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deputation c arteously and had promised to consider carefully the document, presented and to consult his colleagues of the Ministry as to the course to be pursued in the interests of Education in the City of Montreal. Dr. Norman also reported that he had had an interview with the Finance Committee of the City, and that in consequence of representations then made, that body had kindly consented to pay the Board its quota of the City Tax quarterly instead of half yearly. The Committee on awarding the Costigan prize, reported that after a keen competition it had fallen to the Sherbrooke Street School, and that the amount of Fifty Dollars had in consequence been distributed to the teachers of that school, ten dollars being reserved for distribution to the three pupils of the school who had won the highest places at the late promotion examinations. Reports of attendance in all the schools were submitted, showing an enrolment of pupils 23 greater than that of last month, and an average attendance in the Common, High and Senior Schools of 883 per cent. The Chairman, Mr. Lunn, the Hon. Treasurer, and the Secretary, were instructed to appear on behalf of the Board before the Royal Commission now sitting, as soon as the affairs of the Protestant Board are in question.

The January meeting was held on the afternoon of the 11th. The Chairman reported that he had transferred Miss Hill from British and Canadian School to the High School, and Miss Watson from the Point St. Charles to the British and Canadian, and had engaged Miss Warcup to succeed Miss Watson. He further reported the pressing need of new sanitary conveniences at the Sherbrooke Street School, whereupon it was resolved to crect them as soon as the finances of the Board would permit. The Hon. Treasurer reported that he had received from the city treasurer the balance of school tax due for 1882 so far as it was possible to estimate it, and submitted the statement of account for December, which was referred back for audit. The iamented death of Mr. Haney, late head master of the Dorchester Street School, was reported, and instructions were issued to pay two months' salary to his widow. The question of choosing a successor was committed to the Rev. Drs. Norman and Jenkins. The same committee was entrusted with the preparation of the The Chairman was requested to call an winter examinations. early special meeting to determine conditions of sale for the property now occupied by the Senior School and the Preparatory High School.

The late Mr. Haney.—We have to lament the loss at the early age of thirty-two years of Mr. Francis C. Haney, late head master of the Dorchester Street School, Montreal, whose death of ty_1 -hoid fever occurred on the 24th of December last. Having entered the McGill Normal School in 1874, he took the Elementary School Diploma in 1875, with honorable mention in History, Education, Arithmetic and Geometry. In the following year he