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WE may, we think, without fear of wearying our readers with the salary question, add to the statistics already given the following from The London, Eng., Schoolmaster :---

"The more intelligent of the School Boards in all parts of the kingdom are alive to the advantages of proper remuneration for their teachers. They are aware also that a fixed progressive salary is better by far than a scheme of payment which includes any bonus or portion of the allowances obtained as the result of examinations. We are glad to find that a change of this kind has been carried out by the School Board for Edinburgh after due consideration with the teachers. At the last meeting of the Board a new scale of payment was unanimously adopted, as follows :-- I. Head Masters .-- That the salaries of head masters of permanent schools with accommodation for 400 pupils and upwards, calculated at 8 square feet per pupil, shall be as follows, viz. :---

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"That the salaries of head masters of temporary schools, and of permanent schools with accommodation for under 400 pupils, calculated at eight square feet per pupil, be specially considered. II.--First Assistant and Infant Mistresses.-The salaries of first assistants and infant mistresses in schools with accommodation for 700 pupils or over, calculated at eight square feet per pupil, shall commence at £130 and may rise by £5 a year to £150, and thereafter by £10 a year to f_{200} . That the salaries of first assistants and infant mistresses in schools with ac commodation for under 700 pupils calculated at eight square feet per pupil, be specially considered. III. Male Assistants.-That the salaries of male assistants shall commence at $\pounds 85$, and may rise by £5 a year to £120. IV. Female Assistants and Sewing Mistresses.-That the salaries of female assistants, also of sewing mistresses whose time is fully employed, shall commence at $\pounds 65$, and may rise by \pounds_5 a year to \pounds_{100} . That the salaries of sewing mistresses whose time is not fully employed be specially considered. V. Singing Masters.-That the salaries of singing masters shall be \pounds_{10} per session for one hour per week, and \mathcal{L}_{10} for each hour additional."

THE following from the New England Journal of Education will inform our readers of the many summer schools existing upon the other side of the boundary which it is in their power to make use of if they desire to travel beyond the limits of our own domain during the coming vacation :—

The farm is good as a resort, it one chances to have access still to therural home of childhood; the lake, the forest, the seashore have their advantages; but from

time immemorial the teacher, male and female, has returned to the autumn school thoroughly dissatisfied with the way the money and time have gone. There has been "evolved," in these later years, a new disposition for the vacation days. Summer science schools, schools of oratory, elocution and expression, kindergarten instruction, schools of pedagogy, schools of methods, schools of languages, etc., etc., have been established in every conceivable attraction of location. Boston, with its cool summer breezes, its innumerable retreats by the sea, its art and its oratory; Harvard, with its classic halls, exquisite botanical grounds, observatory, libraries, and laboratories ; Amherst, with its beautiful college grounds, elegant drives, and scholastic association; Chautauqua, with its unique inspirations of lake and hillside; Saratoga, with its subterranean laboratorics, distilling health and solial good cheer for the Hathorn, the Congress, and the Geyser, as mere desert for the intellectual feasts of King and Stern; Oswego, world-famed for its science and art of teaching, welcomes the linguists; Glens Falls answers the call with promise of every delight of lake, mountain, and rapids to her devotees; while Grand Rapids speaks from the Michigan forests of the beauties of her groves and halls; Martha's Vineyard—city by the sea, queen of the cottage towns-renews her invitation of other years ;--one and all of these vacation homes are cordial in their coquetish greetings to those who await the special fascination of some resort. Numerous as are these homes for the season, by sea and mountain, in classic halls and magnificent groves, there are too few for those who ought to seek them for the study of science, language, oratory, methods, pedagogy, etc. We have never known the teacher who closed a season with such study with any regrets at the sacrifices made; while we have known scores who have gone back to their work in September regretting above all else that they did not make their summer count for something definite by attendance upon some one of the summer schools.