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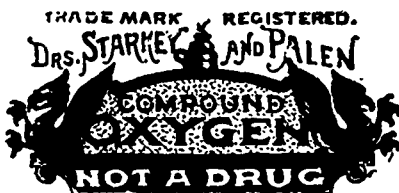
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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, ONTARIO,  
 TORONTO, May 21st, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—

From the replies already received respecting the proposed Summer Class in Botany, the Minister of Education has decided to complete arrangements for its final organization. The Opening Lecture will be delivered in the Public Hall of the Education Department, on Tuesday, July 20th, at 2 p.m.

Mr. Spotton suggests that those purposing to join the class should read the following portions of Thome's Text Book: Chapters 1, 2, 3 and 4, and so much of Chapter 6 as relates to Phanerogams and Vascular Cryptogams; or, the corresponding portions of Prantl's Text Book (Vines' Translation). Members should also come provided with Pocket Lens, Knife, Dissecting Needles, Collecting Box, Part II. of Spotton's Botany and Gray's Manual.

The Department will grant a Certificate, signed by the Minister, of Attendance on this Course, but will not undertake to conduct any examination with a view to test the proficiency of the class.

Yours truly,

**ALEX MARLING,**  
*Secretary.*

**CIRCULAR TO PUBLIC SCHOOL INSPECTORS.**

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, ONTARIO,  
 TORONTO, May 1st, 1886.

SIR,—The Drawing Classes conducted at the Education Department, Toronto, during the last two summers will not be continued during the current year. It is nevertheless desirable in order still further to qualify teachers in this subject, that facilities of some kind should be offered for their self-improvement. Instead of the classes formerly taught at the Department it is now proposed to give a grant to each Inspectoral Division in which a class is formed for instruction in elementary drawing.

The conditions on which such classes may be formed are:—

1. The class must consist of at least ten persons holding a Public School Teacher's Certificate.
2. The teacher in charge must possess a legal certificate to teach drawing; or be approved of by the Education Department.
3. At least 30 lessons of two hours each must be given.
4. Teachers who attend this course will be allowed to write at the Departmental Examination in Drawing in April, 1887.
5. The Primary Drawing Course only shall be taught.
6. A grant of \$30 will be made for each class of ten pupils but only one class will be paid for in any Inspectoral Division.

Will you be good enough to inform the teachers of your Inspectorate of these proposals in order that they may make the necessary arrangements for organizing classes.

Yours truly,

**GEO. W. ROSS,**  
*Minister of Education.*

