

**'ROUND TABLE TALKS.**

I. Penson. -Box contains a fine specimen of *Habenaria psycodes*, Gray, a specimen of *Habenaria lacera*, R. Br., packed in moss (*Hypnum Schreberi*), and a fine specimen of the rather rare *Polygonum amphibium*, L.—the “water knotweed.”

An examiner sends us the following morsel which he jotted down from a recent examination :

Question—Explain the cause of the rainbow ?

Answer—When the sun shines on drops of rain you see the different colors in your eye and the colors are in your eye and not in the sky, and this is the cause of the rainbow.

**SCHOOL AND COLLEGE.**

Mr. W. W. Veazie, A.B., has been appointed principal of the schools of St. George, Charlotte Co.

Miss Alberta Brown, teacher at Wood Lake, St. John Co., has been able to provide her school with new furniture and a teacher's table.

Mr. Francis W. Walker, A.B., late of the Davenport school, St. John, N. B., has been appointed to the staff of Upper Canada College, Toronto, Ont.

Miss Louise D'Orsay, one of the most popular and successful teachers in St. John city, was recently married to the Rev. J. B. Gough. The REVIEW extends congratulations and best wishes.

Miss Nellie Burchill, of the Quaco, N. B., staff has provided for the painting of her school building, and Miss Anna Powers has added a teacher's table and some slate blackboard to her school appliances.

The school grounds of the High school, St. Martins, are the admiration of all visitors. For artistic arrangement and beautiful display of flowers and shrubs, they are difficult to be surpassed, and are justly a source of pride to all residents of that attractive village.

The Aberdeen School at Moncton was formally opened on Saturday, Aug. 27th, by His Honor Lt.-Gov. McClelan in presence of Premier Emmerson, Hon. A. A. Stockton, Chief Supt. Dr. Inch, Inspector Smith, the Moncton Board of Trustees and other visitors. After the inspection of the fine structure, which is the most completely equipped school building in the Atlantic provinces, the Lt.-Governor dedicated the building for educational purposes in a speech in which he warmly congratulated the trustees and people of Moncton for their public spirit in erecting so fine a building. His Honor prefaced his remarks in a substantial manner by offering a yearly prize to the pupil who should make the highest aggregate in the entrance to the High School.

A meeting of the teachers and school officers of Lancaster, N.B., was called by Inspector Carter in August to form an association of teachers and all interested in the schools. At the preliminary meeting there were present thirteen teachers and Secretaries Gray and Irvine.

Inspector Carter has recently addressed two public educational meetings in St. John Co., N. B.—one at Hardingville, on August 29th, and the other at East Quaco, on the evening of Sept. 1. At the latter meeting addresses were also given by Messrs. Geo. J. Trueman and Michael Kelly of St. Martins, N. B. The meetings were very satisfactory, both in interest and attendance.

The High School at Marshfield, P. E. I., was inspected on August 23rd by Inspector McCormac. Mr. J. H. Morsan is principal, and his sister, Miss Katie Morsan, conducts the primary department. Mr. Morsan has been very successful as a teacher. Some of his pupils distinguished themselves at the matriculation examinations to the Normal School, recently held.

Owing to scarcity of pupils, the trustees of Suffolk School District, P. E. I., did not engage a teacher for the present school year. This is the only vacant school in the eastern inspectorate of P. E. I.

The educationists from P. E. I. to attend the meeting of the Dominion Educational Association recently held in Halifax were: Chief Superintendent McLeod, Inspector McCormac, Principal Millar, Principal Seaman, and Miss E. E. McKinnon.

Principal Kirkland, of Toronto Normal School, spent four weeks vacation on P. E. Island this summer.

President Mills, of the Guelph Agricultural College, paid a visit to P. E. I. after attending the D. E. A. at Halifax.

The Charlottetown schools, St. Dunstan's College, and Prince of Wales College and Normal School resumed work in the early part of September.

Dr. Anderson, Principal of Prince of Wales College, spent his holidays on the continent of Europe. He visited Paris, Rome, London and other cities. The doctor is a native of Aberdeen, Scotland.

In 1837 there were 51 teachers employed in P. E. I. In 1877 there were 374; in 1887, 505; and in 1897, 579. In 1837 there were 1649 pupils; in 1877, 16,109; in 1887, 22,460; and in 1897, 21,845.

The 1899 session of the National Educational Association of the United States will probably be held at Los Angeles, Cal., with the promise of a round trip rate from Chicago of \$50.