

rely upon the painter; for what is wanted is that education which will enable us to make a judicious selection suited to the several purposes to which they are to be applied. Thus, in arranging colours, we can not put bright scarlet next to white without a tinge of green appearing on the edges of the scarlet; for in looking first at scarlet, and then at any other colour, a green hue will invariably appear about it; and again, after first looking at green, other objects will have a tinge of red. The illusion has doubtless occurred to many and to avoid these unpleasant effects is in a great measure the object to be attained in the selection of appropriate colours for wall or furniture decoration.

Where violet and green are placed in juxtaposition, each colour having one element—blue—in common, this similarity on one point makes the dissimilarity on the others stand out more clearly; so that the green on the violet appears more yellow, whilst the violet, on the other hand, appears more red. In like manner, if orange and green be taken—the yellow element in the one cancelling, so to speak, the yellow in the other—the orange will assume a reddish hue and the green a bluish. An upholsterer should be very careful in choosing the colors of stuffs used for coverings. It will not do to cover mahogany furniture with scarlet—the colour is too bright, and when placed beside it the mahogany loses brilliancy and becomes like walnut wood. Many persons, however, like the colour, and insist that it shall accompany mahogany. In such cases, the unpleasant effect produced can be in a measure relieved by putting a green or black braid or an edging of yellow silk or gilt lace on the border where the cloth and wood meet. In paper-hanging a room, it is well to remember, that on crimson-coloured grounds black looks green, and in the same way black upon green loses its lustre, and *vice versa*. Orange upon red is injurious to the eyesight; violet upon blue looks washed out; blue upon green looks spinach color, by candle light, and gray upon green would show pink. Such combinations of colours should always be avoided, as the effect produced upon the eyesight on entering a room whose side walls are decorated in green and black or red and black, or an orange figure upon a red ground, is any thing but agreeable. It is the same in dress. The most striking effects are those produced by selecting harmonious colours, whereby the eyesight is maintained in a state of repose, and not affected by the false tints caused by the improper mixture of colours. The trade in paper-hangings has now become so extensive that such faults seldom occur, and yet there are defects still noticeable in the prevailing style where a light ground is interspersed all over at equal distances apart by small gilt figures; now this, in effect, is sometimes good, but in most cases the effect is like looking at some arabesque ornament which appears all mixed up, because the eye can not take in all the figures at once. Now, if we have a pale pink blue, gray, violet, green, or other ground colour, and at the top decorated with a bright coloured border, the same at the base—or divided off into panels by stripes, ornaments, medallions, rosettes, and lines—the effects can then be at once grasped by the eyesight, and the result is interesting and pleasing.—*The Manufacturer and Builder*.

OFFICIAL NOTICES.

Ministry of Public Instruction.

APPOINTMENTS.

STANSTEAD BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

The Lieutenant Governor, by an Order in Council dated 12th, instant, was pleased to appoint the following Gentlemen members of the aforesaid Board:

The Revd. Michael McAuley, in the room and stead of the Revd. A. D. Limoges, removed from the District,—
Edwin R. Johnson, Esq., in the room and stead of Robert W. Hall, Esq., removed from the District,—
Charles S. Channell, Esq., in the room and stead of the Revd. W. L. Thompson, removed from the District,—and
William S. Hunter, Esq., in the room and stead of Joseph Breadon, Esq., M. D., removed from the District.

APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS CANCELLED.

The Lieutenant Governor, by an Order in Council dated the 4th, instant, cancelled the appointment (made on the 13th of August last) of

the School Commissioners for the Municipality of "St. Pierre de l'Etang du Nord" in the County of Gaspé,—as an election was held, within the legal time, in July last.

TEACHER'S DIPLOMA REVOKED.

The Council of Public Instruction, at a special meeting held on the 10th November last, revoked (in virtue of the powers conferred on it by clause 22, cap. 15, Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada) the Diploma of Mr. Edward Corbeil, Teacher.

ERECTION OF SCHOOL MUNICIPALITY.

(Instead of what appeared in our December number under this title read the following.)

The Lieutenant Governor, by an Order in Council dated November 16th, 1869, was pleased to erect into a School Municipality, under the name of St. Jérôme du Lac St. Jean, the portion of each of the Townships, —Caron and Métabetchouan, in the County of Saguenay, bounded as follows, to wit:—On the North by Lac St. Jean, on the East by Belle Rivière and Hébertville, commencing at the Twenty-fifth lot, in the First, Second, Third and Fourth Ranges of the Township of Caron, and at the Fifty-eighth lot, in the North and South Ranges A of said Township of Caron; on the West by River Métabetchouan, and on the South by mountains and uncleared lands, serving as limits to the Fourth Range of the Township of Caron.

DIPLOMAS GRANTED BY BOARDS OF EXAMINERS.

PONTIAC BOARD.

Session of November 2nd, 1869.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIPLOMA, (E.) 1st Class:—Miss Louisa Howe and Mr. Richard Foster.

2nd Class:—Miss Mary Letts.

OVIDE LEBLANC,
Secretary.

AYLMER BOARD.

Session of November 2nd, 1869.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIPLOMA, (E.) 1st Class:—Messrs. Angus Kennedy, Thomas G. Bothwell; Misses Rebecca Smith, Mary Teresa Brady; (F.) Miss Marie Joséphine Poitras and Mr. Jean-Eugène-Guérin.

J. R. WOODS,
Secretary.

QUEBEC (PROTESTANT) BOARD.

Session of May 4th, 1869.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIPLOMA, (E.) 1st Class:—Miss Dora Brown.

2nd Class:—Miss Margaret Elliot and Mr. Thomas Parks.

D. WILKIE,
Secretary.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Quebec, January 5th, 1870.

The following have obtained Certificates from the Civil Service Board of Examiners for this Province:

George William Colfer, Esq., Advocate,—First Clerk of English Correspondence, Provincial Secretary's Office,—obtained a First Class Certificate, with distinction, on November 29th, 1869.

M. Gustave Grenier, Clerk in the Executive Council Department of this Province, obtained a First Class Certificate, with distinction, on December 30th, 1869.

M. Zéphirin Duhamel, St. Ambroise, Co. of Quebec, obtained a Second Class Certificate, on December 30th, 1869.

M. Fabien-René-Edouard Campeau, Quebec, obtained a Second Class Certificate and a Certificate as Book-Keeper, on December 30th, 1869.

PIERRE J. O. CHAUVEAU,
Secretary.