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3. The Editor will be glad to receive school and college news, notices of meetings, and concise accounts of conventions.

4. Correspondence on all questions relating to education is solicited. No notice will be taken of anonymous communications.

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8. The Editor may be found in his office, Room 17, Union Loan Buildings, 28 and 30 Toronto Street, Toronto, from 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

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THE 'VARSITY, Toronto, is the first to arrive of the college papers, for the year 1883-4. Its face is as the face of a familiar friend, and its strewth pleasant memories. It promises well for the new volume.

TEACHERS who desire some more school journal literature than this Province affords, may find something to suit them from the following list: *The Schoolmaster* (London, Eng.); *The Educational Times* (London, Eng.); *New England Journal of Education* (weekly), \$2.50; *The American Teacher* (monthly), \$1.00; *Education* (bi-m.), \$4.00; *Pennsylvania School Journal* (m.), \$1.60; *Ohio Educational Monthly*, \$1.50; *Indiana Educational Weekly*, \$2.00; *The Schoolmaster*, Ill. (s. m.), \$1.50; *Ill. School Journal* (m.), \$1.50; *Practical Teacher*, Ill. (s. m.), \$1.25; *American Journal of Education*, Mo. (m.), \$1.00; *Normal Teacher*, Ind. (m.), \$1.00; *Pacific School Journal*, Cal. (m.), \$2.00; *Teacher*, Pa., (m.), 50c.; *Wisconsin Journal of Education* (m.), \$1.00; *Central School Journal*, Va. (m.), \$1.00; *Common School Teacher*, Ind. (m.), \$1.00; *Present Age*, Ill. (m.), \$2.00; *School Education*, Minn. (m.), \$1.00; *Journal of Education*, La. (m.), \$1.00; *Michigan School Moderator* (w.), \$2.00; *Journal de l'Instruction Publique*, Montreal (m.), \$1.00.

THE ATLANTIC for October is at hand, and is as fresh and inviting as ever. The contents are: 1. *A Roman Singer*, VII., VIII., by F. Marion Crawford. 2. *Heredity*, by Henry W. Holland, a very striking and suggestive paper. 3. *En Province*, VI., by Henry James. 4. *Persepolis*, Frances L. Mace. 5. *Cream-White and Crow-Black*, by E. M. De Jarrette. 6. *Newport*, VIII., IX., Geo. Parsons Lathrop. 7. *Two Emigrants*, Barbara Heaton. 8. *Manadism in Religion*, Elizabeth Robins. 9. *Pere Antoine*, Davida Coit. 10. *Recollections of Rome during the Italian Revolution*, I., Wm. Chauncy Langdon. 11. *Volcano Studies*, Horace D. Warner. 12. *Knowledge*. 13. *Mutilation of Ancient Texts*. 14. *Amiability: A Philosophical Tragedy*, an exceedingly clever article, by Edward Irenzeus Stevenson. 15. *Historic Notes of Life and Letters in Massachusetts*, Ralph Waldo Emerson, a paper that instantly arrests the attention. 16. *A-Playin' of Old Sledge at the Settlement*, by Chas. Egbert Craddock. 17. *The Voyage of the Jeanette*. 18. *Mr. White on Shakespeare and Sheridan*. 19. *Lodge's Webster*. 20. *The Contributors' Club*. 21. *Books of the Month*.

LIPPINCOTT'S MAGAZINE (yearly subscription, \$3.00), for October is rich in articles of travel, taking us from the Hebrides to the Osage Indians, then to the Highlands of North Carolina, and then for an interesting trip to ill-fated Ischia. Mr. Carpenter comes to the conclusion that there is no such thing as a free trader in the United States. *In the Hands of the Mob* tells of a thrilling scene in the early days of San Francisco. *The White-Fish of the Great Lakes*, by G. Archie Stockwell, is of especial interest to our Ontario readers.

CONVENTIONS TO BE HELD.—West Kent: Chatham, Oct. 25th and 26th. Stormont: Cornwall, Oct. 25th and 26th. Perth: Stratford, Nov. 8th and 9th. Oxford: Woodstock, Oct. 18th and 19th. West Durham: Bowmanville, Oct. 19th and 20th. North Huron: Brussels, Oct. 25th and 26th. Essex: Essex Centre, Oct. 18th and 19th. East: Victoria; Lindsay, Nov. 2nd and 3rd. North Hastings: Madoc, Oct. 18th and 19th. Ontario: Port Perry, Nov. 2nd and 3rd. Lanark: Perth, Oct. 26th and 27th.