

be a better observance of Arbor Day. There should be a broader culture; more patriotism, especially of the kind that teaches that our own Province is the best place to live in. "Cannot you stir up more public spirit in improving conditions in this respect," he said.

Various other valuable suggestions were made in the course of this very practical address—the need of a four-year high school course; a more equitable assessment, especially for country districts; an increased county fund; greater facilities for industrial education; the opportunity for students to get a knowledge of Latin and Greek. In conclusion, he advised the teachers to read the excellent essays on Duty and Discipline, by Lord Meath.

Dr. H. V. B. Bridges, principal of the Normal School, gave an instructive paper on Rewards and Punishments, in which he quoted largely from eminent teachers and from his own experience. The paper was discussed by W. A. Cowperthwaite, M. A., of the Moncton High School, after which Principal C. J. Mersereau and Dr. W. C. Kierstead of the U. N. B., discussed A Study in Mental Development with a View to the Solution of School Problems.

At the public meeting, on the evening of the 26th, Dr. David Townsend, of Jordan Memorial Sanitarium, delivered an address on Tuberculosis, in which he very clearly pointed out the nature of this disease, to which one-fourth of the deaths between fifteen and thirty years of age are attributable, and showed the methods of treatment and prevention. He remarked that people prone to the disease should live largely in the open air, and should sleep in rooms constantly ventilated. In its early stages it is curable. The first necessity is to put one's self absolutely in the care of a competent physician. It is not necessary to leave home, except to get better attendance. A change of climate is not generally required. Like all diseases, its prevention is the important factor in the fight against it.

Dr. G. G. Melvin, of St. John, spoke on Medical Inspection of Schools, which is now permissive in New Brunswick. Dr. A. B. Atherton followed with a few brief suggestions. He said that the best preventive of disease was a good, healthy constitution. Schools should have ample playgrounds attached to them. Careful parents made a great mistake when they allowed their boys to wear overcoats which overheated their bodies and was the source of colds. Another cause of disease and weak diges-

tion was the eating of candy, pies, cake "and such trash."

During the evening, Mrs. W. S. Carter and Dr. H. V. B. Bridges sang solos, which were listened to with evident appreciation.

Dr. D. W. Hamilton opened the second day's proceedings with a paper on School Gardens, in which he gave the history and outlook of this valuable adjunct of our educational work. Inspector Meagher said there were thirteen school gardens in his inspectorate, and that through the efforts of Dr. Hamilton and the excellent Nature Study Leaflet prepared by Inspector Steeves, much was being done in practical nature-work. The paper was further discussed by Inspector Steeves, Dr. G. U. Hay, Dr. H. V. B. Bridges, Principal G. J. Oulton and by Chief Supt. Carter.

Mr. Fletcher Peacock, director of Manual Training and Household Science, gave an address in which he spoke of the importance of these subjects in the nation's welfare. Inspector O'Blenes also referred to their usefulness in the school and the home. Mr. Jas. A. Starrak read a paper on Manual Training which was discussed by Dr. H. S. Bridges.

W. J. S. Myles, principal of the St. John High School, read a paper on the Disability Clause in the Pension Act, in which he urged the desirability of an allowance to teachers who have taught twenty, thirty or thirty-four years, if they were prevented from continuing their work by reason of physical disability. He was followed by Mr. R. E. Estabrooks, of Woodstock, who said that any argument that can be used in favor of a pension act can be urged with equal force in favor of a total disability clause.

Major Outhit, of Halifax, organizer and inspector of the military and physical training work in the schools, gave an address in which he spoke of the benefits to body, mind and spirit of a well conducted system of physical training.

Mr. J. L. Stewart, of the Chatham school board, was called upon, and made a brief and pleasant address.

The following were elected members of the executive committee: H. H. Hagerman, Dr. H. S. Bridges, G. J. Oulton, Ruth Thurber, J. F. Alexander, P. G. McFarlane, Edna Golding, J. A. Starrak, W. J. S. Myles, Dr. B. C. Foster.

Inspector Meagher was chosen without opposition the representative of the Institute to the University Senate. There was some discussion favor-