Mr. J. Arthur Estey, of Fredericton, who will graduate in June next from Acadia University, has been awarded the Nova Scotia Rhodes scholarship. Mr. Estey entered Acadia in 1902, winning the Freshman scholarship of \$60. He is a good musician, accomplished in field sports, and a thorough and capable student.

Mr. Hedley V. Hayes, late principal of the Alexandra school, St. John, has been appointed head of the manual training school which is to be opened in St. John at the beginning of the next school term. Mr. Hayes is an energetic and accomplished teacher, and may be relied on to make the new manual school a success. He is now finishing his course at the Normal Institute of Manual Training, Fredericton.

Mr. A. L. Dykman, principal of the Douglas Avenue school, St. John, has been appointed to the principalship of the Alexandra school, vacated by Mr. Hayes, Mr. W. R. Shanklin, of the Newman street school, St. John, has been appointed principal of the La Tour school; and Mr. J. G. McKinnon, teacher of grade six in the Leinster street school has been appointed head of the Newman street school. Mr. W. A. Nelson, principal of the La Tour school, becomes principal of the Douglas Avenue school.

Mr. J. Simpson Lord, recently the successful principal of the Fairville school, and for nearly a year teacher of grade eight of the St. John high school, has resigned to accept the position of bookkeeper for Ganong Bros., St. Stephen. His position in the high school has been filled by the appointment of Mr. Reverdy Steeves, for several years a teacher in Albert County, N. B., and recently a boot and shoe dealer in St. John.

Mr. J. R. Sugrue, for twenty-three years a faithful teacher in St. Malachi's Hall school, St. John, has been appointed a tide-waiter in the customs service of that city.

Mr. C. Stanley Bruce, lately appointed inspector of the Counties of Yarmouth and Shelburne, has been succeeded in the principalship of the Shelburne County Academy by Miss Mabel McCurdy, B. A., of Onslow, Colchester County, recently graduated with academic rank at the Provincial Normal School at Truro.

The historic town of Louisburg, C. B., is moving in the matter of providing better school accommodation. The present building does not furnish adequate facilities for the needs of the town and has been condemned.

Miss Mabel E. Bishop has been appointed vice-principal of Annapolis County, N. S., Academy.

Principal Peterson, of McGill University, announces that affiliation with McGill of Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown, P. E. I., is now an accomplished fact. This is considered along with British Columbia plans of McGill to be an advance step in the interests of higher education in the Dominion. The first two years' courses at these colleges will be accepted at McGill.

The education department of Ontario has decided to supply every rural schol in the province with a large Union Jack, upon which will be emblazoned the Canadian coat-of-arms. It is expected that this movement will help to develop patriotism and teach practical citizenship.

McGill University, Montreal, has decided to extend its medical course from four to five years, beginning with next September.

The University of New Brunswick Senate has decided to grant a retiring annuity of \$400 to Professor L. W.

Bailey, which, with an allowance from the Carnegie Foundation, will afford a retiring pension of nearly \$1500 a year. Dr. Brittain, as lecturer in chemistry, was granted a gratuity of \$300. Philip Cox, Ph. D., principal of the Chatham grammar school and Mr. Geo. W. Bailey are applicants for the position to be shortly vacated by Professor Bailey. Dr. Cox is a capable teacher and an enthusiastic all-round naturalist. Mr. Bailey will shortly receive his medical degree from McGill University where he recently completed his studies with a creditable record in natural science.

The University of New Brunswick has established a chair of agricultural chemistry. The salary for the new position is \$1200 a year.

The annual convention of the New Brunswick Teachers' Association meets at Fredericton on April 1st.

Mr. Raymond Ellis, of St. Dunstan's College, Charlottetown, is the winner of the Rhodes scholarship for Prince Edward Island this year. There were three other competitors. Mr. Ellis, who will graduate from St, Dunstan's College in June, is twenty years of age, has an excellent record in scholarship and in athletics.

The debate between students of the University of N. B. and Kings College, Windsor, N. S., took place at Fredericton March 21, and was won by the U. N. B. students.

## RECENT BOOKS.

Messrs. Houghton, Miffin & Company, Boston, have published in their "Riverside Literature Series" Thomas Carlyle's lectures on *Heroes, Hero-worship*, and *The Heroic in History*, edited by John Chester Adams, Ph. D., of Yale University; price, paper 45 cents, cloth 50 cents; and James Russell Lowell's *A Moosehead Journal* and other papers; price, paper, 15 cents. Both volumes are provided with notes, and that on Carlyle has a scholarly introduction well fitted to stimulate the beginner in the study of the author's thought and style.

Messrs. Adam and Charles Black, Soho Square, London, are publishing an authentic edition of Scott's novels with introduction and notes for school use. The text embraces corrections and improvements made by the author almost to the day of his death. The Talisman—the first of the set—is unique in style and binding; price, cloth is. From the same publishers there have been received selections of verse entitled Song and Story, for junior, intermediate and senior scholars—three volumes, paper, price 6d. each. The selections are all concise, from the best authors, and adapted for school recitations.

THE PRINCIPLES OF HORTICULTURE. Cloth, pages 166.
Price 2s. By Wilfred Mark Webb, F. L. S., curator of Eton College Museum. Blackie & Son, London.

This is a series of practical lessons, forming a useful introduction to horticulture or agriculture. Indeed, it is a very serviceable work for any student or for one who wishes to inform himself on the mysteries of plant life. With this little book as a guide, the structure and growth of plants may be followed with comparative ease by anyone desirous to make himself acquainted with plants. Hints are also given for microscopical and other experimental work as the student advances, and there is a chapter on injurious insects and how to destroy them. The diagrams and illustrations are especially noteworthy for their clearness and suggestiveness.