

WE hear that Mr. Thomas O'Hagan, of Pembroke, is taking a special course in elocution at Chautauqua.

MR. A. B. WRIGHT, B.A., of the Walkerton High School, has left to assume a position on the Galt Collegiate Institute staff. Mr. Wright has made many friends in Walkerton who regret his departure.

THE position of head teacher for the Brockville public school is vacant, owing to the resignation of Mr. J. L. Margach, to whom the school board propose to present a testimonial, which they have appointed a committee to draft.

MISS LOUISA M. WRIGHT, M. E. L., daughter of Professor Wright, formerly of Hamilton, has been appointed Preceptress of Music in the University of Southern California, located at Los Angeles. This, following her successful course as a teacher in the Ottawa Ladies' College, is a high compliment to her musical ability. Miss Wright was one of the most distinguished graduates of the Hamilton Ladies' College.

WE have received a copy of an interesting report on the public schools in the district of Durham and Port Hope, including the town of Bowmanville, by P. S. Inspector W. E. Tilley. It contains a vast amount of information, including valuable instructions for teachers. To the trustees of the district also it will, no doubt, be found of great use. We venture to recommend this report to other school inspectors throughout the Dominion, as an admirable model of an able and useful report.

COMPETITORS for the King's College County history prize this year will have as a subject the townships of Dartmouth, Preston and Lawrenceton, in Halifax county. The object of the prize is an admirable one, viz., "to preserve as far as possible the local records and traditions relating to the commencement and progress of the settlements in the various counties of the province." Competition is open to the whole province, and the essays must be sent to the governors of King's college before June 15th, 1887.—*Halifax Herald.*

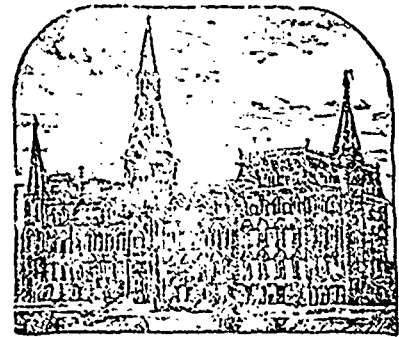
The Whitby Board of Education, at a meeting held on the 14th inst., appointed Mr. T. McHenry, now head master of Newbury high school, to the position of mathematical master of the Collegiate Institute, with a salary of \$1,000 per annum. At the same meeting Miss Burns was promoted to fill the position lately occupied by Miss Hickie, with a salary of \$325; and the attention of the board was called by the committee on school management, to the unsatisfactory nature of some of the examination papers set for the recent entrance examinations to high schools, with a recommendation that the matter be brought before the notice of the Minister of Education.

AT the meeting of the New York State Teachers' Association held at Niagara Falls during the current month, Professor McVicar of Toronto gave an address upon "The Work of a True Educator," which he treated under three heads: 1. Nature of the material upon which the teacher works; 2. The time required; 3. The nature of the products. His oft-reiterated statement that "Man is a complex organized animal composed of body and mind, and so constructed that no element of the complex whole can be developed without an

effect upon every other element," was treated in a way that proved him a decidedly progressive teacher. He advocated the development, not only of the intellectual and physical sides of our being, but the moral and intellectual as well; and claimed that the time of growth alone supplies the necessary conditions for the symmetrical development of the entire nature; adding an earnest assertion of his belief that much good is to come from coeducation, which he thinks will soon be the rule instead of the exception.

THE following circular has been issued from the office of the Chief Superintendent of Education in New Brunswick: "The Board of Education has been pleased to make the following Order amending regulations 19-2 (3) (3): (2) There shall be a summer vacation in all schools extending from June 30th till the first Monday in August, but in rural districts subject to spring and autumn freshets, or where the harvest is late, the Board of Trustees having first obtained the formal approval in writing of the Inspector, may permit a part or the whole of the summer vacation to be taken at another time. The Inspector shall notify the Chief Superintendent of each approval given by him. (3) In cities and incorporated towns, organized under Sec. 105 (School Manual); the summer vacation shall extend from June 30th till the third Monday in August; there shall also be an Easter vacation (beginning on Good Friday) of three days, the same being week days other than Saturdays. These provisions apply also to the schools in the towns of St. Andrews, Chatham and Newcastle.—WM. CROCKET, Chief Supt. Education. Education Office, Fredericton, N.B., July 9th, 1886. P. S.—The above provisions take effect during the current year. W. C.

A VERY successful teachers' institute was held at Lennoxville, Que., between the 6th and 9th inst., conducted by Mr. Robins, M.A., LL.D., Principal McGill Normal School, Rev. Mr. Rexford, B.A., Secretary Department of Public School Instruction, Quebec, and Mr. McGregor, LL.D., Prof. of Mathematics in the McGill Normal School. There were about seventy teachers in attendance. The average attendance was decidedly better than last year. The lectures were very interesting, especially Mr. Rexford's remarks on the "Duties of School Officers, Teachers, etc., in Government Schools, as laid down by the Quebec School Act," and those of Dr. Robins and Dr. McGregor on "Methods of Teaching." The institutes are likely to become a power for good in the Province of Quebec. Not only do the teachers whose schools are closed, attend, but also a number of the teachers whose schools are open in July, were present with the consent of the Commissioners, and are not required to make up the days. The principal of Bishop's College, the Rev. Mr. Adams, and Mr. Henneker also addressed the assembled teachers. A very pleasing feature of the three day's work was a few chemical experiments conducted by Dr. Robins on Wednesday evening, followed on Thursday by the professors' and students' meeting in the class-room for readings, recitations, music, etc. On Friday afternoon the institute closed in Lennoxville. We understand that on the 13th there will be an institute opened at Knowlton, and on the 20th, the third and last this summer, will be at Lachute.



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FACULTY OF ARTS.—Opening September 16th, 1886.

DONALDA SPECIAL COURSE FOR WOMEN.—September 16th.

FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE.—Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Mining Engineering and Practical Chemistry, September 16th.

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