

The football team of Dalhousie College has been making a tour of a portion of the provinces. Last month they played the Acadia College team, the Abegweits of Prince Edward Island, the Pictou and New Glasgow teams of Nova Scotia.

The *Acadia Athenæum* makes honorable mention of the following schools supplying freshmen for the College. S. C. Shaffner at Paradise, J. R. Ruggles of Lockeport, J. F. Godfrey at Hebron, and last but not least, L. D. Robinson of Berwick.

The *Dalhousie Gazette* mentions the following Dalhousians as teachers in Nova Scotian academies and high schools:

Principal MacKittrick, Sydney Academy; Principal Creighton, North Sydney Academy; Principal Fraser, Baddeck Academy; Principal Coops, Port Hood Academy; Principal MacKay, Messrs. Fraser, Gammell and Mellish, Pictou Academy; Principal E. MacKay and Mr. McKenzie, New Glasgow High School; Principal Campbell, Truro Academy; Principal Jones, Digby Academy; Principal Stewart, Shelburne Academy; Principal Mackintosh, Lunenburg Academy; Principal McLeod, Kentville Academy; Mr. Morton, Yarmouth Academy; Miss Forbes, B. A., Principal Great Village Schools; Miss Newcombe, B. A., Presbyterian Ladies' College, Halifax; Principal Laird, High School, River John, Pictou.

At the opening of the N. S. Normal School, Principal Calkin, in introducing the speaker of the day, stated that the number of grade B teachers enrolled this year was four, that forty-five held grade C license, and that about two-thirds have had more or less experience as teachers. A most gratifying showing was this, an indication that the school is assuming more and more a distinctly professional character. In his address, Dr. Allison stated that in the recent examination for teachers, of 175 candidates for first class licenses, only 55 succeeded; of 750 applicants for second class licenses, 250 succeeded. This would indicate that the way into the profession of teaching in Nova Scotia was very difficult; and yet as a matter of fact it is easier than in any other province of the Dominion. The representation by counties is as follows: Colchester 50; Cumberland 16; Pictou, Halifax and Hants, 12 each; Annapolis 8; Lunenburg, Kings, Antigonish and Digby, 7 each; Queens 4; Guysboro 4; Shelburne 2; Cape Breton 1.—*Ex.*

The Truro Kindergarten was opened on Monday, November 28th. Twenty-nine bright children presented themselves, in smiling wonder, to enter upon a new existence. No one could watch Miss Woodcock, their director, manage so very many little children, keeping them happy and good from the start, without feeling that the "committee" have secured a lady who thoroughly understands her art, and is herself, with her refinement and evident reserve force, an excellent exponent of Fröbel's beautiful system. The apartment is large, home-like and inviting, with its gay furniture and plants. Its location in the Normal school building will render it a power for good in showing teachers that discipline may be secured by love and tenderness without any sacrifice of efficiency. The pretty little tables and chairs are furnished by Selby & Co., Toronto, Ontario, and the rest of the material, "Gifts and Occupations," have been supplied by the same firm, the senior member of which, Mr. Wm. Selby, a great enthusiast in regard to the kindergarten system, has generously made the committee a discount of \$50 on the invoice as a present from himself to encourage the establishment of kindergartens in Nova Scotia. Miss Woodcock will be assisted by two ladies, experienced and well-educated.—*Condensed from Colchester Sun.*

Truro Kindergarten entered upon its second week with thirty scholars, who were all delighted with their director, Miss Woodcock. The general impression is that the kindergarten will amply fulfil the promises made by its promoters.

PERSONAL NOTES.

President Brock, of King's College, is making a short lecturing tour in the United States this month.

Some of our exchanges refer to John J. Power, Principal of the Arichat Academy, as the youngest County Academy headmaster in Nova Scotia. He is a Pictovian.

Dr. J. F. Avery, one of the governors of Dalhousie University, died recently, bequeathing \$500 for prizes for that University.

D. M. McIntosh, A. B., late of the Superior School, Bathurst Village, is at present attending the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore. Mr. McIntosh was presented with a flattering testimonial on leaving Bathurst a few weeks ago. Mr. McIntosh expects to receive his degree of M. D. next spring, having before attended the institution at Baltimore.