

Italy. All hail to their heroic loyalty and firm determination to stand by her to the end, till light dispels the gloom.'

Sir Robert Borden, Premier of Canada, has visited the Canadian troops in France; and while there has been decorated with the grand cross of the Legion of Honour, the highest mark of esteem which France can bestow. While in England he received many honours; and he was present by invitation at a meeting of the British cabinet; foretelling, perhaps the coming change which shall admit colonial statesmen to a part in the Imperial Government.

Admiral Lord Fisher, having resigned his position as First Sea Lord of the Admiralty, has been placed at the head of a committee or board of inventions, which is to encourage scientific work in relation to the requirements of the navy.

Sir Sanford Fleming, whose death took place in Halifax last month, was the surveyor whose work showed the practicability of building a railway through British territory from the Atlantic to the Pacific, a scheme which developed into the present Canadian Pacific Railway System. He had much to do with the adoption of standard time for railway service everywhere. In recognition of his public services, he was made a Knight Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

The name of the Intercolonial Railway is soon to disappear, when that railway and the Canadian Northern will together be known as the Canadian Government Railways.

Matters in Mexico have been going from bad to worse, until now it may be said that there is scarcely any semblance of a government in the country. The capital has changed hands several times between the Zapata, the Carranza and the Villa forces. The latest plan of restoring order is that of a joint intervention by the United States and some or all of the Central and South American republics.

Hayti, which has had eight presidents in the last seven years, now has none, unless Dr. Bobo, the leader of the latest revolution, may be recognized as ruler. President Guillaume Sam was taken from his place of refuge at the French legation by an angry mob and put to death, in the last week in July, in revenge for the death of one hundred and sixty political prisoners who were said to have been shot by his orders. Further violence is feared, and the United States is sending ships for the protection of the foreign residents.

SCHOOL AND COLLEGE.

The Rural Science Schools in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia are being largely attended. The Truro, N. S., school has 155 students, and of these 17 have returned to do graduate work. The new agricultural school at Sussex N. B., was formally opened on July 13th. The course there is being taken by the full number of students that the equipment provides for. A number of these are doing second year work. At the Woodstock, N. B., school 60 students are attending. The teachers at Sussex are:— R. P. Steeves, M. A., Director and Instructor in Method; H. H. Hagerman, M. A., Inspector in Soil, Physics and Chemistry; Prof. H. G. Perry, Animal Life; Dr. J. B.

Dandeno, Nature Study and School Gardening; Director F. Peacock, Farm Mechanics, Book-keeping and Drawing; Miss Jean Peacock, Domestic Science.

At Woodstock Inspector F. B. Meagher is in charge during the absence of Director Steeves in Sussex.

The instructors are as follows:—

Dr. Bigelow of Brown University, soils, chemistry and physics.

J. E. McLarty, Guelph, plant life.

Alden B. Dawson, Acadia, animal life.

Mr. Murray, P. N. S., farm arithmetic, bookkeeping, woods, drawing and farm mechanics.

Miss Turner, domestic science.

Over 300 boys are to go into the Boy Scouts' camp at Chipman, N. B., in the first week of August.

While the supply of qualified and experienced teachers in New Brunswick is by no means equal to the demand, the applicants for Normal School entrance increase steadily. Seven hundred and twenty-nine students applied for the year 1915-16, an increase of 100 over last year.

Rev. Dr. Campbell, who for four years has been the Principal of Mount Allison Ladies College, Sackville, N. B., has resigned to devote himself entirely to the work of professor in the University in connection with the Mount Allison Forward Movement, which includes the raising of money to increase the endowment fund and to erect a science building. Dr. Borden has been appointed acting principal until a successor to Dr. Campbell is secured.

Miss Evangeline Belliveau, teacher of the advanced department of the school at Pre d'en Hant, N. B., has resigned her post. Before leaving, Miss Belliveau was presented with a locket and an address by her appreciative pupils.

Mr. Elmer C. Close, of Upper Keswick, N. B., winner of the Governor General's silver medal at the Provincial Normal School, has been appointed principal of the Nashwaaksis school, succeeding Mr. Stanley Harvey, who resigned. Miss Cecil Gallagher, of Fredericton, will continue in charge of the primary department.

The University of St. Francis Xavier has just received a new professor for the department of geology and mineralogy, a position left vacant by the appointment of Dr. Hugh McPherson as district representative in the department of agriculture. The new professor is James S. Macdonald, B. Sc., a native of Guysborough and a former student of St. Francis Xavier.

We regret to record the death of Miss Margaret Alice Clarke, for over thirty years a member of the staff of the New Brunswick Normal School.

The Imperial Conference of Teachers, arranged to be held in Toronto in the summer of 1916, was cancelled at the annual meeting of the League of the Empire on July 17th. This step was taken on the advice of Hon. Dr. Pyne, Minister of Education for Ontario.

Mr. Malcolm Lent will be Vice-Principal of the Westville, N. S., schools for the coming year.

Miss Jean Johnston, of Great Village, N. S., who has been a successful primary teacher in Pictou, has resigned