

educational affairs, and during the fifty years of his activity almost three thousand teachers passed through his hands. Fortunately, we still have Dr. Robins with us. He is hale and hearty and full of vigour, and his former students all hope that he may long continue in the enjoyment of health and strength.

His daughter, Miss Lilian B. Robins, B.A., was first of all a tutor in McGill Normal School in 1884, but she took her B.A. degree in 1891 and taught English and Mathematics in the Normal School until 1907, being transferred with the institution to Macdonald College.

It may not be known to the present generation of students that Miss Robins edited the *Educational Record*, which is the official journal of education of the province, for five years, from 1899 to 1903, winning praise for her competent management and the excellence of its contents during that period.

Miss Robins was also largely instrumental in introducing the present school geometry and arithmetic text-books in the Province of Quebec and has always been actively interested in education in general, and mathematical instruction in particular. As Miss Robins carries the record of her family until the beginning of 1916, it will be noticed that she and her father have given sixty years of service to the province. They are entitled to the respect in which they are held for their hard work and influence,

being single minded, loyal, conscientious and extremely hard-working.

With no disrespect to any present member of the staff, it may be said that there is no lecturer left who is more reliable, punctual and faithful. Miss Robins' influence will be missed in the institution, and the students will be without a friend and a teacher whom they respected and with whom a former



MISS LILIAN B. ROBINS.

generation enjoyed many a tobogganing party.

It is not often that a province is blessed with officers who are forceful in their personalities and whose standards are as high as those of the father and daughter who have just terminated their active official interest in Quebec education.

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