

METHODIST COLLEGE—ST. JOHN'S.

Report of the Executive Board of Governors for the year ending
June 30th, 1897.

In our review of the past year it will not be necessary to refer in detail to the result of the various examinations in which the college has participated as these have been already given and widely circulated in the "Collegian." It is however very gratifying to be able to state that the successful work of our students alluded to in last year's report has been maintained and even exceeded during the past year.

In the London Matriculation out of eight who took this examination seven were successful; in the Associate Grade (C. of H. Education) we sent forward seven, all of whom passed creditably; and in the Senior Grade we had thirty passes out of thirty-four. This is a better showing than that of any other institution and proves beyond question that the Methodist College continues to lead in the Higher Education of this country. Mr. Holloway and Miss Allison and their assistants are to be congratulated on this very satisfactory result of their arduous labors. The Principal says: "All our successful London undergraduates are either continuing their studies at London Universities or doing useful work in this island."

Some changes have occurred in the staff of teachers. Mr. Hillyard has taken the place vacated by Mr. W. Cowperthwaite; Miss Badcock has succeeded Miss Barnes in charge of the Primary Department, and Misses Tuck and Dove have charge of the Kindergarten and are doing good work.

The Laboratory has been made more practical and is become of much importance to the country in general. A superior X Ray has been added by the kindness of Mr. Pitts and other friends.

The Ladies' College Aid Society has given very substantial aid in levelling and improving the play ground in front of the college; in employing a drill-master and in purchasing appliances for the Gymnasium, thus enabling the physical part of our educational system to receive more attention than at any previous time. The Society has also effected an improvement in the sanitary arrangements of the hall.

The total number of pupils on the roll is about 300.

The Collegian has somewhat widened its scope so as to help outport teachers more. It supplies all educational information as quickly as possible and by advice, examination papers, etc., tries to keep those teachers who are in remote parts of the island up to date.

The Home continues to flourish under the management of the Rev. Mark Fenwick. The average number of boarders has been as follows:—One teacher. Twelve pupil teachers. Ten minister's children. Others twenty-one. Total forty-four. There has been only one case of contagious sickness during the year. Mr. Fenwick in his report compliments the boarders upon their general decorum and attention to the discipline of the Home, and for the honors won by them in the senior examinations,

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