

of unusual interest and importance. Prominent men, representing every educational interest in the province, are expected to be present, and to discuss questions outlined in the programme. The Superintendent of Education authorizes the announcement that "sections having county academies, schools of four or more departments, opening on educational week, can take the week as additional holidays, providing the teachers are attending the Provincial Association under Regulation 124.

DR. JAMES HANNAY, the scholarly historian and author, has for several years been engaged on a history of New Brunswick, which will shortly be published in two volumes. Dr. Hannay's History of Acadia possesses a charm that causes it to be eagerly read by all who take an interest in our past. His more recent works are the Life of Sir Leonard Tilley; and the War of 1812, published a few years ago, and now, with further additions and illustrations, running as a serial through the *Canadian Magazine*. His history of New Brunswick will be looked for with great interest. He has had abundant opportunity of gaining access to the past records of the province, and no one possesses a more intimate acquaintance with the men and events of recent years than Dr. Hannay.

THE news of the death of Prin J. B. Sutherland, of Milltown, N.B., will be read with sorrow. While on a hunting expedition near Oak Bay, Charlotte County, in early August, he was shot through both feet by the accidental discharge of his gun. He was removed to the hospital at St. Stephen, but lived only a short time after. Mr. Sutherland was a native of Kingsclear, York County, and a graduate of the University of New Brunswick. He was an excellent teacher, a genial companion, and his death is regretted by a wide circle of friends.

Summer School of Science.

The Summer School of Science for the Atlantic Provinces met at Chatham from July 21st to August 7th. The enrolment was ninety—not so large as on some previous occasions, but there never was more interest manifested in the work by the student teachers present. This was a great source of pleasure to the instructors.

The meetings were held in the fine new school building at Chatham, which is a source of pride to its citizens, as it was a pleasure and comfort to those who gathered day after day in its cool and well-equipped rooms.

The courtesies extended to the school by His Honor Lieut.-Governor Snowball, by Mrs. Tweedie, wife of Premier Tweedie, by the members of the Miramichi Natural History Association, whose rooms and collections were open to the visitors, and the many attentions bestowed by the citizens of Chatham, will always be a pleasant recollection; if no opportunity occurs to accept the kindly offered invitation to "come again," the members of the school will cherish a wish to do so.

The excursions on the broad Miramichi river, with its thriving fields gently sloping to the forest beyond, the towns and villages along its banks throbbing with the hum of industry, and the opportunity to recall many scenes in the early history of this portion of the province, were eagerly taken advantage of by the visitors.

The next meeting of the school will be held at Charlottetown, beginning, it is expected, on the 13th of July, 1904. A previous session held in Charlottetown, nine years ago, was one of great interest, and it is hoped to make the next session one of the best in the history of the school. It remains with the officers, instructors and students to join with the people of Charlottetown to secure this very desirable end. The objects of the school—wholesome study and recreation while visiting each year fresh portions of the Atlantic Provinces, noted for their scenic and other attractions,—should be kept constantly in mind.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are: Mr. James Vroom, St. Stephen, President; Dr. Philip Cox, Chatham, F. G. Matthews, Truro, Dr. Alex. Anderson, Charlottetown, Vice-presidents; and J. D. Seaman, of Charlottetown, re-elected secretary.

Beautifying School Grounds.

Last autumn the REVIEW impressed on teachers the importance of preparing in September for Arbor Day. During the past spring and summer the editor has travelled over considerable portions of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. He has seen some beautiful school houses, with grounds laid out with taste and kept with care. The schoolrooms were neat and the walls adorned with pictures, and blackboards with drawings. What goodly and pleasant pictures! But his dreams have been disturbed by other scenes. From a car window not a hundred miles from Nova Scotia's capital he saw a school building, occupying a site at once ample and commanding, but bare as a billiard ball, as to trees, shrubbery or grass. What a chance to make