

As the years have passed the Curriculum has somewhat changed. Our School has the fullest possible Course, extending to the Commercial Work, introduced during the past year. The Course for Junior Matriculation and of Entrance into the Normal School are taken up in the School; also the General Course, including Book-Keeping, Shorthand and Typewriting.

The same proportion of stress is not now laid upon the Classics. We believe that each year brings a more evenly balanced Curriculum—a Curriculum calculated to fill the needs of the present day, to fit Pupils for Mercantile life, for Literary careers, for the Professions—above all, to fit them to occupy positions of Honour and of Trust. In accordance with the times, the means of achieving this end have changed; the end itself remains, endures, and is the end of Education, which is the development of the individual, physically, mentally, and morally, and, through the development of the individual, the development of those whose lives he touches.

The Secretary adds: Our Play and Flower Grounds contain six acres,—ample room for our Flower Beds and for Various kinds of School Games. All the Pupils of the Vienna High School who competed for Second-Class Certificates, valid throughout the Province, have passed, and two of them received Honours at the last Midsummer Examination.

A History of Vienna would be incomplete without this reference to her Schools. The Town is situated on the Big Otter Creek, three miles north of Port Burwell. . . . Its settlement dates back to 1818, when a Common School was in operation there, but it was not until 1831 that a Log School House was built. This was situated on the north side of the Plank Road, on the east Bank of the Creek. It was taught by a Mr. Brooks. The various Religious Denominations held Religious services in that School House, before any Churches were built. As the Village increased in size and population, it became necessary to put up a larger School House, which was accordingly done, the Building being situated on the west side of Main Street. (Prepared by Mr. J. T. Gamble, Vienna.)

VIENNA, January 9th, 1910.

JOHN BRUSHER, *Secretary.*

SCHOOL INCIDENTS, AS RECALLED BY A RESIDENT.

On Empire Day, May 23rd, 1909, the High and Public Schools united in a Concert, which was held in one of the High School Rooms, and it was a decided success. All those taking part did their best, and their efforts were much appreciated by the other Students and by the Visitors. Toward the close of the Programme the Reverend Mr. Johnson gave a little Pleasant and Patriotic talk to the Pupils. His remarks, which were suited to the Patriotic Spirit of the Day, were very acceptable to the Children, who gave him their closest attention. The Selections used for the Concert were also entirely Patriotic, and the Choruses of the School were all of the same Nature.

A MORNING WALK TO VIENNA HIGH SCHOOL FIFTY YEARS AGO.

I wish to tell you of "A Morning Walk to School Fifty Years Ago," as it was told me by my Grandmother. I write it just as she told it me:

At the particular time to which I refer I was living at what is now Port Burwell. My home was just on the Bank of the Lake. There was no School nearer to us than Vienna, so of course I had to go there and walk to it too.