

every good educational magazine. It bring each month something which should serve as an inspiration to better work — and better work inevitably means a more important position and a larger salary. There may be in a teacher's journal little that can be taken into the class room and doled out second-hand to the students. The progressive teacher doesn't want that; the subject-matter of the lessons is already well known. But it will furnish inspiration and we all need that. How badly we all need it, no matter what or where we are teaching.

Then there are summer schools. The ambitious teacher will not waste the long summer vacation, when there is available a course of some kind that will mean increased efficiency and improved qualifications. The summer school movement is growing. Universities offer correspondent courses in pedagogy, in arts, in commercial work, and for normal entrance and faculty entrance certificates. The successful teacher must never cease to be a student.

There is another source of inspiration — one that, in some provinces, is almost compulsory. That is the Teachers' Convention, the Teachers' Institute. Here for two days the teacher meets other teachers, discusses problems and conditions, addresses and lectures, learns the import of new regulations, talks in corridors and elsewhere with those whose experiences are identical with his own. The informal chat and social intercourse are by no means least of the advantages to be derived from these gatherings. The teacher learns that his difficulties are not peculiar to himself, that others have exactly the same struggles. They tell how they solve theirs, he tells how he solves his. He goes back to his school, refreshed, inspired, ready for a year of enjoyable, interesting successful work.

#### REGARDING OUR CHRISTMAS NUMBER.

The next issue of the REVIEW will be our Christmas number, and for this we have made most elaborate preparations. Not only will it be nearly double the usual size, but it will have articles by some of the foremost educators of the Maritime Provinces, together with special contributions applicable to various departments.

Mr. Vroom's powerful paper on "The War" will be continued, the first installment of, and a most practical article on, "Primary Hand Work" will be included. "Right Methods of Reading" and a further chapter of "Commercial Art," are scheduled to appear, together with "Notes on the Junior High School," also several pages of a most practical nature for the rural teachers. A

large number of carefully chosen and helpful illustrations will assist in making the Christmas number of the EDUCATIONAL REVIEW one of the best ever published.

#### Special Notice.

Owing to the high cost of printing, etc., individual copies will be fifteen cents, but *no extra charge* will be made to those subscribers whose subscriptions are not more than *six months in arrears*, dating from the December issue.

We ask the co-operation of our valued readers in making known to others interested, regarding this special Christmas number of the REVIEW, and would ask those who may desire extra copies, if they will kindly let us know not later than November 20th.

This enlarged Christmas number will be included in the ordinary subscription price of \$1.00 per year, prepaid, post free, to new subscribers, if they will send in their orders not later than the above date.

We regret that owing to Professor Perry's article for November on Nature Study, having failed to reach us, same will have to be held over until next month.

#### TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

We wish to thank all those subscribers who thoughtfully acceded to our request of last month, and who have paid up their over due subscriptions, but unfortunately there are still a large number who are in arrears with same.

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