The University of Manitoba recently conferred on Daniel McIntyre, the Superintendent of Winnipeg Schools, the degree of LL. D. Following this the school board of that city presented Dr. McIntyre with the academic robe of his degree accompanied with a congratulatory address. Dr. McIntyre is a native of Dalhousie, N. B., a graduate in arts of Dalhousie University, Halifax, and was superintendent in the town of Portland, St. John, for several years. For the past twenty-five years or more he has been superintendent of the schools of Winnipeg, the duties of which position he has discharged with such faithfulness and ability, that these schools are today second to none in Canada.

The Nova Scotia government has done a wise and generous thing by increasing the pensions of teachers. The particulars will be found on another page. It is gratifying to find among those who come in for recognition the name of Principal Lay, of Amherst, for many years the head of the Academy in that town, and who a few weeks ago was made supervisor of its schools. At the public educational meeting a few evening ago Dr. McDougall, the Chairman of the Amherst school board, gave a public tribute to Mr. Lay as a teacher and a citizen, one who had never received remuneration in proportion to his faithful services. It is pleasant to record this as an instance of the recognition of the value of a tried and earnest teacher.

Mr. Guilford B. Reed, B. S., will be the instructor in Botany at the Summer School of Science at Yarmouth. During the past two years Mr. Reed has been conducting a course similar to the work required at the school under the auspices of the Boston Natural History Society, for the benefit of teachers of Boston and vicinity. He is a diligent and enthusiastic student of plants and will prove a worker in the classroom and field.

Miss Iva A. Baxter, of the New Brunswick Normal School, a teacher of large experience, will be the instructor in manual training.

Principal Wetzel, of the Trenton, New Jersey, High School, has issued an order that no girl graduate's gown shall cost more than \$10. No diploma will be given to a pupil who disobeys the rule.

## The Review and Its Friends.

The editor of the Orillia Packet, Mr. George H. Hale, hastens to congratulate the editor of the Review on the attainment of its Twenty-fifth Anniversary. He says: "The Educational Review is a credit to Canadian journalism and both an influence for a higher educational standard and a wise guide, philosopher and friend in its attainment. May the Review continue to grow in influence for good, and may you be spared to guide it." We thank Mr. Hale, with other good friends, for his kind wishes.

But Mr. Hale thinks the Review is not always consistent in spelling the King's English, or in advocating "one flag" for the Empire. In regard to the spelling it must be confessed that it is not always possible to preserve uniformity; but it may be broadly stated that there is only one national flag for British subjects everywhere, the Union Jack. Whether there should also be a local flag for each Dominion is, of course, a matter of opinion. There is such a flag duly authorized for Canada, and known as the Canadian Ensign; but it is properly a sea flag. It is not allowable for any private individual or corporation to use the Union Jack at sea; though it is the flag, and the only flag, which all British subjects have a right to use on land. It has been said that the Red Ensign and the Canadian Ensign, being sea flags, are as much out of place on shore as a sailor's dress would be in the pulpit. Perhaps that is a good way of putting it. It is a matter of good taste, and not a question of right and wrong. Our educational authorities at one time advised that either the Union Jack or the Canadian Ensign be used as a school flag. Now their recommendation is that whenever a new school flag is bought it should be the Union Jack. In Manitoba, the Union Jack is the flag required by law on every school house in the province. The REVIEW, while it would not have the Canadian Ensign replace the national flag on the school house or elsewhere, sees no harm in having all the sea flags of the Empire, or any of them that may be at hand, used on land as flags of secondary importance. They are all British flags.

By a recent despatch received at Ottawa from the British Government, the announcement is made that the national flag of Canada, as of all other parts of His Majesty's dominions, is the Union Jack, and that the proper flag for Canadian merchant vessels is the Red Ensign with the Canadian Coat of Arms.