

them the pupils have recourse to an educational fountain of recognized force and brilliancy.

Probably this may be the final opportunity afforded us of acknowledging our appreciation of your rare merits as a superior school official; for we believe that in the near future you will be called to a more extended field of labor, and will occupy a distinguished position, for which you are so eminently qualified, in one of our many excellent educational institutions.

Inconclusive, indeed, would be our expressions of regard, were they unaccompanied by some memorial of to-day's meeting; we, therefore, sincerely request you to accept this tea service, as a partial recognition of our deep respect for you and your most estimable lady, whose kindness and courtesy to us in the past have merited our esteem and admiration, and will ever be green in our memories.

Signed, on behalf of the teachers,

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Mr. Glashan replied, saying he thought at one time that he was not possessed of "nerves." This idea was rudely dispelled on one occasion, but he then thought he was done with "nerves" for life—the occasion was his wedding day. He thanked the teachers most heartily for their kind appreciation of his services. When he came among them—a stranger—it was with an ardent love for teaching, and a fixed determination to do all in his power to elevate his profession. It was gratifying to know he had secured among them many friends, of which fact the present memorial was a pleasing token. He spoke encouragingly to the teachers, and also thanked them very kindly, on behalf of Mrs. Glashan, for remembering her in the selection of their gift. His being able to devote any time to solutions was owing to the assistance received from her, she acting as his secretary, thus giving him time which would not otherwise be at his disposal.

After this Mr. McMichael, B. A., was called on to give his views on analysis, taking "The Battle of Waterloo," as his subject, of which he gave an excellent and instructive rendition, and though subjected to some very severe cross-firing by different members of the Association, managed to

carry on the discussion very amicably and profitably for a considerable time.

The "Question Drawer" was then opened, and out of a number of excellent questions—the day being too far spent to discuss all—the administration of corporal punishment was selected, on which some very instructive remarks were evoked, "The absence of corporal punishment was a sign of superior administrative ability." Mr. Wood proposed the substitution of pain of mind instead of bodily pain, and gave practical illustrations drawn from his own experience, which were well received.

The question of membership was then taken up, and after a motion that the Association meet quarterly, a very interesting meeting was adjourned, till Saturday, 27th May next, of which the teachers will please make a note.

—A very important Convention of the booksellers of Ontario was held in Toronto early in March. One of the principal subjects was in regard to the existence of the Book Depository, and an interview was had with Hon. Adam Crooks, Minister of Education, on the subject. We condense from the *Globe*:—"At eleven o'clock, on the 9th March, a deputation from the Convention, numbering about forty, waited upon Hon. Adam Crooks at his office in the Education Department for the purpose of placing before him the views of the Convention regarding the Educational Department Book Depository. The deputation having been introduced by Mr. James Campbell, Chairman of the Convention, Mr. Reid congratulated Mr. Crooks upon his appointment to the important office of Minister of Education. He was satisfied that no gentleman in the country could have been selected for that position better qualified to perform its duties and to give satisfaction to the people at large in discharging the affairs of the Educational Department. Proceeding then to the business of the deputation, he said that the principal object of the convention which they were now holding was to consider the interests of the book trade as opposed to the Government book store in connection with the Educational Department. Mr. Reid went on to argue that the book trade had been unfairly dealt with, they did not ask for protection, but only that they might be able to compete with the Depository on an even footing.