

healthy condition. A memorial to the Prot. Committee of the Council of Public Instruction, advocating better salaries for teachers was introduced; and it elicited considerable discussion. While the necessity for some such measure was generally admitted, the method suggested for obtaining it was considered impracticable; and therefore the question was committed to the careful consideration of a special committee to report at next convention.

The first paper on Thursday afternoon was read by Mr. A. D. McBurney, B.A., of Granby. He treated his subject "Book-keeping" in a practical manner illustrating his system on the black-board. Mr. Charles W. Ford, Principal of the Coaticook Academy, gave an excellent account of the various ways by which "Educational Waste" effected our schools and retards progress. Mr. Ford was highly complimented for his exhaustive and very instructive paper.

The evening session. The attendance at this session was not very large, doubtless on account of the downpour of rain; but those were heartily welcomed on the part of the city by Alderman Ames in a carefully worded address; and on behalf of the Board of Protestant School Commissioners, by Archdeacon Evans, whose address was warm and complimentary, saying: "that in educational matters the city could not say to the country, 'I have no need of thee,' nor could the country say to the city, 'I have no need of thee'; for each is dependent on the other." He hoped that all esteemed themselves as a part of a learned profession—in

his judgment one of the noblest. The true teacher considered it his duty to educate not only the intellect of his pupil, but also the heart, with a realizing sense that he was dealing with immortal beings. The Rev. Dr. MacVicar in his usual impressive manner reminded the teacher that the most effective teaching was by their conduct in the class-room, even more than by their talk. They were daily making an imperishable impression on the impressible substance of their pupils' character. The Rev. Principal Hackett enlarged on the influence of teachers in moulding the character of their pupils for time and eternity; and Principal Peterson of McGill University, though absent through indisposition, was present in his kindly expressed regret, which referred to the cordial relation existing between the university and the schools. A resolution expressive of the convention's congratulations to Dr. Peterson was unanimously adopted, on the distinguished honor conferred by His Royal Highness, the Duke of Cornwall and York, in recognition both of the institution and of the profession of which he is such a distinguished member.

On Friday morning the convention divided into two sections: Elementary and Superior Schools. Being unable to be present at this session, and not knowing anything of the proceedings personally, "mum" is the word. The first paper at the afternoon session was on "Manual Training," by Mr. C. Johansson, Director of the MacDonald Training Schools, Montreal. He explained some of the advantages acquired by training the hand to do, and the eye to see;