

want to study grammar, and "pa" or "ma" say they need not, because it will be no use to them. You know what ought to be done and how a school ought to be managed, and if you only make the attempt in the right way you will get support in carrying out the course of study which your experience and knowledge of your profession will enable you to frame. Written examinations sometimes help, and written work of various kinds. Music and Drawing are not to be forgotten—the change of work is grateful, and they will interest the children. If the teacher takes an active, pleasant interest and pride in his work, so will the children—he can help them to be better and more useful men and women; they can help him in many ways, and in spite of difficulties and disadvantages they will not go without their reward.

OBITUARY.

During the past year the inevitable messenger, Death, has summoned more than one scholar from the scene of his earthly labours.

Among these none was better known to Canadians than Dr. Howe, lately of Newington College and formerly of the "Old Grammar School," now the Toronto Collegiate Institute. Those who knew him will remember his amiable and truthful disposition and the high principle which characterized all his acts—in college days at Dublin his fellow-students used to call him "the Israelite in whom there is no guile."

The degrees of M.A. and LL.D. were bestowed on him by his Alma Mater in 1859, when he visited Ireland for that purpose, accompanied by Dean Boomer. He also obtained an honorary degree in Sydney. We are fortunately able to present our readers with the following sketch of Dr. Howe's life:—

Michael Callanan Howe, LL.D., was born in Tipperary County, Ireland, and adopted at an early age by his mother's brother, Dr. Callanan, who held the high position of President of the College of Surgeons at the time of George the Fourth's visit, and declined knighthood at the hands of that prince.

His uncle being unmarried, a rigid martinet, and at the head of the medical profession, his house was the resort of the talented and rising men of the city, who, under no social restraints, often set a bad example to the lonely country lad. Galled by the harsh treatment of his relative and ambitious to be independent of him, he ran away and entered Trinity College, Dublin, as a sizar, for which he was disinherited, and in place of £100,000 sterling, was cut off with his uncle's watch and a few classical books. He obtained his scholarship in due time, and left college to study medicine, for which he had an inherited taste; he had almost finished his medical studies when he offered himself for the position of Classical Master in the Royal Belfast Academical Institution, and was appointed out of forty candidates, of which the late Dr. Connon, of Upper Canada College, was one. During his residence in Belfast he married in 1851, and four months after resigned his lucrative and honourable position in consequence of the fees of the classical pupils being lowered.

He sailed for Canada, May, 1851, and was appointed to the Cayuga School, which he retained six months, and was then offered Galt School, where he remained one year, having been requested to take the Toronto Grammar School, on the demise of Mr. Crombie. On leaving Toronto in 1866 he went to Australia, where he filled the position of Head Master of Newington College, Parramatta, for many years till obliged to resign from ill-health, which resulted in his death on the 3rd of August, 1884.

EXAMINATION HUMOUR.

NATIONAL Exchequer is the person who collects all the cheques which belong to the nation.

HABEAS Corpus Act enacted that no woman or descendant of a woman should sit on the throne of France, 1679.

THE Declaration of Rights is that any man can vote for whoever he wants to without its being known.

OLIVER CROMWELL was protector, he was found to be extravagant and he was executed.

NATIONAL Exchequer is the person who attends to the money matters of the nation.

EXCHEQUER means cashier of all Britain's money.

The above are selections from answers given by pupils at the recent Entrance Examination for High Schools.