

THE WORD "WINNIPEG."—Prof. C. N. Bell gives the following account of the changes which this word has undergone:—"I give the word as printed in works from 1734 to 1833, since which last named date there has been no change:

Ouinipigon.....	Vereudrye—1734
Ouinipidue.....	Dobbs—1742
Vmpignon.....	Galtsoniere—1750
Ouinipeg.....	Bourgainville—1757
Ouinipigon.....	Jefferys—1760
Ouinipique.....	French man—1776
Winnepeck.....	Carter—1768
Winnepegon.....	Henry—1775
Winipic.....	Mackenzie—1789
Winipick.....	Parson—1809
Winupic.....	Pike—1805
Winpie.....	Lord Selkirk—1816
Winupie.....	Ross Cox—1817
Winupic.....	Schoolcraft—1820
Winnepeck.....	Keating—1823
Winipeg.....	Beltram—1823
Winnepeg.....	Capt. Back—1833

The name is derived from the Cree words Win—dirty, and Nepe—water.

The Free Industrial Drawing Classes in Ontario were attended during the year by 127 teachers, male and female. Following is the list of proficiency certificates awarded at the end of the session:—71 teachers passed in Freehand Drawing, 102 in Practical Geometry, 75 in Linear Perspective, 48 in Model Drawing, 55 in Black-board Drawing.

The number of pupils reported as attending the Separate Schools of Ontario in 1884, was 26,177; increase, 29. Average attendance, 13,705; increase, 131. The whole number of teachers employed in the Separate Schools was 397; increase, male teachers, 37; decrease, 1. Female teachers, 300; increase, 8.

The average salary of male teachers in the Separate Schools in Ontario in 1884, was \$352; of female, \$188. Thus, it is observed, is considerably below the Public School standard; but it must be remembered that quite a number of the Separate School teachers are members of religious orders, receiving, merely nominal salaries.

The Inglethorpe correspondent of the *Windsor* says:—The schools round here are mostly supplied with teachers. In section No. 2 they have a good teacher in the person of Mr. Puffer, and in section No. 1 there is a teacher, hailing somewhere from the front, near Peterboro, who sits in the school day after day without a scholar. The trustees have him engaged for six months, and the children from a part of the section are attending section No. 2. He says he can sit for six months. Perhaps by that time he will have some scholars.

Of 63 candidates who wrote at the recent Entrance Examinations at Milton and Oakville 25 were successful. Of those who were unsuccessful 5 failed in Geography, 1 in Composition, 25 in Grammar, 21 in Arithmetic, 1 in Dictation, 7 in Fourth Book, 22 in History, and 49 in total number of marks.

Following are some of the principal amendments proposed in the Consolidated High School Act of Ontario, introduced on Wednesday in the Legislature by the Minister of Education. An average attendance of 100 pupils for the first half-year and of 80 for the second half-year will qualify a High School for erection into a Collegiate Institute. The Chairman of High School Boards shall have only one vote. High School trustees shall have power to suspend a pupil for insubordination. The Municipal Treasurer shall be the treasurer of High School Boards. High School masters shall be remunerated for services rendered as examiners. The High Schools shall close for the holidays simultaneously with the Public Schools. Teachers resigning their charge of schools during the summer holidays shall be paid according to the proportion their time of service bears to the total of teaching days in the year. The legislative grant shall be paid directly to the treasurer of High School Boards, and it shall be based upon the amount of salaries paid to teachers, the character and equipment of High School buildings, and the average attendance.

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The most important event connected with the educational work of the Province, is the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Lobley, Principal of the University of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, a position which he has occupied with great honor to himself and advantage

to the college for the past eight years, a wrangler of Cambridge, and engaged in parish work in England, he was called to Montreal, to take charge of a Theological School. He was subsequently appointed to his present position on the retirement of Dr. Lobley, to return to Parish work in England, the Province loses one of its ablest men, and the University a leader that it will be difficult to replace.

The Rev. Dr. Begin, has been appointed Successor to the late Father Legase, as Principal of the Laval Normal School. Born in 1849 Dr. Begin graduated with honors at Laval University in 1863, and continued his studies at Rome, for three years, at the close of which he obtained the Degree of Doctor of Theology. In 1868 he returned to Quebec, having been appointed Professor of Laval University. He maintained his connection with the university until 1881, when a desire for retirement and rest induced him to withdraw from university life and engage in Parish work. The appointment has been received with general favor.

The Consolidation of the School Law has been occupying the attention of the authorities for some time, and the first copies of the Revision have recently been placed in the hands of the members of the Committees of the Council of Public Instruction, and these copies are undergoing a thorough examination. Since the consolidation of the Statutes of Lower Canada in 1860, a great many amendments and additions have been made to the educational laws of the Province which make them very lengthy and difficult of interpretation. The present revision if carefully prepared will prove a great boon to those who have to do with the working and interpretation of the School Law.

The McGill Normal School Session has been shortened from ten to nine months to enable the Professors to hold Normal Teachers Institutes during the summer in the County Districts. Two of these Institutes were held last summer as an experiment under the direction of the Principal of the Normal School, and the Protestant Secretary of the Education Department; and the marked success which attended their efforts has led to the adoption of their Institutes as part of the official programme. At least three of these Institutes are to be held during the coming summer.

The Protestant Secretary of the Department of Public Instruction has been giving a course of lectures at the McGill Normal School, upon School Law and School organization.

The Honorable Donald A. Smith—who has already given fifty-thousand dollars for the establishment of Separate Classes for Women in McGill College, has intimated his intention of giving at least fifty thousand dollars more to enable the College to provide a complete Arts course for women in separate classes. These generous gifts will no doubt prove unanswerable arguments in favor of the opponents of co-education, and will no doubt practically settle the question of co-education or separate education which has been under the consideration of the Corporation of the University for some time.

The next meeting of the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction will be held on Wednesday, 25th, February

Personal.

Mr. Ray, of Lindsay, who has taught at Creemore, three miles from here, has been compelled to resign his position, on account of bad health. * * * Mr. William Yeo, formerly teacher at Little Britain, is teaching at Stayner. * * * Miss Maggie McPherson, of Lennoxville, is teaching on the mountain near here. * * * Collingwood boasts of a Collegiate Institute not of a High School. The Institute is now reckoned one of the best in the Province for the educational work.—*Woodville Advocate*.

Mr. J. B. Powles has been re-engaged as teacher at Pleasant Valley, with an increase of salary.

Mr. J. C. Rodgers has been re-engaged in the Cambray school this year. He is spoken of as a painstaking and thorough teacher.

Miss Barbara McLean, of Milton, is filling Miss Gallio's department in the Oakville School, during the latter's attendance at the Toronto Normal.

Mr. A. W. Burt, Head Master of the Brockville High School, assisted by his brother, Mr. F. P. Burt, has been appointed drawing master in connection with the Brockville Mechanics' Institute.