

COMMON SCHOOL COURSE.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Educational Institute of New Brunswick, held on the 5th inst., a communication from the Chief Superintendent was read, relative to the resolutions passed by the Institute in June last and transmitted to the Board of Education. It was therein stated that the Board had been pleased to approve the resolutions relating to a Course of Instruction for Grammar Schools and Superior Schools, and to make the following order thereon:

"Ordered, That the schools specified in the resolutions be authorized to adopt the respective Courses of Instruction designated therein, until the close of the term ending June 30th, 1888, or till such time as a Course of Instruction shall be prescribed."

A copy of the resolution is hereto annexed, and also a copy of the report of the committee to revise the Course of Instruction for Common Schools. The latter was not adopted by the Institute, but its consideration was deferred till the next meeting; and meanwhile the Executive Committee was authorized to have it printed in the EDUCATIONAL REVIEW for the information of teachers generally.

HERBERT C. CREED.

Sec'y. Treas. to Executive Committee.

Fredericton, January, 1888.

Resolution Passed by the Educational Institute of N. B.
(Referred to in above order).

Resolved, That this Institute recommend the Board of Education to make the following order, viz.:

That for the next two terms,

1st. All High Schools of the Province working only in Standard IX. and upward shall adhere to the Course of Instruction to-day submitted by the Committee for Grammar Schools, called here the *High School Course*;

2nd. That all schools of the Province working only in Standard VIII. (or VII. and VIII.) and upwards, shall also adhere to the before-mentioned High School Course, so called, and the teacher may, if the circumstances of the school require, modify either Standard VII. or VIII., or both, according to his best judgment, subject to the approval of the Inspector;

3rd. That all Superior Schools in villages and country districts, not holding the rank of those referred to in the two preceding sections, shall adhere to a Course of Instruction framed by the Chief Superintendent and Inspectors,

Amendments in the Course of Instruction Recommended to the Educational Institute of N. B., June, 1887.

GRADE I.

NUMBER. To use *strokes* during the first term, but *figures* in the last.

WRITING. To use print-script from the beginning, the slates to be ruled.

SPELLING. Spelling words in Primer to be added to the year's work.

GRADE II.

WRITING. Common writing to be taken up during the latter part of the year.

READING. Royal Reader No. 1, Part II.

GRADE III.

ARITHMETIC. To include numbers up to a million.

READING. Royal Reader No. 2, to "Metals."

GEOGRAPHY. The roads of the county to be omitted from the map.

GRADE IV.

READING. Royal Reader No. 3, to page 145.

GEOGRAPHY. North America only to be treated with respect to its great physical features; productions and industries omitted.

GRADE V.

READING. To page 142.

GEOGRAPHY. Maritime Provinces in detail. Latitude and Longitude.

GRAMMAR. Parts of Speech. Subject and Predicate. Gender, Number and Person.

PHYSICS. The Physics of this Grade to be omitted.

GRADE VI.

ARITHMETIC. Vulgar and Decimal Fractions. No Scales.

GEOGRAPHY. Remaining Provinces of the Dominion. North America. Newfoundland. Outline map.

PHYSICS. Substitute the Physics of Grade VII.

GRADE VII.

CHEMISTRY. To end of "The Plant and what it yields us."

COMPOSITION. Omit Transposition from poetical to prose form. Continue Narrative Composition of V. and VI.

HISTORY. Outlines to end of Stuart Period.

GEOGRAPHY. United States. Change of Seasons.

ARITHMETIC. Add Ratio and Simple Proportion.

PHYSICS. The Physics of Grades V. and VI.

GEOMETRY. Definitions, etc., to end of Prop. C.

GRADE VIII.

GEOGRAPHY. Omit list of Colonies.

HISTORY. Outlines of British History completed and reviewed.

COMPOSITION. Introductory Text, to end of Synthesis of Compound Sentences. Narrative as in VI. and VII.

GEOMETRY. To Prop. 32 of Book I. Exercises.

GRAMMAR. Text completed. Analysis of sentences of four clauses.

MENSURATION. Rectangles, Squares and Triangles,

ARITHMETIC. Omit Compound Interest,