

University higher research work along the lines of his special subject. Mr. Tothill, who has been granted leave of absence by the federal department of agriculture, will go to Cornell in October.

The Rev. V. A. Huard, a prominent Canadian naturalist, and curator of the museum of Natural History, and entomologist for the province of Quebec, has been elected a member of the Royal Society of Canada.

The executive of the Charlotte County Teachers' Institute, N. B., and the Committee of Management of the Washington County Teachers' Association, Maine, recently met in Calais and arranged for a joint Teachers' Convention to be held in Eastport, Maine, on Thursday and Friday of the first week in October.

Professor Gordon of the University of New Brunswick has severed his connection with that institution.

Rev. Albert Morris Sanford, B. A., B. D., a native of Nova Scotia and a graduate of Mount Allison University, N. B., has been appointed principal of the Columbian College, New Westminster, B. C.

Dr. J. B. Porter, head of the mining department of McGill, and two professors, accompanied by a party of nineteen McGill students, are visiting Cape Breton, N. S. The Sydney Post in making reference to the visit says:—"The young men are mining students, and the trip is one undertaken every year, and forms a part of the regular course in mining and metallurgy. It occupies about a month and this year includes visits to the copper and asbestos regions of Quebec, the iron mines at Bathurst, the gas wells near Moncton, the Pictou coal fields, and the steel plant and coal mines of the Dominion Steel Corporation. The Quebec and New Brunswick itinerary is completed having occupied about three weeks. The last week of the trip will be given to visits to the steel plant and some of the collieries."

By the will of the late Dr. G. U. Hay, Acadia comes into possession of his valuable scientific library.

The Nova Scotia Technical College recently closed a most successful year. There were twelve members in the graduating class who received from Principal Sexton their degrees in civil, electrical, mechanical and mining engineering. There were present at the closing exercises representatives from King's, Mount Allison, St. Francis Xavier, and Dalhousie Colleges. Brief addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Forrest, Rev. A. H. MacKay, President MacKenzie and Rev. Dr. Nicholson, who in their remarks spoke of the excellent scientific education afforded at this institution.

The contract for the extension of the Provincial Normal School building at Fredericton has been awarded to J. Fred Ryan, and already work has been begun. The contract calls for the extension to be ready for occupancy when the Normal School re-opens in September next. The extension will comprise a main building, 100 x 77 feet with an annex 20 x 40 feet, both two stories high with a basement. The main building will have on the ground floor a hall for physical drill 40 x 80 feet and two large rooms for manual training with lumber room, office and exhibition room. The second floor will contain four large class rooms, a chemical laboratory, a rest room for the lady teachers and a private room for the principal. The heaters, the blacksmith shop and a room for use in connection with the work of the school garden will be in the basement. The foundation and basement walls will

be of cement with hollow brick walls above. The roof will be flat, covered with felt and gravel, with a narrow slope and overhanging cornice all round covered with galvanized iron.

Mr. W. A. Cowperthwaite, B. A., a teacher in the high school, Moncton, will soon leave for Winnipeg, Man., where he has accepted a position on the city school staff at a much increased salary.

The forty-second report of the Halifax School for the Blind gives an interesting account of the work accomplished there. This school is free to all children of school age in the maritime provinces and Newfoundland, the only expense is the paying of the railway fare to and from the school, and furnishing the necessary clothing. Dr. Fraser, who has been engaged in the education of the blind for more than forty years, has been most successful in his management of this school, and several of the graduates are filling important positions. That Dr. Fraser's efforts are appreciated was shown by the Nova Scotia Assembly a short time ago when he was called to the Bar of the House and publicly thanked for what he had done in the interest of the blind.

Professor James Gordon MacGregor, native of Halifax, N. S., and an eminent professor of natural philosophy at the Edinburgh University, Scotland, died recently in Edinburgh of heart failure. He was sixty years of age.

Miss Winnifred Snyder of the town of St. Stephen teaching staff has tendered her resignation to take effect at the end of June.

The following appointments have been made by the Board of Governors of Acadia University for next year: Alfred Burpee Balcom, M.A., Professor of Economics; John Frederick Sievers, M.A., Professor of German; Joseph A. Ambler, Ph.D., Professor of Chemistry; Jean S. Haley, M.A., S.B., Instructor in Library Science; Ivan S. Nqwan, B.A., B.Th., Instructor in Education. The new professors in French and Greek have not yet been selected.

Miss L. A. Wilson and Miss Etta E. DeWolfe, teachers of St. Stephen, will be members of the party of educationists from Canada and Newfoundland on the fourth annual visit to the Old Country in the "Hands Across the Seas" movement.

Mr. J. T. Hebert, B. A., principal of the grammar school, Bathurst, has accepted the position of instructor in science and French in the Fredericton High School.

William T. Smith, organist and choir master of Christ Church, Fredericton, has been appointed instructor in music at the Provincial Normal School, to succeed E. Cadwallader, B. A., who recently resigned, after thirty-seven years service.

George E. Carpenter, B. A., a member of this year's U. N. B. graduating class, after the summer holidays becomes principal of the St. Andrews grammar school to succeed William H. Morrow, M. A.

Walter Dailey of Newcastle will assume the principalship of Broadway school, Woodstock, at the re-opening of the schools in August.

Miss May Carter of Sackville has been engaged to teach grade six in the Woodstock schools after holidays.

The Board of Education has made a grant of \$100 to the Dominion Educational Association which will meet at Ottawa August 20th to 23rd. Dr. J. W. Robertson is the president. The Board of Education has been pleased to order that upon application and with certificate of leave of absence from the