

practical mode of moving masses of people with order and precision. A short test of such a training might conveniently be made by a rapid dismissal and reassembling of the school. Every school having the same form of drill, any promiscuous assemblage in future could be thrown into order when desired by the regular words of command.

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Under the head of Calisthenics, teachers should be held to a great extent responsible for the general bearing and good manners of pupils. Careless or slovenly habits in posture, expression, or general address should not be tolerated within the sphere of their influence.

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Arbor Day was partly instituted with the object of adorning the school grounds. But the beautifying of the school environment is a work which should be always carried on, so long as any further improvement can be thought of.

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Within the school room, every window might be made a miniature conservatory, the flowers being procured and tended by the pupils under the direction of the teacher. Here would be ever present object lessons; and the esthetic influences alone would many times repay the trouble and expense involved.

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#### OFFICIAL NOTICES.

Full number of legal teaching days in half year beginning 21st August, and ending 2nd February, 109; in second half year, 108.

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TONIC SOL-FA.—There will be one *imperative* question on the Tonic Sol-fa notation in the "*Useful Knowledge*" paper of the County Academy Entrance Examination

There will also be an *imperative* question on the Tonic Sol-fa notation in the paper on "*Teaching*" at the Provincial Examination.

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TEACHERS' LICENSES.—Applications for a teacher's license can be made on the proper form at any time. Applications for a High School examination must be made to the Inspector before the 24th of May. If the teacher's examination on the Saturday of examination week is to be taken, the fee of \$2.00 must be enclosed.