

metic or thinking it was anything but a demon, until these last two weeks when we were having the thresher as the general theme. I raised an argument on the sizes and weights of a bag of oats and they started at it. It keeps me busy hunting for new attractive points every day.—*M. Grace Walley, River John.*

The Library Corner is making a big "hit." As soon as the rush is over we are going to raise money in every section to begin a real library. Five have already begun to practise for entertainments. Two schools were going to paint outside, but I believe they found it impossible to get the painters to work so late in the season. However, they were more than willing to have it done. Nearly every school is plowing for a garden, and there is no end to the things some of the teachers are doing via improvement. Truly they are a great bunch.—*Jennie Malcolm, Tatamagouche.*

The School Improvement Week is the best yet. The meetings in the other sections were similar to the first in L. Barney's River, only a slight improvement every time. The meeting in Avondale (a decidedly sleepy section) Monday, was the biggest success. I taught the children a little flag drill and salutation in the afternoon and that brought the parents in the evening. It takes very little energy on our part sometimes to strike the right chord.

At the Box Social in L. Barney's River last evening, the proceeds were \$100, in aid of School Improvement.

Did I tell you that Rev. Father MacKinnon will donate a Victrola with popular songs to the Lismore School? That school building is very comfortable.

Scotsburn and Sunny Brae have the best buildings—up-to-date. Those sections are starting the library. Scotsburn is going in strong and they want the first prize. That means they will do the thing right.—*Tina J. MacCarthy.*

#### NOTES.

In New Brunswick, Certificates of Award, are granted to the three pupils scoring highest in their exhibits at the School Fair. These may be framed and kept in the school room until the next year.

Now that Christmas rush is over, there is time to think of organizing Girl Guides and Boy Scouts, and the Local Teachers' Institute to meet once a month is also a good thing.

Dr. Frank Crane says our Educational System will not be democratic until it does as much for the future bricklayers, carpenters and plasterers as it does for the future doctors, lawyers, preachers and teachers.

Why cannot every school have its Public Health Committee, its Recreation Committee and similar organizations? Children enjoy and need responsibilities.