

to the address of the President of the Association.

Professor Nicholson's address was devoted to illustrating and substantiating the position that science ought to take in education in general, and more especially in the education of the young.

Votes of thanks were unanimously passed to Prof. Nicholson for his ably written paper, and also to Professor Wilson for reading the same.

The second day's session opened with an address by J. R. Miller Esq., Inspector, Huron County, on "School Organization." The address was very instructive, and at the close a unanimous vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Miller.

Mr. Thomas Kirkland, M. A., science master at Normal School, read a paper on Euclid as a text-book. He pointed out at some length the defects of Euclid. A cordial vote of thanks was given to Mr. Kirkland for his able paper.

At the evening session an address was delivered by Dr. McCaul, Toronto University. The subject of the address or lecture was "Common Sense of Logic."

Mr. Glaisher moved, and Mr. McCallum seconded a vote of thanks, alluding to the great interest all had felt in the practical address delivered by Dr. McCaul.

The Association resumed on Thursday morning.

Mr. J. Campbell, chairman of the Committee on the Superannuation Fund, reported, That having examined the proposed amendments of the School Bill of 1873, with reference to the Superannuation Fund, the Committee were of opinion that the following changes in the Act should be asked for:—1st. That every teacher who has been worn out in the profession, or who has taught 25 years, or who has arrived at the age of 55 years, be entitled to the pension, even though he may not have become infirm. 2nd. That any teacher retiring from the profession shall be entitled to receive back from the Chief Superintendent the whole of any sums paid by him or her to the fund, through the P. S. Inspector or otherwise. 3rd. That the annual allowance to any superannuated or worn-out teacher, shall not be less than six dollars for each year that such teacher has taught in a Public or High School in Ontario.

On motion of Mr. McAllister, seconded by Mr. McCown, it was agreed "That, in

the opinion of this section, the compulsory clauses of the School Act of 1871, which relate to the Superannuation Fund, should be repealed as soon as practicable."

The 1st and 3rd clauses of the report were adopted, and the second clause struck out.

On motion of Mr. Mackintosh, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, a Committee consisting of Messrs. Lewis, McQueen, and the mover was appointed to wait upon the Attorney-General to lay before him the expression of the Public School teachers.

Mr. Mackintosh presented the report of the Committee on model schools and teachers, which was as follows:—

1. That as teaching is a profession, its members require professional training, and that no teacher should receive a certificate who has not received such training.
2. That in order to provide such training, some existing public school in each electoral division of the county selected by the Council of Public Instruction, on the recommendation of the Public School Inspector, be constituted a model School, and that all candidates for third class certificates who have not previously taught a Public School for three years, be required to receive a training as pupil teachers in some such Model School for that period.
3. That the head masters of said Model Schools be first class certificated teachers of at least five years' standing.
4. That Teachers' Institutes be established in each county.
5. That each County Teachers' Association having regular meetings at least quarterly, be constituted a Teachers' Institute.
6. That an Inspector of Teachers' Institutes be appointed, whose duty it shall be to visit each Institute at least annually, and conduct its proceedings during the whole of one of its sessions.

The report was adopted.

The meeting then adjourned.

At a meeting of the Inspectors a base of union between the Inspector's Association and Inspector's branch of Teachers' Association, was unanimously adopted and a union thereupon effected. Officers, J. J. Tilley chairman; W. R. Bigg, secretary, Executive Committee, Dr. Kelly, W. Carlyle, H. L. Slack, E. B. Harrison, J. J. Tilley.

The afternoon session was occupied by