

Magazines.

Besides a good selection of articles, short stories and poems, *The Canadian Magazine* for March contains two special articles on a very important phase of the transportation problem as it affects the Great Lakes. The first deals with the Welland Canal and the other with the Erie Canal.

The March *Century* is full of interest from its many attractive and novel articles. There is a ringing poem on The Capitol, by Julia Ward Howe, a counterpart to the Battle Hymn, and three In Praise of Poetry, by Richard Watson Gilder, its late editor.

Recent numbers of Littell's *Living Age* have contained the following articles: Germany's Real Attitude Toward England, a temperate, fears-allaying essay; Canada and the Navy; Milton and His Age; History and Literature, urging the claim of literature to be heard as a witness in the court of history, where the material has been largely inscriptions and legal documents.

OFFICIAL NOTICE.

Agreement

RE PHYSICAL TRAINING AND MILITARY DRILL IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

(1). The New Brunswick Educational Authorities will enforce more generally their existing regulations which prescribe the practice of Physical Training in all public schools, and will further adopt a system of physical training uniform with that of the other provinces of Canada suitable to the age and sex of the pupils, and will encourage the formation of cadet corps and rifle practice among the boys of suitable age, on the understanding that the Militia Department on its part will:—

(a). Provide competent instructors, at convenient places and seasons, in order to enable teachers, both those now employed in New Brunswick and those under training for such employment to qualify themselves to carry out physical training, until such time as the Provincial Authorities are prepared to undertake this duty themselves, and will also

(b). Provide a course of instruction at, or under the supervision of, a Military School of Instruction, to qualify all male teachers, who so desire, to instruct cadet corps.

(c). Also grant an annual bonus to such qualified teachers as actually instruct a cadet corps in advanced military drill and rifle shooting, provided the cadet corps passes a satisfactory inspection, and the teachers make themselves eligible for the bonus by becoming members of the Militia, either by obtaining commissions in a regiment or by becoming members of the Corps of School Cadet Instructors.

(2). The system of Physical Training adopted should

be such as to lead on naturally, without change to the system of drill in force for the Canadian Militia. The Syllabus of Physical Exercises for British Elementary Schools, with such modifications as may be necessary, will be followed. The instruction given in the schools will be such as is suitable to the age and physical condition of the pupils.

(3). As regards the instruction in physical training of the teachers already employed, there appear to be four centres, at or near which a sufficient number of teachers are employed to enable classes to be formed and carried out in the afternoon or evenings without interference with the ordinary day's work, viz: Fredericton, St. John, Moncton, Chatham and possibly a fifth at Sussex or Woodstock, or such places as may be able to assemble forty or more teachers requiring the instruction.

(4). For the benefit of the large number of teachers working out of reach of these centres, it was agreed that such instruction might best be provided during the summer vacation, either at a vacation school held at some central place in the Province, or at the Summer School of Science of the Maritime Provinces, wherever held.

(5). In order to provide for the instruction of those students who are qualifying to become teachers, a course in physical training will be provided at the Normal School, Fredericton.

(6). The Militia Department will provide, until such time as the Provincial Authorities are prepared to undertake this duty themselves, the instructors required, dates and places being settled by agreement with the Education Department of New Brunswick.

(7). At the end of each course in physical training, an examination will be held by the Department of Militia and to those competent to instruct in physical training in the public schools, a certificate Grade "B" will be issued.

(8). In future the Education Department will, before granting a teacher's license, require a Grade "B" certificate of physical training.

(9). The Education Department will, within four years from the close of the present school year, give an opportunity (as in 3 and 4 above) for all teachers who have been licensed without the certificate of Grade "B" (physical training) to obtain this certificate, so that no school need be without a teacher competent to give the prescribed physical drill effectively in all the departments of the school.

(10). The course of instruction to enable male school teachers to instruct cadet corps in advanced military drill and rifle shooting will be conducted either at, or under the supervision of, Military School of Instruction.

(11). The certificates granted to those who pass a satisfactory examination will be called a Grade "A" (Military) and will represent competency to instruct in both physical training and advanced military drill including rifle shooting.

(12). The Militia Department will grant to those male teachers who attend an Infantry School of Instruction and obtain a Grade "A" certificate, the same transport