

The tonic sol-fa music notation is being introduced in the Winnipeg public and high schools, and after vacation will be taught in all the rooms. Mr. J. D. Hunt, principal of the high school, adopted the method in his room, with favorable results, some time ago.

NOVA SCOTIA.

A new chair has been established in Dalhousie college, through the munificence of Mr. George Munro, of New York. The chair is to be known as the George Munro chair of English literature and metaphysics. At a meeting of the Governors held since the generous founder announced his intention to establish the chair, J. G. Schurman, A.M., D.Sc., was chosen professor on the new foundation. The salary attached to the professorship is \$2000 per annum, with class fees additional.

Mr. Walter Smith, State director of art education in Massachusetts, and art master, South Kensington, England, has been invited to attend the ensuing Provincial education association at Truro. Prof. Smith has accepted the invitation and will deliver three lectures before that body. It is expected that he will lecture in Halifax also.

Mr. R. I. Eaton, second master in the Morris street school, Halifax, has been obliged to resign through ill-health. Johnson Davidson, B.A. (Dalhousie College), has been elected to the position thus vacated.

The third annual session of the teachers' association for inspectorial district, No. 10 (Cumberland and North Colchester), was held at Parrsboro on the 15th and 16th ult. W. D. Mackenzie, inspector of schools, presided at the various sessions, supported by Mr. W. D. Ward as vice-president, and Mr. Gordon Hill as secretary-treasurer. Seventy-five teachers were present and enrolled as members. As this was the first meeting of the kind ever held in Parrsboro, much public interest was taken in the proceedings of the association by the people of the town. The association reciprocated by placing on record an expression of its appreciation of the kindness shown to its members by the residents of Parrsboro. In addition to papers and exercises by members of the association, the teachers present were favored with a most instructive address by Principal Calkin of the provincial normal school on the subject of "Method." The public meeting held on the evening of the 15th, attracted to the immense town-hall, what is said to have been the largest audience gathered in Parrsboro for many years. The chief address of the occasion was delivered by Dr. Allison, superintendent of education. This was an earnest plea to sustain by all means and at all costs an education in sympathy with the spirit of the times, and adapted to place the youth of Nova Scotia on a par with the youth of the most favored and progressive lands. The leading men of the town occupied places on the platform. A most cordial vote of thanks to the lecturer was moved by Rev. Mr. Alcorn, and seconded by Rev. Father Malone, P. P. The programme of the association was a fresh and varied one, and was capably carried out. It included papers as follows: "Miscellaneous schools and their special difficulties," by Mr. E. J. Lay, Amherst; "School government," by Mr. Gordon Hill, Central Economy; "Subtraction," specially illustrated by Miss Bent, Amherst; "Physical geography," by Mr. Wm. Rockwell, Joggins Mines; "Teaching the elementary principles of geology," by inspector Mackenzie. Mr. Johnson, principal of the Parrsboro schools, gave a brief address on the "Utility of Drawing" as a branch of public instruction, admirably supplemented by a class exercise with pupils from his school. Miss Gillespie, Parrsboro, gave a highly interesting exercise in reading, and Miss McKernian, Amherst, an equally useful one illustrating the philosophy of division. It should be mentioned that Mrs. Huestis of St. John, N.B., a member of the Natural History Society of that city, favored the association with valuable suggestions on the teaching of botany, and with the inspection of her beautiful collection of botanical and entomological specimens. The subjects brought before the association in the papers presented were discussed with great freedom and vigor. The next annual meeting was appointed to be held at the village of Acadian Iron Mines, Colchester county, on the second Thursday of June, 1883.

The anniversary of Acadia college was celebrated at Wolfville, N. S., on the 31st May. The gathering was a brilliant one. The most interesting part of the celebration was its Cramp memorial service, at which a series of orations were delivered by Dr. Sawyer, Dr. Bell, Dr. Rand and Mr. A. Langley. We note that Hon. Neil McLeod, B.A., has been appointed a scholar of the university of Acadia college.

TORONTO UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT.

The proceedings in connection with the close of the late academical year of the university of Toronto came off on the 7th and 8th of June. The evening of the 7th was devoted to the annual meeting of

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which was held in Moss Hall, the home of the Literary and Scientific society of University college. The attendance was not large but the list of those present included a number of men prominent in literary, scientific, and educational circles. The chair was occupied by the Hon. John A. Boyd, chancellor of Ontario, who was re-elected for another biennial term. A considerable portion of the time of the meeting was taken up with the discussion of the question whether the Senate should insist absolutely on attendance on one year's lectures in some affiliated college, and that not the first year's. It was finally resolved by the casting vote of the chairman that no recommendation on the subject should be made. On motion a large and influential committee, with power to add to its numbers, was appointed to consider and report upon the best means of improving the financial condition and increasing the efficiency of Toronto university and University college. Of this committee the vice-chancellor of the university, W. Mulock, M.A., was nominated convener, and amongst its members are the Hon. Edward Blake, chancellor of the university and the Hon. J. A. Boyd, chairman of Convocation.

COMMENCEMENT.

The annual commencement proceedings came off in Convocation Hall on the afternoon of the 8th, the chancellor presiding. The following is a list of the art graduates, and medallists of the year:—

M. A.—J. J. Baker; I. J. Birchard; E. R. Cameron; T. Davidson; C. Donovan; A. Hamilton; W. A. Huston; F. H. Keefer; A. G. Leonard; T. H. Lyall; J. P. McMurrich; J. Mutch; W. G. Wallace.

B. A.—A. F. Ames, Cainville; J. Baird, Scarboro; A. Blair, Ratho; W. H. Blake, Toronto; C. J. Campbell, Toronto; J. Caven, Toronto; J. M. Clark, St. Mary's; L. J. Clarke, Winnipeg; L. C. Corbett, Corbett; W. F. W. Creelman, Collingwood; W. A. Duncan, Russell; H. L. Dunn, Welland; J. C. Elliot, Port Robinson; W. Elliot, Morewood; W. T. Evans, Waterdown; D. Fasken, Elora; W. O. Galloway, Toronto; C. T. Glass, London; E. G. Graham, Brampton; J. Gray, Woodburn; A. H. Gross, Whitby; W. J. Greig, Oshawa; J. F. Grierson, Oshawa; E. F. Gunther, Toronto; R. Haddow, Dalhousie, N.B.; T. P. Hall, Hornby; J. Hamilton, Motherwell; T. Hepburn, —; J. A. Jaffray, Macville; D. B. Kerr, Toronto; G. G. Lindsay, Toronto; W. J. Logie, London; S. Love, Toronto; G. S. MacDonald, Cornwall; J. McGillivray, Collingwood; A. MacMurchy, Toronto; C. A. Mayberry, Salford; C. J. McCabe, A. McDonald, Toronto; A. H. McDougall, Cannington; D. McGillivray, Goderich; R. McKnight, H. W. Mickle, Toronto; R. Moir, Hensall; J. W. Mustard, Uxbridge; A. E. O'Meara, Port Hope; S. E. Robertson, Harrison; W. L. H. Rowand, Walkerton; O. L. Schmidt, Sebringville; A. Y. Scott, Stratford; T. W. Simpson, Orangeville; G. A. Smith, Winthrop; J. Smith, J. C. Smith, Galt; T. Trotter, Woodstock; F. C. Wade, Owen Sound; A. Watson, G. B. Wiltzie, Farmersville; D. J. G. Wishart, Madoc; H. Wissler, Salem; H. J. Wright, Toronto;

The following is a list of the medallists in the various faculties:—*Arts*—*Classics*: Gold, D. McGillivray (Goderich); silver, H. L. Dunn (Welland);—*Mathematics*: Gold, J. M. Clark (St. Mary's); silver, A. F. Anies (Cainville);—*Modern Languages*: Gold, E. J. Wright (Toronto); silver, E. F. Gunther (Toronto);—*Natural Sciences*: Gold, G. A. Smith (Winthrop); silver, T. P. Hall (Hornby);—*Mental and Moral Philosophy*: Gold, W. F. W. Creelman (Nova Scotia); silver, W. H. Blake (Toronto).

Law—Gold, A. V. McCleneghan.

MEDICINE—University gold, R. R. Wallace; University silver, J. T. Duncan; Starr gold, R. R. Wallace.

The following is a list of the successful candidates for scholarships in the various faculties:

Law.—Second year—A. S. Low; Third year—F. T. Congdon.

MEDICINE.—First year—1, H. N. Hoople; 2, L. Carr. Second year—1, J. W. Clerke; 2, A. F. McKenzie. Third year—1, W. J. Robinson; 2, F. J. Dolsen.

ARTS.—*Classics*.—First year—1, H. Haviland; 2, W. M. Logan and J. Ross; Second year—1, W. J. J. Twohey; 2, R. A. Little; Third year—1, J. C. Robertson; 2, A. Crichton and H. R. Fairclough. *Mathematics*.—First year—1, R. A. Thompson; 2, A. C. McKay; Second year—1, J. Cuthbert; 2, M. Haight; Third