

crete, 45 frame, 4 log. There were 27 log schools in 1871. There are no rented buildings in the district. Each school had at least half an acre of ground as required by law. The standing of the schools in the different municipalities was as follows :

	Excellent.	Good.	Middling.	Bad.	Very bad.
Ashfield . . .	2	7	3	0	1
Colborne . . .	1	2	4	0	0
Goderich . . .	0	3	3	3	1
Hay	2	2	6	0	0
Stanley	2	4	5	0	0
Stephen	0	3	7	1	1
Usborne	3	2	3	0	0
W. Wawanosh	1	1	4	2	0
Exeter	0	1	0	0	0
Total	11	25	35	6	3

Three Teachers' Institutes have been formed at Exeter, Varna and Dunganon. Two of these are doing excellent work."

WARWICK AND BROOKE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.—The regular meeting of the above Association took place in the Watford School, on Saturday, 20th February last. The attendance of teachers was good, and great interest was taken in the proceedings. Mr. Tulloch, the President, occupied the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted; after which Mr. Tulloch exhibited his method of teaching Ornamental Penmanship with his usual ability.

Mr. Mitchell explained his method of algebraic factoring. Mr. Bryce constructed a Time Table for a school of 50 pupils, which practically showed the advantages of a thorough system in this important branch.

Mr. W. E. Norton, in a very able manner discussed the subject of Orthography.

The Secretary then read an essay written by Miss E. Bowes, on *Æsthetic Education*, and by a unanimous vote of those present, the writer was requested to allow it to be published in the *Watford Advocate*.

A friendly discussion then took place on the various modes exhibited.

The following programme for next meeting was then agreed to, viz : Mr. Kirk to write a paper on Music; Mr. Norton a Recitation; Mr. Shaw, Geography; Mr. Bodaly, Reading; Mr. Tulloch, School dis-

cipline; Miss Carroll, Essay; Mr. Turner, Vulgar Fractions; Subject for general discussion, "Should the Bible be used in our Public Schools as a Text Book?"

The Association then adjourned, to meet in the same place, on Friday, 21st May.

STRATHROY TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.—The tenth regular meeting of the Strathroy Teachers' Association took place in the Colborne Street School, Strathroy, on Friday and Saturday, the 12th and 13th February.

In the absence of the President, Mr. Rowland took the chair.

The minutes of former meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. Glashan presented the report of the Managing Committee, and made a suggestion that it would be advisable to increase the fees for membership, in order that more than local talent could be obtained for each successive meeting. A motion to increase was then made, and after some remarks thereon, it was thought better to defer discussion till the next day to give those coming from a distance an opportunity of expressing their views.

The election of officers exhibits the following result:—

President Mr. McEvoy.
1st Vice President . . Mr. Wood.
2nd " . . . Mr. Frederick.
Secretary Mr. Carson.
Treasurer Mr. Leitch.

Executive Committee—Miss Scott and Mr. McMichael.

Finance Committee—Messrs. Leitch, Carson and Wood.

Question Drawer Committee—Miss Scott and Messrs. Glashan, McMichael, Maxwell, Wood, and Carson, with power to add to their number.

Mr. McMichael gave his method of teaching Geography, which was replete with hints that could not fail to benefit young teachers.

The Association then adjourned to hear Prof. Young's lecture on "Scientific Method."

On Saturday morning the discussion on fees was resumed. Several expressed their views, and on a ballot being taken, all were in favor of gentlemen paying \$1, and ladies 50 cents, to become members.