

*Report of the Committee on Education.*

The Committee on Education beg leave to report as follows :

That, bearing in mind that the object in the appointment of your Committee was that of ascertaining what educational facilities could be obtained in Toronto, the principal business done has been in regard to the inquiries necessary to be made. Various Government officials having been interviewed by individual members of the Committee, it was ascertained that the Government would probably regard with favor any suggestions in regard to possible arrangements with the College of Technology about to be established in this city. Thus encouraged, the Chairman of your Committee waited on the Minister of Agriculture and represented the desirability of our College possessing a suitable place for transacting their business. The request that such provision should be made from the rooms at disposal in the building of the College of Technology was graciously assented to by Mr. McKellar, and two suitable apartments, with furniture, were at once placed at our disposal ; no conditions as to rent or other expense being specified or required.

It was thought advisable to hold a meeting of the Committee, on Monday, February 5th, to consider the advisability of asking further aid of the Government. This was done, and it was resolved to lay a formal statement of the condition of the College before Mr. McKellar, with a request that provision be made for allowing students in Pharmacy to attend the classes of the College of Technology. To this a favorable answer has been returned, and though the Government are not, at present, in a position to give a decided answer, they have promised to consider the matter at their earliest convenience, and we are justified in reporting our belief that the requests of the College will be acceded to.

As there are a large number of students throughout the country who could not make it convenient to come to this city in order to attend such courses of lectures as may be provided, it appeared desirable that some scheme should be devised to meet the emergency. After discussing various projects having this end in view, the following conclusions were arrived at : That the formation of Local Societies should be encouraged, and a small grant of money in aid of that object should be made from the funds of the College.

Your Committee would suggest that to such Societies as may be formed for the purpose of stimulating and assisting young men to acquire a knowledge of their business, and which should hold regular meetings, at least twice a month, during the winter months—say from the 1st day of October until the 1st of April—shall, on presenting a certificate of attendance, duly certified to by the President and Secretary of such Society, be entitled to receive a sum of money equal to two dollars for each member so attending.

Your Committee are of the opinion that, except it is decided to