

THE SEPARATE SCHOOLS, established 1878, are in a state of excellent efficiency. The chief school building is situated on Murray Street. It is a fine structure of white brick, well equipped internally, throughout, with all school requisites. Four teachers are employed. There is a reading room (handsomely carpeted and furnished), and library, with 1500 volumes, English and French. A literary society in connection with this school, (mainly parochial in its character, however), meets in the reading room and holds weekly discussions and entertainments. The convent of the Congregation de Notre Dame, opposite the cathedral church, Hunter Street, a fine three story red brick building, standing in its own grounds, is a boarding and day school. The teaching staff includes the Mother Superior and seven sisters, two of whom, however, teach in the Lake Street Separate School, held in a neat new brick building on that street. The total registered Separate School attendance is six hundred and the average attendance is four hundred and seventy-five. The combined register of pupils for our several schools totals one thousand seven hundred and fifty and the total average attendance, one thousand five hundred and eighty-seven, by the last reports.

MR. E. DUFF'S PRIVATE SCHOOL—boarding and day school for both girls and boys. Pupils prepared for university and military school examinations, modern languages, music, vocal and instrumental, and drawing taught. Mr. Edward Duff, principal, with two assistant teachers. School buildings and residence, 196 Brock. This school though only established last year has a large list of pupils and is becoming an important educational factor.

PETERBOROUGH BUSINESS COLLEGE—founded in 1868 by D. J. Bannell Sawyer—established in Peterborough in 1885, with commodious and thoroughly equipped rooms. Teaches every branch of commercial education usually taught in a first-class business college, penmanship, short-hand, telegraphy. The several departments are presided over by specially qualified instructors. This business college has shown excellent results. The average attendance the year round is fifty. There are also night classes for residents of the town. Premises Cluxton-Cox block, Hunter Street, entrance 157 Hunter Street.

Besides the above there are several private schools in different parts of the town, so that, altogether, the educational advantages of Peterborough are of the completest character.

THE PETERBOROUGH MECHANICS' INSTITUTE—was established in 1868. It contains 5059 volumes, completely classified and catalogued. It has a commodious reading room, with eleven magazines, eighteen periodicals, five daily and six weekly newspapers. There are in winter night classes conducted in mechanical drawing. There are three hundred and fifty members. The rooms are situated on Water Street over 379.

#### CHURCHES AND CHURCH BUILDINGS.

There is abundant evidence of the Christian enterprise of the people of Peterborough, in the existence of fine churches, with attractive grounds, excellent organs and other ecclesiastical equipment, representing all the principal denominations. Within the past half dozen years all these churches have been built anew, or restored in such a manner as to be equal to new, with the single exception of the George Street Methodist Church, which was erected new in 1875, in so substantial a manner that at the end of a half century it could not be called old. Taken in order of erection, on the sites, at present, occupied :

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