

tem of examination which has been adopted this year, and I trust the results from the different sections will prove sufficiently satisfactory to justify a renewal of the same system.' Mr. Jackson, of Waterloo, writes: "Allow me to express my hearty appreciation of the examination questions. They were fair, and ample time was given in which to answer them. I think this will tend more than anything else to encourage the pupils in all grades to take the full course another year." And as none of these opinions were solicited, but came from the teachers themselves, altogether spontaneously, there may be found some excuse for placing upon record the following additional evidence that the satisfaction is general. Mr. McQuat, of Lachute, says that his pupils are now all alive to the grading of the classes, and some who would not fall in line to prepare were in a sad condition on the day of the examination. "When I prohibited some of them," he continues, "from writing they expressed their willingness and desire to do all they could, nor did the interest of those who wrote flag during the whole three days. I expect to have a fully graded academy to open with next spring. Whatever may be the result of these examinations, I am confident they are just what we want, and I wish them every success. They may press a little heavily at first upon some, but in my opinion they are exactly what was needed in this province, and I shall ever be ready to co-operate in every particular to make the plan successful." Mr. Holiday says of the papers: "In my opinion they were the best set of examination papers since these examinations were established. I like the plan of dividing into sections and selecting from each. I hope it will be followed in July examinations; while Rev. D. W. Morrison, of Ormstown, one of the sub-examiners," writes: "Whatever may be the result, so far as the standing of our school is concerned, we are agreed that the method adopted, if faithfully carried out, is an improvement on the last, and must lead to much more satisfactory results." In regard to the time of holding the examinations, there seems to be a very general feeling among the Academy teachers in favor of the first of June. This, however, is not the case among our Model School teachers, who generally find the number in attendance at its lowest towards the end of May. As it is the purpose of these examina-