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THE annual meeting of the Royal Society of Canada will be held at Ottawa on the 15th of May.

WE have received a catalogue of books for public school libraries for New Brunswick, compiled by the Chief Superintendent of Education, Dr. Inch. It embraces a large and varied list of works, and it will greatly aid teachers and school trustees in choosing books suitable for their libraries. The catalogue seems to have been compiled with great care, and at considerable labor. A copy may be had by addressing Dr. Inch, Chief Superintendent Education, Fredericton.

THE official notices, on another page, will interest those teachers who have pupils preparing for the terminal examinations.

PROF. ROBERTS, of Kings College, Windsor, it is understood, is engaged in writing a history of Canada. The Halifax "Chronicle," in speaking of a lecture recently delivered in that city by Professor Roberts, says: "Seldom has the story of the early days of Canada been told so clearly, so vividly and so interestingly, as by Prof. Roberts last evening. Throughout his address rang clear and true the tones of manly patriotism. The closing portion of it dealt with two chapters of Canada's history of which Canadians are pardonably proud."

ARBOR DAY has not yet been definitely announced for New Brunswick. According to present appearances the spring will be sufficiently advanced to observe it a little earlier than usual. It is better to name an early day than a late one. How would Friday, the 10th of May, do?

On another page will be found hints and selections which will be of service to teachers in making up a programme. We hope all our teachers and scholars will make preparations to observe the day in some practical shape—by planting trees, beautifying and clearing up the school grounds, and by giving useful and inspiring lessons on plants.

ON another page will be found the notices of the meetings of the Summer School of Science for the Atlantic Provinces, and the Summer School of Harvard and the Lawrence Scientific School.

A TRIP TO EUROPE is an event in a lifetime. It is an investment that will pay a teacher in the additional mental and physical vigor, breadth of ideas, stores of information that it will bring. Consult Miss Crowe's advertisement in another column where you will find an attractive programme that can be carried out at a comparatively small cost.

THE Report of the Chief Superintendent of Education for P. E. Island has been received, but too late to make any detailed statement from it for this number. The report shows an increase in the number of schools and teachers, but a decrease in the number of pupils in attendance. Satisfactory features in the report are—the gradual increase shown in the relative number of higher class teachers engaged; the increased number of pupils under instruction in nearly all the subjects included in the common school course; increased interest and liberality on the part of rate-payers and trustees, in providing improved buildings; greater regularity in keeping schools in operation; and a largely increased attendance at the Prince of Wales College and Normal School. The total amount paid for education from all sources, was \$159,931.58; average cost per pupil, \$7.19; number of teachers employed, 553, less than one-half of whom were females,