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### EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT, N. B.

#### Official Notices.

#### I. SCHOOL YEAR, 1902-3—NUMBER OF TEACHING DAYS.

For Term ending December, 1902, the number of Teaching Days in ordinary Districts is 92; for Districts authorized to take an eight weeks' vacation the number of Teaching Days is 82. For Term ending June, 1903, the number of Teaching Days will be 123 in all Districts, except in the City of St. John where the number will be 122. The last Teaching Day of the present Term is December the 19th, and the first Teaching Day of the next Term is January 7th, 1903.

#### II. DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATIONS.

a. *Closing Examinations for License*.—The closing Examinations for License, and for Advance of Class, will be held at the Normal School, Fredericton, and at the Grammar School Buildings, in St. John and Chatham, beginning on Tuesday, the 9th day of June, 1903.

The English Literature required for First Class candidates is Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice," and selections from Keats, Shelley, and Byron as found in Select Poems, used in High Schools.

b. *Normal School Entrance Examinations and Preliminary Examinations for Advance of Class*.—These examinations will be held at the usual stations throughout the Province, beginning on Tuesday, July 7th at 9 o'clock a. m.

The requirements for the several classes will be found on pages 115 and 116 of the School Manual.

Candidates are required to give notice to the Inspector within whose inspectorial district they wish to be examined not later than the 24th day of May. A fee of one dollar must be sent to the Inspector with the application.

c. *Leaving Examinations*.—Held at the same time and stations as the Entrance Examinations.

These examinations are based on the requirements of the Course of Study for Grammar and High Schools as given in the Syllabus for Grades IX, X and XI.

The subjects for the Leaving Examinations shall consist of English Language, English Literature, History and Geography, Arithmetic and Book-keeping, Algebra, Geometry, Botany and Agriculture, with any two of the following: Physics, Chemistry, Physiology, Latin, Greek, French.—(Nine papers in all).

d. *Matriculation Examinations*.—Held at the same time and stations as the Entrance Examinations. The Matriculation Examinations are also based on the requirements of the Course of Study for Grammar and High Schools as given in the Syllabus for Grades IX, X and XI.

All candidates for Matriculation shall take the following subjects: Latin, Arithmetic and Algebra, Geometry, History and Geography, English Language, English Literature, Chemistry; also, either Greek or French and Natural History.

All candidates for the Matriculation and Leaving Examinations must send in their applications to the Inspector within whose inspectorate they propose to be examined, not later than the 24th day of May. A fee of two dollars must accompany each application. Forms of application may be obtained from the Inspectors or from the Education Office.

The English Literature Subjects for the Matriculation and Leaving Examinations will be the same as for the First Class Candidates at the Closing Examinations.

Examinations for Superior School License will be held both at the June and July examinations.

The First Book of Caesar's Gallic War will be required in both cases. The Mathematical Paper will be based on Wentworth's Trigonometry and F. H. Stevens' Mensuration for Beginners.

e. *High School Entrance Examinations*.—These examinations will be held at the several Grammar and other High Schools, beginning on Monday, June 22nd, at 9 o'clock a. m. Under the provisions of Regulation 46, question papers will be provided by the department. The principals of the Grammar and High Schools are requested to notify the Chief Superintendent not later than June 1st, as to the probable number of candidates.

For further details in regard to the Departmental Examinations see School Manual, Regulations 31, 32, 45 and 46.

Education Office,

J. R. INCH,

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