

premises are cleaned and tidied just as soon as possible. Don't wait till the summer holidays begin.

Current Events.

FROM the twenty-seventh annual report of the Mackay Institution for Protestant Deaf-Mutes and the Blind, Montreal, it appears that the institution has had another successful year. There were sixty-one pupils in attendance, thirty-seven of whom were boys. Five of these were in the department for the education of the blind, who were taught reading, spelling, writing, geography, arithmetic and history, and instrumental and vocal music. The examiners in their report expressed themselves well pleased with the result of their inquiries. They were particularly struck with the good handwriting and correct spelling of the pupils, attainments which pupils of other schools often fail to reach. In the class for the blind, the reading of the pupils in raised lettered books was done with considerable ease and fluency; difficult sums in arithmetic were correctly worked on a device which is as ingenious as it is simple. Music also receives attention in this department, one of the pupils being able to read music copied by himself with a machine devised for that purpose.

—ONE who was long engaged in teaching in this province has just passed away in the person of the late Professor Darey. Pierre Jacques Darey was born in France over seventy years ago, and since coming to this country taught French in the McGill Normal School, becoming subsequently in 1860, professor of that language in McGill University. He retired from active work in 1895 and died in Ottawa where he had been residing for some time.

—AT a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the Corporation of Dunham Ladies' College, a very satisfactory financial report for the Michaelmas and Christmas terms was presented. The lady principal's report was also approved of. At his last visit of inspection, Dr. Harper expressed himself as being very favourably impressed with the progress that was being made by the institution. The closing exercises in connection with the college will take place on the 9th of June next.