

No meeting was called during the evening, as business in the senate prevented the attendance of Mr. Crockett, superintendent of education, to deliver an address. He wrote the Institute, very much regretting his absence.

During the afternoon session, 47 teachers were in attendance.

The third session of this Institute opened at 2.30 o'clock A. M., D. P. Wetmore, president, in the chair. The minutes of former sessions were read and confirmed. After the calling of the roll the president introduced F. S. Chapman, vice-president, who read an interesting and instructive paper on Cultivating a taste in pupils for sound English literature.

This paper was followed by a discussion. It was spoken to by J. E. Wetmore, W. A. Somerville, C. W. Corey, C. E. Black, F. S. Chapman and Miss Annie W. Smith.

Wm. Somerville, who had volunteered to read a paper, was introduced to the Institute and read an excellent paper on "The Culture of Teachers."

The last session of the Institute convened at 2 o'clock, P. M., D. P. Wetmore, president, in the chair. After roll call and the confirming of the minutes, it was resolved that the papers by Mr. Somerville and Mr. Chapman be sent to the EDUCATIONAL JOURNAL for publication. [I should have mentioned in yesterday's report that the motions concerning the papers read yesterday were carried.] The president introduced J. E. Wetmore who read a very excellent paper on "Plant Life."

The following participated in the discussion: F. S. Chapman, C. W. Corey, D. P. Wetmore, and C. E. Black.

A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Wetmore for the excellent lesson on Plant Life.

A short discussion was taken on grammar, introduced by Horace Wetmore.

Resolved, That the Institute convene at Sussex on a time fixed by the committee of management.

A vote of thanks was tendered the trustees and teachers for their kindness in opening the school-room to the Institute.

Resolved, That the paper read by Mr. Wetmore be sent to the EDUCATIONAL JOURNAL for publication.

A vote of thanks was tendered D. P. Wetmore, president, for the agreeable and efficient manner in which he had conducted the Institute. Adjourned.

YORK COUNTY.

We regret that we have not at hand a report of the proceedings of the York County Teachers' Institute.

If any of the members will kindly forward us a report we will gladly publish it in our next issue.

COLLEGE ANNIVERSARIES.

The Eccecnial exercises of the University of New Brunswick were held on Thursday afternoon, June 24. There was a large attendance. Chief Justice Allen represented the College visitor, Sir Leonard Tilley, who was absent. The opening oration was delivered by Prof. H. S. Bridges, A.M. The medals, scholarships and prizes were then presented to the following winners:

- Douglas Gold Medal Wm. Murelle
- Alumni Gold Medal W. C. Murray
- Lansdowne Gold Medal W. C. Murray
- Lansdowne Silver Medal W. A. Kerr
- Achromatic Microscope W. A. Kerr
- Prize of books for Senior English W. J. S. Myles
- French Prize of Books Theo. Cushing
- Old Boys Prize J. B. Sutherland
- Mathematical Scholarship W. C. Murray
- English Scholarship W. K. Hatt
- Classical Scholarship W. Wilson

The following honor certificates were awarded

SENIOR CLASS.

- Mathematics—W. C. Murray, Kings, W. S. W. Raymond, Springfield, Kings.
- Classics—W. C. Murray, Kings, A. St. G. Richardson, St. John.
- Philosophy—W. J. S. Myles, Portland; William Murchie, Restigouche.
- Science—W. D. Rankin, Woodstock.
- French—T. Cushing, St. John.

JUNIOR CLASS.

- Science—T. D. Walker, St. John; W. A. Kerr, Chatham; G. E. Gimmer, St. Andrews.
- English—W. K. Hatt, Fredericton; J. D. Harrison, Fredericton; L. H. Bliss, Fredericton.
- Mathematics—W. A. Kerr, Chatham; W. K. Hatt, Fredericton.

FRESHMAN CLASS.

- English—J. B. Sutherland, Kingsclear; C. J. Milligan, St. John.
- Science—J. B. Sutherland, Kingsclear; John Kelly, Fredericton; J. Peake, Fredericton.
- Classics—G. R. Wilson, Nashwaaksis; A. McKenzie, Fredericton.

Mathematics, J. R. Kerr, St. Andrews; F. A. Barbour, St. John.

French—C. J. Milligan, St. John.
Mr. A. B. Boyer, A. B., then delivered the valedictory for the class of '85, after which the degrees were conferred on the following undergraduates and graduates:

BACHELORS OF ARTS.

The following received the degree of B. A. in the order named: W. Murray, W. D. Rankin, W. J. S. Myles, A. A. Brewer, T. Cushing, W. S. Raymond, A. St. G. Richardson, Wm. Murchie, A. K. Neales, O. S. Crockett, H. C. Harrington, J. H. Harris, R. E. G. Smith, A. B. Teed, and A. L. Johnson.

MASTERS OF ARTS.

The degree of M. A. was conferred on C. H. Ludwig, J. A. Steeves, H. G. McFarlane, W. C. Cushing, A. W. Teed, W. F. Ganong, S. Neales, and I. R. Nicholson.

Prof. W. F. Stockley and Prof. S. W. Dyde received the Degree of M. A. *ad eundem*

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The degree of L. L. D. (honorary) was conferred on Judge King and L. L. D. (*ad eundem*) on Dr. Harrison.

Dr. Macrae of St. John delivered the oration on behalf of the Alumni Society.

The subjects for the English and Latin Essays next year will be respectively "The relation of Capital and Labor," and translation into Latin prose of the piece taken from Mommsen's History of Rome, beginning with the words "Gifts such as these could not fail," on page 541, and ending with "Rather than for those of war," on page 543.

ALUMNI SOCIETY MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Associated Alumni Society of the University was held at the University, Wednesday evening June 23rd, and was very largely attended. The usual business was transacted.

Messrs. W. B. Carman, G. H. Lee and J. D. Hazen were appointed a committee for the purpose of forwarding and carrying into effect the establishment of an electorship in the University.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

- President, H. S. Bridges, M. A. Vice-Presidents, F. E. Barker, M. A., D. C. L., M. P., G. F. Fisher, B. C. L., Wm. Wilson, A. B., M. P. P. Secretary Treasurer, James A. Vanwart, M. A. Members of Council without office, J. Z. Currie, M. D., W. B. Carman, M. A., L. W. Bailey, Ph. D., G. H. Lee, M. A., B. C. L., Rev. G. G. Roberts, M. A., G. H. Parkin, M. A., Geo. W. Allen, M. A. Members of the Senate, Hon. James Mitchell, E. L. Wetmore, Q. C.

The following gentlemen were enrolled as members of the Society:

- Murray McLaren, M.D., Jas. A. E. Steeves, M.D., H. C. Grant, P. E. Cliff, H. G. Fenety, H. B. Kilburn, H. Bridges and P. G. McFarlane, B. A.

After a number of speeches by different members the meeting adjourned.

CO-EDUCATION.

It is reported that at the annual meeting of the Senate of the University, held on Thursday morning, June 24, that it was decided to admit women to University course hereafter.

We commend the following remarks of Supt. J. W. Dowd, to the consideration of our readers. Praise is somewhat like the greenback,—in order to keep it at its par value, there should never be an over-issue. And when praise degenerates into mere flattery, those who use it are guilty of counterfeiting. To praise a bad pupil into good behaviour is a very difficult performance. Pupils may be so fed with praise as to come to look at it as their right, as a part of their daily bread, which, when they do not receive, they become sullen and discontented. When praise is accepted occasionally, and in the right spirit, it does good. When it is demanded as a right, not in words, but by acts, it is not deserved and should not be given. If the teacher should be sparing in words of praise, much more should he be sparing in words of blame. A pupil cannot be lifted into better behaviour by continual fault-finding.—*Educational Weekly*.

OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.—Rev. Mr. McNair, of Ontario, who is supplying St. David's Church, during the absence of the Rev. George Bruce, at the general assembly, has been visiting the city schools on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, speaking, when asked, with much acceptance. At the Wednesday evening meeting in St. David's Church, he referred in striking terms to the effect on his mind of the opening services in the Victoria High School at its ordinary session that morning, in the song of praise, Lord's prayer and responsive reading of the Scriptures, led by Mrs. Carr, the principal, saying that never before had he been more impressed than on this occasion. The influence and power of the services on the young hearts taking part he characterized as most important, and stated if these were the kind of services held in the public educational buildings of this Province, they would indeed be blessed and bring a blessing upon the land in which they were held. Mr. McNair's testimony is very valuable, coming from one who has had much experience of school work in Ontario. He referred also in warmest terms to the more public exercises of the schools in the Leinster street building, the Victoria, Grammar, St. Malachi's, St. Vincent's, Centennial, St. Patrick's and Albert buildings. We are always glad to have our visitors see what we are doing in this way down by the sea.—*Telegraph*.

The following resolution endorsing the JOURNAL OF EDUCATION was carried unanimously at the St. John County Teachers' Institute:

Mr. Town offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Sweeney, that this Institute endorse the publication of the JOURNAL OF EDUCATION, and recommend it to the favorable consideration of both teachers and trustees throughout the Province.

Mr. Carter stated what the object of the JOURNAL was, and the aim of its promoters, and hoped that the teachers would assist by subscribing and contributing.

Mr. Hayes also espoused the cause of the JOURNAL and hoped it would receive the cordial support of all.

Mr. Hay, the editor of the JOURNAL, said that, although only a short time in existence, the paper had received a very favorable reception so far, and gave the teachers some hints as to what was intended to be done by the JOURNAL, and what a valuable use the teachers could make of it, as it supplied a long felt want in the profession.

On the motion being put, it was carried unanimously.

QUESTION DEPARTMENT.

Knowing well that a large number of teachers through the country can not reach all the books that are necessary as references, the JOURNAL will contain a column devoted to the answering of questions. It is desirable that the questions be stated particularly and written legibly to avoid any mistakes occurring in the answers. The questions should be confined to school work and not to general subjects, as this paper is to be purely a school journal. In opening this column it is necessary to have the hearty co-operation of teachers to make it a success. Any question on theory will be answered in the editorial columns. All questions will be answered as promptly as they can be, but we do not bind our selves to answer in the next issue after receipt of question. The same privilege is extended to subscribers other than teachers. All communications should be addressed "QUESTION DEPARTMENT," JOURNAL OF EDUCATION, St. John, N. B.

How large do our fresh water lobsters grow? Would they live in salt water? In what localities are they found, and how should they be classified? J. B.

The highest peak of the Himalayan chain hitherto known is Mount Everest, which rises twenty-nine thousand and two feet above the level sea. It is now reported that still higher peaks have been found.

Nothing is easier than fault-finding. No talent, no self-denial, no genius, no character are required to set up in the grumbling business. But those who are moved by a genuine desire to do good have little time for murmuring or complaint.—*Robert West*.