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New Brunswick School Calendar.

1912-1913

1912. Thanksgiving Day Oct. 28.
Dec. 17. Examinations for III Class License.
Dec. 20. Schools close for Christmas vacation.
1913.
Jan. 6. Schools open after Christmas vacation.
Mar. 20. Schools close for Easter Vacation.
Mar. 26. Schools open after Easter vacation.
May 18. Loyalist Day (Holiday in St. John City).

May 23. Empire Day.
May 24. Victoria Day.
May 27. Examinations for Teachers' Licenses, III Class.
June 1. Last day on which Inspectors are authorized to receive applications for Departmental Examinations.
June 3. King's Birthday.
June 6. Normal School closing.
June 10. Final Examinations for License begin.
June 16. High School Entrance Examinations begin.
June 27. Schools close for year.

Nova Scotia School Calendar,

1912

The full number of legal teaching days in the half school year to the end of June is 103 days. School year, 206 teaching days.

Oct. 28 Dominion Thanksgiving Day.
Nov. 11. Second Quarter of School Term begins.

An English experimenter has found that by boiling seaweed in ammonia he can make an excellent substitute for rubber.

The influx of United States people into Western Canada is continuing at a rate unprecedented. It is estimated that one hundred and seventy-five thousand will have crossed the border within the present fiscal year.

The movement to make Galway, on the west coast of Ireland, the eastern terminus for a fast line of steamers running to North Sydney, Nova Scotia, is again mentioned. By this route it would be possible to cross the ocean in four and a half days.

Prince Arthur, of Connaught, son of the Governor-General of Canada, represented Great Britain at the funeral of the late Emperor of Japan, which took place on the thirteenth and fourteenth of last month, with solemn and impressive ceremonies. The body of the late ruler was buried at night, in the presence of the highest dignitaries of the empire and of many thousands of his people, but in perfect silence, not a word being spoken. When the body of the dead emperor was about to leave Tokio for the place of burial, General Nogi, the Supreme Military Councillor of Japan, in accordance with an old Japanese custom, killed himself, that he might accompany his friend and master to the other world. His wife did the same. They also were buried with the highest honours, fifty thousand people joining in the funeral procession;

for the sacrifice was looked upon by the Japanese as an act of the highest patriotism.

The expedition to Baffin's Land in search of gold, which set out in July, has returned, reporting no discovery of gold, but a valuable deposit of coal instead.

According to a plan outlined by a member of the government, when Home Rule is adopted in the United Kingdom, not only Ireland, Scotland and Wales, but Lancashire, Yorkshire, and other sections of England, may have separate legislatures, like those of the several provinces of Canada. The Imperial Parliament could then devote its time to imperial concerns. There have been serious factional disturbances in the north of Ireland in opposition to the Irish Home Rule bill, with continued threats of rebellion in case of its becoming law.

Running into James Bay are four rivers, the Rupert and Nottaway from the Quebec side, the Moose and Alderney from the Ontario side. They drain a great watershed, composed of clay and marl. The agricultural possibilities of this great basin are said to be more favourable than anything now available in the St. Lawrence valley. The district will soon be opened up for settlement.

The authorities of the University of North Carolina are asking for legislation to make college hazing a criminal offence.

An English statesman has gone to West Africa to study the situation with a view to forming a plan for the union