

buildings. (2.) To furnish suitable reading matter for pupils and people. (3.) To provide works of art for school rooms. The membership is to be composed of teachers, pupils, school officials and other officials. It is proposed to institute a system of exchange whereby all works of art purchased shall be exhibited in all the schools of the State.

—"SCHOOL DENTISTRY" is one of the newest educational terms, it seems. A School Dentists' Society has been inaugurated in England. The first president, in his presidential address, said the special object of the society was by means of mutual assistance to promote school dentistry. As an outcome of the general advance made in recent years in the practice of dentistry they must have been prepared to find increased attention being paid to the value of systematic care of children's teeth. Very many of the troubles which they were called upon to deal with in the adult would never occur if proper dental supervision and treatment were provided for the young. He was able to assure the authorities having charge of children that figures showed that less than 15 per cent. of boys and girls, of an average age of twelve years, did not require some treatment for decayed teeth.

—AN English educational journal draws attention to the fact that in the Section of Education in the Paris Exhibition of 1900 it is proposed to hold an International Congress of Higher (University) Education. Among the subjects set down in the provisional programme for discussion is "University Extension; the means already employed, or to be employed, by the universities to cause scientific methods, scientific ideas, and the scientific spirit to penetrate, as far as that is possible and desirable, to every class in the nation." Still more satisfactory, as a sign of the times, is the following: "The formation by the universities of primary, secondary, and university teachers." The proposal for the Congress is due to private initiative, but, if the scheme is efficiently carried out, it may mark an epoch in the training of teachers.

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SIR,—I desire to call the attention of Secretaries of Local Associations of Protestant Teachers, which have a *bona fide* existence, to the fact that Presidents of such Associations