

THE MCGILL NORMAL AND MODEL SCHOOLS.

At the close of the session of 1894-95, May 31st, 1895, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Mr. de la Bruere, conferred 120 diplomas on teachers-in-training, 9 for Academies, given to graduates of the University, 50 for Model Schools, and 61 for Elementary Schools.

The current session opened September 1st, 1895, with the admission of 168 teachers-in-training, 13 men and 155 women. Of these, 6 were enrolled as members of the Academy class, 75 were admitted to the Model School class, and 87 to the Elementary School class. Besides, 13 graduates and undergraduates attend the lectures in Pedagogy, with a view to receiving Academy diplomas of the first grade.

The total enrolment in the Model Schools since the beginning of the scholastic year has been 459, 190 boys and 269 girls. A new and interesting feature of the work of the year is the establishment of a cooking class for girls. It is satisfactory to note that the Boys' Model School took the first prize for its exhibit of school work at the last Convention of the Association of Protestant Teachers of this Province. The Girls' School, having won the prize a year ago, was ineligible to compete, but received honorable mention.

GYMNASIUM.

Dr. R. Tait Mackenzie reports that the work so successfully inaugurated last year by the Committee on Grounds and Athletics, has been carried on this year under improved conditions. In the light of a year's experience, improvements were made in the blank forms used in the physical examination of students, and the questions re-arranged and changed.