EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

By a recent resolution of the Board of School Trustees of Moncton, N. B., only those who hold a first-class license can be appointed to positions on the teaching staff of that town.

More than 12,000,000 children attended the public schools of the United States some part of the last fiscal year, and of those nearly 8,000,000 were in average daily attendance. In both respects the southern states have made greater progress than other parts of the country.

The Nova Scotian government are not neglecting educational interests. The fine normal school building has been thoroughly freshened up with paint; the walls and ceilings of the class-rooms, assembly-room and halls are things of beauty. The electric light has been introduced for evening lectures.

Evening lectures once a month by prominent educationists is in contemplation for the current term in the Provincial Normal School of Nova Scotia.

Miss Griffin, of Massachusetts, has been engaged as teacher of music and elocution in the same institution. She will teach sight-singing and musical theory in accordance with the Mason system, so called—viz., that system used so generally throughout the U.S.A.

The faculty of the N. S. Provincial Normal School gave a charming "at home" to the students of the school and invited guests from Truro and elsewhere just before the vacation. Dr. Allison, superintendent of education, was present, as was also Miss Jennie McGarry of the Ladies' College, Halifax.

AMONG THE COLLEGES.

The students of the University of Dalhousie have presented the venerable Dr. Lyall, professor of logic and psychology, and author of "Intellect, the Emotions and Moral Nature," with a horse and carriage to carry him to and from lectures.

The Dalhousie Gazette pays a very high tribute to President Forrest of Dalhousie, as the founder and persistent financial support of the gymnasium, which now, after eight years' heavy indebtedness, is more than self-sustaining. A university of athletes gives promise of future common school physical training.

Acadia College closed for vacation with the "annual rhetorical exhibition of the junior class" in College hall before a large audience.

Truro Academy has made an average of 70 since the beginning of the present term. This is by far

the largest attendance in its history. A number of the pupils are taking up advanced work preparatory to matriculating into college. Already the standard of work being done there has been recognized by Dalhousie University, and hereafter students who have completed a full academy course will be admitted to that university without further examination. Truro is thus placed on the same level with the best academies in the province.

The General Council of Medical Education and Registration of the United Kingdom has decided that the examination for a degree in Arts of the University of Mt. Allison College, New Brunswick, be recognized and added to the list of preliminary examinations accepted by the council. This will admit Mt. Allison graduates in the future to all medical schools in the United Kingdom without passing any preliminary examination.

Pictou Academy closed with the "annual Xmas concert" in Convocation hall before an audience of four hundred.

It is not generally known throughout the provinces that St. Francis Xavier College, Antigonish, has lately moved into new, extensive and elegant quarters. The new building is spoken of as being very commodious and attractive and in keeping with the advance in educational accommodations in the most progressive centres.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Mr. E. M. Brundage has given up the school at Grand Harbor, Grand Manan. Mr. Moore succeeds him.

Miss Annie Adams, late of the Grammar School, Shediac, and Miss Ella Veazey of St. Stephen, both Class I. teachers, have been appointed to positions on the Moncton, N. B., school staff.

Thos. McGarrigle, A. B., Principal of the Lower District Schools, Chatham, N. B., has resigned his position, and leaves for Vancouver, B. C., this month. Mr. McGarrigle received many testimonials expressive of the esteem in which he was held by his pupils and their regret at his departure from them.

In the October number of *Mind* is an article on "A Basis for Ethics," by Dr. S. W. Dyde, of the University of New Brunswick.

J. S. Trueman, B.A. (Dalhousie), of Carleton, N. B., has been awarded a classical fellowship at John Hopkins University, Baltimore.