

Literary Chat.

- (b). We do not know the exact dates. Inquire from Inspector.
 (c). Daniel McIntyre, Esq.
 (d). Probably not. The custom is, we think, when two or three of a candidate's papers are found quite below par, to omit examining the rest.
 (e). No, but its use is permitted, and it is used very extensively in the schools.

A. B.—(a). Section 163 of the "Regulations" provides that "a holder of a Third Class Certificate who passes the Non-Professional Examination for any certificate of a higher grade shall, on application to the County Board of Examiners, and on proof of his efficiency as a teacher, be entitled to have such Third Class Certificate extended, by endorsement, for a period not exceeding three years from the date of such Examination, but no certificate shall be extended for a longer period than three years without re-examination."

(b). This question involves a legal point upon which we cannot pronounce positively. Probably some reader may know of a case in which a legal decision has been rendered. Our opinion is that a teacher would make a grave mistake in inflicting punishment during intermission. Nor do we see that his position would be helped by calling in the school before the proper time. The same difficulty might be involved in that. The only proper course is, we should say, to wait until the school is properly re-assembled.

J. Mc.—(a) Yes. See JOURNAL, No. 17.

(b) Probably same as above. We are not aware that any more definite announcement has been made.

Educational Notes and News.

The Simcoe Model School has 26 students; Windsor, 19; Chatham, 43; and Ingersoll, 18.

It is estimated that 75,000 teachers in the United States are reading methodically and professionally.

Yale College has granted a diploma to Miss Alice Jordan, of Michigan, a student of the Law School.

Annie S. Peck, A. M., of Ann Arbor '78, has been elected to the professorship of Latin in Smith College.

Mr. C. S. Falconer has been appointed Headmaster of the Forest Public School, vice Mr. Brown, who goes to Fort William.

The contracts for additions to the Woodstock College have been awarded. The building will be 60x80, three storeys high, and will cost \$20,000.

Teacher: How many mills make a cent? Sagacious Pupil: It depends on whether the hands are on strike or not. Sometimes none of 'em make a cent.—*Exchange*.

The Model School at St. Thomas, under the able supervision of N. M. Campbell, Principal, is in a flourishing condition. It opened with over fifty students in attendance.

The result of the recent enquiry by the Government into charges made against Mr. Colles, Inspector of Public Schools for East Kent, is a finding by the Department favorable to Mr. Colles.

Miss Winifred Edgerton, upon whom Columbia College has conferred the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, *cum laude*, was a graduate of two years' standing of Wellesley College.—*N. E. Journal of Education*.

We note with pleasure that R. W. Murray, formerly Principal of the Public School, Picton, is now in charge of the Brockville Public School. Mr. Murray recently obtained the highest grade of Provincial certificate—1st A.

Following are the positions now occupied by the Forest School teachers. Principal, C. S. Falconer, 2nd division, Miss Sutherland, 3rd division, Miss Dickey, 4th division, Miss Livingston; Ward School, Miss Kirkland.

A little Rochester girl drew the picture of a dog and a cat on her slate, and, calling her mother's attention to it, said: "A cat oughtn't to have but four legs, but I drew it with six, so she could run away from the dog"—*Christian Register*.

Master Fred H. ap, the winner of the "Mackerras" scholarship at the late Queen's University examination, has been presented by James F. Dennis, Esq., of Peterboro, and brother in law of the late Professor Mackerras, with a foundation examination of the value of \$120, which frees him from class fees during his University course.—*Victoria Warbler*.

Bjornstjerne, the Norwegian poet, has returned to his home in the Norwegian mountains, after a sojourn of three weeks in Paris. He intends to devote himself entirely to literary work.

The late Paul H. Hayne is described as "a spare man of medium size, with dark eyes, and most refined, unostentatious manners; he had the aspect of a poet, with that far-away, dreamy look which seemed to peer into the vast beyond."

The author of the "Schönberg-Cotta Family" gives to the reading public a new book, "Three Martyrs of the Nineteenth Century," sketching impressive points in the lives of Livingston, Gordon, and Patterson.—*N. E. Journal of Education*.

Macmillan & Co. have issued a new and very complete classified catalogue of books published by them. The catalogue includes the works issued by the Oxford Clarendon Press and Cambridge University Press. It has also an index, which makes reference very easy.

One of the accomplishments of Senator Evarts is thus touched upon by the *Charleston News*: "Mr. Evarts can see a nominative case over a wider syntactical chasm, and bring it down at longer range to the proper verb, active or transitive, than any other senator in or out of Washington."

Very bright with picture, and amusing with story, is the October number of *Our Little Men and Women*. There is the tale of an antelope some Western children had for a playfellow; a charming chapter of "Me and My Doils, by L. T. Meade, the English author; a true history-paper about Columbus; a little talk about silk-worms, and some funny poems.

Treasure-Trove, for September, is a bright and beautiful number. Miss Kate Ellison tells about "The New Scholar;" Mrs. Mary B. Sleight, a well-known writer, tells about "When I was a Boy;" Albert Harkness tells "What to Do;" Dr. Dio Lewis' article is on "The Voice." There is a new dialogue, there are pages for little ones. There is a stirring article on "California Life," and many short articles, poems, etc.

While with us the "Japanese craze" is everywhere apparent in the introduction of Japanese costumes and numberless embellishments for the interior decoration of houses; it is curious to notice how the Japs are doing their best to ape us in their dress, their customs, and their methods of bringing up and educating the rising generation. A description of Japanese life is running in "Outing," and the August contribution of "The Last Voyage of the Surprise," contains much that is interesting on this subject.—*Christian Union*.

"The Browning Clubs are amusingly described," says the *New York Tribune*, "by Mr. Arlo Bates in the *Providence Journal*. The central and prime principle of all these clubs," he says, "seems to be that a poem by Robert Browning is a sort of prize rebus, of which the solution is to be reached rather by wild and haphazard guessing than by any process of reasoning. 'What does it mean?' is always the first question, although to an ordinary and commonplace intellect it may appear perfectly obvious that it means what it says."

The publishers of *The Century* announce that its leading feature for 1887 will be "The Authorized Life of Lincoln," by his confidential Secretaries, John George Nicolay (now Marshal of the Supreme Court of the United States) and Col. John Hay (lately Assistant Secretary of State of the United States). It is further announced that this work, which was begun with the sanction and assistance of President Lincoln himself, and has been continued under the authority of the sole survivor of the President's immediate family, has been in active preparation during the past sixteen years, and is the only full and authoritative record of the private life and public career of Abraham Lincoln, including an account of the causes of the rebellion, and a record, at first hand, of the inside history of the civil war, and of President Lincoln's administration, important details of which last have hitherto remained unrevolved, in order that they might first appear in their proper connection in this authentic history.