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A special meeting of this Association was held, as announced, at the McGill Normal School, on Friday and Saturday, the 26th and 27th March. The attendance of teachers was very large, and the proceedings very interesting. Sir Wm. Dawson, the President, was in the chair, and the Protestant Committee was also represented by Dr. Heneker, Rev. Dr. Cornish and Mr. Masten. The Hon. W. W. Lynch, G. W. Stephens, M. P. P., and the Rev. Elson I. Rexford, Secretary of the Department of Public Instruction, were also present.

The Rev. Mr. Rexford having offered prayer,

Sir William Dawson, said: The usual presidential address would not be in place at the present meeting, which is to be regarded, not so much as a substitute for the annual meeting of last year, as a special meeting in exceptional circumstances. When it was decided at the close of the important and successful meeting of 1884 to meet in this city in the autumn of 1885, we looked forward to a great and agreeable gathering, and were prepared, not only to welcome the association back to its birth-place in the McGill Normal school, but to bring to bear all the educational resources of Montreal, to promote the highest success of the meeting. You know that we were doomed to disappointment. The epidemic then prevalent, rendered it inexpedient to invite teachers from a distance to the city; and though we who were on the spot knew that the danger was really small, it was apparent that it was much more seriously regarded elsewhere, and that the meeting, if called, would have resulted in failure. The council felt that in these circumstances it was following the indications of Divine Providence, and consulting the best interests of the Association in postponing