

great claims upon Christian consideration, and as it appears that the greater part of direct teaching in Lower Canada must devolve for some years on the female part of the community, it must be to girls' schools we shall have to go for those whom it may please the Almighty to fit for the great work of training the rising generation. Our own school has already furnished the Normal School with several students, who are at present undergoing the necessary preparation for their duties, and we have great hope that this system of making the Model Schools nurseries of the Training Institutions may prove, in this Province as it has in the old Country the means of providing a class of highly qualified and efficient teachers.

It has been a subject of great regret to all connected with the Society, that the girls' school during the past year has been deprived of the efficient services of Miss Stevens. Entering the school at its commencement, for the purpose of learning its system, she soon manifested that ability to teach, and that fitness for the work which are rarely united in one individual, and which determined the Committee to avail themselves of her services.

Under her care the school flourished and became a blessing, and it was not the Committee alone who felt sorrow at her leaving. The children, to whom she had been a pattern, and whom she had successfully trained, participated in this feeling of regret for the loss of one who had laboured so long among them. She is now carrying out the methods which she acquired here in a distant part of North America, and it is a subject of rejoicing to us, that those who leave us are scattering the good seed to all around them. The girls' school is now under the charge of Miss Middlemiss, one of our first pupils, at the opening of our Normal School, who, after successfully carrying on a school in the province, which she voluntarily gave up, became a student in the McGill Normal School for the purpose of obtaining a Model School diploma. At the end of last Session she succeeded in obtaining the chief prize for general efficiency, and this school falling vacant, at that time, the Committee were glad to obtain her services. The Committee have the fullest confidence in her ability, and there is one thing which she is already assured of, and that is, the love of the children.

The late examination proves, that in her hands the school will continue to maintain its previous character.

The Infants' School, under Miss Robertson, is still doing its good work, and the past year's results have fully proved the necessity for the outlay that was made in building a new room for this department of the Model School. A large number of Infants have been admitted since the last report, and even now, in the depth of a Canadian winter, there is a daily attendance of 60 children. In spite of the difficulties connected with its establishment, complete success has attended every effort, and