

The practical effect of this modification is (1) to make English compulsory in all grades, and (2) to allow the pupils to take as a minimum any two of the following four subjects: Book-keeping, Algebra, Geometry and Latin.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the sub-committee,

(Signed) ELSON I. REXFORD, *Convener*.

The report as read was adopted.

5. On text-books.

Merrill's "Word and Exercise Book" has been submitted for authorization. In its present form the committee cannot recommend it, but, recognizing the superior character of the book in many respects, the committee will ask for certain modifications, and if these are made will be prepared to recommend its authorization.

Part 2 of the Progressive French Reader, already authorized, and completing the alternative French Course for the A. A. Examinations, should be formally placed on the list of authorized text-books.

Brand's Lessons on the Human Body has been submitted, but too late to allow the committee to give an opinion to-day.

(Signed) A. W. KNEELAND.
G. L. MASTEN.
E. I. REXFORD.

On motion of Professor Kneeland, seconded by the Reverend A. T. Love, the report was received and adopted.

6. On Bible study in schools.

The sub-committee on Bible study in schools reported progress to the effect that they had the matter referred to them under their careful consideration; and that they were unanimously of the opinion that New Testament History, in so far as it sets forth the facts of Our Lord's Life and History, should be introduced into all grades of schools, and systematically studied from the beginning of each course. As the preparation of a suitable and complete schedule of lessons requires much time and care, the sub-committee asked leave to report progress and to be further continued, in order to complete the same.

The report was received and the sub-committee continued.

The Secretary submitted the following financial statement of the Protestant Committee, which was received, examined and found correct.

May 26th, 1893.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE PROTESTANT COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

Superior Education Fund.

1893

RECEIPTS.

March 3. Bank Balance.....\$3523 78

Balance due from Contingencies.... 1228 16

\$4751 94