

The closing exercises of the Provincial Normal School at Truro were this year of unusual interest. On the platform with the principal were ex-Principal Calkin, Attorney-General Longley, Chief Superintendent MacKay, Dr. G. U. Hay, of St. John; Hon. A. McGillivray, of Antigonish; Rev. Father Dagneau, of St. Anne's School, Church Point; W. E. McLellan, of Halifax; and Dr. Adams, of Glasgow, Scotland. Father Dagneau spoke in French, the others, in English; and the Chief Superintendent presented the diplomas to successful candidates.

On June 21st last an entertainment was given by teacher and pupils of School District No. 12, Parish of Lancaster, St. John Co. (Pisarinco), in the public hall. There was realized the handsome sum of \$51.36. This amount will be devoted to improving the school equipment in the way of additional maps, a globe, blackboard surface, a teacher's table, etc. The services of Miss Girdwood have been secured for another term at least.

At the annual school meeting of District No. 1, North Head, Parish of Grand Manan, Edmund Daggett, Esq., retired from the trusteeship. He has been a member of the school board continuously since the organization of the district immediately after the passing of the N. B. School Act, and during nearly all that time has been secretary of trustees as well. His services in this double capacity have made a record hard to beat.

T. H. McKay, M. A. (Dal.), son of Supervisor McKay, of Halifax, has been appointed assistant in physics at Harvard University.

At a social held in Canobie, District No. 10, Gloucester County, under the direction of Miss Jennie M. Dunphy, the teacher, the sum of \$23 was raised. This amount will be used to purchase desks for the school.

Murray Macneil, B. A. (Dal.), son of Rev. L. G. Macneil, St. John, has been appointed a teaching fellow in mathematics at McGill University.

Douglas McIntosh, B. Sc. (Dal.), has been appointed senior demonstrator in chemistry at McGill University, and Eben Archibald, B. Sc. (Dal.), has been appointed a demonstrator in chemistry at the same university.

Principal Frank Simpson, G. W. McKenzie, G. G. Archibald, all recent graduates in arts at Dalhousie College, have been appointed to the New Glasgow high school staff.

Mr. Jos. Mills, B. A. (U. N. B.), principal of the Charlotte street school, Fredericton, is spending his vacation at Harvard, taking a special course in English.

Percy B. Perkins, B. A. (U. N. B.), and winner of the Governor General's gold medal, has been granted \$150 from the Price-Greenleaf Aid Fund, to enable him to attend Harvard University next term.

Mr. R. D. Hanson, recently principal of the Petitcodiac Superior School, has been appointed to the principalship of the grammar school, Bathurst, N. B.

B. P. Steeves, B. A. (Mt. Allison), recently principal of the Bloomfield, Kings County, Superior School, has been appointed to the principalship of the Dorchester, N. B., Superior School.

H. B. Steeves, B. A. (Mt. Allison), has been appointed to the high school staff, Moncton. In July Mr. Steeves was united in marriage to Miss Bessie Harper, Shediac. The REVIEW tenders its heartiest congratulations and good wishes to the happy pair.

Mr. J. W. Menzie has resigned the principalship of the Norton Station, N. B., Superior School after six years of service. Mr. Menzie was presented by his scholars with a gold headed cane as a mark of their esteem.

Stewart McDonald, B. A. (Dal.), has been granted a scholarship of \$300 in philosophy at Cornell University.

The retirement of Miss M. Maude Narraway, of the St. John High School staff, to be united in marriage to Mr. Chas. F. Sanford, took place at the close of last term. Miss Narraway's career has been particularly successful. The REVIEW extends its hearty congratulations, with wishes for a prosperous and happy married life.

Mr. A. C. M. Lawson, recently of the Superior School, Salisbury, has accepted the principalship of the Chipman, N. B., Superior School, the late principal, Mr. C. F. Dole, having entered the university.

Mr. R. Tuttle, of Bathurst, has accepted the principalship of the Blackville Superior School.

RECENT BOOKS.

LES MALHEURS DE SOPHIE. Edited by Eliz. M. White, Worcester, Mass. Cloth. Pages 76. Price, 45 cents. D. C. Heath & Co., Boston, Mass.

"The misfortunes of Sophie" will prove to be a very amusing book for children, and with the notes, vocabulary, questions in French, also English exercises, will serve as an excellent reading book for those beginning French.

MacMillan's New Geography Readers: AFRICA AND AUSTRALASIA. Gloth. Pages 279. Price 1s. 6d. Macmillan & Company, London, 1902.

These divisions of the world are interesting to us at all times, doubly so at present. The appearance of this reader cannot fail to draw increased attention to them at the present. The readers are illustrated, written in an entertaining way, and cannot fail to be of great use and interest to students of geography.