

- =9 they waged? Why are they important events in English history?
- 8×8 4. In whose reign did those eminent persons live, and =9 for what is each of them distinguished: Thomas à Becket, Sir Walter Raleigh, William Pitt?
- 5×8 5. What was the cause of the Great Civil War in Eng- =15 land? Who were the principal persons engaged in it? What were its results?
- 12 6. What are the principal differences between the British Parliament and that of the Dominion?

DICTIONARY.

TIME—TWENTY MINUTES.

Examiner—J. C. GLASHAN.

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Notes and News.

ONTARIO.

W. J. Summerby, formerly Head Master of Kingston Model School, has been appointed Inspector of the Counties of Prescott and Russell.

Record of Farmersville High School, as changed by appeals—1 A, 10 B, 5 Intermediate, total 16, none of whom had ever passed Intermediate before. In addition to these, 28 others passed Third Class Examination. In the last four years this school has sent out 91 Third Class teachers, in addition to Second Class and Intermediate.

Oakville High School is steadily advancing under the able management of Mr. Wellwood, the head master. Six candidates were successful in passing the last Intermediate examination, two at the preceding.

At the South Hastings Model School, successful work has been done under Mr. Irwin, twenty-six pupils having passed at the late examination at Belleville.

The Model School for the County of Wellington held its first session for the current year with commendable success, at Mount Forest. All the candidates, twenty-four in number, obtained their certificates. At the close of the examination, the teachers presented the principal, Mr. Westervelt, and Dr. Yeomans, each with a piece of plate as an expression of esteem.

Mr. J. M. H. Harrison, elocutionist, Woodstock, writes to say that he leaves next Saturday "for a trip to the Holy Land, but will be back in time to make arrangements with the spring Teachers' Associations."

Cortez Fessenden, Esq., M.A., Principal of Brampton High School, has accepted a similar appointment at Napanee, at a salary of \$1200, Brampton only giving \$1000. The Brampton High School has attained a high record of success under Mr. Fessenden, and the trustees of so large a town and so flourishing a county ought not to be behind smaller towns in the payment of their teachers.

Smithville High School has organized a literary and debating society, to be known as the Clonian Society. President and Critic, A. C. Crossley, B.A.; Vice-President, S. A. Morgan; Secretary-Treasurer, Thos. Scales, B.A.; Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Minnie Collier.

Mr. Michele, late head master of the Perth High School, has been appointed by the County Council inspector of schools—a good appointment, as Mr. Michele's practical fitness for the office has been so well tested in his own locality.

The Listowel High School Board have resolved to petition the Minister of Education in favor of abolishing the distinction between High Schools and Collegiate Institutes.

The township of Euphemia has this year expended an aggregate sum of about \$5,000 in new school-houses.

A Hastings journal publishes a list of pupils on the roll of the Stirling Public School whose attendance has fallen under the four months required by law.

The Brockville High School Board have resolved to cut down their staff to a head-master, at a salary of \$1,200, and an assistant, at a salary of \$1,000.

D. A. McMichael, B.A. (Tor.), has been appointed head master of the Strathroy High School, with Messrs. H. D. Johnston and D. L. Leitch as his assistants, the salaries being \$1,000, \$800 and \$650 respectively.

At a recent meeting of the Ottawa School Board, one of the trustees called attention to the falling off in the attendance of pupils, and spoke in favor of a corresponding reduction in the teaching staff of the city.

A correspondent of the *Seaforth Expositor* complains of the practice, still too extensively indulged in by inspectors, of granting permits. When holders of regular certificates are so numerous it should not be necessary to grant a single permit.

The Secretary of the Listowel Public School Board has been instructed to notify parents who neglect to send their children to school that proceedings will be taken against them for such neglect unless they at once comply with the law.

PRESENTATION.—A magnificent gold-headed cane was presented on a late occasion to Mr. J. Hyttenrauch by his music pupils of the East Middlesex Model School, London, Ont.

Mr. R. Pickard, the winner this year of the Gilchrist scholarship, is an alumnus of the University of New Brunswick. Mr. Pickard had his right arm disabled while preparing for the examination. He was compelled to write for the scholarship by an amanuensis. A full statement of the case was transmitted to the Senate of the London University, and no exception was taken to this mode of examination.

The Public Schools in Guelph opened on the 1st of September. Upwards of 1200 names are on the registers, and of these there is an actual attendance of about 1,000. Twenty-four teachers have been employed for some time, but by a re-arrangement of the boys, classes, one has been dispensed with, so that there are now twenty-three. The schools are all graded, there being two teachers of First Book, two of Second, seven of First and Second, in the Ward Schools, six of Third and six of Fourth, three males and three females. Sixteen of these are engaged in the Central School Building, and the others in the Ward Schools. These last have been repaired, whitewashed, repainted, and furnished with new furniture during the holidays. Guelph can now point with some degree of satisfaction to its Public Schools, and will compare favorably with any town or city in Ontario. All the schools are supplied with water from the water works.

The average attendance of pupils at the Goderich High School, of which Mr. H. J. Strang, M.A., is head master, has been 125 during the half-year ending last July.

On visiting the public school at Clifton, we were greatly taken with the neatly drawn maps in colored crayons on the blackboard in the 3rd class apartment. In the 4th class room, various designs consisting of ornamental writing, graceful outlines of birds and flowers, Egyptian figures, &c., were most tastefully drawn. The idea is a good one, as it tends to cultivate neatness, elegance, and grace, besides adding considerably to the pupils' improvement in penmanship and geography. We were informed by Mr. Dobbie, principal, that at last entrance examination for high schools, 30 pupils from this school passed.

A literary society has been formed in the High School, Goderich, and the subscriptions are expended in purchasing a library containing many valuable books of reference in science, literature, and art. The library is at present well stocked, and additional volumes are added as funds permit.

In Oakville High School, six candidates passed at the last Intermediate examination, namely, one A, three B's, and two in Intermediate standing.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Prof. Schurman, M. A., Ph. D. has entered upon his duties as Professor of Logic and Political Economy at Acadia College. In 1875, Mr. Schurman won the Gilchrist Scholarship for the Dominion. He graduated B. A. at the University of London in 1877. He has subsequently secured the degree of Doctor of Science from the University of Edinburgh, and spent two years in attendance at the German Universities of Heidelberg, Göttingen and Leipzig. The Professor is justly deemed an important addition to the already distinguished faculty of Acadia.

The next school year bids fair to be one of great activity, as regards the erection and improvement of school buildings. The ratepayers of the town of Sydney, C.B., have "voted supplies" for erecting a new County Academy on a scale worthy of that important Centre of population and influences. The Section of Cow Bay, C. B., is building a School House said to be the finest Public