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NATIONAL TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

NINTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The next Annual Meeting of the National Teachers' Association will be held in the City of Trenton, New Jersey, on the 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th days of August, 1869.

A cordial invitation has been extended to the Association by the School Commissioners of the City, the members of the Common Council, the State Board of Education and many prominent citizens.

Under the kind and efficient direction of that well known educator and author, Prof. J. S. Hart, Principal of the State Normal School, arrangements are being made for the liberal entertainment of the members, reducing the personal expenses of those who attend to the smallest possible amount. A warm and hospitable welcome awaits all who come.

Plans are being matured by which it is expected that reduced fare will be charged upon all the roads over which members will travel to the place of meeting.

The convenience of access to Trenton, will secure a large attendance from the great Atlantic Cities, while the interest felt in this annual re-union of American Teachers, will bring full delegations from all the Western and Southern States.

In a few weeks the programme of exercises will be issued, presenting the names of some of the most highly esteemed and successful leaders in the great educational work, which is accomplishing such grand results in every section of the Union.

Teachers and all others interested are requested to announce this meeting in every practicable way—specially to have it noticed by the editors of papers in their vicinity.

The National Association of School Superintendents and the National Normal School Association will hold their annual meetings in Trenton, on Monday and Tuesday of the same week, thus bringing together not only the leading educators, but securing the discussion of topics of vital and practical concern to the great question of education in all its departments.

State, County or City Associations of Teachers sending delegations, are requested to report the number of persons, men and women, to Prof. Hart, that proper arrangements may be made for their entertainment.

With reasonable effort this may be made the largest and most interesting educational meeting ever held in America.

L. VAN BOKKELEN,

President National Teachers' Association.

CATONSVILLE, MARYLAND, April 26, 1869.
The Annual Meeting of the National Teachers Association will be held in the Great Hall, Yale University, New Haven, on the 17th of May, 1899.

TheDigest and reports of the Council of the Association will be read and acted upon.

The National Teachers Association, the American Teachers' Association, the American Educational Association, the American Board of Education of the United States and the National Education Association, with the principal educational societies of the United States, will organize a National Board of Education which is to be the central body of the United States for the purpose of promoting the interests of education and the general welfare of the people. The Board will be composed of not more than twenty members, who shall be elected by the several educational societies of the United States. The Board will hold its meetings at New York, Philadelphia, and Washington, and shall have the power to make and adopt such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the proper transaction of its business. The Board shall have the power to appoint committees to perform such duties as may be assigned to them by the Board, and to transact such business as may be referred to them by the Board.
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FORM OF BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to "THE EVANGELICAL EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH," incorporated by the Legislature of Pennsylvania the first Monday in November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine dollars, to be used for the education of young men for the Ministry of the Protestant Episcopal Church.
"Take heed unto Thyself and unto the Doctrine; continue in them:

For in doing this thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee."

EXTRACTS FROM THE FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT.

OUR GREAT OBJECT.

Our desire and aim is to multiply ministers of a particular sort, truly converted men, called of the Holy Ghost to preach the Gospel; men of ability and culture; men of broad catholic faith and liberal spirit; men opposed to all narrowness, intolerance and exclusiveness on the one hand, and to the extravagances of rationalism and ritualism on the other.

Men who know and love the simple truths of the Gospel, and have the wisdom, grace and courage to preach them without fear, and at any sacrifice.

1. MEN WHO ACCEPT THE BIBLE AS THE SOLE RULE OF FAITH, who submit their minds to its dictation alone, who will not teach as necessary to salvation, anything which they do not read therein, or cannot prove thereby; men who take their faith from the Bible, test every doctrine by the Bible, and honor the Bible above all other books; men who will take heed to their ordination vow, "to be ready with all faithful diligence to drive away from the Church all erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's word."

2. MEN WHO WILL PREACH JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH IN CHRIST ALONE, who put nothing between Christ and the lost soul—not either Church nor sacraments—human efforts nor works—but present a personal Saviour in all the fulness of His character and completeness of his work, and bid men "believe and live."

3. MEN WHO WILL PRESENT CHRIST AS THE EXCLUSIVE HIGH PRIEST OF OUR PROFESSION—the One Sacrifice for sin; the One Altar upon which all our offerings must be laid; the One Mediator between God and man; the one ever living Intercessor and Advocate with the Father, and look upon the Ministers of the Gospel as Ambassadors of Heaven—Heralds of God, sent forth to proclaim pardon, peace and eternal salvation through Christ alone.

4. MEN WHO REGARD THE CHURCH OF CHRIST AS THE BLESSED COMPANY OF ALL FAITHFUL PEOPLE. Who love all who love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity and truth; men who are thoroughly loyal to, and cordially love our Church, and yet are free from that spirit which would call down fire from heaven upon those who follow not with us.

Men who find the great cardinal doctrines of the Gospel in the Prayer Book, shining there as so many gems in a casket of jewels—their lustre now, alas too often obscured by the many false interpretations which are put upon our admirable service, and the constant neglect of the clear light which is thrown up at us by our Articles of Religion.

The multiplication of such ministers is our great desire, prayer and aim. Could we have a more noble object before us?

One more calculated to inspire enthusiasm, zeal and perseverance in work? One that bears more directly and largely upon the welfare of man and the glory of God?

MEN CAN BE SECURED.

Such men are to be found; we have sent nearly an hundred into the Ministry already; we have nearly an hundred more upon our roll. Many others are applying to us for aid. They have little or no means; should they be kept out of the Ministry on this account? Our government freely and generously supports those who are preparing to lead her armies to victory. Shall we be less wise and liberal? Should the cadets of Annapolis and West Point be abundantly provided for, and those who are soon to become officers in the Army or the Navy altogether neglected, or even stinted in their provision? Verily, the children of the world are wiser than the children of light.