

of the committee at home, when I was about leaving England for Canada, that in forming these schools I should never neglect sound Bible instruction. I need not say that in the Committee here, I found the same earnest desire to look upon that as the one thing needful in education. With this in view, by the blessing of God, nearly 10 years have seen us successful in our work, and as regards myself, I esteem it a great mercy that I have been instrumental in my humble part in carrying out the views of those who have taken upon themselves the heavy responsibility of providing for a large number in this province an education based upon the surest foundation.

NORMAL SCHOOL.

The number of students admitted to this institution in the session of 1862-3, is 60; and the acknowledged superiority of those who have had the privilege of passing through this school, over those, however well educated, who have not had this training, speaks well, not only for the system, but also for Professors Hicks and Robins, to whose ability and conscientious faithfulness the success under God, must in a great measure be attributed. It is a pity that young men do not more avail themselves of the vast advantages, at very small cost thus afforded them. At this moment the committee is in a position to offer a most useful post worth £120 per annum, to one who has been trained in the Normal School.

The remarks of Professor Hicks concerning this school, in his report, are worthy of particular notice, and well deserved by the students. The superintendent finds the duty of giving religious instruction, to those committed to his care, belonging to the Church of England, one of the most agreeable in his weekly round, and affording him an opportunity of encouraging them by the highest motives, to diligence and perseverance, in their preparation for their high responsibilities.

The committee have reason to believe that their yielding the control of this school, to the authorities of McGill College, upon the conditions then made, has conduced to its greater efficiency and usefulness.

COUNTRY SCHOOLS.

There are now in operation in the country parts of this Diocese, 20 Schools, in which the returns state there are 815 scholars.