suggested that the Central Board certificates be taken only as a guarantee of literary competency to pursue a course of training in the Normal School, which, when completed, would entitle the candidate to a regular diploma from the Protestant Committee. This committee asked permission to continue its work, which request was granted.

This report was received on motion of Rev. E. I. Rexford,

seconded by Inspector Gilman.

The report of the committee on "Conversational English," was presented by Mr. N. T. Truell. The report advised sentence drill, more extensive reading, and a constant effort to correct the colloquial errors of the pupils.

On motion of Rev. E. I. Rexford, seconded by Inspector

Gilman, the report was received and adopted.

Mr. C. A. Humphrey presented the report of the Committee on Periodicals. Sixty-one papers had been supplied at a cost to the association of \$29.32. Those receiving the papers had contributed \$28.45, making a total expenditure of \$57.77.

This report was adopted on motion of Mr. C. A.

Humphrey, seconded by Mr. S. P. Rowell.

Dr. S. P. Robins gave notice of motion that the Committee on Periodicals expend none of the funds of the association

on American publications.

Mr. C. A. Humphrey presented the financial report of the association, which showed the receipts for the past year to have been \$877.28, and the expenditure \$340.15, leaving \$537 13 to the credit of the association. This report was adopted on motion of Mr. Humphrey.

The report of the Curator and Librarian was presented by Miss Derrick. Forty books had been borrowed from the library by fifteen teachers. It was recommended that a committee should be appointed to select new books, and that catalogues should be printed, after the library had been replenished, and sent to each member of the association.

The report was received and adopted on motion of Mr.

Vaughau, seconded by Mr. McNaughton.

Mr. Truell presented the report of the Text-book Committee, which consisted of a letter from Mr. J. A. Nicholson to Prof. Kneeland, convenor of the Text-book Committee of the Protestant Committee. The report advised great caution and strictness in dealing with publishers, pointing out that there were various defects in certain books now in