

The many friends of R. Landells, B. A., late Principal of the Town High School, will be pleased to learn that he has secured a lucrative appointment as master of an important school at Port Moody, British Columbia. A house and garden go with the position, so that our worthy friend will probably not desire to keep "bach's hall" very long.—*Woodstock Press.*

Mr. R. M. Raymond, a graduate of the N. B. University, is visiting his friends in this province. Mr. Raymond left New Brunswick a few years ago, and went to North Carolina where he was engaged in mining-engineering until a year ago when he entered Columbia College, N. Y. He is one of Columbia's tug-of-war team who have beaten all the colleges they have been matched against.

D. Wilson, B. A., who left New Brunswick a few years ago to assume the principalship of the boys' school, New Westminster, B. C., has been appointed to the Inspectorship of schools for British Columbia. Mr. Wilson's many friends in New Brunswick will be glad to hear of his appointment, by which our western friends have secured the services of such a scholarly and efficient educationist.

The vacation just closing seems to have made alarming inroads in the ranks of bachelordom. On the 10th inst., Mr. Donald Montgomery, Chief Superintendent of P. E. Island, was married at Charlottetown to Miss Mary Isabel McPhail, the Rev. Principal Forrest of Dalhousie College assisting to tie the knot. The happy couple was made the recipient of numerous and warm congratulations. The REVIEW wishes to be numbered among those who hope that Mr. Montgomery and his bride may enjoy a long and prosperous wedded life.

THE SUMMER SCHOOL MOVEMENT.

DEAR REVIEW:

The experiment of a Summer School of Science has been successfully tried both in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Teachers who have attended these schools have not only had their interest in natural history awakened and quickened, but have had revealed to them how easy it is to study and to teach elementary science with only such materials and facilities as lie at everybody's hand.

There are other departments which as much need to be opened up to teachers as the natural sciences, and which are as accessible by the methods of the Summer School as they,—for instance, English literature, modern languages, music, elocution and draw-

ing. In two or three weeks much could be done in the way of exciting an interest and giving a start in the study of any of these, and especially in outlining methods of teaching such subjects.

The promoters of the Summer Schools of Science would do well, perhaps, to expand their aims, and affiliate with the Science School a School of Literature or of Art, and thus meet a greater variety of needs and tastes, at the same time subserving very directly the interests of the common schools. For, whatever may be said of the need of more general and a better quality of teaching in the department of science in our common schools, it will hardly be questioned that better teaching of reading, and a more general teaching of drawing, singing and literature are equally a desideratum.

With faith in the adage—*verbum sapientibus sal*—I subscribe myself,

Respectfully,

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VIVISECTION.

Of the very many and varied forms of cruelty against which the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals are operating (particularly in Europe), perhaps the most inhuman and revolting is that of vivisection, which is a new name for a very old thing. In the medical schools of Alexandria, as long as two thousand years ago, there were some physiologists who, under the plea of advancement in science, performed experiments upon human victims. This form of cruelty, however, as practised in these modern days, briefly means cutting into or otherwise operating upon the bodies of living animals, under the professed object of obtaining knowledge of the structure and organs.

Dr. George Wilson, an eminent English physician, in an article recently written against this cruelty practised amongst medical students, says, "Let it be known and understood that all these operations have been admitted to be needless and cruel, experiments performed merely for demonstrating facts already established."

So great was the agitation and the disgust of the British public against vivisection a few years ago, that the question was brought before Parliament and a Royal Commission appointed, which resulted in the disclosure of cruelties perpetrated in scientific retreats in different parts of the world, and in reference to which Dr. C. Bell Taylor (a surgeon of high medical repute), said, "That they were of such a character that no man with a heart in him could contemplate