

tracted for a purpose so imperatively demanded, and so essential to the effective operations of the Society.

In reporting upon the working of the School, it is not easy to avoid repeating the remarks made in former years. The Committee, however, believe that there are several excellencies attained even over last year. The difficulty noticed by Professor Hicks in his last report has been overcome,—the tendency to disorder and irregularity created by rooms too closely thronged with children.

Greater progress has been made in singing, through the appointment of a Teacher to give lessons. Linear drawing has been introduced, and has developed a good deal of capacity and taste in many of the elder scholars; and during the last quarter, Mons. Dorion has been engaged to give lessons in French, to the great satisfaction of the parents, and the manifest advantage of the pupils. Nor must it be omitted that the religious instruction has been sedulously given, and it is trusted gladly received, to the spiritual and temporal blessing of many.

The Committee, however, would rather that the account of the annual examination taken from the columns of the "Montreal Gazette," and Professor Hicks' clear and comprehensive report, should describe the state of the School.

#### ANNUAL EXAMINATION.

##### COLONIAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL SOCIETY'S MODEL SCHOOLS.

The above took place in the Society's School in Bonaventure Street, on the 18th instant. Notwithstanding the unpropitious state of the weather, the attendance of ladies and gentlemen as visitors was good, the room being pleasantly crowded. The greater number of the teachers of McGill Normal School were present, two of whom, Miss P. Bell and Miss Middlemiss, took part in the examination. Dr. Barber took the chair at two o'clock precisely, and called on the Reverend the Society's Superintendent to open the afternoon's proceedings with prayer. The following is a programme of the examination:—

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| General Scripture Examination.....        | Rev. Wm. Bond. |
| Liturgy.....                              | Mr. Burt.      |
| Lesson on Scripture Print to Infants..... | Mr. Burt.      |

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##### MODEL SCHOOL.

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| English Grammar.....            | Mr. Hicks. |
| Object Lesson—Gutta Percha..... | Miss Bell. |