

Toronto Normal School, was then principal, and at the close of the year was appointed Assistant Master in the High School. The following year he was Head Master of the Millbrook Public School and held that position until midsummer 1873. At that time his reputation as a teacher of more than ordinary excellence was so well established, that he was selected as Head-Master of the Port Hope Public Schools when they were separated from the High School. Here he had thirteen assistants, and a wider field for his talents. It is needless to say how well his distinguished success during the past ten years has justified the wisdom of the selection. Under his energetic and skilful management these schools have gradually risen to the very first rank in this province. In 1877 the County Model School was placed under his charge, and he has thus had already seven years' experience in the training of teachers. In this capacity his peculiar aptitude and talent for this important work have been more and more apparent and have secured him a reputation second to that of no other Model School Master in Ontario. He has enjoyed the fullest confidence of his fellow-teachers, who twice elected him President of the County Teachers' Association, of which he has always been an active and progressive member. His loss will be keenly felt in educational circles here where his faithful and efficient labors have been appreciated far beyond their immediate sphere. He will carry with him to his new field the hearty good will of every fellow laborer and friend of education.

Mr. Goggin holds the highest grade of Provincial Certificate and is an undergraduate of the fourth year in Victoria University. If energy, tact, and thorough training have not lost their ancient power, his future success is already assured, and his present appointment may well be an encouragement to every teacher to do solid work which is sure to stand like the pyramids—"all else is chaff, which let the winds drive where they will."

DEATH OF INSPECTOR BUTLER.

We mournfully record the death of another educationist departed from our ranks. Inspector Butler died early in March after a short illness with congestion of the lungs. In the prime of life with his mind in its full vigor he has been called from his work which has been faithfully done.

A. F. Butler, B. Sc., was born at Auburn, Ohio, Oct. 17th, 1833, and was consequently only a little over fifty at the time of his demise. He attended Auburn College in his youth, and began to teach school at the age of seventeen. In a few years he went to Hiram College and spent two years there under the tuition of the late President Garfield who commanded his respect and admiration. Afterwards he became a student at Ann Arbor University where he graduated as Bachelor of Science in 1859 and was married in the same year to Miss Augusta P. King, who now mourns his loss. After successful teaching at Brimfield and at Canton, Ohio, he came to Canada in 1863 and taught the Aylmer public school for four years, and the Fingal School for a short time. In 1868 he was appointed

Local Superintendent of the public school, an office which he filled until 1871 when he was appointed first Inspector of Public Schools for Elgin under the new act. He has resided at St. Thomas ever since and was one of the best known men in the county. He was everywhere a welcome visitor both at the fireside and in the schoolroom, and his genial disposition made him many friends. A man careless of outward appearance, Mr. Butler carried beneath a somewhat rough exterior a warm heart and an active mind. He was a fluent speaker, and possessed some of the magnetism of quiet, commanding eloquence. In 1877 he wrote a history of the county of Elgin which exhibited his literary facility and his genial humanity. He was very fond of good horses and generally drove the finest he could purchase. He was a member of the Masonic Fraternity and also of the United Workmen and his family have the benefit of a \$2,000 policy in the latter society. The sympathy of many warm friends will be extended to his sorrowing widow and to his mother who at the advanced age of seventy-six survives him at the old home in Auburn.

DEATH OF INSPECTOR DEWAR.

Contrary to the hopes of a large circle of devoted friends Inspector Dewar of Huron never rallied from the illness which prostrated him some months ago. He passed peacefully away from earth on the 26th of February. He leaves a widow, three sons and two daughters to mourn his loss. He will long be remembered throughout his late inspectorate where his name had become a household word and his genial presence had made him a welcome visitor. He was of Highland extraction and spent his youth in the county of Lanark, removing with his parents to the county of Lambton. At the Sarnia High School he received the first outlines of higher education from Mr. Walker, who was for many years the head master. He attended two sessions at the Toronto Normal School and received the highest grade of first class certificate. He taught the school in the village of Harpurhey for over ten years, and was principal of the Seaforth Public schools for many years previously to his appointment as Inspector of East Huron, a district including a vast area and about a hundred schools. Mr. Dewar was characterized by great earnestness of purpose and sincerity of character; he had an extensive acquaintance with general literature and was familiar with the leading theories of education. His whole life was an example of successful struggle against difficulties, and he goes to his rest honored for the faithful and conscientious discharge of his duties.

The annual Report of Inspector Tilley of Durham County is a model of care and thoroughness. It gives complete information regarding every school in the district and enables trustees and teachers to see at a glance just where they stand relatively to the other schools in the county. We find first the general remarks of the Inspector from which we give a few characteristic extracts in another column. Then follows a special report of five to ten lines on each school in the seven.