

desire to become better acquainted with the mind of this great genius ; and judging from indications these efforts have not failed in their purpose.

We have to regret that some members of our society have resigned their positions as teachers under the Protestant Board of School Commissioners, but we trust that so long as they remain in the old capital, they will not withdraw their valuable services from our society.

We congratulate ourselves, on the acquisition to our society of Mr. Young, rector of the High School and Mr. Arnold of the same institution as new members. We have to regret the pressure of work that has prevented the Rev. Mr. Rexford from meeting with us this year ; his zealous sympathy with our society, has in past years greatly contributed to its life and efficiency. We also regret that our worthy president, Dr. Harper, has found it impossible to be present at all our meetings ; but whatever drawbacks we may experience, we trust that while we continue to maintain a spirit of true comradeship in our calling, and use our society to stir each other to " Love of good work," it will not be doubted that our society is doing a useful work in the community where our lot is cast.

E. MACDONALD,
Secretary.

Official Department.

Boards of Examiners.—The first meeting of the Protestant Divisions of Boards of Examiners under the new Regulations, during the first week in July, marks a new departure in our educational work. The candidates will now have sufficient time to answer the questions set them, two days and a half being allowed for the Elementary Diploma, three for the Model School, and four for the Academy. Three new subjects have been added to the requirements for the Elementary Diploma, viz., Study of Goldsmith's "Deserted Village," Physiology and Hygiene, and School Law ; the latter, however, is not required for the approaching examination. The Boards now grant upon these examinations only second class diplomas, or, in the case of elementary diplomas, second and third class diplomas—third class diplomas, like the former second class elementary, being valid for one year only.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.—Arrangements have been made to hold four Institutes during the summer. The first will open at Bishop's College, Lennoxville, on Tuesday, 12th July. The college building has been placed at the disposal of the Institute.