

—Funereal quietness is not good order. Such death-like stillness is intended only for the sick-room, or for funeral occasions. It is incompatible with the necessary business of the school-room. Pounding the bell, and allowing it to ring until "the last lingering echoes die away on the stilly air," is not good order. There is no magic in the bell. It is a mistake to suppose that pounding the bell will bring a noisy school to order. If a light tap does not answer all purposes, the fault is not in the bell, but in the teacher. It is not the bell, but the person using it that secures obedience.

Correspondence.

Diploma. By applying for a copy of the regulations, you will see how a diploma may be obtained, with credit given for the certificates you hold. The rule has been carefully adhered to this year for the first time.

The Supplementary. This is certainly a very great privilege to those who may have failed in only one or two subjects; and no candidate should look upon it in any other light. Without such an examination a whole year would expire before an opportunity of being re-examined presented itself.

School Examinations. The awards will be made as last year, and cards have been issued as usual to the successful pupils. Though some of the papers were a little more difficult than they were last year, the results have been very satisfactory, as will be seen when the marks are published.

Tasmania or Van Diemen's Land. The first name is derived from the distinguished Dutch navigator, born at Hoom, North Holland, in 1603. The second is derived from Van Diemen, Governor-General of the Dutch East Indies, who sent Tasman on his voyage of discovery.

Enquirer. The Ascidian referred to is a type of the *Tunicata*, the *Ascidia Mentula*. The diagram in coloured chalk was in great part conventional as were most of the others.

University. The word university was originally applied to any corporation, and when used in ancient times, required further words to explain its application. As a general thing, the first word printed in Worcester, when there are two pronunciations or two spellings of the same word, is to be taken as the form to be preferred.

The Lady of the Lake. A contracted form of the poem is in preparation by the Messrs. Dawson of Montreal.