

The Conference resumed at 2.30 p.m.

Notices of motion were received, and referred to the Business Committee.

The interim reports from the Scholarships Committee and Regulations Committee were received.

Mr. Gray moved, Mr. Mulgan seconded, That no notice of motion be received after 11 a.m. on Thursday.—Carried.

Mr. Gray moved, Mr. Mulgan seconded, That the Conference go into a Committee of the Whole to consider the report of the Training Committee.—Carried.

The Conference went into Committee.

The Conference resumed.

Report of Training Committee.

Your committee has to submit the following report :—

A. *Re* Mr. Bakewell's motion No. 1, it was decided to recommend,—

(1.) That the present system of classification be modified with a view to substitute three for five grades.

(2.) That the scheme circulated be taken as a basis to indicate the direction in which simplification takes place, and that the scheme be referred to a special committee elected by the Conference.

B. *Re* Mr. Bakewell's motion No. 2, it was decided to recommend,—

(1.) That, in order to facilitate the system of transfer, the Department establish a uniform system of grading to be applied to all certificated teachers in the Dominion.

(2.) That the suggested scheme (as appended) furnish a basis for the working of the system.

C. *Re* Mr. Mulgan's motions, it was decided to recommend,—

(1.) That for each of the four training colleges two annual Extension Scholarships be established, open to all students at the end of their second year of training, and tenable for one year at some University college or its equivalent to be approved by the Minister of Education.

(2.) That holders of scholarships be required to specialize in agriculture or some other science subject, and that the scholarships be awarded partly on the result of examinations and partly on the recommendation of the principal of a training college.

The following motion of Mr. Bossence was also considered : " That in the case of non-singers a reasonable proficiency in violin-playing be accepted in lieu of practical singing."

It was decided to recommend the following : " That in the case of candidates for teachers' certificates who are unable to qualify for the practical musical test, a reasonable proficiency in playing some suitable musical instrument be accepted."

W. GRAY,
Chairman of Committee.

Suggested Scheme for the Classification of Teachers, based upon a Consideration of the Various Types of Teaching-institutions.

—	Academic Qualification.	Pedagogical Training.	Alternative Pedagogical Training for Second Year.	Schools for which qualified.	Special Certificate.	—
Elementary.	Four years' secondary school or its equivalent. Standard matriculation.	Theory of education, including psychological foundations; history of education, methods; special training in drawing and science, if necessary. Practical work in teaching. Probationary period of two years; T.C. course of two years. Optional probationary period; compulsory T.C. course of at least one year.	Special method, &c., of the infant and kindergarten schools.	All classes in primary school; headships of schools below Grade .	If the alternative pedagogical course be followed, it will lead to special certificate for infant-school teachers.	Elementary.
Intermediate.	Two-years University course or its equivalent. Standard first section B.A. or B.Sc.		Special application of methods and practice to suit particular schools, secondary, D.H.S., manual training, &c.	All positions in primary service except headmasters of D.H.S.	If the alternative pedagogical course be followed, it will lead to certificates for special positions.	Intermediate.
Higher Grade.	Three-years or more University course. Standard B.A., B.Sc., M.A., &c.		Special work of secondary schools.	Positions as headmasters of D.H.S., as Inspectors, as teachers in secondary schools.	If a full University course in pedagogy, coupled with T.C. course, be followed, it should lead to a diploma in education.	Higher Grade.