and pictured in glowing colors the pleasure to be derived from the reading of good books. She exhorted the teachers to endeavor to foster in their pupils a love for what was good and pure in literature; that here was to be found the truest source of happiness.

On Friday, F. P. Yorston, B. A., read an instructive and practical paper on "English Grammar as studied from Meiklejohn." Miss M. B. Carter read a very sensible paper on "How can Social Culture be effectively taught in our Schools." Inspector Mersereau read a paper prepared by Mr. Philip Cox, who was unable to be present. The paper was on "The Study of Natural History as a means of Mental and Moral Culture," and was an able and interesting presentation of the advantages to be derived from the study of natural science.

The Institute was a very successful one; the papers were excellent, the discussions spirited, and the energetic manner in which Inspector Mersereau took part gave additional earnestness to the proceedings.

## RESTIGOUCHE COUNTY.

The Restigouche County Teachers' Institute met in the Superior school house at Campbellton on the 5th and 6th of October. There were twenty-nine teachers present; also Rev. T. Nicholson, Rev. A. F. Carr, A. McG. McDonald, trustee. Mr. E. W. Lewis, the President, occupied the chair. An enrolment fee of twenty-five cents was agreed upon. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mr. R. B. Masterton, President, Miss Mina B. Farrer, Vice-President, Miss Jennie O. Duncan, Secretary-treasurer; Miss E. E. Asker and Miss E. McKinnon, additional members of the Executive Committee. Miss Sarah Fleming read an interesting paper on "Unity in Schools." This paper was discussed by Mr. Lewis and Miss Kerr.

At the afternoon session Miss M. J. Cook gave a very interesting lesson on colour. It was discussed by Rev. T. Nicholson, Rev. A. F. Carr and Miss M. G. Barnes. Rev. T. Nicholson then addressed the Institute on the early schools and teaching of Campbellton, Fredericton, St. John, and improvements made. This was followed by a few remarks from Rev. A. F. Carr and A. McG. McDonald.

During the second day's proceedings "Notes on First Lesson on Minerals" were read by Mr. R. B. Masterton. An excellent lesson on "Geography" was given by Miss Cassie Thompson. An interesting paper on "First Steps of Grammar" was read by Miss A. Doyle, and another on "How to write Composition," by Miss M. E. Harvie.

At the close of the Institute it was decided as there was no other exhibit, that the Tide Head School keep the flag for the ensuing year.

SECRETARY.

## CHARLOTTE COUNTY.

The fifteenth annual session of the Charlotte Co. Teachers' Institute convened at Milltown, on Thursday, October 5th, in the Congregational vestry. One hundred and four teachers were present. The President, Inspector Carter, occupied the chair. After enrolment at the morning session an address was given by the President.

At the afternoon session a very interesting lesson on the teaching of Weights and Measures was given to a class of pupils by Miss Minnie Dewar of the Milltown staff. The discussion which followed was taken part in by several of the teachers present, including some from Calais, Maine. A paper on the common plants of the county was read by James Vroom. He was followed by W. S. Covert of Grand Manan. The addresses of both gentlemen were attentively listened to and much valuable instruction was given to the teachers present. The papers were discussed by E. H. Balkam, C. H. Acheson, P. G. McFarlane and others. A public meeting, which was crowded to the doors, was held in the evening in Milltown. Addresses were given by Inspector Carter, E. H. Balkam and G. W. Ganong. An excellent musical programme was furnished by a quartette consisting of Miss Cora Maxwell, Miss Halliday, Messrs. Coleman and Hugh McAdam.

At the Friday morning session a lesson on botany, to Grade V., was given by Miss May Carter of Saint Stephen to a class of sixteen bright little girls. The lesson was very effective and great interest was manifested in it throughout. Specimens of flowers were placed in the pupils' hands and descriptions of them were given. The physical exercises of the children were greatly admired, as well as their singing. Miss Rita Clarke accompanied them upon the piano. The lesson was discussed by Messrs. Vernon Clarke, P. G. McFarlane, Inspector Carter, F. O. Sullivan and Wm. Brodie.

Provincial Secretary Mitchell, being present, on invitation addressed the institute. After intermission an excellent paper on English Grammar was read by J. B. Sutherland, A. B., of Milltown. The discussion was opened by F. O. Sullivan, of St. Stephen, and was participated in by Messrs. Richardson, Clarke, Brodie, Acheson, McFarlane, and Miss Dewar. During the discussion considerable adverse criticism was indulged in concerning the framers of some of the examination papers.