

makes the following scale of minimum salaries: Female teachers of the third or lowest class, \$155; of the second class, \$205; of the first class, \$255; male teachers of the third class, \$205; of the second class, \$250; of the first class, \$325. It is also designed to conduct a campaign for the still further increase of the salaries of the common school teacher.

Resolutions of thanks to Sir Wm. MacDonald and Prof. J. W. Robertson for their work in connection with manual training and consolidated schools in the province were passed. Also of thanks to the Provincial Government for recognition given to the Summer School of Science. A resolution condemning the text-book on Canadian History was passed.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Inspector G. J. McCormac; Vice-presidents, W. V. Newson, P. W. Grant, J. A. Ready; Secretary-treasurer, Jas. Landrigan.

J. D. S.

CAPE BRETON ISLAND 'TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The teachers of Cape Breton Island met Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, September 23rd-25th. Last year the combined Institute was held at Sydney, in Inspector Macneill's district, which embraces the counties of Richmond and Cape Breton. This year the meeting took place at the far-famed Baddeck, in Inspector MacKinnon's district, which includes the counties of Inverness and Victoria. The proper work of the Institute began on Thursday morning, September 24th, after the arrival from Sydney and adjacent places of those who had spent Wednesday in coming through the beautiful Great Bras d'Or Lake.

Inspector MacKinnon conducted the Institute in a prompt and business-like manner. As many of the subjects discussed are referred to in other pages of the REVIEW, we can only give here a brief summary of the proceedings, which opened in a lesson in mental arithmetic by Mr. F. H. Spinney to a bright class from the Baddeck academy. Mr. Chisholm, director of vocal music in the North Sydney schools, outlined his system, and was followed by Principal F. I. Stewart, of Sydney and others, who spoke of the value of Mr. Chisholm's work and the importance of music in schools. Mr. L. A. DeWolfe, science teacher in the North Sydney academy, read an excellent paper on the Study of Minerals. Mr. DeWolfe will write up the material given in his paper in a series of six helpful lessons for the REVIEW. Papers and addresses followed by Professor H. W. Smith, of Truro, on School Gardens; Principal Thos. Gallant, of Margaree Harbor, on Civics; Mr. J. C. Dawson, director of manual training at Sydney, on Drawing; Principal J. A. MacKeigan, of Whitney Pier, Sydney, on Geography;

Inspector Macneil, on the Metric System; and by Mr. T. B. Kidner on Cardboard Work. The latter, illustrated by beautiful specimens and color charts, was an excellent presentation of the principles that Mr. Kidner has already outlined in the REVIEW, and showed what may be done by the rural schools in manual work with inexpensive material. The discussions arising from this fine display of papers and addresses were direct and useful.

Thursday afternoon was spent at Ben Breagh, on the fine grounds of Dr. Graham Bell, of Bell telephone fame. Here the laboratories of this distinguished inventor were thrown open to the inspection of the hundred visiting teachers, and the construction and sailing of kites illustrated, by which Dr. Bell hopes to solve the problem of aerial navigation. When the rain drove the visitors indoors, his hospitable mansion was open for the reception of the guests until far into the evening. The visit to Ben Breagh will not soon be forgotten, nor the attentions received from the kind-hearted host and hostess.

The public meeting on Friday evening, presided over by Dr. Bethune, was addressed by Supt. MacKay, T. B. Kidner, G. U. Hay, Rev. Mr. Miller and Inspector MacKinnon. The address of Dr. MacKay was an earnest plea to the citizens of Baddeck to provide for the youth a more modern academy building.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY 'TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The Charlotte County Teachers' Institute met at Milltown on Thursday and Friday, October 1st and 2nd. The attendance was a little over one hundred. The teachers of Charlotte are alert, and readily take part in institutes. The arrangement of programmes is well thought out beforehand, and one usually hears practical educational problems discussed.

The president, Mrs. Irving R. Todd, of Milltown, gave a brief but earnest address to the teachers assembled. Principal Girdwood, of Grand Manan, read a paper on the Lights and Shades of the Teacher's Life, characterized by a broad sympathy with the life both of teacher and student. Miss Ethel H. Jarvis, of the King Street school, St. Stephen, gave a lesson in primary reading to a class of children who had been in the school only for a month. The teacher was bright, had her work well planned, and held the interest of the pupils throughout. The address of Mr. J. F. Ryan, superintendent of city schools, Calais, Me., on What May be Gained by the Study of History, was a fine interpretation of the value of history as a disciplinary study. The discussion on the metric system conducted by Mr. Chas. A. Richardson, was taken part in by a large number of teachers.

The public educational meeting on Thursday evening was held in the schoolroom of the Congregational church, and was presided over by Mr. H. E.