

The system of physical training in schools in operation in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, has it is reported, been introduced into every province in Canada.

Be as much in the open air as possible; drink plenty of pure water; take a daily bath; go to bed early and get up early; have regular habits of eating, exercise and rest; and in so doing children will be better physically, mentally and morally.

The new "Manual of the School Law of Nova Scotia" is expected to be published next fall. The Education Act was revised and consolidated during the last session of the Legislature, and has been already printed in the statutes. The common school course of study is now undergoing revision, to be published with the other regulations of the Council of Public Instruction in the Manual.

Dr. A. H. MacKay, Superintendent of Education, Nova Scotia, writes the REVIEW as follows concerning June holidays: "The holiday on the anniversary of the King's birthday, came on Saturday, the 3rd of June. It does not, therefore, affect the number of school holidays. Coronation Day is likely to be proclaimed, in which event it will be the only school holiday in the month."

Dr. J. B. Hall, professor of psychology and civics in the Normal College, Truro, has resigned his position to become a candidate for the local legislature in the approaching provincial election. Dr. Hall is an excellent teacher, a public spirited citizen, and if elected he should occupy a foremost place among the Solons who annually assemble at Halifax.

In Nova Scotia some trustees of County Academies still advertise for "Grade A" teachers. The REVIEW is informed that there never were any "Grade A" teachers within the present century. There are and were "Class A" teachers. But County Academies need "Academic" teachers, a very different Class from that of "A," which is only a superior First Class.

There are two features especially gratifying in the college reports of this year: One is the large number of teachers qualifying for higher work in the schools—and this means a growing number of students in the colleges for future years; the other

is the continually increasing body of students preparing for the industrial as well as the professional duties of life. If these young men and women remain in Canada it means much for the intellectual life and the upbuilding and progress of the country.

The new regulations published in the April *Journal of Education* of Nova Scotia, hold out more liberal money inducements not only to graduates of the Rural Science school at Truro, but to those who successfully complete the work of one session and teach an effective rural school.

The University of New Brunswick made a very appropriate recognition of the worth of Principal Berton C. Foster, M.A., and the good services he has rendered that institution, by bestowing on him the degree of Doctor of Laws. Dr. Foster is a worthy successor of Dr. Geo. R. Parkin in keeping up the high standard of the Fredericton Collegiate School.

Two noted college leaders have withdrawn from active service this year—President John Forrest, from Dalhousie University, and President David Allison, from Mount Allison University. That they have wisely shaped the destinies of these progressive institutions of learning may be gathered from the good reports of their present standing on another page of the REVIEW.

Suggest to your pupils some little plans before the holidays to make the vacation pleasant and profitable to them. Lend them some entertaining books and make a list of others they can easily procure. Speak of excursions that can be taken to places near at hand, and how important it is to know the valleys, glens and woods near to their homes, and the birds and wild flowers to be found there. The pleasures of these excursions will gladly be recalled in after years. Talk of the studies to be taken up next year, and the names of books of travel and literature that will be useful for them to read as preparation for next year's work.

Many teachers have told us that the month of May this year with its bright days and rapid growth of vegetation was the best season they had ever enjoyed for nature study. The warm weather invited teachers and children out of doors—and Nature did the rest. No one, in this climate, ever saw more rapid unfolding of leaf and flower than during the last two weeks of May.