

SCHOOL AND COLLEGE.

The Executive of the N. B. Teachers' Institute met at Fredericton, January 2nd. It was decided that the next meeting be held in Fredericton, beginning Monday, June 29th, and continuing until Thursday, July 2nd, next. Wednesday, July 1st, being a public holiday, an excursion will be arranged for on that day. The programme was left in the hands of a committee.

The semi-annual conference of the Chief Superintendent of New Brunswick with the inspectors was held in the education office, Fredericton, January 3rd. A very useful and instructive meeting was held.

The REVIEW extends congratulations to Mr. N. W. Brown, who was married during vacation. Mr. Brown is engaged as principal of the Sussex grammar school. He is a very enthusiastic teacher and will no doubt be successful.

Mr. J. B. Sutherland, A. B., the efficient and popular principal of the Miltown, N. B., high school was, during vacation, united in marriage to Miss Minnie Dewar, the equally efficient teacher of the primary department. The REVIEW extends congratulations.

On December 14th, at an extra session of Dorchester Superior School, Mr. Geo. J. Oulton, B. A., who was called from Moncton to be present, was presented by the teachers and pupils with a beautiful copy of the "Standard Dictionary," accompanied by a very complimentary address. It will be remembered that Mr. Oulton was principal of the school for the past nine years, but resigned last July, having been appointed to the position of science teacher in the Moncton high school.

Miss Nellie Lingley, of the St. Stephen staff, has been granted a six months' leave of absence; Miss Grace Wilson will supply for her.

The teachers of St. Martins, N. B., by means of a school concert, raised nearly \$30.00, with which they purpose to add to the school library.

Mr. Ralph Colpitts, B. A., has been appointed to the principalship of the Hopewell Cape (Albert County) superior school.

The Albert (Albert Co.) school has recently been graded. Mr. Thos. Baizley is the principal.

Mr. A. Schurman, of Truro, the well-known railway engineer and conductor, who has been in Cape Breton for some years, and who has just returned home, has brought with him a number of magnificent specimens of fossils from the coal regions of Cape Breton, which he has kindly placed in the museum of the academy.—*Col. Sun.*

The teachers and students of Truro academy have been fortunate in securing for their museum a very fine

collection of minerals, rocks, fossils and shells. The collection has been the life-work of Dr. Borthwick, a well-known scientist of Montreal, and contains specimens of almost every known mineral, rock and precious stone, arranged and classified according to Dana. There is also a large collection of rare and curious shells, Louisburg relics, and other curios. The whole makes one of the finest museums for school purposes in Canada, and will prove a valuable boon to the schools and a credit to the town. In order to secure the necessary funds to purchase the collection a subscription list was opened, and in little more than a week the necessary funds were raised. The citizens of Truro have just reason to be proud of the excellent work which their academy is doing, and the readiness with which they responded to the appeal of teachers and students for aid is ample evidence that they appreciate their academy and its work.

BOOK REVIEWS.

MURCHÉ'S SCIENCE READERS, Books V and VI, by Vincent T. Murché. Pages 238 and 255; price 1s. 6d. each. Macmillan & Co., publishers, London and New York. The fifth and sixth parts of these excellent readers still further develop the principles of science as taught in the earlier books of this series, which have been already noted in the REVIEW. These volumes are well bound, attractive in appearance, profusely illustrated, and the matter reproduced in an easy chatty style that wins the interest of youthful readers. Used to supplement oral lessons the books cannot fail to rivet the truths of scientific teaching on the mind.

THE GREATER POEMS OF VIRGIL, Vol. I, edited by J. B. Greenough and G. L. Kittredge. Cloth; price \$1.25. Publishers, Ginn & Co., Boston. This volume embraces the first six books of the *Æneid*, and contains an introduction and sufficient vocabulary, with notes and references to Allen & Greenough's grammar. It is a careful revision of the edition of Virgil published in 1882, but omits the pastoral poems. The present volume, therefore, is not so bulky, is greatly improved by the increased number and improved execution of the illustrations, these being based, for the most part, in the text where they will readily meet the eye of the reader; and the notes, while not so full, are perhaps more suggestive. The introduction deals more fully than that of the former edition, with the life and times of Virgil, as well as with his literary models. There have been added also an entirely new account of the development of epic poetry and a discussion of the influence of Virgil on modern, especially English literature. This has led to that most excellent practice of inserting in the notes parallel passages from English literature. On the whole this edition is a great improvement on its predecessor, although that excellent edition left little to be desired by students.

SPOTTON'S BOTANICAL NOTE BOOKS.—Parts I and II, price 50c. and 60c. respectively. Published by the W. J. Gage Co., Toronto. Although this is not the season for botanical work in most of our schools, teachers and