

School edifice on the Island, though it will of course be surpassed by the projected Academy at Sydney. Sydney Mines, the most populous section in Cape Breton, has also taken steps to erect a commodious School House. Heretofore there has been overcrowding. Digby has voted a handsome sum to repair the County Academy. Parrsboro, by vote of the annual meeting, has determined to wipe out the disgrace of insufficient school accommodation. We trust that the proportions of the new edifice will be determined by an intelligent faith in the future of this flourishing village. In addition to the foregoing, which are new enterprises, we might refer to the handsome building just erected by the Linen Town Section, Yarmouth, which will be opened at the beginning of the ensuing term, and to the noble Pictou Academy rapidly approaching completion.

W. E. Butler, Esq., B.A., has been appointed Professor of Mathematics and Civil Engineering in King's College. The vacancy occurred through the resignation of Prof. Oram. Professor Butler leaves a good Educational position in England.

F. C. Sumichrast, Esq., Registrar of the University of Halifax, has opened a select school, called the Fort Massey Academy. Messrs. Creighton and McKenzie are associated with him as masters.

Miss C. Emma Lewis, winner of the Governor General's Gold Medal at the Provincial Normal School, and heading the list of first class candidates at the recent annual examination for teachers' licenses, has been appointed to an important position in the Protestant Academy, St. John's, Newfoundland.

At the recent examination for license to teach in the Public School, licenses were obtained, as we learn from the October number of the *Provincial Journal of Education*, as follows:—Academic License (Grade A.) 1; First Class (Grade B.) 41; Second Class (Grade C.) 92; Third Class (Grade D.) 171.

Mr. Chisholm, second master of the Dartmouth High School, has resigned to enter upon the study of medicine, and Mr. L. D. Robinson, of Aylesford, has been appointed in his place. Mr. Mooney, of St. Patrick's School, has tendered his resignation, to take effect shortly. St. Patrick's has the largest registered attendance of schools of Nova Scotia. N. Smith, Esq., has exchanged the principality of the County Academy at Amherst for that of the Queen's County Academy at Liverpool.

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At the recent McGill College Competitive Examinations, the following scholarships and exhibitions were awarded to students and candidates for entrance:—*Scholarships* tenable for two years. Third year,—Classical and Modern Languages. Scholarships: Haguo, H. I.; Gregor, L. R.; each \$125 yearly, the gift of W. C. McDonald, Esq. Third year,—Natural Science. Scholarship: Lafleur, H. A.; \$125 yearly, the gift of W. C. McDonald Esq., *Exhibitions* tenable for one year. Third year,—Natural Science Exhibition: Jones, J. E.; \$100, the gift of Principal Dawson. Second year,—Lee, A.; (private tuition) \$125, the gift of W. C. McDonald, Esq., Bland, C. E. (High School, Montreal) \$100, founder, Mrs. Redpath. First year,—MacKay, A. A. (Pictou Academy, N. S.), \$125, the gift of W. C. McDonald, Esq.; Unsworth, J. K., (Brampton High School, Ont., and private tuition) \$125, the gift of W. C. McDonald, Esq.; Blackader, E. H., (High School, Montreal) \$100, the gift of the Governors.

A meeting of the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction was held in the Education Office, Quebec, on the 6th October, at which there were present the Lord Bishop of Quebec, Chairman, Dr. Dawson; the Hon. L. R. Church, R. W. Heneker, Esq., the Lord Bishop of Montreal, Dr. Cook, Dr. Cameron, M. P. P., the Hon. W. W. Lynch and the Hon. G. Ouimet, Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The committee agreed to accept the resignation of John McCormick, Esq., as a member of the Board of Examiners, Carleton, County Bonaventure, and to recommend that the Rev. Peter Lindsay, New Richmond, be appointed in his stead.

Letters were read from Mr. D. McGuigan, Secretary-Treasurer, Protestant School, Metis, and from Mr. Ferguson, of the same place, in regard to the collection and appropriation of school assessments as between Roman Catholics and Protestants in the case of the Messrs. Price's Mills in Metis. The letters were handed to the Hon. the Superintendent of Public Instruction with the request that he would inquire into the matters complained of, and report to next meeting of the committee.

Applications from Grenville Academy, Eaton Academy, St.

Sylvestre Model School, and Shigawake Model School, for grants from the Superior Education Fund, as well as a document laid before the meeting by the principal of Stanstead Ladies' Collego, setting forth the claims of the college to an increase of grant from the Superior Education Fund. The committee agreed to consider in connection with appropriation of grants about to be made from the Superior Education Fund.

A letter was read from Dr. Webber, President, Board of Examiners, Richmond, representing that the Protestant section of said Board of Examiners has been reduced by resignation, and removal of one or two members, and recommending that the Rev. James Boydell, M. A., Kingsay, John Ewing, Esq., Richmond, Sam'l. H. Chagnon, Esq., M. A., Melbourne, be appointed members of said Board. The committee agreed to recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council the appointment of the above named gentlemen as members of the Board of Examiners, Richmond.

On the suggestion of G. A. Purvis, Esq., President, Board of Examiners, Pontiac, the committee agreed to recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council the appointment of the Rev. Antoine Brunet, and the Rev. Thomas Motherwell, both of Portage du Fort, as members of the said Board of Examiners, Pontiac. It was moved by the Hon. L. R. Church and unanimously resolved:—"That in the opinion of this committee, the reduction or stoppage ordered to be made out of the Common School Fund and Superior Education Fund by 42 and 43 Vic., Cap. 22, sec. 12, does not apply to any payments to be made of moneys voted by the Legislature, or authorized by statute prior to the coming into force of the above recited act, and that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Superintendent of Education, with the request that he will lay the same before the Catholic Committee of the Council of Public Instruction, with the view of inviting joint action and representation to the Government respecting the same if it shall be found necessary so to do."

It was moved by Dr. Dawson and resolved:—"That the Chairman and Dr. Cook be a Sub-Committee to prepare a By-Law on Re-examination of Teachers under the Education Act, and report at November meeting."

The reports of Messrs. Allnutt & Weir, Inspectors of Academies and Model School, together with the tabulated Returns of Examinations were laid before the meeting, and considered in connection with the appropriations to said institutions from the Superior Education Fund. The committee divided among the Universities, Colleges, Academies and Model Schools \$15,475.

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submitted as a report of progress of the committee on the proposed Education Bill:

"That, inasmuch as it is feared the effect of the proposed bill, according to the opinion of this committee, will be to destroy the principle of the Common School system established by law, and that in the opinion of this committee such common school system should be maintained intact,—nevertheless in the present divided state of education in this Province, and in view of the great disadvantages under which a ministry scattered throughout the Province must labour, and more especially in view of the recognition under the proposed new education law of a more complete separation of the Roman Catholic and Protestant Schools, the following provisions seem absolutely necessary:—

1st. All persons not Roman Catholics shall for the purposes of the Education Act be regarded as Protestants.

2nd. For the special administration of Protestant Schools, there shall be a Superintending Officer appointed by the Government on recommendation of the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction, who shall, under regulations of said Committee, approved by the Governor in Council, have supervision of Government Schools, and shall be Secretary of the Committee, the Inspector of Academies and Chief Inspector of Protestant Schools.

3rd. The sum granted by the Legislature for the Inspection of Schools shall be divided, and that portion appropriated to Protestant Schools shall be expended under the regulations of the Protestant Committee, approved as above.

4th. The aid granted to poor municipalities shall also be divided, and the portion allotted to Protestant Schools shall be administered by the committee.

5th. The school-tax of scattered families of Protestants, unable to sustain dissenting schools, shall be collected and paid over to the committee, to be expended in aid of schools for such families.

6th. Joint-stock companies or corporations, whether incorporated