state and municipality? If either of you ladies and gentlemen had been required, at the age of twelve years, to write a composition on the Indian question, not being allowed to ask any questions of your elders, what kind of an essay do you think you would have presented to your teacher? There is an old saying that "A Jack of all trades is good at none." It would appear that our children are being taught to have a superficial idea of everything and not to be proficient in anything.

## SCHOOL AND COLLEGE.

Mr. John D. Robertson, the efficient teacher of Moore's Mills Superior School, has resigned to take a college course. Mr. Robertson's departure is regretted not only by the pupils, but by the entire community. He is succeeded by Mr. Amasa Plummer, of Carleton Co.

Miss Mary Dibblee has resigned her position on the St. Stephen staff. Miss Lucy McKenzie has been appointed in her stead. Miss Dibblee had the reputation of being one of our best teachers.

Mr. Geo. M. Johnston, teacher of the St. George Superior School, is spending a portion of his holidays in Pennsylvania.

Principal Mackay, Messrs. Grant and Coops of the New Glasgow High School have resigned. Mr. Mackay will prosecute his studies in the higher physics, in John Hopkins University, Baltimore. Mr. Grant will study law, and Mr. Coops medicine.

Mr. Vernon Clarke has been appointed as principal of the intermediate department of St. Andrews.

Inspectors Smith and Carter attended part of the sessions of the Summer School of Science.

Mr. H. B. Barton has been appointed to succeed Mr. W. M. Veazie at Grand Harbor. Mr. Veazie will enter the University of N. B.

Mr. A. E. Barton has been appointed principal of the school at Lord's Cove, Charlotte Co.

Mr. A. C. M. Lawson has been appointed principal of the Havelock Superior School.

Last April it was decided at a town meeting, by 66 against 36, that New Glasgow required a new high school building costing $25,000. On account of some opposition from the ratepayers the bill authorising the expenditure passed the Legislature with a rider requiring another town meeting to be called. This meeting was held on the 30th of June. After a very keen contest the friends of the high school polled 180 votes against 103. New Glasgow has every reason to be proud of the splendid work done by Principal Ebenezer Mackay and his staff in the old building. This accounts for the handsome majority obtained by the friends of higher education.

Mr. Fred. Yorston, A. B., of Douglastown, N. B., has been appointed to the principalship of the Charlotte street school, Fredericton, made vacant by the resignation of Mr. H. B. Kilburn.

We gladly chronicle such an item as the following from "Parent" in the Newcastle, N. B. *Advocate*: "As our school teacher, Miss Mary Carney, from Douglastown, has gone away from amongst us after teaching for a term of ten or eleven years we feel it our duty to thank her for her kindness in the way that she has conducted her school and brought on our children. She has acted as both a teacher and a parent to the small children and worked hard to bring them along and their advance in knowledge shows it. We hope she will succeed as well in the next school as she has done with ours. With our best wishes towards her we remain her sincere friends as before."

Professor Lothar Bober, teacher of German in the Halifax Academy, has been appointed to the chair of modern languages in King's College, Windsor.

The vacant principalship of the Dartmouth Public Schools has been filled by the appointment of Geo. J. Miller, (Grade A.) late of Hantsport. We must congratulate Dartmouth School Board upon having made a most excellent selection. We hope Mr. Miller may have time to favor the readers of the REVIEW with something from his ready pen.

Mr. W. E Thompson for many years principal of Albro street school, Halifax, and one of the leading teachers of the province, has resigned for the study of law.

The Halifax Normal Class for the training of Kindergartners, will re-open Sept. 5th. For particulars address Susan S. Harriman, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

## QUESTION DEPARTMENT.

For a subscriber to the REVIEW:

(1) Hamblin Smith's Euclid, p. 56, ex. 8. If the lines are parallel the exercise is possible only when the point E is equal distance from them. If they are not parallel let them meet in F. Through E draw E L parallel to A F and E K parallel to C F. Make G K equal to K F. Join G E and produce it to H. Then G H will be bisected in E. For the triangles G E K and E H L are easily proved equal (I. 26).

(2) Page 69, ex. 1. Suppose the diagonal A C does not pass through O. Then it can be easily shown that the figure A O C D is equal to half the parallelogram A B C D. But the triangle A C D is also equal to half the parallelogram A B C D. Therefore the triangle A C D is equal to the figure A O C D: Which is impossible. Therefore A C does pass through the point O.