

schools, the text books in use, and any other features of interest that may be suggested. The object of this most commendable scheme is to give to strangers, and visitors generally, a comprehensive idea of the educational system of the province as carried out in actual teaching in the schools. A committee, consisting of the superintendent, Messrs. Eaton and Argus, of Victoria and Vancouver, respectively, and three provincial inspectors, Messrs. Wilson, Stewart and Gordon, will have the arrangements in charge.

The Edgehill School for Girls, at Windsor, N. S., closed a very prosperous year in June. The school is known everywhere for the excellent training it gives. Its location and surroundings, and the commanding view of the beautiful scenery about Windsor, are well fitted to aid in such a training. Miss Lefroy, the principal, has resigned her position which she has so admirably filled for several years and has returned to England.

The Netherwood school at Rothesay is another girls' school beautifully situated amid the fine scenery of the Kennebecasis. It has been growing in efficiency and popularity for years past under the wise and excellent management of Mrs. J. S. Armstrong, who has had associated with her for the past two years as principals, Miss Pitcher and Miss S. B. Ganong. Mrs. Armstrong has retired from the principalship, though still retaining the duties of instructor in the school. The scholarship and experience of the ladies who have assumed the complete charge of Netherwood are an excellent guarantee of the future good prospects of the school.

Mr. Ernest E. Fairweather becomes principal of Annapolis Royal Academy in place of Mr. A. W. L. Smith, resigned. Mr. Fairweather is a graduate of King's College and has distinguished himself as a student.

Mr. Frank E. Wheelock, B. A., (Acadia), has been appointed vice-principal of the Consolidated School at Middleton as teacher of grade 10, and Mr. B. S. Banks takes the place of Miss Mabelle Fash as teacher of grade 9.

An interesting experiment is being tried at the Middleton, N. S., Consolidated School during the present summer vacation. Scholars are brought in relays from each district in turn, and under the charge of one of the instructors keep the school garden in order and continue their work in nature-study. No regular indoor work is attempted.

Professor Roland T. Gray, a graduate of Rochester University, has been appointed to the chair of English literature at Acadia in place of Professor Kierstead. The appointment is believed to be an excellent one.

RECENT BOOKS.

THE ARTISTIC CRAFTS SERIES OF TECHNICAL HANDBOOKS. Edited by W. R. Lethaby; STAINED GLASS WORK. A text-book for students and workers in glass. By C. W. Whall. Cloth. Pages 381. Price 5s. net.

This text-book for students, teachers, librarians and workers, illustrates not only processes and workshop practice, but also helps to create good taste in the making of objects and judgment in selection. The book is admirably illustrated and well written. It is accompanied by a series of School Copies and Examples, twelve in number, 15¼x

12 inches in a portfolio. Price 5s. net. In this series it is intended to make available for school purposes fine works of art from historical and nature subjects. Students will appreciate the excellent material found in this book and the beautiful plates that accompany it.

GEOMETRY. Part I. By A. H. McDougall, B. A., Principal of Ottawa Collegiate Institute. Cloth. Pages 112. The Copp Clark Company, Toronto.

This practical little manual is designed to cover work in geometry for continuation classes in public schools and lower school classes in secondary schools. Accuracy in reasoning, in measurement, and in proofs are insisted upon throughout, and constant tests of this accuracy are required. The book should serve a useful purpose in the teaching of practical geometry.

"CARROTS"—JUST A LITTLE BOY. By Mrs. Molesworth. Illustrated. Cloth. Pages 126. Price 1s. Macmillan & Company, London.

An entertaining little story—quaint, and told in charmingly simple language—of the "baby" of an English family, and how he grew up through boyhood.

EASY GRAPHS. By H. S. Hall, M. A. Cloth. Pages 64. Price 1s. Macmillan & Co., London.

The attempt to put together consecutively and in small compass all the essentials of elementary geographical work will be appreciated by students of algebra.

THE ETHICS OF FORCE. By H. E. Warner. Cloth. Pages 126. Ginn & Company, Boston.

This is a modest and reasonable presentation of the chief arguments against war. The author traces clearly and effectively the conditions that provoke nations to discord, until "Finally, a point is reached, unexpectedly, where the national honour is involved, and nothing is left but mutual destruction." The conditions that prevail at the present time make the book of particular interest.

SPECIMEN LETTERS. Edited by Albert S. Cook, Professor of the English language and literature in Yale University, and Allen R. Benham, fellow in English, of Yale University. Cloth. 156 pages. Mailing price, 65 cents. Ginn & Company, Boston.

"All letters, methinks, should be free and easy as one's discourse," wrote one who thought of the pleasure of reading a well written letter. All have occasion to write letters, and yet few know how to do so as to afford a genuine pleasure for those who receive them. The present book is a selection of familiar and entertaining letters by a number of writers and in a variety of styles. Here the novice can see how even trivial matters are invested with grace and charm, and perhaps learn to imitate the care and naturalness of the masters of epistolary style.

BLACKIE'S MODEL READERS. Book I. Pages 128. Price 8d. Book II. Pages 144. Price 10d. Blackie & Son, London.

The two readers named above which introduce Blackie's series are attractive with their coloured pictures and drawings, songs with music, and simple stories designed to make the reading lessons profitable and pleasant to children.

LANCASHIRE is a little book in the "English Counties" series of supplementary readers, published by Blackie &