

Pension Fund, the income of the Pension Fund from all sources for the year ending 30th June, 1883, was \$16,238.67, which makes the total amount of the Fund, \$52,455.32 as the result of three years' collections.

Clarendon, The teacher of district No. 7 reports that her school has been re-seated with modern desks, that the pupils are delighted with Gage's new Canadian Readers, just introduced, and that the pupils long for Friday to come to hear another Chapter from Dr. Richardson's Temperance Lesson Book.

Hatley Academy, is making a strong and praiseworthy effort to secure a high standing among the Academies of the Province and is making known the advantages which it can offer through the columns of the Daily Press.

BERGERVILLE.—A very nice festival and Xmas tree was given to the S. S. children of St. Michael's Church, also to the pupils of the Dissident School, on Monday evening, the 7th instant. A large number of children were present, and many of their parents and friends. The programme commenced with the scholars singing "O happy band of pilgrims," as they marched into the room. "Shall we gather at the river" and "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" were also sung. About forty-five young people had the pleasure of partaking of a nice tea, which was done ample justice to. This was followed by an address from Mr. Lloyd, the teacher, which was very much applauded. The Rev. A. A. VonIffland also addressed the children. Owing to the kindness of the trustees and other friends, prizes were given to the pupils attending the Day School, which were presented to them by their pastor. Some songs were then sung by the boys and girls under the kind and efficient aid of Miss Treggett, viz: "Welcome," "Always do wright," "What shall the harvest be," "The Hunter's call" and some others. Miss S. Kennedy also sang a song, which was much applauded. Colonel Rhodes then appeared on the scene dressed as Santa Claus, heavily laden with numerous gifts, to the great delight of the scholars, who greeted him with great cheering; each one then received a present, and kind words were spoken to them by the able representative of Santa Claus. A little girl called Gertrude Treggett then presented an address to Mr. Lloyd, expressing to him the best wishes of his pupils for his welfare, followed by the gift of a splend tea set. Mr. Lloyd thanking them in appropriate terms. A bonus of forty dollars had also been given to him by the trustees in the earlier part of the festival. Some games were then gone through, and about nine o'clock the proceedings terminated with "God Save the Queen" being sung.

In *Inspector Hubbard's district*, very fair progress has been made towards carrying out the instructions of the circular of April last. "Boarding around" is nearly if not wholly, "a thing of th past," and nearly all the municipalities have adopted series of authorized text books,—in most