

EDITOR'S DRAWER.

TO CONTRIBUTORS.—The poem, "To a Child Sleeping in School," will appear in our next number.

GEORGETOWN ACADEMY.—We would direct attention to the advertisement of this excellent educational institution, on the second page of cover. Every facility is afforded for Teachers, Matriculants &c., as well as for those wanting a good business training. We are also happy to say that the very efficient Principals, Messrs. Tait & Campbell have kindly consented to become contributors to the ONTARIO TEACHER.

TEACHER'S DESK.—We are much gratified with the interest taken in this department of the TEACHER. We solicit answers to problems and queries, and, when correct, they will be duly acknowledged. Mr. Glashan has opened a department for "Young Teachers' Queries," and we hope to receive contributions in reply to the practical and useful questions there given. We aim, so far as possible, to make our journal of practical value to teachers, and they can themselves greatly aid us in accomplishing so desirable an object.

SCHOOL OF TELEGRAPHY.—We would direct the attention of Teachers and all others interested to the advertisement of the Hamilton School of Telegraphy, on the second page of cover. Mr. Givin, the Principal, has had fifteen years' experience as a practical operator, and has excellent testimonials from H. P. Dwight, Superintendent Montreal Telegraph Company, and others. Mr. W. K. Muir,

General Superintendent Great Western Railway, as a proof of the high estimation in which Mr. Givin is held, states that in engaging operators the Company will give the preference to those who graduate in the Hamilton School of Telegraphy, over all others.

THE NORMAL SCHOOL.—We regret to notice in the Toronto Press serious charges of incompetency preferred against the Principal of the Normal School—Dr. Davis. Although the force of the charge may be somewhat weakened by the fact that it is made by a discharged student, yet from information that has reached us recently, we are compelled, in the public interest, to admit the possibilities of its correctness. Our own personal connections with Dr. Davis were not of such a nature as to lead us to join in denouncing his conduct as a Teacher. True, we never entertained the idea that he was eminently qualified for the position he now holds. On the contrary we often regretted the exhibition of those very weaknesses which are now reported so flagrant, yet as Second Master, he was not in the position to indulge his temper nor destroy the comfort of the students to the same extent as in his present position. We trust a full examination of the case will be made by the Council of Public Instruction, and that while doing justice to Dr. Davis, the greatest possible care will be exercised in guarding the interests of the only Institution in the Province to which we can at present look for that training so essential to our educational interests.