

WITH FRANKY DRAKE.

(In the Year of Grace, 1584.)

I sailed with Franky Drake, in fifteen eighty-four,
I sailed with Franky Drake, fair and free;
We muster'd just four score
When we stood out from the Nore,
Stancher men ne'er sailed before
Over Sea.

We cruised off Margarita, and took a town or two,
And lined our pockets well with Spanish gold;
Then our captain, bold and true,
Said, "My lads, this will not do,
We grow fat, my valiant crew,
Fat and old.

"In Santa Martha Bay, four galleons that I ken
Are loaded deep with bars of Spanish gold;
Each rates two hundred men —
Eight hundred! — Well, what then?
We are safe with one to ten,
Comrades bold!

And we answered, "Ready all, gallant Franky! as you please
We will follow, captain ours, where'er we may!"
And we up before the breeze,
As it kissed the spicy trees,
And across the Indian seas
Slid away.

We rounded Cape Gallinas as the tropic sun sank low,
And by dawn we had the pretty birds in sight,
All sailing in a row,
With their wings like drifted snow,
And their carronades aglow,
In the light.

With their long, low Spanish lines, and their banners trailing
free,
And their double tier of guns run fiercely out;
While they hailed us o'er the sea,
Grandly asking who were we!
And we answered on the lee
With a shout.

"We be men of merry Devon! we be all true Englishmen!"
And their cannon thundered fiercely in reply;
So we fought them there and then,
Fought them gaily one to ten!
Fought them, knowing like true men
How to die.

And the Dons struck flags at last from every tapering mast,
Struck flags and yielded in their stately way;
And many a brave soul passed,
Many a stout lad fought his last,
While the cannon thundered fast
On that day.

So we took great spoil of jewels, and we took great spoil of
gold,
But great glory was the spoil we most did take,
In the merry days of old,
When we did as we were told,
When we sailed so free and bold
With Franky Drake.

— FRANCIS SINCLAIR

School and College

Principal Bridges has availed himself of the scholarship of \$200, granted by the Board of Education of New Brunswick to instructors in the Normal School, or inspectors, to enable them to take a summer course in line with their work. He is taking some of the summer courses at Columbia University, New York city.

There is an attendance of about fifty teachers at the Summer School at Sussex and twenty at Woodstock.

Mr. F. S. Keirstead, formerly principal of the St. Martins schools was succeeded by Mr. C. T. Wetmore at Hampton. Mr. Wetmore has been appointed principal at Rothesay.

Rothesay is the first school in the province of New Brunswick to provide medical inspection.

Miss Isabel Thomas, A. B., formerly principal at Andover, has been appointed principal of the St. Stephen schools.

Miss Annie Jackson of Fredericton has been appointed the first lady principal of the Milltown schools.

The School Board of Milltown, N. B., has under consideration the erection of a fine modern schoolhouse, to meet the needs of the whole town.

Campbellton, N. B., proposes to re-introduce manual training and domestic science. The former subject has been discontinued since the fire.

Domestic science teachers to the number of forty-five assembled at the Normal School, Fredericton, July 9-12, for preparatory work before engaging in home efficiency work throughout the province. The success of last year in the conservation of food has given the movement great impetus during the present year.

No physical training classes were held in New Brunswick this year as the teachers have been about all trained. There are three New Brunswick teachers taking the course at the Summer School at Truro, N. S.

There were 981 candidates for the departmental examinations in New Brunswick, held in July.

Capt. A. S. McFarlane of the Normal School recently spent some time at the request of the Chief Superintendent of Education in looking over the work of the schools in physical training.

School Inspector O'Blenes of Moncton has had the misfortune to break one of his legs.

The services of Mr. Martin G. Fox have been retained by the Sackville School Board, it is understood, at a substantial increase of salary. The salaries of the other teachers have also been increased.

The city of St. John has given its teachers an increase of salary.

The Board of Education has appointed the following as members of the vocational education committee: Fred Magee, Port Elgin; Chairman; Father Tessier, The University of St. Joseph's College; Geo. H. Maxwell, St. John. The ex-officio members of this committee are: Dr. Carter, Chief Superintendent of Education; Principal Bridges, of the Normal School; W. R. Reed, Secretary of Agriculture, and R. P. Steeves, Director of Elementary Agricultural Education.

Mr. J. B. Carr has resigned as principal of the Campbellton schools. Mr. Carr has been a very thorough teacher whose pupils have always taken very high rank in the province.

Miss Elsie Mills has resigned as teacher of the primary