mr. Sutherland, of the Department of Public Instruction at Quebec. It was not implied that the three institutions named were any better equipped for doing general or special work than other universities, but their facilities in the three fields to be investigated were such that they could carry out the surveys more easily, if not more adequately, than the others.

The adoption of the committee's report was moved by Prof. Derick and seconded by Dr. Parmelee.

Bishop Richardson feared that the people of the Maritime Provinces, being somewhat clannish, might consider themselves slighted unless due attention was to be given to what they were doing.

Prof. Derick explained further that the survey was intended to cover every province and all the text books in use in each field. The investigating committee would not interfere in any way with existing conditions and was not empowered to make new text books, but would report back to Council the actual situation throughout Canada, with recommendations for improvements.