

both its High School and Common School departments. To Dr. Robins' energy and faithfulness, and not less to his rare capacity, are, in the judgment of this Board, largely due the high standing and efficiency to which its schools have been brought during these years of untiring and laborious service.

"The Board bears willing testimony, also, to Dr. Robins' unvarying readiness and urbanity in all his official relations and acts; qualities to the exercise of which its members would hereby confess themselves in a great measure indebted for the pleasure and satisfaction with which they have together prosecuted their common work. While regretting the loss which the withdrawal of his invaluable services will entail, so far, that is, as the special work of the Commissioners is concerned, the Board would take the opportunity of recording its satisfaction that the large experience and acknowledged ability of Dr. Robins are to be henceforth employed in the wider sphere of Provincial Education, as Principal, namely, of the McGill Government Normal School.

"*Resolved*,—That a copy of this minute, suitably engrossed, be forwarded to Dr. Robins."

At the quarterly conference of teachers in the employment of the Protestant Board of School Commissioners, held on the 6th September, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

"*Resolved*,—That this being the first quarterly meeting of teachers under the Protestant Board since Dr. Robins' resignation of the position of Secretary of the Board and Superintendent of Schools, the members of this conference as representing the whole body of teachers in the employment of the Board, would record their deep sense of regret at the loss which the withdrawal of Dr. Robins will entail.

"They would also bear grateful testimony to the wide experience, great abilities, and untiring energy which enabled him to discharge the arduous duties of the office with such conspicuous success. His official relations with the teachers in the service of the Board were invariably characterized by courtesy and ready counsel.

"The members of this conference would also take the opportunity of congratulating Dr. Robins upon his appointment as Principal of the McGill Normal School, and of assuring him of their continued good wishes for his success in his new sphere of educational labour."

Engagements by the year.—We hear that many of the larger municipalities in the inspectorate of Mr. McLoughlin have engaged their teachers for the whole of the scholastic year. Foremost among these are Pottou, Brome and Dunham. We are glad to be able to announce this fact and we hope that other districts will follow the good example set them.

McGill University—Annual Award of open Scholarships.—At the competitive examinations just concluded at McGill College, the following scholarships and exhibitions were awarded to students and candidates for admission:—

Scholarships.—Tenable for two years.—Third year—Mathematical scholarship—*Lochhead, W. Third year—Classical and

* Annual value of scholarship or exhibition, \$125; donor, W. C. McDonald, Esq.