

cat-o'-nine tails is common to the degraded classes all the world over.—*Times of India.*

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### OBITUARY.

We hear with deep regret of the death of two of our old Academy students—Mr. Owen Crerar, and Mr. Charles McDonald. Mr. Crerar met his death by falling from the vessel on the 25th of Dec. last; and Mr. McDonald died on March 27th, of lung disease, in one of the Western States. We tender our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved families.

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### TO OUR READERS.

We are very sorry we have again to call the attention of *a few* of our subscribers to the fact that they have not yet sent us their dues. How can we be expected to meet our expenses if we have no money to do so. THE ACADEMY has not proved the financial success we thought it would. When we started *every one* of the students was going to add something to help it along; but now that it is started we find that not more than one-third of the students take the paper, (the other two-thirds presumably peruse the copies of their neighbors.) We would like to see a few more dollars in the treasury, and any donation will be thankfully received, and acknowledged in THE ACADEMY. We must also request all of last year's subscribers who have not yet paid up to do so at once, to save us any further trouble in keeping the books open.—EDITORS.

Thursday the 8th of April is Examination Day. We would like to see all our friends to honor us with their presence.

### Pictou Academy.

#### STAFF OF INSTRUCTORS

Science,	A. H. McKay B. A. B. Sc.
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English,	J. Gaminell, B. A.
Drawing, painting,	Miss M. J. McKenzie,
Taxidermist and Subcurator of Museum,	G. Dickson, Esq.

LIBRARY.—Received from Richard Craig, Esq., Truro, through the kindness of Mr. Henry Putman, "The Report of the United States and Mexican Boundary," by a Commission appointed by the United States Government. It contains about 1000 pages with magnificent and accurate plates, describing the Botany and Zoology of the region. Mr. Craig has the thanks of the Academy for the valuable and appropriate donation.

Received from Charles H. Tupper, Esq., M. P., the following Blue Books for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1885.

1, Report of the Auditor General on Appropriation Accounts; 2, Report of the Minister of Public Works; 3, Report of the Minister of Justice as to Penitentiaries; 4, Report of the Department of Marine; 5, Report of the Inland Revenue; 6, Report of the Public Accounts; 7, Descriptions of the Townships of the Northwest; 8, Tables of Trade and Navigation; 9, Appendix to No. 2.

Received D. M. Geldert, Esq., vol. I of bound copies of the "Halifax Monthly Magazine," from June 1830 to May 1831.

The MERCHANT OF VENICE is expected to come off on the 9th of April. A piano is already placed in position for the musical rehearsals. The stage paraphernalia is being procured.

The Public Examination is expected to come on the previous day. The written terminal exams. are supposed to commence about the 15th. This will be the time for sportsmen students to akedaddle, or before.