

Academiis Britannicis, artes quæ ad humanitatem pertinent, ipse excolnisti, itaque ad bene æstimanda studia nostra et labores idoneus.

Hæc Canada adolescentula, in commercii, negotiis et in opificiis multum jam profecit, sed periculum est ne in republica Literatum et Artium honestarum gloria deficiat illa quam obtinet Britannia mater.

Quod ne fiat, sed ut prorsus sit Canada matre pulchra filia pulchrior, opus est gratia et crea altrice procerum Scholis et Academiis nostris. Quas te primo ab adventu in has oras studiose fovere scimus, itaque tibi ex animo gratulamur, atque Deum precamur ut tibi et conjugii tuæ amabili pulchriæque salutem det.

Cressa ne careat pulchra dies nota ;

Sis felix, nostrumque leves, vir clare, laborem.

DAVID B. MACPHERSON.

CAROLUS RITCHIE.

Pro discipulis Scholæ Regiæ, Monte Regali, Die 5th Februarii, 1874.

His Excellency made the following reply, also in Latin :—

Vir illustrissime, vos insignes præceptores, et vos hujus tam præclaræ Scholæ Canadensis alumni, me fortuna nescio qua tam magna coram vobis hac in aula hoc die versatum fuisse invenio.

Me quum gratum, igitur, illustrissimi, tum humilem sententiis vestris fecistis ; humilem, quippe qui studiis quilibet versatus, sola ad limina, cujus arcana explorasse negatum, scientiæ perfectæ cumulatæque quam longe mihi videar attinguisse ; attamen gratum, quippe qui, hoc tam illustri imperii nostri regno munere ac officio regio fungens, non tam mihi, illa bonæ voluntatis et fidelitatis pignora, quam Regiæ, cujus regnum, ut ita dicam exhibuisse ac sustinuisse traditum, accipiam expressa ac provocata.

Quæ cum ita sint, amici, omnia quæ bona, omnia quæ culta, omnia quæ honesta, invenite, corripite, hac adolescentiæ hora occupate ; hinc vera virtute, vera scientia, vera fortitudine induti, non solum vobismet ipsis sed patriæ tam vestræ quam meæ præsidium et decus floreatis.

At the conclusion of the reading of the address there was loud applause. His Excellency also offered the following remarks in English :—Although, my young friends, I am very grateful for the kind reception you have given to the very imperfect expression of my thanks, which I have endeavoured to convey to you in that language in which you yourselves have addressed me, in words which I may hope are not likely to be subjected to that severe criticism which they would be quite unable to sustain, I feel that the expression of my thanks would be incomplete unless I took this opportunity of asking that to-morrow may be given to the scholars of this institution as a holiday. (Cheers.) I have also the pleasure of stating that it is my intention, so long as I am fortunate to occupy the honourable position of Governor-General of Canada, to offer to the students of this school a silver medal, to be given subject to such conditions as, after consultation with your superiors, may be determined upon. (Cheers.) Mr. Ritchie, another of the students, then presented His Excellency with a bouquet of beautiful flowers from the students of the 5th and 6th forms. Hearty cheers were then given for the Queen, the Governor-General and Countess Dufferin, and the Masters of the School, and the proceedings then closed.—*Gazette.*

XIII. Departmental Notices.

NO PENSIONS TO PUBLIC OR HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS UNLESS THEY SUBSCRIBE TO THE FUND.

Public notice is hereby given to all legally qualified Public and High School Masters and Teachers in Ontario, who may wish to avail themselves at any future time of the advantages of the Superannuated Teachers' Fund, that it will be necessary for them to transmit to the Chief Superintendent or Inspector, if they have not already done so, their subscriptions, at the rate of \$5 per annum for each preceding year commencing with 1854, and at the rate of \$4 per annum for the current year's subscription. The law authorizing the establishment of this fund provides, "That no teacher shall be entitled to share in the said fund who shall not contribute to such fund at least at the rate of four dollars per annum." No pension will be granted to any teacher who has not subscribed to the fund, in accordance to the preceding regulations of the Council of Public Instruction ; nor can one be granted for any year of teaching for which the subscription has not been paid.

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL LAWS.

The Consolidated School Acts recently passed will be published in separate pamphlets, as soon as they are put into form for the Statute Book edition.

THE EASTER HOLIDAYS.

Exception having been taken to the notice in this journal of the Easter holidays, the following reply was sent to a local paper :— "The School Act does not provide for Easter holidays. The provision for them is a matter of regulation, which may be varied at any time. On the question of these holidays coming before the recent Parliamentary Committee on the School Bill, (at which two members of the Council [which authorized the regulation] and the Editor of the *Journal of Education* were present,) the feeling of the Committee was strongly in favour of entirely abolishing the holidays (except Good Friday). The Chief Superintendent urged that they should be allowed as a boon to the teachers, and as affording a pleasant break in the long winter term. He stated the holidays only extended from the Wednesday before Easter until the Tuesday after it, or four days in all. With this understanding, the Committee finally agreed to the four days' vacation, and the intimation to that effect was published by the Editor in the *Journal.*"

ERRATUM.—MISS WALSH'S CERTIFICATE.

In the list of certificates published in the *Journal* for February, the name of Sarah Walsh, of Ottawa, was inadvertently omitted. She obtained a Second Class Certificate, grade B.

Mr. James F. Jeffers also received a Second Class Certificate, grade A, at the December Examinations (1871) for the County of Prince Edward.

THE GENERAL AND DAILY REGISTERS.

The General Register for use in the Public Schools of Ontario, as required by the Official Regulations, is now ready, and can be supplied to schools on the following terms, viz. :

No. 1.	Copy of 20 pages, paper covers, free by post	35 cts.
2.	do 40 do stiff cover, cloth backs...	45 "
3.	do 60 do do do ...	65 "

NOTE.—As Numbers 2 and 3 above, 40 and 60 pages each, have a stiff cover, they cannot be sent by post, but may be ordered by Express from the Department or through any bookseller, from Messrs. Copp, Clark & Co., Wholesale Booksellers, Toronto.

The Daily Register can also be obtained from the Department, at 35cts. each, free by post.

XIV. Advertisement.

NEW SCHOOL LAW EXPLAINED.

Duties of School Trustees, Teachers, and others in Rural School Sections.

The Publishers (COPP, CLARK & Co.) beg to announce that they have published a revised Exposition of the old and newly-amended School Law of the Province, the Official Regulations and Decisions of the Superior Courts affecting Rural Trustees, Teachers and others, in Lectures, by Dr. HODGINS, Deputy Superintendent of Education, as follows :—

- Chap. I.—The Office of Trustee.
 " II.—Powers and Duties of Rural Trustees.
 " III.—Powers and Duties of a Secretary-Treasurer and Collector.
 " IV.—The new Law relating to Non-residents.
 " V.—School Section Auditors—Accountability of Trustees.
 " VI.—Public School Section Meetings.
 " VII.—Selection of Rural School Sites.
 " VIII.—Arbitration and Awards.
 " IX.—Public School Teachers and their Qualifications.
 " X.—Relation of Inspectors to Public School Teachers.
 " XI.—Terms and Vacations in the Public Schools.
 " XII.—New Law in regard to the Superannuation Fund.
 " XIV.—Subjects for Teachers and Public School Inspectors' Certificates of Qualification.
 " XV.—Establishment of Schools in Unorganized Townships.

These Lectures can be obtained through any bookseller for 50c. or 55c. free of postage.

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