

work in a school, has attended the annual Teachers' Institutes. In this connection, it may be said that for the examination to be held in July next, the text-book on the Art of Teaching to be used is Morrison's School Management. No examination paper will be presented on the School Law, until steps have been taken to provide a manual on that subject.

Current Events.

A distinguished educationist has just passed away in the person of Dr. Currie, principal of the Edinburgh Training College. At the early age of twenty-five, he was appointed to the principalship of the Edinburgh College in 1852, and, since that time, his name has been familiar to educationists in all parts of the world. His works on school management and the principles of education have long been recognized as text-books in training colleges throughout the United Kingdom and the colonies. Singularly reticent in regard to public affairs, he took very little part in the educational affairs of the north; but he has left his mark in no common degree as a trainer of teachers.

Dr. Malcolm McVicar's address on "Mistakes in Education," delivered at the opening of the term at McMaster Hall, a week or two since, is, we are glad to learn, to be published. Dr. McVicar has earned a place in the front rank of modern educators by his services in the United States, especially as Superintendent of Education in New York State for many years. The present excellent public school system of that state was, we believe, largely moulded by his hand. He is, what every teacher should be, an enthusiast in his profession. His views, as enunciated in his lecture are, we observe, eliciting hostile as well as favorable criticism, especially those in regard to religious instruction in schools. Dr. McVicar, as many of our readers are no doubt aware, is the brother of the Rev. Dr. McVicar of the Montreal Presbyterian College, who delivered an excellent address on the "Bible in our Schools," at the late Teachers' Convention.

The people of Clarendon, in the County of Pontiac, have lately erected a substantial building for their Model School. It is built of brick, and consists of two flats. The grounds, which are spacious, are to be enclosed by a neat fence, and, when the whole is completed, the district will be able to boast of one of the most comfortable school buildings in the district. The enterprise is worthy of encouragement. The principal of the school this year is Mr. W. J. Messenger.

The proposal which was laid before the Ontario Teachers' Convention in August, to establish a College of Preceptors for Ontario, is now attracting a good deal of attention throughout the Province, and is being