

Surintendant, M. J. Edouard DeGrace, Principal de l'école supérieure de Petit Rocher, donna lecture d'une étude sur l'usage du Tableau Noir. M. James McIntosh, Principal de l'école supérieure du Village de Bathurst, donna ensuite une leçon très instructive sur la Botanique.

Dans l'après-midi, M. le curé Doucet nous donna une conférence sur le système solaire qu'il illustra au moyen d'un planétaire de son invention. M. Jos. C. DelaGarde, B. A., vint ensuite et illustra avec habileté sa méthode d'enseigner la lecture française aux commençants.

M. le Surintendant nous fit encore un joli discours. Il nous engagea surtout de ne jamais manquer d'assister aux instituts et d'encourager tous nos confrères d'en faire autant.

M. J.-E. DeGrace fit quelques remarques touchant l'enseignement du français à l'école normale. Il pense que la Grammaire Française devrait y être enseignée, et que le temps est arrivé d'avoir un texte d'Histoire Canadienne en français.

L'élection des officiers donne le résultat suivant: Président, Jas. McIntosh; Vice-présidente, Mademoiselle Brigitte Dumas; Secrétaire, M. J. Edouard DeGrace; Membres additionnels du Comité exécutif, Mlles Lucia Thériault et Lottie Foley.

La prochaine réunion aura lieu à Bathurst.—
"Un Instituteur" en L'Évangéline.

Northumberland County, N. B.

Over one hundred teachers attended the Northumberland County Teachers' Institute, held at Chatham, September 14th and 15th. There was a very creditable display of pupils' work in drawing, penmanship and mounted specimens of plants, chiefly from the Chatham schools. Principal C. J. Mersereau presided, and gave a very interesting opening address. He was followed by Inspector G. W. Mersereau and Inspector R. P. Steeves. The latter gave some useful hints in regard to the teaching of nature-study in the schools. Chancellor Jones, of the University of New Brunswick, gave a very valuable paper on the Teaching of Geometry, before the advanced section; and Miss Mabel M. MacGregor on the Teaching of Composition, to the primary section. There was also a trustees' section, where some important matters relating to the duties of trustees were discussed,

Inspector Mersereau giving a very practical address on that subject.

Dr. D. W. Hamilton, of the Provincial Normal School, gave an address on School Gardening, recommending that every district in New Brunswick should have a school garden. Mr. Norman D. Cass gave an illustrative lesson on physical training; Mr. Jas. A. Starrak, the director of manual training recently appointed for the schools of Chatham, one on paper folding and cardboard cutting, and Mr. H. H. Stuart a paper on the course of study. He urged that compulsory attendance should be enforced and that agriculture, school gardening and manual training should be taught in all schools.

The following officers were elected: President, L. R. Hetherington, Newcastle; Vice-President Miss Tessie A. Gallivan, Chatham; Secretary-Treasurer, H. H. Stuart, Douglastown. Additional members of Executive, W. S. Daly, Newcastle; and Miss Stella Flaherty, Loggieville. The next meeting will be held in Newcastle.

Kings and Queens Counties, N. B.

Probably no institute has been held in Kings County to surpass in value and interest that held at the Consolidated School, Hampton, September 28th and 29th. In the absence of the president and vice-president N. S. Fraser, B. A., of the Sussex Grammar School, was called to the chair. The programme embraced addresses, papers, lessons to classes, and vocal and instrumental music, all carried out with spirit and effectiveness. A class on School Gardening was conducted to the excellent school garden at Hampton, and led by Miss Hannah Shampier, of the Kingston Consolidated School, was taught the nature of soils and causes of growth. A lesson to a class of girls on physical drill, conducted by Miss Muriel DeMille, was distinguished by accuracy and simplicity. A trustees' section, presided over by Mr. E. A. Schofield, discussed for nearly three hours subjects relating to trustees, teachers and children in a manner that showed the value of these sections as a part of the teachers' institute. The regret was that the teachers themselves, who were then engaged in other sections, could not listen to and take part in the discussions. The views of the chairman, of Messrs. R. C. Williams, J. E. McAuley and others who took part, and their evident