

The School

"Recti cultus pectora roborant"

Editorial Notes

The Pension Scheme.—Reports from the Teachers' Institutes are altogether favourable to the Ontario pension scheme for teachers. Its victory is now assured. Nothing remains for its friends to do but to stand back and await the action of the Legislative Assembly. That action may be delayed by the burdens of the war. It will not be permanently arrested.

THE SCHOOL and the War.—In October, 1914, the Department of Education of Ontario directed the schools of the Province to add to their curricula 'the war, its causes and the interests at stake'. The Departmental examination papers of June, 1915, contained questions upon the new subject, and it is probable that the war played an important part in the various promotion examinations of the Province.

To assist the teachers in organising for use in the schools the vast mass of available information THE SCHOOL issued a special War Number in March, 1915, and continued its discussion of war topics in the three following numbers. THE SCHOOL's action was so timely and the result so satisfactory that a similar course will be followed during the school year 1915-16. Special articles on the war will appear in the Autumn numbers and the January number will begin such a systematic presentation of war topics as might meet the needs of the various classes of schools.

Correspondence Courses.—Are you willing to improve your professional status? Do you wish to obtain an Elementary Commercial certificate or a Commercial Specialist certificate while teaching? Or a Normal Entrance certificate? Or a Faculty Entrance certificate? If so, prepare for the free Summer instruction for these certificates by Correspondence Courses. *Now* is the time to begin. The Secretary of the University Extension, Toronto, will tell you how to begin.

"The most important and pressing educational problems to-day are those which have to do with the betterment of rural education". Is this quotation in accordance with the facts? In order to obtain for its readers an answer to the foregoing question, THE SCHOOL makes the following offer: