

Principal Trueman, of the St. Martins, St. John County, schools, who has been ill during part of the winter, is able to resume work again. He and his associate teachers have raised a respectable sum of money to add to their library. In the high school a reading room has been provided in which are to be found three or four good magazines and a daily paper. The trustees have under consideration the fencing of the school grounds and the ornamentation of them, in which particular St. Martins is very much behind other places.

Miss Mary Allen, teacher at South Bay, St. John County, has provided her school with a handsome chair and Worcester's unabridged dictionary.

Miss Margaret Payne, former teacher at Loch Lomond, St. John County, assisted by others, has provided the school with some necessary apparatus and furniture.

Miss Anna K. Miller, teacher at Willow Grove, St. John County, has raised the sum of thirteen dollars with which she purposes to fence and ornament the district school grounds.

Miss Ida Clindinning, teacher at Gardiner's Creek, St. John County, had a school concert recently to raise funds to purchase new furniture.

Among the neatest and most attractive school grounds to be found anywhere are those of Fairfield, St. John County, Mrs. M. M. Evans, teacher. On Arbor Day the ratepayers fenced and cleaned the grounds, planted trees and a flower garden.

According to present appearances it is probable that the number of candidates for the July examinations will be somewhat less than last year.

At his recent visit to St. Stephen, and Milltown, Inspector Carter was present at the first meeting of the school boards at which the lady members were present.

Miss Isabella Smith, Waterboro, Queens Co., N. B., has by a school concert raised \$30 to provide new school furniture.

Arbor Day was observed in Inspector Steeves' district, N. B., on Friday, May 8th.

Prof. John Macoun, botanist of the Geological Survey, was elected President of the Botanical Club of Canada in place of the late Professor Lawson. There have been several new officers elected from the west of the Dominion; but the eastern provinces have had all their officers re-elected.

Summer School Notes.

Reduced rates to Summer School of Science at Parrsboro and return have been arranged as follows: By C. P. R. from all points to St. John, one first-class fare going. Return, one-third, or one-half, according to number. All parties travelling by C. P. R. will take I. C. R. from St. John to Parrsboro. In purchasing ticket get standard certificate. By I. C. R. one first-class fare going, return free. Be sure and get standard certificate. By Cumberland Railway Company's Line, one first-class fare, return free. In purchasing ticket at Springhill Junction, present standard or other certificate, showing intention of attending Summer School, and get return ticket. By Dominion Atlantic Line, one first-class fare, return free. When purchasing ticket get standard certificate. By Steamship "Hiawatha," one fare, return free, on certificate from the school. By Central Railway, return for one-third rate on presentation of certificate. By P. E. I. Railway, one fare, return free, on presentation of certificate. By P. E. I. Steam Navigation Co.'s boats, one fare, return free. Procure standard certificate when purchasing ticket.

Any other information respecting rates of travel can be procured from the Secretary.

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P. S. - Rates by Steamer "Hiawatha":

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| Kingsport to Parrsboro and return | \$1.00 |
| Hantsport " " | 1.90 |
| St. John " " | 2.75 |

The Secretary of the Summer School of Science has received notes of enquiry respecting the school and requests for calendars from very many teachers in the Maritime Provinces, also from Quebec, and the following states of the union, viz.: Connecticut, Pennsylvania, New York, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Colorado. Indications point to an attendance larger than usual this year.

Students intending to attend the Summer School of Science at Parrsboro, N. S., July 9th to 24th, should secure board at once by writing to the local Secretary, T. C. McKay, Parrsboro, N. S.

To enable the faculty of the Summer School of Science to make the necessary preparations for classes, all intending students should inform the Secretary of the school, J. D. Seaman, Charlottetown, P. E. I., of their intention to attend and the subjects they purpose studying.

In regard to the literature to be read at the Summer School of Science—and referring to the notice of this subject in the calendar of the school—Mr. Cameron requests us to announce that, by a majority of one, the general subject chosen by those who voted is *Tennyson's Idylls of the King*, and the one selected for special discussion in class is *Guinevere*.