

Report of Hygiene Sub-Committee

The Committee met on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December.  
Miss Parschitt attended by invitation.

The Committee considered the desirability of framing a course which should meet the needs of students wishing to qualify for teaching appointments. The difficulty of drawing up a syllabus to meet the needs of two classes of students, those wishing to become teachers and those wishing to train for inspectorships, was discussed and it was urged that without previous ~~experience~~ <sup>Knowledge of Science</sup> a student could not qualify as a teacher in one year as she would ~~also~~ require some training in teaching. It was proposed that students should be required to attend the course in Applied Hygiene for School Teachers in addition to the course in Scientific Hygiene.

The want of even an elementary knowledge of science in the case of some of the students and the fact that others may have taken a degree in science were given as showing the difficulties which the lecturers have to face in dealing with the students. It was suggested that students should be required either to have taken the Matriculation examination of London University, or have a Knowledge of Science ~~equal~~ <sup>equal</sup> to the standard required for matriculation, or pass an entrance examination, or attend a

preliminary course for six months.

The Committee were informed that the demand for qualified teachers in Hygiene was increasing and that there was no supply to meet the demand; that Bedford College was the only institution giving a course which might be adapted to the requirements of students intending to take up the teaching of the subject.

The Committee passed the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Board of Education  
Dec. 1905.  
Sub-Committee

That the Members of the Staff concerned, the Acting Principal, Miss Havenhill and Mrs Woodhouse be requested to frame a Course of instruction in Scientific Hygiene which it is suggested should give the students the option of an eighteen months' course without examination or a twelve months' course for such as have an elementary knowledge of Science; and that the scheme thus <sup>drawn up</sup> framed be considered by the Board of Education. That it be an instruction to the Committee to bear in mind ~~to~~ that the course should be framed mainly for students wishing to take up the teaching of Hygiene, but it should meet the requirements of students intending to ~~be~~ become Inspectors as far as possible; and that the sociological side of the subject should be kept especially in view. That the Committee be empowered to add to their number and to take such evidence as they may see fit.



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Hygiene Sub-Committee notes.

Letter from Miss Duck.

Course: more elementary & more practical  
preceded by elementary course  
not possible to qualify a teacher in 1 yr's work.  
Desirability of arranging 2 yrs' course.

Difficulty of preparing syllabus for teachers and  
Inspectors.

Teachers only to be provided for. Not desirable  
to reduce number of entries.

Too much time spent on theory, less on  
enough practical demonstration.

All students to attend School Hygiene Course.

Six months - Preliminary course - Chemistry and  
Physics only -

Twelve months - Applied.

Demand for Teachers increasing, no supply.

3 Schools in the N. of England want teachers.

Bedford College only institution that provides

Scientific Course.

Students should not take this course unless they have a knowledge of Science up to Matric. Standard.

If course framed for teachers, law not required and students wd need to be taught how to teach.