

exclusively. All our examinations since the beginning of the scholastic year have been conducted according to the course of study and the standing of each school indicated accordingly in the Bulletins of Inspections.

Bonaventure.—The Shoolbred Schools are, or have been very recently without teachers, both the Misses McNeil having left, one for the Normal School, Montreal, the other to take charge of Port Daniel, No. 1.

The populous municipality of New Richmond has turned over a new leaf, and has no fewer than five schools in operation this winter. This improved condition of scholastic affairs is due to the persistent efforts of the excellent chairman, the Revd. P. Lindsay, and of the pains-taking secretary-treasurer, Mr. John McCormick.

The new school house, No. 1, in the village of New Richmond, is a creditable building, and the school room is the best in the county.

The attendance at Cox, No. 2, Paspebiac, is very small at present, as the dread of Diphtheria, deters parents from sending out their children.

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Inspector to teacher.—“Have you made out a time table, Miss Y?”
“Yes, sir.” “Pray where is it? I don't see it.” “Well, I made one out, sir, but I keep it at home.”

Inspector, who begins to feel a little tired from standing but cannot see a chair, to teacher;—“Have you not a chair to sit upon, Miss B?”

Miss B.—No, sir; I was not sure you were coming to-day, or *I would have borrowed one.*

The need of a simple and easy English grammar for beginners is much felt in the elementary schools in the Gaspé district, and it is to be hoped that a suitable book will soon be authorized.

A simple text book of hygiene might be introduced with great advantage into the elementary schools in the district of Gaspé.

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The Governor General during the pressing engagements of Carnival week found time to show his interest in the Educational work of the Province. His reply to the address presented to him on the occasion of his visit to McGill University was quite above the average of such replies and manifested a remarkably intimate and accurate acquaintance with the history and constitution of the University.

The informal visit paid to the High School, Montreal, gave great satisfaction and His Excellency was evidently pleased with the enthusiastic reception which he received.

Holidays.—The school commissioners of Montreal closed their schools each afternoon during Carnival week to the great delight of the girls and boys.

Examinations.—The suburban schools of Montreal, which have recently been placed under the control of Inspector McGregor, are to be brought together for a competitive examination this spring. Each school is to send up one pupil for every ten in attendance and the examination is to be based upon the authorized course of study.