

MATHEMATICS.

- Arithmetic.* (1.) Kirkland & Scott's *Elements of Arithmetic* (Gage & Co., Toronto.)
 2. Hamblin Smith's *Arithmetic* (Gage & Co., Toronto.)
Algebra. Todhunter's *Algebra for Beginners* (Copp, Clark & Co., Toronto.)
Geometry. Euclid, Hamblin Smith's Edition (Gage & Co., Toronto.)
 [First four books published as special Nova Scotia Edition.]
Practical Mathematics. Eaton's *Elementary Practical Mathematics* (P. H. Smith & Co., Truro.)
Book-keeping. Eaton & Frazer's treatise. (A. & W. Mackinlay.)

SCIENCE.

1. The Science Primers (Macmillan & Co., and James Campbell & Son, Toronto.)
 [1.] The Introductory Primer.
 [2.] Physical Geography.—Geikie.
 [3.] Physics.—Balfour Stewart.
 [4.] Geology.—Geikie.
 [5.] Physiology.—Foster.
 [6.] Astronomy.—Lockyer.
 2. Turner's *First Principles of Agriculture* (A. & W. Mackinlay.)
 3. Gray's "How Plants Grow."
 4. Steele's "Fourteen Weeks in Chemistry."

WRITING AND DRAWING.

1. Payson, Dutton and Scribner's Copy Books, Beattie's Copy Books, the Royal Series of Copy Books.
 [The Council does not think it necessary to prescribe a single series of Copy Books, but only to require that one series shall be used exclusively in each School.]
 2. Walter Smith's Series [Revised Edition,] Nos 5, 6, 7, 8, are published as "American Text-books of Art Education."

LIST OF BOOKS RECOMMENDED FOR THE USE OF TEACHERS, BUT NOT PRESCRIBED FOR PUPILS.

(Trustees anxious to promote the physical, intellectual and moral welfare of the pupils in the schools under their charge, will do well to provide their teachers with the undermentioned books.)

- Sully's *Handbook of Psychology*.
 Gage's *Elements of Physics* [Ginn, Heath & Co.]
 Huxley and Youman's *Physiology and Hygiene*.
 Dr. Richardson's *Temperance Hand Book*. (Ontario Edition).
 Dr. Edward Smith's *Manual of Health* (A. & W. Mackinlay).
 The Ontario *Manual of Hygiene*.
 Dawson's *Handbook of Zoology* (Dawson Bros. Montreal).
 N. A. Calkin's (Boston) *Primary Object Lessons* (Harper Bros., New York).
 J. B. Calkin's *Notes on Education*.

NOTE.—Prang's *Natural History Series* of botanical and zoological drawings and cards is accompanied by an excellent manual of directions, and if possible, should be in every school.

INDUSTRIAL DRAWING FOR HIGH SCHOOL COURSE.

1. For first year. Nos. 5 and 6 of the American Text Book of Art Education (retail price 15 cents each.)
 2. For second year. Nos. 7 and 8 of the same series, (retail price 25 cents each.)

The above books belong to the same series as those already used in our Common Schools. Nos. 5 and 6 are accompanied by a Manual for Teachers, giving full directions in regard to the use of the books. The retail price of this Manual will not exceed 60 cents. A small Manual accompanying Nos. 7 and 8 will be supplied gratuitously to teachers whose circumstances require them to use those books.

DATES OF MEETINGS OF BOARDS OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

Capo Breton, June 10th.
 Richmond, July 7th.
 S. Inverness, May 29th.
 N. Inverness, June 2nd.
 Victoria, June 5th.

West Hants, May 22nd.
 East Hants, June 10th.
 Kings, May 19th.
 Annapolis West, May 21st.
 Annapolis East, May 22nd.

Antigonish, May 19th.
 Guysboro', May 20th.
 St. Mary's, June 23rd.
 N. Pictou, May 14th.
 S. Pictou, May 15th.
 S. Colchester, May 18th.
 * West Colchester, May 20th.
 Sterling, May 22nd.
 Cumberland, May 25th.
 Parrsboro', May 18th.
 Halifax West, June 5th.
 Halifax Rural, July 3rd.
 Halifax Shore, June 26th.

* At Great Village.

Digby, May 26th.
 Clara, May 27th.
 Shelburne, June 17th.
 Barrington, August 24th.
 Argyle, May 21st.
 Yarmouth, May 23rd.
 S. Queens, June 11th.
 N. Queens, June 18th.
 * Lunenburg and New Dublin,
 May 15th.
 Chester, May 18th.
 * At Lunenburg for the present year.

AN ACT TO ALTER AND AMEND CHAPTER 29, REVISED STATUTES, FIFTH SERIES, "OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION," AND THE ACTS IN AMENDMENT THEREOF.

(Passed the 17th day of April, A. D. 1889.)

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly, as follows:

1. Sub-section 4 of section 27, chapter 29, of the Revised Statutes, is repealed, and the following substituted:

(4) "To determine the sites of school houses subject to the sanction of the inspector of the district. If the owner of any land selected by any trustees for a school site, and approved by the inspector, refuses to sell the same, or demands therefor a price deemed unreasonable by the trustees of any section, the proprietor of such land and the trustees shall forthwith each select an arbitrator. The arbitrators thus chosen, together with the inspector, or any two of them, shall appraise the damages to the owner of the land. Upon the tender of payment of the amount of such damages to the owner by the school trustees the land shall be taken and used for the purposes aforesaid. In case of a border section the inspector qualified to act shall be the inspector of the district in which the proposed school house is to be built."

(See amending Act below.)

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 30 OF THE ACTS OF 1889, ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 29, REVISED STATUTES, "OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION."

(Passed the 15th day of April, A. D. 1890.)

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly, as follows:

Chapter 30 of the Acts of 1889 is hereby amended by the addition of the following words: "In case the owner or owners of any land selected for a school site shall refuse or unduly delay to appoint the arbitrator required by this chapter, such arbitrator shall be appointed by the Warden of the municipality in which said school site is situated, on the written application of the Inspector of Schools for the district."

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 29, REVISED STATUTES, "OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION."

(Passed the 17th day of April, A. D. 1889.)

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly, as follows:

1. Section 14 of chapter 29, Revised Statutes, "Of Public Instruction," is hereby amended by adding to the end of said section the following:

"But the said several boards upon application by petition of a majority of the ratepayers of each section and upon the report and recommendation of the inspector of the district within which such sections lie, shall have power to unite such sections. Whenever the said several boards shall unite such sections they shall have power from time to time to make such order or orders as they may deem proper respecting the continuance and constitution of the board of school trustees, and respecting the rights, property and liabilities of the sections affected by such union, and generally to order and direct all things which may become necessary to give effect to such union.

2. Section 45 of said chapter is hereby amended by adding after the words "purpose" in the second last sentence but one of said section the following clause: "The words or phrase 'residing in such section' shall apply to such persons temporarily absent from the county or province and engaged in any kind of business or employment, but usually residing in the section, or whose families reside in the section, or any temporary absence whatsoever."