

A particularly encouraging feature indicating the standard to which our school has attained, is the fact that during the past year it has been found unnecessary to spend more than a nominal amount in advertising. The reputation of the school through the reports of its students and patrons, has been such as to send almost more pupils than we could accommodate.

With slight structural alterations we provided additional room for nine boarders, all of which has been fully occupied.

The water supply has always been a source of expense and anxiety. Owing to the failing of the deep well we constructed a cistern with a capacity of 700 barrels, but with the unusually light rain-fall of the year it has not been of as much assistance as was expected.

We desire to draw the attention of Friends to the excellent educational advantages which Pickering College offers. No similar school in the country has a more efficient staff of teachers, or can do better work in preparation for the Matriculation and the various Departmental Examinations. The results of these examinations as published last summer show that all the students sent up from the College were successful. In the departments of Music, Drawing and Painting the same standard of excellence prevails. When students of these departments have come in competition with others, they have invariably taken a high stand.

The Principal reports that the general health of the students during the year has been remarkably good.

We record our continued appreciation of the untiring efforts of the Principal, Matron and Staff, to whom the present good standing of the school is so largely due.

The reports from the College Y. P. S. C. E. show an interest in spiritual things, which has increased steadily throughout the year. From about six active members among the students at the beginning of the year, the number grew to thirty-two. A number of these date their Christian life from a special blessing which came to the school in the early spring-time.

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