

conferred. Among the many graduates we were glad to see the fair Island represented. The much-talked-of Islander abroad will roam it seems, and will seek the halls of learning where he does roam. Rev. W. B. King, B.A., and L. W. Watson, B.A., received the degree of M.A., and among those who have passed their examinations for B.A. this year the name of Mr. Rattenbury appears. The other Islanders resident at the college we believe have passed a very creditable year. — *Examiner*, July 4th.

The half-yearly examination of the Bridgetown School was held in the school-rooms on Thursday, 17th July, in presence of the Trustees and a number of the householders of the district. The following is a list of the prizes awarded:—

ARITHMETIC.

First Class—1st prize, Edgar Burdett; 2nd, Hannah McDonald; 3rd, Helen Hunter.

ENGLISH.

First Class—1st prize, Helen Hunter; 2nd, Edgar Burdett; 3rd, Hannah McDonald.

HISTORY.

First Class—1st prize, Hannah McDonald; 2nd, William McKenzie; 3rd, Edgar Burdett and Maggie McLeod (equal).

GEOGRAPHY.

First Class—1st prize, Edgar Burdett; 2nd, Helen Hunter; 3rd, Hannah McDonald.

ARITHMETIC.

Second Class—1st prize, Minnie Cantello; 2nd, Annie McKenzie; 3rd, Bertha Vickerson.

GRAMMAR.

First Class—1st prize, Bertha Vickerson and Fred McDonald (equal); 2nd, Sophia Clay and Maggie Hoobley (equal); 3rd, Annie McKenzie.

HISTORY.

Second Class—1st prize, Stephen Clay; 2nd, Maggie Hoobley; 3rd, John Cantello.

GEOGRAPHY.

Second Class—1st prize, Minnie Cantello; 2nd, John Cantello; 3rd, Sophia McDonald and George McDonald (equal).

HISTORY.

Third Grade—1st prize, Sophia McDonald; 2nd, Meloina Hoobley; 3rd, Essie Burdett.

READING.

First Class—1st prize, Edgar Burdett; 2nd, Hannah McDonald; 3rd, Helen Hunter.

READING.

Second Class—1st prize, Sophia Clay; 2nd, Maggie Hoobley; 3rd, Modie Martin.

READING.

Third Class—1st prize, Essie Burdett; 2nd, Meloina Hoobley; 3rd, Sophia McDonald.

PENMANSHIP.

1st prize, Hannah McDonald.

GENERAL EXCELLENCE.

1st prize, Edgar Burdett.

After the examination the prizes were distributed to the successful competitors by Miss Nelson, the teacher, at whose expense they were procured. All present expressed themselves pleased with the progress of the school since last examination, and highly commended the efforts of both Miss Nelson and Miss Bulpit in the interest of their pupils. Both teachers appear to be in earnest, and judging from the progress of the school are highly successful.

By order,

HUGH McLELLAN.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The country schools re-opened, after the vacation, on the 11th August, and the schools in cities and towns on the 25th.

One hundred and sixty-five student-teachers were enrolled at the Provincial Normal School at the commencement of the current term, August 11th. These represent the different counties as follows:—York, 55; King's, 17; St. John, 11; Charlotte and Queen's, 10 each; Carleton and Westmoreland, 9 each; Kent and Northumberland, 8 each; Gloucester and Restigouche, 7 each; Albert, 6; Sunbury and Victoria, 4 each. Seven are Acadian French.

The French Preparatory Department was closed in May last, when the teacher in charge, Mr. Alphonse Belliveau, was appointed an Instructor in the Normal Department. He takes the subjects of Arithmetic, Geography, Elementary Grammar, Bookkeeping, etc.

Miss Gregory, whose invaluable services in the institution ever since it was established in Fredericton are well known, has found it necessary to give up a portion of her work. She will, however, continue to give instruction in Domestic Economy (to the girls), Physiology and Hygiene.

The Principalship of the Model Schools became vacant in July, by the resignation of Mr. Geo. E. Croscup, A.B., who had accepted a lucrative position in New Jersey. His place has been filled by the appointment of Mr. John Rodgers, who has a good record as a successful teacher. The work which Mr. Croscup was doing as Instructor in Natural Science in the Normal School will now devolve upon Mr. Creed, who has for several years had several kindred subjects to deal with, in addition to the Mathematics and Industrial Drawing.

At the Provincial examinations held in June, licenses were obtained as follows:—Grammar School Class, 2; First Class, 19; Second Class, 113; Third Class, 74; total, 208. A considerable number failed to obtain the class sought.

County Teachers' Institutes were held in six counties simultaneously on the 10th and 11th of July, viz.: at Fredericton, Campbellton, Richibucto, Shediac, St. Stephen, and Woodstock. The Sunbury County Institute met early in June, that of Albert County on the 28th and 29th of August,—and that of Northumberland is to meet on the 2nd and 3rd of October. The proceedings of some of these institutes are not at present at hand.

The Kent County Institute elected the following officers:—C. H. Cowperthwaite, president; George A. Coates, vice-president; Jas. McIntosh, sec.-treasurer; Clara A. Young, asst. secretary; Sarah Hutchinson and John Gillies, additional members of committee. The time was devoted mainly to illustrative lessons and discussions.

The officers and committee of management elected by the Carleton County Institute were Inspector Ingram B. Oakes, A.M., president; J. P. Horsman, A.B., vice-president; P. A. Hartt, sec.-treasurer; S. W. Irons, asst. secretary; John Lawson, Miss Alexander, and P. G. McFarlane. Papers were read by Miss L. A. Veazey, P. G. McFarlane, W. O. Sullivan, and M. L. Young. There were several illustrative lessons, and interesting discussions on the various subjects brought forward.

At the Carleton County Institute, papers were read and illustrative lessons given by Messrs. P. B. Carvell, Robt. Landells, A.B., A. B. Boyer, J. C. Graves, and Zach. Nason. Inspector Gaunce delivered a public lecture on the subject of "Patriotism—how it may be fostered by the Public Schools."

The York County Institute chose the following managing committee and officers:—Inspector G. W. Mersereau, A.B., president; Miss Louisa Picard, vice-president; J. Meagher, sec.-treasurer; Miss Ella Thorne, H. C. Creed, A.M., and B. Mullin. Papers were read by J. H. Hoyt, A.B., H. V. Bridges, A.B., and B. Mullin; and an illustrative lesson was given by Mr. Creed.

Teachers' Associations.

The publishers of the JOURNAL will be obliged to Inspectors and Secretaries of Teachers' Associations if they will send for publication programmes of meetings to be held, and brief accounts of meetings held.

The semi-annual meeting of the North Simcoe Teachers' Association was held on the 6th and 7th of June in the Model School, Barric. About sixty teachers were present. The President, Inspector Morgan, in the chair. Minutes of the former meeting read and adopted. The first subject on the programme was Phonic Reading, by A. C. Osborne, which he ably and practically exemplified by means of an infant class. The discussion which followed showed that the teachers present recognized the great necessity for the adoption of separate characters to represent the different vowel sounds. The second subject was Intellectual Teaching, by W. H. Finney, which he treated in an able manner. He contrasted the career of two teachers, the one a Rote teacher and the other an Intellectual teacher, and showed the superior results produced by the latter. He considered that the teachers should look more to the future than the present, and train pupils for the active duties of after life. In reference to school management he thought that the teacher should find out the natural disposition of each pupil and govern accordingly. He thought that phrenology would assist the