

The Secretary read a letter from Lady Dawson in acknowledgment of the resolution passed by the Committee in reference to the death of Sir William Dawson.

A letter from Mr. W. H. Clapperton, M.P.P., asking for the division of the Gaspé district, for school inspection purposes, into two equal parts, was read, and upon motion of Mr. Ames and Dr. Cotton, it was

Resolved,—That the request be considered at the next meeting, a report regarding the situation having in the meantime been asked from ex-Inspector Lyster and present Inspector Kerr.

Miss Cunliffe's application for a recognition of her extra-provincial certificate was read and referred to the Central Board with instructions to grant her an elementary or a model school diploma upon her satisfying the Central Board by examination of her fitness to receive either of such diplomas.

A letter was read from Mr. Nicholson, of Westmount, asking for an alternate French paper to test the knowledge of pupils who are learning French by the natural method.

On motion of the Reverend Mr. Rexford and Mr. Masten, it was

Resolved,—That the Inspector of superior schools be requested to provide an alternative paper in French for grade 2 Academy on the lines of the natural method.

Upon application of the Secretary it was agreed to pay for Como model school and for Megantic village model school, grants of fifty dollars each, which had been withheld and deposited to the credit of the Committee.

Mr. Goltman's application for authorization of his Manual of Book-keeping was referred to the sub-committee on textbooks for report.

Mr. F. A. Garland's request to be allowed to qualify for the academy diploma without taking an arts' degree was not entertained.

A letter from Dr. Harper, in reference to the distribution in the schools of a patriotic song and a list of "flag days," was read, and Justice Lynch was asked to report upon the matter at next meeting.

Dr. Harper's report on the competition for prizes for well kept school grounds was read, and it was resolved to grant the prizes as follows: (1) Lachute, \$100; (2) Richmond, \$50; (3) Berthier, \$25.