

prescribed by the faculty, supplemented by a rigid examination. Dr. Stockton is one of the few who find time amid active public and professional duties to seek honors in literature. The example of a busy professional man devoting his leisure to the study of philosophy and kindred subjects, while taking a lively interest in all public questions, is one worthy of imitation. Dr. Stockton also holds the degree of Ph. D. from Illinois Wesleyan University, as well as that of D. C. L. from the Mount Allison College. We congratulate him on his triple and well deserved honors.

Mr. L. E. Wortman, M. A., has been appointed to fill the new chair of modern languages at Acadia College, the appointment to take effect on the first of January, 1888. Mr. Wortman is a gentleman of scholarly attainments and large experience as a teacher.

Mr. W. L. Clay, of Summerside, P. E. Island, who recently graduated B. A. at McGill University, and won the Prince of Wales gold medal in mental and moral philosophy, made a higher record than that of any previous graduate of that institution.

Rev. Dr. Sawyer, of Acadia College, was recently made the recipient of a handsome cane, accompanied with an address, by the students of the senior class.

Professor Eaton, of the Normal School, has been elected a member of the Municipal Council of Truro. This speaks well for both the Normal School and Truro.

D. A. Murray, Esq., B. A., late Munro tutor in mathematics, Dalhousie College, is rusticated in the north of the Province. He intends going to the John Hopkins University next fall.

C. H. Livingstone, M. A., of the Gramercy Park Polytechnic school, New York, is among his friends in St. John enjoying a well earned vacation.

A. F. Emery, M. D., has received the appointment of resident physician in the St. John Public Hospital. Dr. Emery, who was one of the most diligent and progressive teachers in the St. John schools, is a distinguished graduate of Bellevue College, New York, standing fourth in a class numbering several hundred.

The project to unite Woodstock College and Toronto Baptist College in one institution under the name of McMaster University, is an accomplished fact. Dr. T. H. Rand displayed characteristic ability and energy in aiding to bring about this affiliation.

J. G. MacGregor, D. Sc. (London), Professor of Physics in Dalhousie College, has gone to Edinburgh to superintend the issue of a work on Kinematics and Dynamics, which he has been preparing and which will shortly be published.

#### A NOBLE WORK.

The New Brunswick Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, which was organized six years ago, has accomplished a great amount of good. In addition to its practical work of preventing cruelty, and of prosecuting persons who are known to have been guilty of causing needless pain, it has for the past two years had a very active Ladies' Educational Auxiliary Committee, who have full charge of the Band of Mercy movement in connection with the society's work. This movement, which is for the purpose of inculcating into the minds of the young the principles of kindness, had its origin in England, but has met with the universal approval of the young all over the world.

In Germany, Russia, Switzerland, France, and the United States of America, the bands exist in large numbers, and in the two last named countries have been received into the public schools, and now form part of the educational work of these nations. At the sitting of the Bureau of Education of the United States of America, in 1883, George T. Angell, Esq., President of the American Science Association, read a very interesting paper showing the importance and value of Bands of Mercy as a means of the prevention of crime. At the conclusion of the address the Bureau passed a resolution expressing a desire that such Bands should be welcomed in all the public schools. In the last three years upwards of 6,000 Bands have been organized on this continent, with a membership of 600,000 children and adults.

The attention of the teachers of all the public schools and Sunday Schools in the Maritime Provinces is directed to this noble work of teaching children to be kind and gentle towards God's dumb and dependent creatures, in the hope that they may see the importance of the work, and be led to organize Bands in their respective schools.

The Royal Society in England issue (at first cost) a beautiful badge or medal of membership, which was specially designed by the society's chief patron, HER MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY THE QUEEN, and is intended to be used by all members of Bands living under the British flag. It is made of yellow (guinea gold colored) metal, and mounted on deep garnet silk, with pin attachment, and is sold only to members, price seven cents each.

Miss F. M. Smith, Carleton Street, St. John, N. B., is the Secretary of the Ladies' Committee, and will be glad to answer any correspondence in regard to the work, and furnish free of charge some reading matter with book of information, "How to Form a Band."

The Diploma of the Royal Society, which is a