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### THE DOMINION EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

WE have received and should have noticed in last number, "Circular of Information, No 1," from the Educational Association of the Dominion of Canada, which was organized in this city, last July, by Canadian teachers in attendance at the meeting of the National Educational Association of the United States. At that meeting a Provincial Council was formed, consisting of (1) the Superintendents and Acting Ministers of Education of the various Provinces, (2) the Presidents of the Universities of the Dominion, (3) the Principals of Normal Schools, or schools engaged in the teaching of Pedagogy, and (4) the Presidents of all existing Teachers' Associations throughout the Dominion.

The members of this Provisional Council present met immediately for organization, elected a Provisional Executive, of which Hon. G. W. Ross is President and Rev. Elson I. Rexford, of the High School, Montreal, Secretary. They also appointed a Committee on Programme. The Executive now announces that the first meeting of the Association will be held in Montreal, the first week in July, and will extend over four days, July 5-8th. The Programme Committee have decided upon the following order of exercises:

1. That the first day should be occupied with a meeting of welcome in the afternoon, and a conversazione in the evening.

2. That the remaining days should be occupied with (a) general morning meetings (9-12); (b) afternoon meetings in sections (2-4); (c) evening public meetings of a more popular character (8-10).

3. That the Association should be organized for its first meeting in five sections—namely: (1) Kindergarten, (2) Public School, (3) High School, (4) Normal Training and Inspection, (5) University.

4. That there should be a scholastic exhibit in connection with the meeting of the Association, including specimens of school work, school appliances, text-books, etc.

Local committees have been organized in Montreal to make due preparation for this meeting. Arrangements have been made with the Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk Railroads to give return tickets for single fare, and to extend the time of such tickets to cover any side excursions from Montreal, which members may desire to take, full information of which will be given in the *Association Bulletin*. A provisional programme has been prepared by the Programme Committee, and the Secretary is now in correspondence with the representatives of the different Provinces in reference to the details of the programme. It is expected that the financial interests of the Association will be provided for in part by grants from the Dominion and Provincial Governments, and from the proceeds of the *Association Bulletin*. There will also be a membership fee of one dollar, payable at the point of departure as part of the price of the reduced railroad ticket.

The first week in July has been selected as the most convenient time for the meeting of the Association. The National Educational Association of the United States meets the second week in July, at Saratoga, and those who desire to do so can take in the Montreal meetings on the way to Saratoga.

In Ontario and Quebec the first week in July is usually occupied with important Departmental examinations, but these will be taken up the previous week in order to make room for the meetings of the Association; and it is hoped that similar arrangements will be made in the other Provinces of the Dominion in order that educationists may be free to take part in the proceedings of the first meeting of the Association.

The Secretary announces that suggestions will be gladly received from any one interested in the success of the Association concerning the plan outlined above.

It is to be hoped that the attendance may be large and representative.

### TOUCHING EXAMINATIONS.

AS will be seen from our advertising columns, the examinations for Commercial Specialists' certificates will be held during the first week in July. The Examiners are: W. A. Douglas, B.A., Accountant, Freehold and Savings' Loan Society, Toronto, a former public and high school master; Thos. Bengough, Toronto; J. T. Slater, Toronto Public Schools; and A. C. Casselman, Drawing Master, Normal and Model Schools, Toronto. We understand that a circular is being prepared which will give further details in regard to all the courses for special certificates.

The Department has announced that the next examinations for High School Assistants and Public school First Class certificates will be held next December. We note in the recently amended Regulations that an examination will be held in reading and in drill, etc.; in each of which subjects the candidate must make fifty per cent to pass. Judging from the Regulations and the number of failures, a high standard is set at this professional examination. Forewarned is forearmed. Intending candidates will do well to govern themselves accordingly.

It is announced that the sixth annual meeting of the Modern Language Association of Ontario will be held in the buildings of the Education Department, St. James' Square, Toronto, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 19th, 20th and 21st, 1892. The meetings of this Society have hitherto been interesting and profitable, and if we may judge from the subjects of discussion announced in the programme and the names of those by whom papers are to be presented, this meeting may be expected to surpass all its predecessors. The reading of each paper is expected to take half an hour, the remaining half-hour to be devoted to discussion. A notice appended to the programme informs us that all persons who are engaged in Modern Language (including English) teaching in Ontario may become members of the Association, on payment of an annual fee of one dollar, but all who are interested in Modern Language study will be welcome at its meetings. Wm. Tytler, B.A., is President and J. Squair, B.A., Secy-Treasurer of the Association.