

June, there will be a public meeting in St. George's Hall, when Dr. Workman, late Superintendent of the Asylum for the Insane, Toronto, will deliver a lecture on "Overwork of the Brain." There will also be readings, recitations, vocal and instrumental music.

BURCE—The annual meeting of the West Bruce Teachers' Association for 1881 will be held in the Central School, Kitchardine, on Thursday and Friday, June 9th and 10th. Programme.—Opening Address by the President: Readings by Misses H. Leadbetter and Isabella Smith, and Messrs. Ewon McKenzie and D. Thomson; Essays by Misses A. Johnston and E. Ross, and Messrs. C. Kemp, D. Christie, T. Mathers, and J. McKinnon. Case by Mr. Middleton. Infantive and Particles by Mr. H. B. McKay; Analytical Arithmetic by Mr. F. C. Powell; Algebra Equations by Dr. J. A. McLellan, H. S. I.; Education by Dr. J. S. McLellan, H. S. I. A discussion on Corporal Punishment, in Public Schools, to be led by Mr. J. McKinnon, Best method of recording the work of the day, by Mr. F. C. Powell. D. McLellan will deliver one of his excellent addresses in the Town Hall on Thursday evening. It is to be hoped that all the Teachers of West Bruce will avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing the Doctor, who has again kindly consented to assist at our Associations, and who, at his last visit, delighted the teachers and public with his admirable lectures on Algebra and Arithmetic, and his eloquent address on "This Canada of Ours." in the Town Hall.

A. CAMPBELL, President.

A. H. SMITH, Secretary.

REVIEWS.

THE MUSICAL TIMES for May keeps up its interest. The continuation of sketches of "Berlioz," by Joseph Bennett, and "Mr. Pepys, the Musician" by Francis Hueffer, forms an attractive feature—many of the anecdotes, especially of the former, being irresistibly droll. The music of Anton Dvorak occupies a concluding chapter, and its quaintness is attractive. The two pieces selected are sacred; the first, "The Son of God goes forth to War," being arranged to the old, familiar St. Ann's tune by Arthur Sullivan, and is peculiar in its style; the other, "God so loved the World," is a short and simple arrangement by Sir John Goss. The notes and topics are, as usual, very readable.

THE HISTORY AND GRAMMAR OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE, adapted to the use of Pupil Teachers and Normal Schools. By the Right Rev. C. H. Bromby, D.D., Lord Bishop of Tasmania. Revised and partly re-written by J. L. Reynolds. Second revised edition. London: Moffatt & Paige, Price 2s. 6d. Dr. Bromby, the author of the text-book on which this work is based, was formerly principal of the Trinity Colleges at Cheltenham. As the reviser, Mr. Reynolds, is a successful teacher of many years' standing, we have in this text-book the benefit of the accumulated experience of two tried and able men. Whether we consider the sound scholarship manifested in it, its practical character, or the way in which it is printed, it is inferior to no other grammar of its size in the market.

The June number of the *Atlantic Monthly* contains: "Over on the 'other Mounting," by Chas. Egbert Craddock, "The In-door Pauper, a Study," by Octave Thuret, "A Spring Opening" by Edith Thomas, "Bergen Days," by H.H.; "Felicitiana," by Eliza Calvert Hall, "Who lost Waterloo?" by John C. Royer; "The Portrait of a Lady," chapters 29 to 34, by Henry James, jr.; "Chance"; "French Tragedy," by Richard Grant White; "Friends, a Duet," chapters 14 and 15, by Elizabeth Stuart Phelps; "A Taste of Maine Birch," by John Burroughs; "Whittier's King's Missile, and other Recent Poetry"; "Five American Novels"; "Carlyle's Reminiscences"; "The Renaissance in France"; "The Contributors' Club"; "Books of the Month"; and "Auf Wiedersehen." We commend it to our readers as an interesting number. The last article, "Auf Wiedersehen" is a beautiful short poem in memory of James Thomas Fields, who has recently died. Mr. Fields was one of the early publishers of *The Atlantic*, and its editor from 1862 to 1871. He had many friends among men of letters, in both his own country and England, and published, a few years ago, a very readable volume of reminiscences, entitled "Yesterday with Authors."

—There is a scheme of professional training which I believe is adapted to the great unstable element, and which should be worked out and rendered practical in its details, and at no distant day put into operation. I refer to the official arrangement of courses of reading and private study. It has seemed to me that the State Normal Schools might increase their power for good by post-graduate work. If these schools could say to their graduating classes, whose course is necessarily so limited, "there is something for you to do the coming year; at its end come back and pass our examinations and we will add it to your honors." I am sure many of them would continue their studies. A good Normal School would give its graduates an impetus to such

study. Theological schools favor their young men by courses of private study, and they work themselves up through them to their degrees. Such courses would do that for an ambitious girl which she most needs to have done for her, which is to mark out a path. She does not know what it is best to undertake, and having nothing to determine her, she resolves upon this and that and ends in doing nothing at all. But such a course of reading might be made especially valuable to young teachers who have had few opportunities for study, have no settled plans for life and no clue to its mysteries upon every hand. They must do something to live, teaching is not as laborious as some occupations, is more respectable, and pays better.—MISS LATHROP.

—The following is a copy, *verbatim et literatim*, of a census schedule collected by an enumerator at Brightside, near Sheffield:—"Gorge John —, head of the house, farm labourer, age last birthday, 302 years. Wife Margret, —, age last birthday, 206 years. daught Mimney ana —, age last birthday 2 years. brother William —, age last birthday labour to steel works 208 years. Gorge John — born in the parish of old buckingham Norfolk England. margret —, born in the Parish of aughtboe quicens county ireland. William —, born in the Parth of aughtboe quicens county ireland unmarried."

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ANOTHER COUNTY HEARD FROM!

WELL DONE, LANARK!!

At the late meeting of the Teachers' Association, Lanark County, it was decided to give the JOURNAL for one year to each member in full standing.

At the convention of the South Gray Teachers' Association, held at Flesherton last month, a by-law of the constitution was altered to enable the lady members, who previously were not required to pay into the funds, to become subscribers on same footing as male teachers, and a resolution was unanimously passed to give every paying member, out of the funds of the Association, a copy of the CANADA SCHOOL JOURNAL, or Gage's SCHOOL EXAMINER and MONTHLY REVIEW. The result was that where only a few had hitherto been paying the annual fee, now nearly every one subscribes, and the Association has thereby gained considerably in vigor and strength. The ladies entered warmly into the arrangement. The plan of giving the teachers some substantial benefit in return for their annual fee has produced the best results in every association where the bonus takes the shape of the CANADA SCHOOL JOURNAL.

—Teachers out of health are invited to read the advertisement in this issue of the Electro-Medical Institute, Toronto. Resting here for a time, and using the varied therapeutic means at the command of the medical staff, lost health may be recovered and renewed energy received for the work of the school room. We understand that special terms are given to teachers.

—At the Australian World's Fair, just closed at Melbourne, Carter, Dinsmore & Co., manufacturers of Carter's inks and mucilage, received four awards—three of the first order of merit, for copying, black and colored inks, and one of third order of merit for mucilage. The last, although of third order, was the highest and only award made for mucilage.

—In consequence of pressure on our space, we are compelled to hold over till next issue some communicated articles, teachers' convention reports, and other matters of interest.