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FROM many portions of these provinces comes the report that teachers are scarce, and many schools are in consequence closed. The effect of this should be to increase salaries if the teaching profession is to retain its attractiveness; and it is another strong argument for the centralization of schools.

IN the death of Mgr. Connolly, of St. John, the Roman Catholic church has lost one of its most devoted priests, and the public an earnest and consistent advocate of all notable measures of reform. During his busy life of nearly fourscore years, his honorable and self-sacrificing labors for the public welfare earned the esteem and respect of all classes, and of every denomination of Christians.

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WE have received from Dr. J. George Hodgins, Librarian and Historiographer of the Education Department of Ontario, a copy of a pamphlet containing an address prepared by him for the unveiling of the bust of the Rev. Dr. Ryerson at Victoria University on the 15th November last. The address is valuable, containing a summary of the great work of Dr. Ryerson in founding the public school system of Ontario.

THE death, at sixty-five years of age, of Sir John George Bourinot, clerk of the House of Commons, Ottawa, removes one who has been prominent in Canadian public life and letters for more than a quarter of a century. His knowledge of constitutional questions made him an authority not only in Canada but the mother country. In the field of Canadian history he was almost equally well known, and several volumes and many magazine articles attest to his industry and skill in research. This same diligent spirit was manifest in his work in connection with the Royal Society of Canada, of which he was the honorary secretary, and of which he may be said to have been the founder. The yearly volumes of its proceedings are monuments of his labor and supervision. His genial presence, courtesy of manners, unfailing attention to those who sought his decisions, will cause him to be held in grateful recollection.