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Many teachers have said how much their scholars enjoyed the beautiful Christmas Supplement sent out in last month's REVIEW. This month's picture entitled "See What Mother has Brought Home!" will also prove a favourite with the children and be a fruitful theme for story-telling or composition. If enclosed in a simple, neat frame before being used for such a purpose it may be preserved unsoiled for school decoration.

The REVIEW wishes its readers a Happy Year filled with the joy that comes from duties cheerfully undertaken and successfully accomplished.

The meeting of the Summer School of Science at Fredericton in July, promises to be one of the

largest gatherings of Maritime Province teachers yet held. In addition to the subjects of literature and science, instruction will be given in physical training, in which so many teachers are interested. More than twenty scholarships will be awarded for excellence in the various subjects. The beautiful City of Fredericton and the St. John River offers many attractions for study and recreation to the members of the school.

The teacher of an ungraded school asks if she has any legal right to demand home study on the part of the pupil, and whether any responsibility rests on the pupils for the neatness of the school-room. No one questions the right of the teacher to insist on the preparation of certain lessons at home, the amount depending, of course, on the age, temperament and health of the pupil and the amount of attention his home duties demand of him. Home preparation should not be insisted on at too early an age, nor should there be too many lessons. Arithmetic, geography, spelling, are subjects that arouse the pupil's interest. Brief lessons on interesting subjects, and not too many, should be the rule, giving the pupil plenty of time for exercise and recreation.

The responsibility of a neat schoolroom rests with the teacher, but the tactful teacher will see that the pupils have their share of the responsibility.

The Canadian Forestry Convention will meet in the City of Quebec, January 18-20, for the discussion of forestry problems. These yearly meetings are gaining in interest and importance. That of last year was held in Fredericton, and drew together a large number of people whose attention is engaged in the manufacture of lumber or the study and preservation of our forest wealth. The Legislature of Quebec will be in session at the time of the Convention and the Commission of Conservation will hold its annual meeting in the same city on the 17th inst. The railway companies have granted single fare rates for the round trip.