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WE are compelled to hold over to the March number the "Question Department" with answers that should have appeared this month. We regret this, as we would like to make this department a special feature of the REVIEW, where our subscribers might at all times bring their difficulties with a reasonable prospect of prompt and correct solutions. We hope to have it so in future.

THE Calendar of the Summer School of Science, for the Atlantic Provinces, has just been issued. It contains useful information to those who are expecting to attend next summer's session, which will be held in Yarmouth, beginning July 7th. Copies of the calendar may be obtained by addressing the Secretary, J. D. Seaman, Charlottetown.

WE are indebted to Geo. W. Parmelee, Esq., Secretary of the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction, Province of Quebec, for the Educational Report for 1895-6. It is a volume of 318 pages and contains much valuable statistical and other information. Its representations of plans of a series of

school buildings at a cost of \$250 to \$2500 are interesting. The report shows 303,619 children attended school during the year. The average attendance was 76 per cent. The average salary of male teachers was \$343; female, \$144.

THE *Normal Light* is a paper published by the students of the N. B. Normal School, Fredericton. The first number for this year has just made its appearance and is very creditable both in make-up and matter. The articles are decidedly above the average of school papers, especially those on "Educational Reform" and a "Visit to a Model School," which latter is reproduced in another column.

THE celebration of sixty complete years of Queen Victoria's reign, will be observed throughout Her Majesty's empire in June next. Already preparations are being made for the event on a great scale, and it is to be hoped that the day will be appropriately observed by the schools of these provinces. In addition to fitting exercises, the establishment of something of permanent value, such as a school library, beginnings of well-kept grounds or noteworthy additions thereto, should distinguish the event.

DR. I. ALLEN JACK, of St. John, has written two interesting articles in the King's College *Record*, Windsor, on College life in that institution thirty-six years ago, in which he draws some interesting pen pictures of the teachers of that time.

A Notable Celebration.

THE Royal Society of Canada will meet this year in Halifax, which will be its first meeting in the Atlantic Provinces. Significance is added to this visit of the Society by the fact that it will commemorate the 400th anniversary of the landing of the Cabots on the Atlantic coast. Preparations are already being made in Halifax to celebrate this notable event in a becoming manner, and to extend a cordial welcome to the members of the Society.

An appropriate brass tablet, commemorating the discovery of the Atlantic Coast of Eastern North America and its islands by John Cabot in 1497, will be placed with due ceremony by the Royal Society in the Legislative Building, now the oldest structure of the kind in the oldest maritime city of the region first seen by the