

a fact are they subject to after criticism. It is not sufficient for a teacher to say that one paper is too difficult, or that this one in a lower grade is very much harder to answer than another in a higher grade. The first question to ask is,—is such and such a paper within the scope? And if it be, then it is not the examination paper but the scope that is to be condemned. As a general thing, the teachers are now convinced that the simultaneous plan of examination is the only plan to adopt where there is to be a competition for rank among the schools of the province, and we have no doubt that this year's manner of conducting the examinations will give further satisfaction to every one connected with our educational system. The consolidation of all the regulations in pamphlet form must be found of great service to the teacher who is anxious to know all about the law in this and other connections.

—The third-class teacher's certificate in Ontario, it seems, is only valid for three years, and when the three years are up, some of the teachers of that grade come over into the Province of Quebec, and ask the Department to grant them a diploma on the strength of a certificate which has expired. It is not difficult to understand that no diplomas have been issued on any such terms. The liberality of the Quebec authorities in recognising the certificates of teachers obtained in the neighbouring provinces is not to be abused in this way, and it is to be hoped we have heard the last of applications of the above character.

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### Current Events.

—The Girls' High School of Quebec shares this year again in the scholastic honours which are being conferred at this season. The two young ladies who have taken their B. A., as mentioned above, are Miss McLeod and Miss Sloan, who were educated in that institution previous to their joining the classes of Morrin College.

—The examination for School Inspectors took place at Quebec on the 5th of April last, when the following gentlemen succeeded in gaining the number of marks sufficient to give them rank as being eligible for appointment as Inspectors:—Rev. R. Hewton, Rev. E. M. Taylor, and D. M. Gilmour. The recommendation for appointment comes from the Protestant committee.