

terlinings or refuse mortar and rubbish used between wooden joists. Seats should be graded from front to rear; to accommodate pupils of different stature.

Window panes must be large enough to admit a free entrance of light, that the eye may not be wearied with shadows and cross shadows. Corridors can be lighted by large transoms over each door, by windows on stair landings, and by large windows at the end of the corridor.

As to ventilation and heating, I can safely recommend a power system by which the fresh air is forced over a heated surface into the class-rooms at a rate which insures each pupil the requisite amount of warm, fresh air. Removal of foul air is only possible in a perfect manner by "exhaust fans."

I should like to call attention to some noticeable mistakes in school buildings which can be easily avoided: No front entrance, improperly constructed vestibules, mansard roofs; dark, narrow, and steep staircases; winding stairs; stone flagging for floors and stairs; dark, narrow corridors; bare brick walls; some very large rooms accompanied by very small rooms; dark woodwork; posts or columns in rooms; floors of different level; poorly lighted rooms; coloured and ribbed glass panes; no wardrobes for pupils; and kindergartens in the same building; but the worst of all is an original plan to which no practical addition can be made.—*School Journal*.

### Editorial Notes and Comments.

OWING to the fact that so much of this number of the RECORD is taken up with the Regulations of the Protestant Committee concerning the Central Board of Examiners and the granting of diplomas, some of the usual departments are omitted. This matter is of such importance to all interested in education in this province, that our readers will not object to the unusual appearance of the RECORD this month.

—THE June examinations, to which, no doubt, a great many of our teachers and pupils have been looking forward, begin on the morning of the thirtieth of May. These examinations have received an additional interest on account of the new regulations regarding the Central Board of Examiners and the conferring of diplomas. These regu-