

THE ACADIAN

WOLFVILLE, N. S., DEC. 29, 1899.

The Closing Year.

Before another issue of this paper 1899 will be numbered with the many years already gone.

As to the events of world-wide interest only a few can here be noted. In the far East, the anxiety about China has been considerable, while the war in the Philippines has "dragged its slow length along."

The relations of Great Britain and the United States are cordial, although the failure of the Canadian government to secure a settlement of the Alaskan boundary dispute, and its utter failure, after all the liberal promises and predictions, to improve the trade arrangements between Canada and the R-public show that Mr Chamberlain's oratorical flights about an alliance are premature at least.

In Canada, the abundant crops have maintained business in its comparatively prosperous state and we can hope the coming year will witness growth in our country of all that is best and truest.

It is quite generally admitted that the remarkable success of Hugh John Macdonald in the late political elections in Manitoba is attributable to a large degree to the strong stand which the Opposition took upon the temperance question and the uncertain attitude of the Greenway government to this reform.

The end news was received here on Wednesday of the death, of heart disease, of Mr Temple Piers, at Philadelphia. He had been in poor health, but at last advice was recovering, and the news of his death was a great shock to his friends.

The Christmas number of the Farmers Advocate, of London, Ont., has reached our table. It is a splendid issue and reflects much credit upon its publishers.

Mr John Donaldson, of Church Street, planted an orchard of 100 apple trees of the Ben Davis variety in 1889. He has made a careful estimate of what he has received from these trees in the ten years as follows: 162 barrels, for which was realized in the neighborhood of \$411.

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The Teachers' Institute.

One hundred teachers from Kings and Hants counties met in Canning, on Wednesday, 20th inst., and on that and the two following days held a very successful Teachers' Institute.

At the first meeting, after enrollment of members, Inspector Roscoe, the president, welcomed the teachers most heartily to a participation in the work and privileges of the Institute. In his remarks he referred to the varied and onerous work of the teacher, and the different methods of doing it, and to their results. He said it is as much the duty of the teacher to inspire his pupils to love study and become students as to teach. All were encouraged to contribute their thoughts as freely as they received the thoughts of others. Thus would the sum total of gain to teachers be augmented.

The first paper, on "Composition in the Public Schools," by Miss M. A. McKenzie, B. A., was well prepared, well received and well discussed. The writer recommended that composition be begun at an early stage, that pupils be taught to observe and put in simple language what they see and that almost every lesson may be made to furnish material for compositions.

Mr Percy J. Shaw, B. A., read a paper on "Agricultural Teaching." He said this subject included all the sciences. He would have it taught as a means to secure the best mental culture and discipline, as a method of giving the right impression of the occupation of farming, and as the best of nature studies. Mr Shaw was followed by an address by Mr Bruce, both of whom hold diplomas for teaching agriculture. The discussion that followed brought out many excellent points.

The second session was opened at 9 a. m. on Thursday. The first paper was by Miss Etta J. Yull, B. A., on "The Educational Value of a Study of Literature." The paper was a fine specimen of good English, and was full of practical thoughts on the best methods of teaching literature. For young pupils she would read good, well written stories and encourage them to give the import of these in their own language. The meaning of words, phrases, and sentences should be studied under the direction of the teacher. For older pupils in the Common School, easy poems and more difficult pieces of prose should be studied in the same way. For the High School this preparation would be of great value. The aim should be to get pupils to see the beauties in literature and read.

Mr J. N. Stuart's paper on "The Three R's," dealt with the subj in a forcible, pointed manner, peculiar to the writer. He called attention to many lax methods in teaching these subjects. From the paper and the discussion that followed a listener would conclude that reading should form the primer stage, be most carefully taught, so that all pupils should read distinctly, pronounce correctly, and bring out the true meaning of what is read. In Arithmetic much depends upon the complete mastery of the fundamental rules so that pupils may add, subtract, multiply and divide rapidly and make no errors. After the principles are grasped, the advanced rules should be learned by the shortest possible methods. Many suggestions as to how to hold the pen, how to form letters etc., were presented on the subject of writing.

The afternoon session was opened by an address by Mr Clarke Gormley, B. A., on "The Preparation of Simple Physical Apparatus." He explained the construction, cost and use of several pieces of such apparatus of his own handy-work. The address was instructive and very helpful. He invited teachers to ask questions, which he answered promptly and satisfactorily.

Miss Antoinette Forbes, B. A., of Windsor, then read a paper on "The Teaching of Entomology in the Schools." This paper was one of great excellence both on account of its literary merit and suggestions as to the best method of teaching the subject. From the prominence given to this subject in the course of study, this paper and the discussion which followed must prove invaluable to the members of the Institute.

Mr J. S. Layton, B. A., concluded the session by an address on "Drawing—How to Teach it." He illustrated what he had to say by drawings on the blackboard. By questions the Institute drew Mr Layton on to an extended address, that proved most profitable and instructive.

The evening session was devoted to a public meeting addressed by G. U. Hay, Esq., M. A., editor of the Educational Review, and Rev. Thomas Trotter, D. D., president of Acadia University. Mr Hay spoke on The Educational Outlook, and Dr. Trotter on The Dignity of the Teaching Office. Both of these addresses were of such a character that they cannot be reported with any degree of justice to the speakers, without giving them verbatim. Their matter was most excellent and they were delivered in a manner that secured the closest attention and elicited much applause. To all, these addresses were stimulating, suggestive and instructive.

President Roscoe here reported that Dr. A. H. McKay, Superintendent of Education, had written asking him to express his regret that he could not be present at the meeting of the Institute and that he had sent an Agricultural Diploma and a fifty dollar prize to be awarded to a teacher at this meeting. In presenting these the president called attention to the fact that two teachers in Kings county were now qualified, and authorized by the Council of Instruction to give lectures in connection with their

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schools on this subject. These were Mr Charles J. Bruce, of Lower Canada, and Mr Percy J. Shaw, B. A., to whom it was now his pleasure to hand the diploma and fifty dollar prize. For the service of lecturing each would receive \$100 annually from the Provincial Treasury.

Friday morning session opened by an address by Mr Hay on "Observation, the Basis of Nature Study." This address was practical, and highly appreciated by the Institute. Mr Hay, by his sympathetic and timely addresses as well as by his frank and friendly intercourse with the teachers won a warm place in the hearts of the teachers of Inspectorate No. 5. We will be glad to welcome him and Dr. Trotter again on our way.

The Committee on the Question Box reported at this stage. Their answers, which were concise, instructive and sometimes humorous, called forth repeated responses and applause. This was a pleasant feature of the Institute. The next Institute will be held in Windsor. The officers are: Inspector Roscoe, president; Miss A. Forbes, vice-president; J. A. Smith, Secy.-Treas.; Geo. Higgins, W. Shields, L. D. Robinson and Miss Yull, Ex. Committee.

Throughout the whole of the sessions teachers were prompt to speak and discuss any question under consideration. This and the evident sympathetic relations between the teachers and the president made this one more to add to list of pleasant and successful Institutes held in Inspectorate District No. 5.

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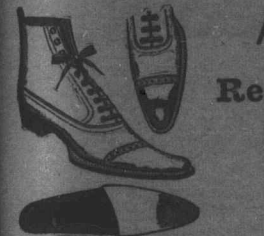
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The ACADIAN wishes everybody bright and happy New Year.

Good out-door skating has been enjoyed this week by the young people.

Attention is directed to the adv. of auction to be held at Hortonville Jan. 6th.

All interested in hockey are invited to meet at Shaw's barber-shop to-night 8.30 o'clock.

The name of the new post recently established at Wallbrook "Melancon."

We understand that Mr J. E. For has sold his residence on High Street to Mr J. D. Chambers.

The annual meeting of the Municipal Council will be held at the court house, on Tuesday, Jan. 9th.

Our merchants did a large Xmas this year. Last week was one of the busiest that Wolfville has seen for some time.

The schooner Grenville arrived from John on her last trip for this season week. She has been laid up for winter here.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed at St. Andrew's next Sunday morning. The services partake of the nature of a service, as next Sunday of the Electric Supply Company was a success from Halifax, and last night were in operation as usual.

Shipping continues brisk at the On Christmas Day we counted then six vessels lying at our wharf. This is quite an unusual thing for this season of the year—in fact the season has witnessed a large amount of shipping here.

Mr Walton Harris, formerly a planer, who was in South Africa beginning of the war, is said to have been forced to enlist in the Boer army and to have been wounded and prisoner by the British in one of his early engagements.

Owing to some irregularity in the light plant the town was in darkness on Wednesday evening. As the plant is the Halifax branch of the Electric Supply Company was a success from Halifax, and last night were in operation as usual.

Our attention has been called to the extraordinary conduct of a number of frequent the railway station times. Their conduct is very irregular and should be put to travellers and should be put to rest. We would suggest that the railway require the attendance of the police at the station at train times.

Many will be pleased to hear that Miss Maudie E. Baker has just a book of poems. The volume is titled "Ten Symphonies" and is a pretty volume. It is the work of Miss Maudie E. Baker, who was at one time Acadia Seminary. She now resides in Halifax.

The death of Clarence Bishop, son of Arthur Bishop, of Grand occurred at Summit, California, 13th. Mr Bishop left here some years ago, and was thirty years of age. He had prospered in life, and occupied a position in the mining business. The cause of the death of which came as a surprise to his relatives and friends here.