

scenery, flowers and birds, such poems are *The Sea Shell*, *The Chambered Nautilus*, *The Daffodills*, or from similar works by other writers. The teacher should have a keen appreciation of good literature, be a good reader, and full of enthusiasm and love for the subject.

Thyself the truth must know
If thou the truth would teach;
Thy soul must overflow, if thou
Another soul would'st reach;
It takes the overflow of heart
To give the lips full speech.

The Brown Tail Moth.

Mr. E. C. Allen, a teacher of Yarmouth, N. S., in a recent letter to the *Herald*, refers to the invasion of that scourge, the Brown Tail Moth, into Yarmouth. He says: "On Saturday morning, July 4th, several white moths were noticed clinging to the side of a street-light post on Argyle street. Others were lying on the ground under the lamp. They were identified as brown tails. Several other lamps were at once examined, and it was found that from a dozen to fifty specimens were to be found about each. Several posts visited Saturday evening showed hundreds of the moths flying about the lights and resting on the posts, cross-pieces and wires.

The fact that the New England States are now suffering from a deluge of brown tails, that the prevailing direction of the wind has been from that quarter for the past week, that the moths are known to be strong flyers, and that those found Saturday morning appeared tired and stupid, seems to indicate the possibility of the moths coming across the bay.

"Considerable good may be done by killing the moths found about the posts and on the sidewalks, but the best time to contend with this pest will be in the autumn, after the leaves have fallen. Then the winter nests formed by the caterpillars will be found in conspicuous positions on trees and shrubs. These nests should be cut down and burned. Unless the people in the affected region exert themselves in this direction at once, one of the most beautiful features of our town and county, namely, our trees, will soon be ruined, to say nothing of the serious nettling caused by the caterpillars coming in contact with the skin."

The discovery of the Brown Tail Moth at St. John means that in every section of the province the greatest care must be exercised in order to pre-

vent its spread. The Brown Tail is one of the worst pests ever introduced on the North American continent. A year ago it made its appearance in Nova Scotia, and the government promptly offered a bounty on all nests. The results have been gratifying, and the spread of the pest has been checked. The same action should be taken in this province. The school children of Nova Scotia did much to destroy existing colonies, and here their services can also be made indispensable. The caterpillar of this moth is most destructive, but there are other reasons for keeping it out. Myriads of these insects infest the sections where they can get a foothold, and they give off a fine hairy substance which is highly poisonous, causing sores similar to these which follow contact with poisoned ivy. In the United States fortunes are being spent to exterminate them, and every farmer should keep careful watch for them. The moth is white, with a decidedly brown tail, and it can hardly be mistaken.—*Sussex Record*.

Letter from Dr. Soloan.

PROVINCIAL NORMAL SCHOOL.

TRURO, N. S., May 22nd, 1908.

DEAR REVIEW:

It is with genuine satisfaction that I transmit to you herewith a list of one hundred and thirteen of our students whose subscriptions to THE EDUCATIONAL REVIEW have been taken by Miss Underwood and Miss Ritcey, payment to be made in February next. I trust that *in the matter of prompt payment our normal school graduates set an example to other subscribers*, and I mention the matter here in the hope that it may catch the eye of any possible delinquents. These should bear in mind that, in a measure, I am responsible to you for their delinquency. Perhaps, at some future date, I may ask you for an opportunity of looking through your black-list.

With best wishes for the prosperity of the REVIEW and its management.

I am yours sincerely,

DAVID SOLOAN, *Principal*.

Be with children as much as possible in the open air and at their sports. Join them in the latter, or, at least, manifest an interest in them. This will make the work of the schoolroom easier and will help to win children's affections and give an insight into their character.