partial boarders. A goodly number of the boarders are to be "on the foundation," but provision is to be made for the reception of many more at the bare cost of their living and books. The upper school is to be endowed with several exhibitions of £100, tenable for four years; the lower with twelve exhibitions, not exceeding £30; and it will be in the power of the Governors to allot prizes and gratuities of not more than £40 to other successful foundation scholars.

UNITED STATES.

MONTHLY SUMMARY.

At the close of the 23d term of the N.Y. State Normal School, Albany, recently the Journal says: "Diplomas were conferred upon thirty-one ladies and ten gentlemen, whose names were published in last evening's paper. The whole number of graduates of the school is 899. Dr. Woolworth conferred the diplomas and addressed the graduates in a very impressive manner. The esteem and affectionate regard his pupils always feel toward him will give his suggestion a place in their memories. Few teachers have taught for a third of a century ; still less is the number who have taught so successfully. The address which Dr. Woolworth delivered to the audience was a very masterly review of our common school policy. He made clear to every mind the objects and means of that wonderful system, that does so much honor to our State. The reports of the first school officers and the messages of the first Governors indicated the want of properly qualified teachers. The result of the recommendations then made is seen in the Normal School and in the Normal Departments in the Academies of the State. He expressed his conviction that Normal Schools were an essential part of the school system of this commonwealth. Professor D. H. Cochran, the new principal, made an eloquent inaugural address. The committee have doubtless exercised much wisdom in the choice they have made, and thus the influence of Normal School will remain intact. It is generally understood, we believe, that Charles Davies, LL. D, has been invited to the chair of mathematics. His large experience at West Point, his profound scholarship, and his clear educational views, will add to the usefulness of the institution..... At a meeting of the Regents of the Universtiy for the State of N.Y., held on the 10th ult., the distribution of \$40,000 of the income of the literature fund for the last year was made among the several academies entitled to participate therein.

COMMON SCHOOLS IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

The Report of the State Superintendent of Schools, presented to the Legislature gives the following statistics :---

Number of children between 5 and 18 years old 173,014
Number that have attended school the whole year 29,110
Over 2 months and less than 12 27,655
" 6 " " " 9 27,207
" 8 " " " 6 29,307
Number over 18 that have attended 1,646
 Whole number who have attended school 144,923 Amount of money raised and appropriated to school purposes: Raised by tax for the support of schools \$258,158 30 Raised by tax for the building, repairing, and furnishing of school-houses
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State appropriation
From other sources, being chiefly the interest on the surplus
revenue appropriated by the townships to school purposes 46,570 67
Total
Total

Being an increase over the preceding year of \$86,596 78; a greater increase than has been exhibited in any former year.—Newark Advertiser. COMMON SCHOOLS IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

Governor Clark, in his late annual message to the New York State Legislature, thus refers to the schools of the State :

The amount of school monies apportioned by the Superintendent of Public Instruction for the current year is \$1,110,000; of which \$800,000 are derived from a general tax, \$165,000 from the income of the United States Deposit Fund, and \$145,000 from the income of the Common School Fund.

The amount reported as having been expended for the payment of Teachers' wages for the year 1854, was \$2,301,411 25; for libraries, \$55,216 31; for school-house sites, school-houses, and fuel, \$868,990 53---total,

\$3,220,618 08. The amounts of money raised by tax in those districts where free schools are maintained, and the amounts raised by rate-bill are not separately stated; but it is certain that the former considerably preponderates.

The number of school districts reported is 11,748. The number of children of suitable age to draw public money is 1,233,987. There have been 900,532 in attendance upon the District Schools—in Academies under the supervision of the Regents of the University, 38,734—in colored schools, 5,243—and 53,764 in unincorporated private schools; in all 998,273 leaving 225,854 not in attendance at any place of instruction, if we except the students in the several Colleges.

The non-attendance may, therefore be set down at one-fifth. It is likely, however, that if the age of six was substituted for four years, as the miniimum period, this proportion would be greatly reduced.

The number of volumes in the District Libraries is reported at 1 105,370. The number of school-houses is 11,028; of which 9,536 are framed buildings, 715 of brick, 576 of stone, and 381 of logs.—N. Y. Com. Adv.

Literary and Scientific Intelligence.

MONTHLY SUMMARY.

The Directors of the Hamilton Mercantile Association have announced their intention of giving Prizes for Essays on the following subjects-the gentlemen named being the donors of the Prizes. By W. P. McLaren, Esq., a Gold Medal-Subject : "Address to British Agricultural Laborers, on the advantages of emigrating to Canada. This prize to be open to competition by all Canada, and the address to be restricted in length to 6 or 7 printed octavo pages, with the view of being gratuitously circulated in Britain. By T. C. Kerr, Esq., \$40.-"The Public Press, its influence on society, and the duties and responsibilities of those engaged in its conduct." Open to all Canada. The Essays must be sent to the Secretary on or before the 1st of April next, and must have a motto, which motto must also be written on the outside of a sealed letter accompanying the Essays, and containing name and address of the author. When the adjudication takes place, those letters bearing the motto to which the prizes are awarded, will be opened, the others will be returned unopened, to the respective competitors, when applied for. The judges will have power to withhold a prize should there be no competition, or should they consider the essays not of sufficient merit. It is recommended that the Essays should not exceed in length what may be contained in an octavo pamphlet of 14 or 16 pages.....The Montreal Gazette learns, from a reliable source, that W. E. Logan, Esq., Provincial Geologist, is about to receive the honor of knighthood from the Queen-no Canadian Knight ever more richly deserved the honor. As a scientific man Mr. Legan ranks amongst the highest in the world, and as a friend of Canada, his native country, no man living has achieved so much for the development of its resources or for its foreign reputation. The Canadian Institute, Toronto, intend also to do honor to Mr. Logan. At a recent meeting of the institution-"The President, from the select committee appointed to consider the nature of a testimonial to Mr. Logan, reported, that the committee recommended that a portrait of Mr. Logan, should be painted in a similar manner to that of Captain Lefroy, and presented to him; that a general meeting of the members of the Institute should be held on the arrival of Mr. Logan, or at least as soon as the portrait was prepared, and at that meeting some interesting papers should be read, and by the invitation of members of parliament, and others, as much eclat as possible given to the proceedings..... The Emperor Napoleon III. has presented to the Canadian Institute, Montreal, the following beautiful specimens of art :

- 1. The Venus of Milo-from the Antique.
- 2 The Apollo Belvidere, do.
- 3. The Group of the Laocoon, do.
- 4. The Grand Candelabra of the Council Chamber, in the palace of the Louvre-also a cast from the Antique.
- 5. La Nymphe de Fontainbleau-a charming bas-relief.

They are all prominent objects in the Imperial Musée of the Louvre....A letter from Gottingen reports the death of Professor Karl Friedrich Hermann, in the 52nd year of his age. He was one of the best philologists in Germany, and drew many students to Gottingen. This university has within 12 months lost six professors, among whom are Lucke, Gauss, and Fuchs....Dr. Thadeus W. Harris, the venerable librarian of Harvard University, died at Cambridge, on Wednesday. Dr. Harris was much devoted