

More Practical, by Miss Viola B. MacLean, of the Pugwash high school; English in the Common School, by Principal E. C. Leslie, of the Wallace schools; Practical use of Health Readers and Physical Drill, by Miss Helen C. Gunn, principal of River Hebert school; Penmanship, by Miss M. L. Benjamin, of Pugwash, a skilfully conducted lesson with excellent results to a class, brought from Pugwash in automobiles; Noblesse Oblige—an inspiring address on the ethical contact of teacher and pupil, by Mrs. W. H. Rogers (Grace Dean McLeod), one of Amherst's most gifted ladies; Music in Public Schools, by Miss Elizabeth Smith, vice-principal of Amherst Academy; Civics, by Principal R. D. MacCleave, Port Greville; Primary Reading, a lesson by Miss Cora B. Ward, of Parrsboro; and a talk on Nature-study, by Professor DeWolfe.

The public educational meeting on the evening of the 22nd May was presided over by Inspector Craig and was enthusiastic and notable for the inspiring addresses delivered by Superintendent Dr. A. H. MacKay; Dr. D. Solon, principal of the Normal College; Professor DeWolfe, of the Normal College; E. N. Rhodes, Esq., M. P., and Dr. J. G. McDougall, Chairman of the Amherst School Board.

It is with more than ordinary pleasure that the *Packet* congratulates its good friend Mr. G. U. Hay, of St. John, N. B., upon the completion of the twenty-fifth year of publication of THE EDUCATIONAL REVIEW, established by him in June, 1887, and continuously under his management and editorship ever since. The REVIEW has high ideals and lives up to them. Originally intended for the Maritime Provinces, its purview has broadened with the growth of national sentiment, until it is now as wide as the Dominion. Nay, more, it is an exponent of true imperialism. It would be good if the REVIEW were read by every teacher and educationist "from ocean to ocean, and from the frozen north to the great lakes."—*Orillia, (Ont.) Packet, May 16.*

THE EDUCATIONAL REVIEW, the excellent monthly paper edited and published by Dr. George U. Hay, has completed its twenty-fifth year, and record is made of the fact in an interesting manner in the May number. Dr. Hay is to be congratulated on the success he has achieved. While he has had the assistance of other talented writers, the burden has been mainly borne by himself, and the REVIEW has been made practically indispensable to a large class of readers in the Maritime Provinces. The public will hope for its continued success.—*St. John, N. B., Globe.*

The second paper of Mr. Vroom's series on the War of 1812 is unavoidably held over from the June to the August REVIEW.

Review's Question Box.

A. D.—Please send me a list of plants of the Maritime Provinces, which has just been prepared.

Why are there fewest large bays on the western coast of Canada?

The list is not yet ready for distribution. The REVIEW cannot undertake to send copies. When published it will announce how copies may be obtained.

The main reason is the barrier of mountains along the western coast.

E. M. H.—I would like to know the following bird: Small, grey bird; back and head white, heavily streaked with brown; a red tuft on top of head; wings, greyish-brown, wing coverts tipped with white; throat and breast, greyish-white, dotted here and there with brown; tail, forked.

The description answers most nearly to the chipping sparrow.

B.—I saw a sparrow that had a white throat, yellow line over each eye. Is this the white-throated Sparrow?

Probably it is, but your description is very meagre.

L. J. S.—Would you please tell me where the following places are: Maritzburg, Fiume, Moville and Havre de Grace?

Maritzburg (Pietermaritzburg is the Capital of Natal, South Africa; Fiume (pr. fee-oo'-may) is a town in Austria-Hungary; Moville, in the north of Ireland on Lough Foyle; Havre de Grace, city near the head of Chesapeake Bay, Maryland.

F. E. M.—1. Where is Blenheim.

2. Why are the counties of Quebec on the north of the St. Lawrence larger than those on the south?

3. Why are there more bays on the east than on the west coast of Canada?

1. A small village of Bavaria near the Danube, near which the Duke of Marlborough won a decisive victory over the French and Bavarians. August 13, 1704. The name Blenheim is also given to the estate at Woodstock, Oxfordshire and the palace given by the parliament of Great Britain to the Duke of Marlborough as a reward for his victory.

2. The territory of Quebec on the south side of the St. Lawrence is much more restricted than on the north side. This may be—but we would not like to say that it is a reason—that the counties on the north side are larger.

3. See answer to "A. D." above.

M. E. F.—Kindly answer the following questions:

1. Name three great transcontinental lines of railway and the chief cities through which they pass.