

V. Educational Intelligence.

CANADA.

— TORONTO GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—The semi-annual public examination of the pupils attending the Toronto Grammar School, Nelson Street, took place on the 22nd inst., in the presence of a considerable number of persons interested in the educational progress of the pupils. The private examination for prizes had taken place during the previous week, and the examination yesterday was simply to give parents and guardians an opportunity of judging of the advance made by the scholars. This appeared to have been very satisfactory indeed, for they answered the questions put to them in the various branches with promptitude and correctness. After the Christmas holidays the Grammar School will be removed to Mutual street, and reopened under the rectorship of the Rev. Arthur Wickson, L.L.D., late Classical Tutor and Registrar in University College, Toronto.

— TORONTO COMMON SCHOOLS.—The semi-annual examinations of the common schools of this city took place on the 23rd inst., prior to the customary Christmas vacation, Rev. Mr. Porter, Local Superintendent, visited all the schools during the day. As the weather was all that could be desired, a large number of the parents and guardians of the children visited several of the schools, and were evidently interested in the examinations of the children, which on the whole were exceedingly creditable. The attendance of the children at the various schools was very good, and as they were dressed in their holiday attire, they presented a cheerful and happy appearance.

— ST. JAMES' PAROCHIAL SCHOOL, TORONTO.—The Christmas examination of the St. James' Parochial school, corner of Adelaide and Church streets, took place on the 22nd inst., in presence of the Lord Bishop of Toronto and a large number of visitors, chiefly members of the congregation attending St. James' Cathedral. The proceedings, consisting of recitations, &c., were very interesting and appeared to give much satisfaction to all who witnessed them. The school is well attended, the aggregate during the present year being 180. The average attendance in the senior department was 65, and in the junior 74, and the attendance at the examination was 165. The school is well conducted by Mr. Fredrick Warwick head-master, and Miss Ellen Wilson, assistant.

— BOYS' MODEL SCHOOL PRESENTATION.—Mr. J. C. Disher, teacher of the second division Model School, was yesterday presented by his pupils with a handsome and valuable walking cane. The presentation was made in the presence of the whole school, and a very flattering address was read by Master Alex. Henderson. Mr. Disher replied at considerable length, and the pupils were dismissed for the afternoon.—The boys of the first division of the Model School also presented their teacher, Mr. Carlyle, with a handsome walking-cane, and Mrs. Carlyle with a neat work-box. Master McPherson made a short address, to which Mr. Carlyle made a touching reply.—The girls of the second division surprised Miss Adams by leaving on her desk a very beautiful album, containing an affectionate note.—*Leader.*

— UNIVERSITY OF TRINITY COLLEGE.—The annual general meeting of this association was held at the College on the 17th inst. The ordinary business of reading the minutes, &c., having been transacted, the committee appointed to collect subscriptions for the purpose of paying off the Bishop's portrait, viz., Messrs. Paterson and Harrison, then handed in their report stating that they had received \$60 towards defraying the debt; and were desired by the meeting to continue their exertions. The committee appointed at the last meeting to consult with the College authorities with a view to the formation of a Grammar School in connection with the College were unable to present a written report, owing to the absence of the chairman, but Mr. Broughall, one of the committee, informed the meeting that it had been decided at present to take no steps in the matter, and further stated that the Rev. Mr. Williams, a graduate of the College, had increased his school and by the assistance of masters were enabled to prepare those intending to matriculate at the College. Other business, immediately connected with the association, having been disposed of, the election of officers for the ensuing year was proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—President, Mr. C. Robertson, M.A., re-elected; Vice-President, Rev. R. Sanders, M.A.; Treasurer Mr. James Henderson, B.A., re-elected; Secretary, Mr. C. W. Paterson, B.A., re-elected; and general committee. A vote of thanks was then given to the office-bearers of the past year, the Toronto Church Choral Society and Mr. Sefton, for their kind assistance at the choral service on Wednesday evening, and those other gentlemen who kindly exerted themselves for the success of the service. The meeting then adjourned.

VI. Departmental Notices.

PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOKS, SCHOOL MAPS, &c. &c.

The Chief Superintendent will add *one hundred per cent.* to any sum or sums, *not less than five dollars*, transmitted to the Department by Municipal and School Corporations, on behalf of Grammar and Common Schools; and forward Public Library Books, Prize Books, Maps, Apparatus, Charts, and Diagrams, to the value of the amount thus augmented, upon receiving a list of the articles required. In all cases it will be necessary for any person acting on behalf of the Municipal or Trustee Corporation, to enclose or present a written authority to do so, verified by the corporate seal of the Corporation. A selection of Maps, Apparatus, Library and Prize Books, &c., to be sent, can always be made by the Department, when so desired.

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It possesses the following advantages:—

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3. It prevents evaporation, owing to the covers and the small size of the aperture;
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