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WHY should not an educational journal be considered a necessity in the home as well as other journals? It will help parents to take an interest in the schools, and to form a more intelligent idea of the work of education. It will help the teacher, because there will be acquired in the home a better knowledge of educational methods, a livelier interest in the work of the school-room, and a more active sympathy with the teacher's work. And no educational paper will better help to bring about this desirable result than the EDUCATIONAL REVIEW.

DURING the past week circulars have been addressed to upwards of fifteen hundred school boards asking them to take a more active part in education by subscribing for the REVIEW. We confidently expect in a short time that every intelligent board of trustees in these provinces will receive and read this journal, if from no other consideration than the fact that it will enable them to perform their duties more intelligently, with better practical results, and with less expense to the rate-payers. Official notices will appear from time to time in the REVIEW, and it will thus form a medium

of communication between trustees and the superintendents of education and other school officers. An inspector thus sets forth how valuable the REVIEW may thus become:

"The efforts you are making to bring the EDUCATIONAL REVIEW to the notice of boards of school trustees, as well as teachers, meet with my hearty approval. If the REVIEW were taken and read by trustees, not only would they take a more intelligent interest in the welfare of the schools, but, it is also my opinion, that from a financial point of view, such a course would foster true economy in their management of school affairs. In repairing school houses and furnishing equipments, trustees are often hampered by not knowing the cheapest and best way to proceed. Useless expenditure is sometimes made. Such a paper as the REVIEW should, and would, be of great advantage by timely articles, suggestions and directions. The REVIEW would also lead to a more intimate acquaintance with the practical work of the school-room, and assist trustees in judging of the merits of teachers. I cordially commend its perusal to all trustees.

WHAT an agreeable impression it makes to get from a correspondent (a lady, we will say) a letter with these conditions carefully observed: Dainty, spotless note-paper; broad, white envelope; neat, but not cramped, handwriting, and written in a terse and graceful style. An appropriate monogram is not out of place on note-paper, but save us from perfumery, especially if the note is on business. If a note, when written, has the slightest suggestion of a blot, consign it to the flames and begin again. Cultivate these essentials most assiduously. It will pay—in added self-respect, and winning the respect of others. It costs only a few cents more to lay in a stock of good note-paper and envelopes. The use of coarse, cheap stationery denotes a lack of—well, of carelessness of the courtesies of life, at least.

THERE is a movement on foot to establish local natural history societies in New Brunswick, and the plan is likely to produce excellent results. To have a local museum into which could be placed specimens of the natural history of the surrounding locality, with an active society to find out and study the local plants, animals, minerals, and also the local history, would accomplish excellent results in making the resources of