

*Inspector McLoughlin says* : I send you a few items concerning the schools of some of the municipalities that I have lately visited.

The Academies and Model Schools of this district are all in operation, and most of them are in charge of able and experienced teachers. They have, in most cases, had an examination before the Christmas holidays. The next step in the line of progress for these schools, will be the adoption of a uniform "course of study."

Very few changes of teachers have taken place since the commencement of the winter term of school.

Mr. W. W. McGregor has taken the place of Mr. Chas. Jackson, as teacher of Mathematics in the Waterloo Academy. Mr. Jackson has gone to Florida on account of his health.

Mr. and Mrs. Wardrop are teaching in the Dunham High School, they have a very successful school, and their methods of teaching are excellent.

The Academy and Graded School at Cowansville is largely attended and prosperous.

Mrs. Breck, in the Stanbridge Academy, and Miss C. B. Brown, in the Church School, West Farnham, are doing good work.

The two departments of the Model School at Mansonville, taught respectively by Miss Ella Blaylock, and Miss Martha Donaldson, are very good schools. (These are all the High Schools that I have visited up to this time, as I have given the time to the visiting of the Elementary Schools.)

Miss Jennie Warwick, in District No. 12, Potton, has a very pleasant and prosperous school. The teachers in Potton are generally doing good work. Several of the schools are however, idle, owing, in some cases, to the illness of the teachers.

New school-houses have been built in Dist. No. 11, 13 and 14, Potton, and a new one is about to be built in No. 7. Potton takes the lead in employing teachers from the McGill Normal School. Of the fifteen teachers at work this winter in the town of Potton 6 are Normal School graduates. This town has taken hold of educational work with considerable zeal. It has engaged its teachers for the school year, and adopted Gage's series of Readers. A few good teachers in want of situations can find them by applying to the School Committee of Potton.

The 28 schools of Brome are all at work on the new system, most of them successfully. Miss Mary Taylor has a very large and well organized school in the village of Knowlton. The School Com. of Brome intend to keep up with the times in all that pertains to substantial progress.

Mrs. Lydia Beck has an excellent school at Upper Bedford. The School Com. have enlarged and re-modelled the building and fitted it up with improved seats, etc. Mrs. Beck has classified her school in accordance with the "Course of Study," and has put her classes in excellent working order. She has taken up Drawing in accordance with the Manual, and succeeded in interesting the whole school in the exercise.

Miss Lillie McKenney, of Lower Bedford, has also a large and successful school.