

2. *Superior Schools in Towns or Villages having three Graded Departments.*—The highest Department shall constitute the Superior School, and shall not be called upon to perform work under the Standard VII of the graded course. Provision shall be made for giving instruction in a course specially provided for such schools, to extend over a period of three years.

3. *Superior Schools in Districts having two Graded Departments.*—The second or highest Department shall form the Superior School and shall not be called upon to perform work under Standard V of the graded course. A special course extending over a period of four years shall be prescribed for such schools.

4. *Superior Schools in Districts having no Graded Schools.*—An ungraded school in a country district may be recognized as a Superior School, provided a class room Assistant is employed, and the daily average attendance of pupils is 30 or upwards. For such schools a special course will be prescribed.

5. The school accommodation and appliances in all Superior Schools must be satisfactory to the Inspector, who shall report thereon to the Chief Superintendent.

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

The Master of a Grammar School must hold a Grammar School License from the Board of Education and be in receipt of an annual salary of at least \$350 from the Board of Trustees, to entitle him to the Provincial grant of \$150.

1. *Grammar Schools in the Cities of Saint John and Fredericton.*—(Specially provided for.)

2. *Grammar Schools in Towns.*—Grammar Schools in Towns having a graded course shall make provision for giving instruction in not less than two standards in advance of Standard VIII, and must have competent pupils studying in at least Standard IX. If there are no competent pupils engaged in the study of Standard X, the Board of Trustees may place pupils in Standards VII and VIII, but not in a lower Standard, under the immediate instruction of the Grammar School Master.

Should there be competent pupils engaged in the study of Standard X, and the whole number of enrolled pupils exceed 30, the Board of Trustees must either relieve the Master from teaching Standard VII, or employ a licensed assistant.

If Standard XI is provided for and if competent pupils are engaged in its study as well as pupils in Standards IX and X the Board of Trustees shall not exact from the Master work in any lower Standard unless the enrolled number of pupils falls below 25. If the enrolled number of pupils falls below 25, the Grammar School Inspector shall determine what additional work, if any, shall be assigned to the Master.

It shall be competent for the Trustees of any Town or Grammar School to require the Master to teach Latin to pupils who may belong to grades VII and VIII, in another Department, provided the Teacher of these grades is not qualified to teach the subject.

3. *Grammar Schools in Villages.*—When a Grammar School is established in a village having two Departments, the highest Department shall be considered the Grammar School. For such a department a course of instruction in advance of Standard IV of the graded course shall be prescribed, embracing four consecutive Standards. Classics and Mathematics shall be included in the course. Should no competent pupils be engaged in the study of either Classics or Mathematics in advance of Standard VI of the course within the third term after the First of November, 1884, or should at any time thereafter one year elapse during which no pupils have been engaged in such studies in advance of this Standard, the school shall fall below the rank of a Grammar School.

If the full course of instruction is not in operation, and if the number of pupils is under 30, the Inspector shall determine what additional work, if any, may be required of the Master.

4. The school accommodation and appliances must be satisfactory to Grammar School Inspector, who shall report thereon to the Superintendent.

The following orders were made by the Board of Education, June 10th, 1884:—

1. The Inspector may issue an Assistant's License of the Third Class, to be of force during the School Term for which it is issued, to any person qualified to act in the capacity of a Class-Room Assistant in an ungraded school having fifty pupils or upwards, but shall not renew the same without the special permission of the Board of Education or Chief Superintendent. Such license shall be valid only in the School for which it is issued, and shall not qualify the holder to act in any other capacity than that of Class-room Assistant. Every license issued hereunder shall be at once reported by

the Inspector, with the designation of the school, to the Chief Superintendent.

2. When a licensed teacher cannot be obtained by the Board of Trustees of a school district or recommended by the Inspector, he may, until otherwise ordered, issue a license of the Third Class to any suitable person to teach the school in such district for one term, but shall not renew the same or any license issued by him, without the express permission of the Board of Education or Chief Superintendent. Any license issued hereunder shall be at once reported to the Chief Superintendent.

The Chief Superintendent attended Northumberland County Institute, at Chatham, and gave a public address on educational matters, referring particularly to the recent changes in the Law and the Regulations.

All the Grammar Schools provided for by the amended law passed last winter will go into operation this term, as applications have been made to the Department for the Provincial Grants on the terms prescribed.

It is expected that a large proportion of the new Superior Schools contemplated by the Law will be established this season.

The dedication of the new Memorial Hall in connection with Mount Allison College, Sackville, took place, with appropriate ceremonies, on the 10th October.

The site for the new buildings for the Baptist Seminary, St. John, N. B., has not yet been finally decided upon.

H. V. B. Bridges, A.M., lately Principal of the Church Hall Schools, Fredericton, is now on the staff of the Collegiate School. So is B. H. Foster, A.B. It is said that important changes are to be made in the constitution of the school.

W. F. Ganong, A.B., has taken a school at St. Stephen, in room of Jas. Vroom, who goes to Presqu'isle.

J. A. John, B.A., has resigned the principalship of the Sunbury Grammar School, in order to study for the ministry, and R. G. Day, B.A., from Andover, has been appointed to succeed him.

Miss Ross is at present in charge of the schools vacated by Mr. Bridges, at Fredericton.

J. J. Weddall, Esq., is the successor of the late S. D. McPherson, Esq., as Trustee of Schools in Fredericton.

In the Sussex Schools, Mr. Flewelling has resigned the Principalship, and Miss Murray and Miss Armstrong have been promoted to higher departments.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Quite a number of changes in the principalship of county academies and High Schools have been reported. Mr. Daniel Murray, A. B. (Dalhousie) assumes charge of the Shelburne Academy at the opening of the ensuing school year. He succeeds Mr. H. McIntosh, who has accepted an engagement from the trustees of the County Academy at Lunenburg. Mr. F. Jones, A. B., (Dalhousie) takes the principalship of the Victoria County Academy at Baddeck, C.B.

Under the judicious direction of Supervisor McKay, the Board of School Commissioners for Halifax city have remodelled their educational system in some important particulars. Most, if not all, of these changes may be unhesitatingly accepted as improvements. Among matters mooted, but not yet practically carried into effect, may be mentioned the popularization of the High School by abolishing fees and bringing the institution into closer accord with the Provincial system of education. Of late the Halifax staff of Public School Teachers has received some valuable accessions.

The revised regulations of the Provincial Normal School entrance provisions whereby pupil-teachers entering with exceptionally high non-professional attainments may complete the curriculum for second class licenses in May, instead of waiting till the end of the annual session in July. The Preparatory Department for third class teachers, which made a hopeful beginning last year, continues in operation. Miss Ada Ryan, of Halifax, who has been placed in charge of it, achieved the high distinction of leading the candidates for first class licenses at the recent Provincial examination.

The sixth annual meeting of the Teachers Association for Inspectorial District No 8, (counties of Inverness and Victoria), was held at Baddeck on the last Thursday and Friday of September. A large number of teachers and visitors attended the several sessions. Papers on various subjects, and all marked by much ability, were read by the President of the Association, J. Y. Gunn, Esq., In-