

Mr. J. B. Sutherland, A. B., and the teachers of the intermediate department of St. Andrews, have raised by means of a school concert nearly \$100, which is to be devoted to the purchase of a school library and some needful apparatus.

Inspector Carter has been invited to read a paper at the Dominion Teachers' Association which meets in Montreal in July.

Miss Alice Moore, of St. Stephen, has been forced by illness temporarily to give up her school. Miss Lucy McKenzie is supplying for her.

Miss Mary Dibble has gone on a trip to California.

Supt. F. H. Hayes, of St. John, who has been so seriously ill is slowly improving.

Through the efforts of Miss Maggie Montgomery, teacher at Westfield, Kings Co., aided by her pupils, a sufficient sum has been raised to provide handsome blinds and otherwise improve the interior of the house. No. 6 has now both externally and internally one of the handsomest houses in the Parish.

The new school library has been procured for Round Hill, No. 3 Greenwich, Kings County.

A very handsome oak book-case has been presented by the trustees of Little River, St. John Co., to the teacher, Miss Higgins, to accommodate the library which she is about to procure.

Inspector Carter expects to visit the graded schools of Charlotte Co. earlier than usual this year—probably during the latter part of April.

Mr. James A. Smith—a teacher in Halifax and other parts of Nova Scotia for over forty years—was stricken with paralysis on his way to school on the 14th ult. He died on the 16th. He always took an active part in Teachers' Associations, and when at his best was reckoned a good teacher. His life was insured for \$8,000.

The many friends of Miss Anna G. McIntosh, of Chatham Head, will be pleased to learn that her health has been so far restored by her six months rest as to enable her to resume her duties as principal of the Nelson Schools, on the 1st inst.

Miss Annie E. Millar, who for the past three years has given excellent satisfaction in the Doaktown School, has resigned her position to accompany a most estimable young man to the west as a life partner in his business. She carries with her to her new home the love of her pupils, and best wishes of a large circle of friends.

Miss E. Maude Fisher, of Marysville, takes the Doaktown school till the end of the term.

Jas. Windsor, Esq., merchant, of New Mills, Restigouche County, shows his interest in the progress of education by giving, this term, sixty dollars worth of prizes to be competed for by the pupils in the following schools, viz.: Heron

Island, Black Land, Black Point, New Mills and River Charlo. The prizes are to be awarded on the report of Rev. Thomas Nicholson, of River Charlo.

Ernest Hutchinson, Esq., of Douglstown, has offered the old Manor House and grounds to the school trustees of that place. The house can be easily changed into four good school rooms by taking down the large old fashioned chimneys and putting in two windows in each end. Mr. H. agrees to put in furnaces, remove chimneys, etc.,—in short to make the rooms ready for pupils and teachers at his own expense.

The grounds will form the best play-grounds in the Province, consisting of between two and three acres, well laid off with gravelled walks, summer house, shrubbies, etc.

### QUESTION DEPARTMENT.

TRUSTEE.—In the June number of the REVIEW I beg to call your attention to a question asked by B. O'G., as follows: How many pounds of gold are actually as heavy as twelve pounds of iron?

The inquirer is told to work out the following proportion: As the specific gravity of gold 19.2 is to the specific gravity of lead (iron) 7.8, so is 12 pounds of lead (iron) to the required weight of gold.

I need not work it out as the result is too far astray to answer the conditions of the problem, but instead would recommend B. O'G. to work out the following:

$$\frac{175 \times 12}{144} = 14\frac{7}{8} \text{ pounds.}$$

Reason: 144 pounds avoirdupois = 75 pounds troy, therefore 12 pounds avoirdupois =  $14\frac{7}{8}$  pounds troy.

### BOOK REVIEWS.

THE GATE TO CÆSAR, by William C. Collar, A. M. Published by Ginn & Co., Boston. Pages 141. Size 6½ x 4½. Price 45cts. In order to prepare the mind of the student to take up Cæsar with pleasure, the author of this little volume has selected the second book of the Gallic War, and has re-written it, eliminating all difficulties which might seriously embarrass the beginner. This is done very successfully without detracting from the interest of the story or the style of the author. In connection with each simplified chapter, and illustrating the grammatical principles involved in it, are English sentences to be turned into Latin. By the adoption of this method the student acquires an insight into the peculiarities of the Latin tongue much more surely and readily than by the use of the ordinary anglicized Latin of most introductory textbooks on that subject. The full text of the original is also given for use and comparison at a more advanced stage. Mr. Collar has scarcely an equal in the preparation of elementary Latin books founded on the soundest pedagogical principles.

COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS IN ALGEBRA, by G. P. Tibbets A. M. Publishers, Ginn & Co., Boston. Pages 45. Size 7½ x 5. Price 55cts. A good selection of about 400 exercises selected mainly from the examination papers of some leading American colleges. Answers not given.