

subject, and that the scholarships be awarded partly on the result of an examination and partly on the recommendation of the principal of the training college," was referred to the Training Committee.

Mr. Wylie moved, and Mr. Petrie seconded, That the Department issue maps of the Dominion and of education districts for school use.

Mr. Petrie moved, and Mr. Goven seconded, That the following words be added: viz., "such maps to show surface relief."

The amendment was carried.

The motion as amended was carried.

Mr. Wylie moved, and Mr. Strachan seconded, That an official Teachers' Journal be established, and issued monthly.—Carried.

It was agreed to adjourn at 12.30 p.m. to-morrow to afford Miss Sheath an opportunity of explaining her invention for teaching the elements of the theory of music.

In the absence of Professor White, Mr. Gray moved, and Mr. Stewart seconded, That the motions standing in Professor White's name be referred to the Syllabus Committee.

Motions: (a.) The subjects included in the course to be arranged in three groups in the order of their significance and importance as primary-school subjects; (b.) As far as practicable, subjects of co-ordinate value be placed in the same group; and (c.) At the various stages in the course the subjects to be introduced in proper sequence as determined by the average pupil's physical and mental development. That the following outline syllabus serve as a working-basis for discussion:—

	S1.	S2.	S3.
Group A	English (as in present syllabus) Arithmetic	English Arithmetic	English Arithmetic
Group B	Physical training, games, and musical exercises Singing	Physical exercises Singing	Physical drill Singing
Group C	Drawing Handwork	Drawing Handwork Nature-study	Drawing and handwork (including sewing for girls) Nature-study Geography
	S4.	S5.	S6.
Group A	English Arithmetic History	English Arithmetic History	English Arithmetic History
Group B	Composition and grammar Geography Drawing and handwork	Composition and grammar Geography Drawing and handwork	Composition and gram- mar Geography Drawing and handwork
Group C	Physical drill Singing Elementary science	Physical drill Singing Elementary science	Physical drill Singing Elementary science

In classes S1 to S3, as showing in a practical way the due and relative importance of Group A compared with Groups B and C, the Conference considers that not fewer than hours a week should be given to the subjects of Group A. In Standards IV, V, and VI the subjects of Group A are of most significance, and as a means of expressing the difference in the relative value of Groups B and C the Conference suggests that not fewer than hours a week be given to the former, and hours a week to the latter.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY, 1910.

The Conference resumed at 10 a.m.

The minutes were read and confirmed.

On the motion of Mr. Fleming, seconded by Mr. Gow, Dr. Don's name was added to the Regulations Committee.

Mr. Mulgan moved, Mr. Petrie seconded, That remits 7 and 8, from North Canterbury Inspectors, be transferred from the Regulations Committee to the Syllabus Committee.—Agreed to.

Mr. Gray moved, Dr. Don seconded, That the Conference do now adjourn till 12.25 p.m.—Agreed to.

The Conference adjourned at 10.25 a.m.

The Conference resumed at 12.25 p.m.

Mr. Gray presented the interim report of the Training Committee.

It was resolved to consider it at the afternoon session.

Miss Sheath gave an exhibition of the working of her scheme for teaching the elements of the theory of music.

The Conference adjourned at 12.45 p.m.