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There were many circumstances connected with the Convention of 1889, to make it a memorable event in the annals of the Association of Protestant Teachers of Quebec. Of these, it may be mentioned that this was the first convention held under the Act of Incorporation lately obtained from the Legislature, by means of which the stability of the association has been assured, and its prestige very much enhanced. Besides this, not a little interest was taken in the elections this year, especially in the election of a representative to the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction; and the interest became all the more intense when it was found that several members of the association were adverse to the old plan of delegating its powers to a nominating committee. It was also of very great service to the association in more ways than one that several of the professors of McGill University took part in the proceedings of the convention in a practical way by the reading of papers and the opening of discussions; while there was further éclat given to the gathering by the reception given to the teachers by Sir William Dawson, Sir Donald Smith, and their associates in the Corporation of McGill, at the brilliant conversazione held on the Friday evening in the spacious halls of the Redpath Museum. It is needless to say that, with these and other unusual circumstances to attract, the number of members enrolled was the

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