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THE 11th of May is Arbor Day for Nova Scotia.

TEACHERS and schools may help in the excellent work that the Botanical Club of Canada is attempting to do—in noting and keeping records of the first appearance of flowers and of birds in their locality, and in sundry such reports to the different secretaries of the counties in the Atlantic Provinces.

INSPECTOR CARTER has appointed Friday, May 18th, as Arbor Day for the schools in his district (No. 4). As the 18th is a holiday in the schools of the city of Saint John it is probable that the Chief Superintendent will sanction May 17th for the observance of the day in that city.

A NUMBER of answers for Question Department, unavoidably crowded out, will appear next month.

WANTED: No. 18 of the N. B. Journal of Education, 1886.

WE have received the Ontario School Report; also from Supt. Dr. Milligan, the Report of the Methodist Schools of Newfoundland.

THOSE who are looking for recreation and instruction combined during the coming vacation, should read the advertisements of the Summer Schools on another page.

THE Local Legislature of P. E. Island met on the 28th ult. Direct taxation is promised by the Government. Measures of retrenchment may also be anticipated. In the general cutting down of expenditure, it is to be hoped that nothing will be done to affect injuriously the educational interests of the Province.

IT is most gratifying to observe that both Provincial Secretary Mitchell and Mr. Powell, a prominent member of the opposition, expressed satisfaction that the Provincial expenditure for education had increased in New Brunswick. That is the proper way to look upon it. Whatever wrangling there may be over other matters, there should be harmony in the promotion of knowledge.

THE Chief Superintendent of Education in New Brunswick, says in his Annual report:

The number of non-resident owners of property who reside and, therefore, pay their school taxes in other and more wealthy districts of the same parish is gradually increasing. In some districts it has been found almost impossible, from this cause, to maintain a school even for one term each year. The provision of the School Act which requires the taxes on