

The most successful institute ever held in this section of the province, was then duly and appropriately closed, with "God Save the Queen."

DISTRICT X., NOVA SCOTIA.

The teachers of District No. 10 met in the high school room at Pugwash, on Tuesday, October 28th. About eighty were enrolled; after which followed an address to the teachers by Inspector Lay, on "The Practical Work of the School-room." In the afternoon a lesson was taught by D. A. Ross, of the Amherst Academy, on physiology. Then followed a lesson on calisthenics, by Miss B. McKay, of Brule, and a paper on "Practical Aid to the Purpose, on the Duties of the Teacher," by Principal Calkin. In the evening a large meeting was held in the Methodist church, at which music by the choir and band was rendered; an address of welcome from Dr. Mackintosh, and speeches by the chairman, Councillor Wilson, Revs. McKenzie and Giles, Principal Calkin, and Inspector Lay. The chairman, on opening the meeting, read the following telegram:

PUGWASH, OCT. 28, 1896.

Sir Charles Tupper, London:

First passenger train arrived here to-day, carrying teachers' convention, a confidence that happily crowns your work for free schools and railways in your native province.

Signed A. WILSON.

LONDON, via ST. JOHN'S, N. B.

October 29, 1896.

A. Wilson.

Thanks. Delighted to learn line open and so fittingly inaugurated. Wish Pugwash every prosperity.

Signed CHAS. TUPPER.

Great cheering followed the reading of the telegrams. A pleasing incident was a resolution of regret by the teachers at the withdrawal of Messrs. Slade, Byers, and Johnson, from the teaching profession.

Other papers were read by Miss Cameron, of Parrsboro, on "Morals in our Public Schools"; by Miss McDonald, of Amherst, on "Kindergarten work, and the materials that may be used in our Public Schools"; and an interesting lesson on decimals was given by Inspector Lay.

CARLETON COUNTY, N. B.

The Carleton County, N. B., teachers' institute was convened at Woodstock, October 16th. There were sixty-eight teachers present. It was one of the most interesting and profitable institutes ever held in the county. A very full programme was carried out. The public meeting, on the evening of the 16th, was well attended, and much interest was manifested. The following is the programme of the various sessions: First session—Routine business; address by President, R. P. Steeves, M. A.; address by Inspector

Bridges, M. A. Second session—Paper, "Res Scholastica," by J. Howe, M. A., followed by Principal Steeves, who reviewed the paper at considerable length. Third session—Public meeting, addressed by L. P. Fisher, Esq., chairman of Woodstock School Board, and by Rev. Wm. Dobson. The first speaker made a strong argument in favor of compulsory education. Fourth session—Paper, "Value of Experiments," by Miss Sarah Sharp, of Woodstock, followed by an experimental lesson by Mr. McLean; Paper entitled "Home Lessons," by Mr. Benn, followed by a discussion. Fifth session—Paper on reading, by Miss Wheeler, followed by discussion. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mr. A. Plummer; Vice-president, Miss Wheeler; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Farley; Committee of Management, Miss Sharp and Miss Good.

NORTH-MIDDLELAND COUNTY, N. B.

The fourteenth session of this institute was held at Chatham, October 16th and 17th; sixty-six teachers were present. The following papers were read: by Miss Ullock, on teaching composition; by Miss Miller, on science teaching; by Miss A. G. McIntosh, on reading; Mr. F. P. Yorston, on derivation; Mr. J. F. Onus, on the teaching of geometry to beginners; Mr. Cox, on the development of character. Misses Crighton and Ullock read extracts from THE EDUCATIONAL REVIEW on Kindergarten work; and Miss Thompson stated the aims of the Kindergarten. The child is to be trained early for his later study and life. The eye and hand chiefly are trained, the inventive and imaginative powers are cultivated, accuracy and neatness of work are required. Recess plays are regarded as very valuable, for in them the child reveals his true self. Miss Brown read an excellent paper embodying her views on the training of children in the Kindergarten. Inspector Mersereau showed to what extent he considered Kindergarten work could be done in the primary schools.

Election of officers resulted as follows: President, J. F. Onus; Vice-President, Miss Bessie Ullock; Secretary-Treasurer, G. H. Harrison. Additional members of committee of management, P. Cox and Miss A. G. McIntosh.

GLoucester COUNTY, N. B.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the teachers of Gloucester was held at Bathurst, on Thursday and Friday, October 9th and 10th, Inspector Mersereau in the chair. Forty-five members were enrolled. Papers and addresses were given by Mrs. S. Williamson, Miss Lamont, Miss Edgar, Miss Barry, Mr. Branscombe, C. H. Cowperthwaite, A. B., Mr. Jerome Boudreau and Miss Hodgins. One important feature