

PHYSICS FOR GRADE XI

We are requested by Dr. Percival to insert the following announcement:—

The examination for Grade XI in Physics for June next will be based upon the course outlined on page 4 of the Supplement to the Memoranda of Instructions to Teachers dated September 1st, 1932.

A review of the work of Grade X will not be required.

MEMORANDA FOR TEACHERS

No new edition of the Memoranda will be issued this year, but a Supplement will be prepared and will be available on application to the Department by the fifteenth of August.

Teachers are requested to carefully guard the present Memoranda in order that they may be available next year, as the number at the Department is very limited.

THE DEPRESSION

The teachers of this Province, like those of the other provinces and of the world at large, have been more or less affected by the world depression. The majority of our teachers, however, have been less affected by serious salary decreases than have many teachers elsewhere; and the majority of our rural boards in particular, which have had the greatest difficulty in collecting taxes, are to be commended for their efforts to keep the schools running as usual.

In this article we wish to say something about the ultimate cause of the world-wide depression. Teachers of history are aware that all great wars are followed by economic injury to the countries concerned. To take only modern history, there was the Thirty Years' War in Europe from 1618 to 1648. It took one hundred years for the devastated countries to get back to what they were economically before 1618. It was for that reason that at the end of the Seven Years' War in the eighteenth century, Frederick the Great decided that it should not take as long in proportion to restore Prussia. How he succeeded in ten years, by going directly among the people and advising them about their crops and their small industries—like Turgot in France and Jean Talon in New France—is graphically told in the tenth volume of Carlyle's "Frederick the Great".