

The Sub committee to confer with the Government on the establishment of a Central Board of Examiners, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

The Hon. the Superintendent reported that in regard to the change in the School Law, sought by Mr. Inspector Ruel, he knew no special reason for such change, beyond what was contained in the resolution itself.

The consideration of the proposed change of law in regard to Dissident Schools was in the meantime deferred.

The Committee then considered the Resolutions of the Provincial Association of Protestant Teachers passed at a meeting of the same held at Lachute in October, 1883.

The first Resolution had respect to the time of Inspection of the Model Schools and Academies, and after some discussion the committee agreed that for the present year, at least, the Inspection be held as last year during the months of May and June.

The Committee further agreed that, (1) the time of Examination should be confined to school hours and limited to six hours a day. (2) The examination of a Model School should not exceed 6 hours, nor that of an Academy 12 hours. (3) The Inspector should send a notice of his visit about a week in advance. (4) No pupil not in attendance at the time of inspection is to be examined unless such pupil had been in attendance at least ninety days during the current scholastic year. (5) No examinations are to be held on Saturdays or other legal holidays.

As regards the six Resolutions of the Provincial Association of Protestant Teachers in reference to the recent regulations passed by the Protestant Committee, determining for the *future* the qualifications and consequent classification of Teachers holding Academy Diplomas, the Committee regrets the said regulations have been misapprehended by the Teachers, as they were in no ways meant to affect those holding Academy Diplomas previously to the passing of said Regulations; nor in the opinion of the Committee, does the wording of the Regulations in question warrant all the conclusions arrived at in the Convention of Teachers.

The Secretary was instructed to ascertain from the Attorney-General of the Province his opinion as to the legal holidays, Provincial or Dominion, to be observed in Protestant or Mixed Schools in the Province of Quebec.

A Sub-committee consisting of the Lord Bishop of Quebec, Dr. Matthews and Dr. Cook, was appointed to consider the whole question of Academy Diplomas, and to report to next meeting. The Secretary was instructed to correspond with the Secretaries of the two Universi-