

pupils is not yet completed. At present there are 149 pupils, and there is ample room for 60 more. It is, however, expected that after the vacation there will be but few vacancies, as the excellence of the education, combining as it does "those branches of scientific knowledge which have a special application to the arts, commerce, and industry of the country," with "what is usually understood by a good English and classical education," is beginning to be appreciated. The boys, if we judge from their appearance, are the best sanitary comments on the situation of the school. A more healthy, happier, manlier set of lads it has never been our lot to see. The system which is pursued is identical with that of the late Dr. Arnold—viz., of trusting everything to the honour of the boys, and the results of it, we were informed, are excellent, corporal and other punishments having much diminished since its introduction.—*English Journal of Education.*

— **RUGBY SCHOOL**, in England, has received, as a present from an American gentleman named Mills, a large crimson velvet flag, in token of his admiration of the school from reading "Tom Brown's School Days." The flag has the arms of the school worked in the centre, and the American ensign in the corners.

— **THE PRINCE IMPERIAL OF FRANCE** has just had a school room prepared for him on the ground floor of the Palace of the Tuilleries, on the side of the garden. It contains a well selected library, philosophical and mathematical instruments. etc. The Prince will be five years old on the 16th of March next.

— **UNIVERSITY OF NAPLES**.—A decree of Garibaldi's abrogates one of the 2nd of April, 1857, and permits the students of the provinces to come up to Naples and pursue their studies in the University. The University of Naples—and, indeed, every other literary and scientific institution—has been virtually closed against the youth of the country, and all for the defence of the vilest despotism of modern times.

— **SWISS SCHOOL CHILDREN AND TELL**.—The school children of Switzerland have purchased, for \$11,000, the Grutli, the birthplace of Tell, where he and three others conspired for the deliverance of his country from its oppressors. The place is to be consecrated to national uses.

— **EDUCATION IN CHILL**.—For a population of 1,500,000 inhabitants stands thus, counting all schools: 226 private schools, with 6,807 scholars, 561 free, (State and city,) with 27,914 scholars; 50 private high-schools with 3,580 scholars; 59 public high schools, with 2,140 scholars; total children at school, 40,441. The outlay from city and State funds for this object is \$237,801 per annum.

UNITED STATES.

— **A NOBLE BUILDING** for the Yale College Scientific School is on the point of completion at New Haven, at a cost of \$50,000,—the entire property being a gift from Joseph E. Sheffield, Esq.

— **HARVARD COLLEGE**.—The annual catalogue of Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, has been received. The total number of students connected with the University is 896. There are 448 in the Under-graduate Academical Department, divided as follows: Seniors 82; Juniors 101; Sophomores, 184; Freshmen, 126; The Law Students number 157, the Medical Students 191, and the Scientific Students 72. The remainder of the total of 896 are Resident Graduates, Divinity Students, and one Astronomical Student.

XVII. Literary and Scientific Intelligence.

— **INDIAN RELICS AT MONTREAL**.—A skeleton has been found in Montreal during the excavation for the continuation of Burnside Palace, between Sherbrooke and St. Catherine streets, together with many fragments of Indian pottery, pipes, bone implements, bones of beavers and other animals. In fact, it appears that these sandy knolls have at some former time been the site of an Indian village and burying ground,—doubtless that found by Jacques Cartier on the South Eastern slope of Montreal Mountain. The most interesting of the relics are being transferred to the Natural History Society's museum.

— **TELEGRAPH EXPLORING EXPEDITION**.—The Arctic exploring yacht *Fox* had returned home from the coast of the Faroe Islands, Iceland and Greenland, where she has been engaged surveying the route of the proposed North Atlantic Telegraph. She succeeded in examining and sounding the fiords on the south coast of Greenland, and proving their practicability

for the reception of a cable. She also coasted down a considerable extent of the east coast, hitherto supposed to be inaccessible. The severity of the season in the northern regions is reported to have been greater this year than for twenty years past.

— **BUNSEN ON DATE OF THE CREATION**.—Baron Bunsen, in his great work, "Egypt's Place in Universal History," fixes the creation of the world at about the year B. C. 19,752. He determines, also, that the flood occurred about the year B. C. 9252. He says the Egyptians knew nothing of the Deluge, "the climate centre of which was in the tenth millennium B. C., but which was assuredly many hundreds in operation."

— **THE QUEBEC TYPOGRAPHICAL Society** seems to be in a flourishing condition. It has a library which now numbers 743 volumes—240 of which were received this year. Among the donors we find Sir N. F. Belleau as having given 23 vols.; Hon. Judge Caron, 20; Hon. Judge Meredith, 11; and Chas. St. Michel, Esq., late proprietor of the *Chronicle*, 67. We are pleased to see the printers of the "ancient capital" manifest such a spirit in collecting a library.

XVIII. Departmental Notices.

1. POSTAGE REGULATION IN REGARD TO GRAMMAR AND COMMON SCHOOL RETURNS.

All official returns which are required by law to be forwarded to the Chief Superintendent, or a Local Superintendent, and which are made upon the printed blank forms furnished by the Educational Department, *must be pre-paid*, at the rate of one cent, *and be open to inspection*, so as to entitle them to pass through the post as printed papers. No letters should be enclosed with such returns. A neglect to observe this regulation has repeatedly subjected this Department to an unnecessary charge of 14 cts. and 21 cts. on each package, including the Post Office fine of nearly *fifty per cent.* for non-payment.

2. PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOKS, SCHOOL MAPS, APPARATUS, AND PRIZE BOOKS.

The Chief Superintendent will add one hundred per cent. to any sum or sums, *not less than five dollars*, transmitted to the Department by Municipal and School Corporations on behalf of Grammar and Common Schools; and forward Public Library Books, Prize Books, Maps, Apparatus, Charts, and Diagrams to the value of the amount thus augmented, upon receiving a list of the articles required. In all cases it will be necessary for any person acting on behalf of the Municipality or Trustees, to enclose or present a written authority to do so, verified by the corporate seal of the Corporation. A selection of articles to be sent can always be made by the Department, when so desired. Where Maps, Apparatus, Prize, or Library Books are required, it will be necessary to send *not less than \$5* for each class.

3. INDISTINCT POST MARKS.

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