or Provincial Exhibition. As a result, both the schools and the general public are more interested than ever in children's gardens, manual work and nature collections.

Halifax had the first Technical College in Canada, which plant is valued to-day at over \$220,000. Dalhousie College property is now valued at over \$400,000, and when all completed, the plant will be worth nearly the million mark.

Dr. A. B. Macallum, F. R. S., professor of physiology and biochemistry, Toronto University, has been appointed chairman of the recently constituted National Council on industrial and Scientific Research at Ottawa. The position carries with it a salary of \$10,000.

There has been an epidemic of chicken pox in Salem School, Sackville, consequently the excellent attendance that has prevailed throughout the term was somewhat affected the last ten days of same.

A meeting of the Parent Teacher Association was held at Calais on Friday evening, December 22, when an illustrated lecture was given by Mrs. Kenney of the State board of health. Following the lecture refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed.

The monthly meeting of the Parent Teacher Association was held in Eaton hall, Friday evening, December 13, with a large attendance, the public having been invited to be present.

Girls and boys of Grades III and IV entertained whilst the president of the association, Dr. W. E. Gray, gave an interesting and instructive talk on hygiene.

Mrs. I. R. Todd, of the educational committee, was heard with pleasure in her report and remarks were also made by Mrs. Horace Trimble, treasurer, Mrs. H. Giberson, Mrs. W. J. Graham, vice-president, Rev. D. R. Chowen, Principal Titus and F. C. Murchie.

Examinations were held at the Union Commercial College recently. The following diplomas from the shorthand type writing department: Marjorie Holl, City; Hilda Nowel City; Vera Taylor, City; Alvine Forion, City; Eva Stevenson, Fredericton; Mary McSwain, St. Peter s; Annie McQuillan, New Haven.

Principal McKittrick, Lunenburg, N. S., who was one of the teachers representatives on the Advisory Board of Education of Nova Scotia for several years, has been appointed a member of the Board by the Provincial Government. It is understood that this honor has been conferred in recognition of the valuable services he has rendered the province, as Secretary of the Advisory Board since its inception.

A feature of the St. John high school closing was the presentation of the prizes which have been won by the pupils who were successful in making the highest marks in the subject for which the prizes were offered.

Miss Mary M. Chaisson, a former pupil of the St. Vincent school, was awarded three medals.

The Parker silver medal, this year, was won by Samuel T. McCavour. The governor-general's silver medal was won by Miss Doris Barnes.

The Emerson gold medal was won by Fred McGovern of St. Peter's school.

Governor Wood's silver medal was won by Miss Margaret Cronin.

The Ellis gold medal was won by Miss Vivian Dowling. G. S. Mayes' gold medal was won by William Beatteay.



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The Alumnae gold medal was won by Miss Marjorie Fitzgerald.

The good conduct prizes of five dollars in gold, which were offered by G. S. Mayes to the pupils in the La Tour and St. Patrick's schools, were won by Agnes Kelleher and Gladys Trecartin.

The valuable set of books offered by the school board was won by Horace Wetmore.

Miss Marjorie Manning, daughter of Dr. Manning, was the winner of the set of books which is offered for the pupil coming second in grade ten.

Miss Gwendolyn Ewing won the set of books offered by the Fortnightly Club for the highest standing in English in grade twelve.

A recent despatch from Copenhagen says that the government of Schleswig, Prussia, has proclaimed civil conscription of school boys. They will be employed principally in railroad work, including the loading and unloading of trucks.

J. H. Smith, school inspector for Wentworth county, Ontario, has just retired after fifty years' service in that capacity—a good record surely!

W. Frank Hatheway, of St. John, has offered a prize, to be competed for by pupils in the high school, for the best essay written in French on "The Leading French Writers of the Nineteenth Century." The prize consists of four fine volumes of "Les Miserables."

Walter Lawlor was so close in competition with Darrell Phillips, who won the Lieutenant-Governor's gold medal as leader of the candidates who wrote the Fredericton high school entrance examinations that the school trustees presented him with a \$5 gold piece in recognition of his excellent showing.

It is understood that the Rev. Hamilton Wigle, of Charles Street Church, Halifax, will begin his duties as principal of Mt. Allison Ladies' College about the middle of July next. He has recently published an attractive booklet of poems entitled "Leaves."

The immediate introduction of vocational training in the Fredericton public schools has been decreed by the school trustees. It has been decided to open evening classes in the York Street School building so as to enable young people to receive instruction in vocational training.

Miss Pringle, principal of Blackville (N. B.) Superior School, led in a discussion on "School Prizes" at last month's meeting of the Women's Institute. The subject was dis-