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WE direct the attention of Teachers to the official notice of Examination.

EDUCATIONAL TRACTS.

ONLY two MSS Tracts have been received. The time has been extended to November 1st. We hope that there are at least a dozen teachers in Nova Scotia who will send in papers by that date.

FOSTER'S CHART OF THE ORGANIC ELEMENTS.

E understand that Agents are offering this Chart for sale, in different parts of the Province. It is an excellent companion for the CHEMISTRY OF COMMON THINGS. Those who purchase the chart will secure a most valuable diagram, both for the study and the school room.

THE SCHOOL SONG BOOK.

UR readers will be glad to learn that the School Sone BOOK, so long promised, is now ready. The work is very neatly got up. It contains a great variety of songs and hymns adapted to all grades of Schools, from the Elementary to the High School and Academy. The book contains also a brief treatise on the rudiments of music, with exercises for practice. No pains seem to have been spared to produce a really excellent work. We trust that Teachers will find many wants of the school room fully met in this compact and elegant little book. The American Educational Monthly says :-

"The salutary effects of music in the school-room have long been recognized. There, as elsewhere, an enlivening song is the speediest antidote for dulmess or irritation. The physical effects of music are not less marked than its mental and moral effects. of music are not less marked than its mental and moral effects. Proper yocal culture strengthens the respiratory organs, and thus guards them against disease. Habits of quick perception and fixed attention are cultivated in acquiring a knowledge of musical notation. And the sentiments of a good poem, wedded to good music, have the happiest effect on the young mind and heart. Mere singing by rote, as is commonly practised in school, is therefore a profitable as well as pleasant exercise. When properly supplemented by instruction in the elements of music, it is much more profitable, and not less pleasant."

CALKIN'S "SCHOOL GEOGRAPHY OF THE WORLD."

IN a previous number of the Journal we expressed our views of Mr. Calkin's book. We are glad to learn that the teachers throughout the Province, and others connected with educational work, concur in the opinion that a really superior text-book on Geography has been provided by Mr. Calkin for

our Public Schools. In order that the teachers of those schools which are yet unprovided with a suitable Geography may have the benefit of the views of competent gentlemen who have examined this work, we take the liberty of giving a few extracts

"I think it well adapted for the purpose intended, while, as in all such works, very much will depend upon the skill with which the instruction is unfolded by the teacher. I cannot say that I have gone through the whole work, but I have applied to it several test questions, in all cases with a very satisfactory result."

George Magistra

? President of King's College.

"I have examined Mr. Calkin's "School Geography of the World," and am exceedingly pleased with it. The arrangement is judicious, and the plan of instruction admirable. The study of Geography will not only be facilitated by its use, but will become an actual pleasure." become an actual pleasure."

J. M. CRAMP, D. D., President of Acadia College.

"The book is so beautiful a one that I shall be very glad if our Teachers of Geography, in the two branches of the Academy, find it better suited for use as a text-book in ceir classes than those books which have been hitherto used, and especially so as no one of these has seemed to be what we required."

H. Pickard, D. D., Principal of Mt. Allison College and Academy.

"It is just the book we wanted for our Schools. The arrangement and type are excell ', the cuts very suggestive and appropriate; the maps disti', and yet quite full; the whole book is attractive, and contains the best selection of Geographical knowledge of any book with which I am acquainted."

A. McN. PATTERSON, Principal of Acadia Villa Seminary.

I have carefully read the book, and consider it a very valuable one. I have shown it to several teachers, and all give it much praise. During four years' experience in teaching I have had occasion to examine about a dozen Geographical text-books, and none of them, in my opinion, present the subject in such a natural and philosophic manner as Mr. Calkin's 'Geography of the World.'

GEORGE E. TUFTS, B. A., Teacher in the Fredericton (N. B.) Seminary.

"Children have his (the author's) full sympathy. One special excellence of his work is that he has not frightened little ones with a formidable list of definitions on the first page, which they can neither appreciate nor understand. Definitions are introduced as they are required, and are not given till the object is presented before the pupils, and when they are fully acquainted with the thing, they are informed of the name given to it. There is a colloquial air about the statements that is quite attractive. The Book is the Teacher talking to his pupils kindly and con-

descendingly. We seldom meet with an educational work so precisely adapted to its object."

REV. WILLIAM SOMMERVILLE,

"The work does the highest credit to the author, the publishers, and the Province.'

> D. R. EATON, Esq., School Commissioner, King's Co.

"The best work of the kind I have ever seen."

W. M. B. LAWSON, Esq., Inspector, Lunenburg Co.

"Mr. Calkin's Geography is a most excellent work."

John T. Mellish, B. A.,

Head Master of Camberland Co. Academy.

"It is a splendid text-book."

H. C. UPHAM, Esq., Inspector, Colchester Co.

"I cannot but express the gratification I have experienced in my examination and perusal of its contents. Geography, under most circumstances interesting, cannot with this help be otherwise than attractive; and whilst facts are being stored up in the memory, the subject is so treated as to cultivate the reasoning faculties of the pupil."

WILLIAM EATON, Esq., Late Inspector for King's Co.

"The work appears to me admirably adapted to instruct our youth in this important branch. Unlike most other works on this subject, it teaches the auknown by means of the known."

REV. HENRY L. OWEN, Chairman of School Commissioners, Lunenburg.

'I have not had time to give the work a very careful examination, but it strikes me that Mr. Caikin has made a very good book. The form, size, the illustrations, maps, paper, and typography are all first rate; and I have no doubt the matter is equally good.'

John D. Philbrick, Superintendent of Schools, Boston, Mass.

We give the following letter nearly in full, as it notices briefly many points referred to more at length by several other gentlemen whose opinions are before us :-

"After giving the work a very careful examination, I cannot but regard it as one reflecting much credit both upon the ability of its author and the enterprise of its publishers. Long experience as a teacher made me painfully conscious how great a desideratum a good school geography was, especially one adapted to meet the special educational necessities of these Provinces. However excellent, in some respects, recent English Geog uphies may be, their deficiency of information about British North America renders them unsuitable for our schools. Geographies published in the United States have not only been all marked by this defect, but have given a disproportionate prominence to the Great Republic, and contained political allusions which made them objectionable for use in the British Provinces. Lovell's Canadian Geography was better suited to meet our wants than Canadian Geography was petter suited to meet our wants than any of these, but was spoilt by its inferior letter press and bad engraving, both of the pictures and maps. It is with much pleasure, therefore, that I have witnessed the appearance of a School Geography, which, though susceptible of improvements that it may easily receive in its future editions, must be regard. that it may easily receive in its future editions, must be regarded by every competent and candid judge as the best yet published, and the only one in existence to be thought of as the text-book for use in the l'ublic Schools of Nova Scotia.

"Among the many commendable features of Mr. Calkin's Geography, which I have observed, I may name these:—The success with which its author has avoided either making his

success with which its author has avoided either making his Geography too descriptive and therefore superficial, or too much a mere list of terms and names utterly repulsive to children. The judicious selection and arrangement of matter. The valuable character of the exercises. The happy union of clearness and condensation in the style. The excellency of the maps, which not only unite the rare qualities of a sufficiency without a too great fulness of details, but are so beautifully engraved and colored, as to make it a pleasure to children to look at them. The suggesting to the pupil, in connection with his study of each map, a comparison between the size of the respective countries represented and Nova Scotia, and furnishing him with means to make it. The admirable pictorial illustrations, and the additional attractiveness imparted to the work by the superiority of both the paper and tyre."

Rev. A. H. Munno,

Liverpool.

We have not space to bring together the opinions given by the Press. We must content ourselves with the following :-

"The arrangement, style of composition, illustrations, and indeed every thing about it, are well calculated to attract the

youthful mind.

"Mr. Calkin has done good service to the cause of education by its publication, and we heartily recommend it."

Morning Chronicle.

"We have no hesitation in pronouncing it the most perfect work of the kind that we have ever seen."

Britisk Colonist.

A second edition of the Geography has been issued, and the few defects discovered in the first, have been carefully

The Late Alexander Forrester, D. D.

UR readers have long since received the melancholy intelligence of the death of Rev. Dr. Forrester, Principal of the Provincial Normal and Model Schools. Associated with Dr. Forrester in the Educational service of the Province from 1860 till the day of his death, we have reason to know how good and carnest a man has passed away. His zeal for popular education consumed him. His whole soul laboured in this great work, and it was granted to him to witness in his last years abundant fruits of his toil. The teachers of Nova Scotia, and the promoters of public education everywhere, have lost a most able and unwearied advocate, and true friend. The cause of education in this Province is profoundly indebted to the efforts of the late Dr. Forrester. His name will long be cherished in grateful remembrance. In the Cemetery at Truro, beneath the "whispering pines," he sleeps his last sleep.

[From the Presbyterian Witness, April 24th.] . - :

To-day, all that is mortal of the Rev. Alexander Forrester ill be committed to its last resting-place. The tidings of his last resting-place. will be committed to its last resting-place. The tidings of nis death will carry sorrow into ten thousand hearts in these Provinces, and will be noted with regret in other and far distant lands. It is many years since this country has sustained a loss which will be so severely felt. But the stroke has fallen; the good, the true, the devoted man who was so dear to us, and whose face and voice have so long been familiar to us, has gone to swell the numbers of the redeemed above—and his ashes we commit to the grave in the full hope of a glorious resurrection.

Dr. Forrester died in New York at one o'clock on Tuesday morn-Dr. Forrester died in New York at one o clock on Thestay morning. His health failed sadly a year ago, but under the influence of a summer's rest and quiet travel he was so far restored as to be able during the winter to attend to his duties as Principal of the Normal College. At the close of the session he came to this city and took passage early in April to New York. Ho. was in a delicate state of health, but none supposed his end was so near. He stood the voyage very well; and passed a day or two pleasantly with his good friend Rev. Dr. Thomson. Soon, however, he was prostrated with illness. His whole system appeared to give way. All that the best medical skill and the greatest kindness and attention could do, was tried, but tried in vain; and he peacefully breathed his last, surrounded by several members of his family, and other intimate friends.

Dr. Forrester was every whit a Scotsman of the sturdiest type. Face, form, accent, style of thought and expression, all told the same pleasant tale. He was a parish minister of the Church of Scotland before the Disruption. He enthusiastically east his lot with the Free Church, and for some years ministered to a congregation in Paisloy. In February 1848 he arrived in this country as a Deputy from the Free Church, and for three months supplied St. John's Church in this city. During these months he organized classes which became the nucleus of the Free Church College. Before returning to Scotland he traing. His health failed sadly a year ago, but under the influence

months he organized classes which became the nucleus of the Free Church College. Before returning to Scotland he traversed the country with all the zeal of an evangelist, and the sagacity, tact, and organizing power of a leader of men. He inaugurated the movement for a Professorial Fund, and visited the greater part of Nova Scotia. Nova Scotia Paraguick and Visited inaugurated the movement for a Professorial Fund, and visited the greater part of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Cape Breton, securing numerous and liberal subscriptions for that Fund.—In response to a call from St. John's Church he returned to Halifax in October of the same year (1848) and became pastor of that Church. In November the Free Church Collego was opened, and Dr. Forrester undertook to give the students a course of Lectures on Natural Science.

The congregation of St. John's built "Chalmer's Church" which was opened by Dr. Forrester, and in which he ministered till 1855 when he accepted the onerous and influential position

of Superintendent of Education and Principal of the Provincial Normal School.—During his pastorate of Uhalmer's Church he visited, on behalf of the College, nearly every congregation of the Free Church in Nova Scotia, P. E. Island, New Brunswick, Cape Breton, Bermuda, and Newfoundland. Returning from Newfoundland, he suffered shipwreck, and had a narrow escape from a watery grave. It is to his ceaseless exertions, in connection with two or three other gentlemen, that the success of the Professor: al Fund is to be mainly attributed.

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Space will not permit us to speak as we would like of his prodigious labours in connection with Education. Here he was in his proper sphere. Every part of the work was congenial. Under his control the Normal School at once became a power in the land, and far more than realized the expectations of its most sanguine founders and friends. Students flocked in large numbers from all parts of this Province, and from other Provinces. The "training system," as elaborated and expounded by the Doctor, took a firm hold on the rising mind of the country. Teashing as a Science and as an Art became rightfully ennobled in the eyes of the public. The good fight went on step by step till the crowning triumph came, of Free Schools open to every child in Nova Scotia, and a fair supply of trained Teachers for these schools. This was the consummation for which Dr. Forrester laboured with unflagging zeal, self-sacrifice, patience, and these schools. This was the consummation for which Dr. Forrester laboured with unflagging zeal, self-sacrifice, patience, and
indomitable courage for long years. It was in this noble struggle that his head became whitened before the time with the
snows of age—that health was undermined, and a sturdy constitution broken. His crowning work was the Teacher's Text
Book—a volume that has commanded the admiration of the foremost Educationalists in Great Britain and Canada, as well as

On the passage of the present Education Act, Dr. Forrester was relieved from his position of Superintendent of Education, and had his attention devoted to his duties as Principal of the Normal School.

Normal School.

He was the zealous and enlightened friend of improvement in every field.—The first Provincial Exhibition was, to a large extent, his idea, and his work. He was an intelligent agriculturist. He attached great importance to the physical sciences. His knowledge of botany, geology, and mineralogy was extensible was well read in the science of mind, in history, in theology. Indeed the range of his attainments and accomplishments was remarkable, and was the result of a great deal of hard and unremitting study. For the greater part of his life he was in his study before four o'clock every morning.

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When Dr. Forrester ceased to be a Pastor he did not cease to be a laborious minister of the Gospel. He preached almost every Lord's Day, and never lost an opportunity of proclaiming from the pulpit the truth by which he himself lived. Ministers of all denominations in many different parts of the country have of all denominations in many different parts of the country have received willing aid from him. Although a thorough Presby-terian he was no sectarian. He was a firm friend, and a loyal, and large-hearted supporter of Evangelical religion.—There is probably no other minister in Nova Scotia whose face has been seen and whose voice has been heard by so many of our people. He will long be mourned and missed. The blank in Truro will prove irreparable. To ourselves his departure is a bereavement peculiarly severe. For seven years after he came to this country his relations with the Willess were of the most intimate character. Much of its power for good was due to his prolific pear. And through all the years that have passed since 1855 we

character. Much of its power for good was due to his profile pen. And through all the years that have passed since 1855 we have seen nothing of Dr. Forrester as a public man or as a private christian, but what we cordially approved, admired and loved. The tribute which private affection must pay is not fer the public gaze. But others in every village and hamlet in Nova Scotia will sympathise more or less in the sorrow which is at once a personal hereaveners. called forth by a stroke which is at once a personal bereavement and a public calamity.

A MEMORIAL STONE.

THE labours by which the late Dr. Forrester became most widely identified with the public interests of his adopted land were rendered in connection with our Common Schools. The Teachers of Nova Scotia can not repay the laborious discharge of duties undertaken by him in their behalf, but we trust they will claim the privilege of marking their esteem and gratitude for the great services which he rendered not only to the cause of popular education, but especially to the teaching profession throughout the length and breadth of Nova Scotia. By his instructions at Truro, by his labours on the platform, by his pen as editor of the Journal of Education and Agriculture, and as author of the THACHER'S TEXT BOOK all the members of the profession have been largely benefited.

It seems to us that no more fitting public testimonial could be provided than the erection of a memorial stone in the Cemetery at Truro. We think that it is only necessary to suggest

this to the teachers of Nova Scotia, in order to secure a suitable memorial. We are sure that each Inspector will be pleased to receive the subscriptions of the Teachers in his county. A dol lar from each Teacher in the Province would, we think, be sufficient. The value of such a m morial would be greatly enhanced if all the Teachers contributed something towards it, however small the amount.

We would suggest that those teachers who desire to contribute to this object, should hand their subscriptions to the Inspector as early as possible, in order that when the Educational Association meets at Christmas, the total amount may be known, and measures at once a lopted to secure the erection of the memorial. A list of the subscribers will be duly published in the JOURNAL.

THE TEACHER'S TEXT BOOK.

N calling the attention of Female teachers, members of the Educational Association of Nova Scotia, to the notice which appears on the last page from Mr. Parsons, we wish to inform teachers generally that the edition of Dr. Forrester's work will soon be exhausted. It was the purpose of the author to condense the work, and to issue a revised edition. But death came too swiftly. We would advise those teachers who have not yet procured the book to do so at once. If they delay, it may not be possible to purchase it.

BEQUEST TO THE PROVINCIAL NORMAL SCHOOL.

ONE clause in the will of the late Dr. Forrester is as follows .—
"My Library of Literary and Scientific Books, with cases of Minerals, Shells, Herbarium, &c., I herewith bequeath to the Provincial Normal School." The Truro Mirror states that this bequest includes "between three and four hundred volumes, mostly standard works, together with an almost endless number of magazines, reviews, papers, etc., also a variety of maps, charts, and diagrams, as well as a quantity of botanical, geological and zoological specimens, with numerous shells, fossils, etc. This is a bequest worthy of the honour, and will long be preserved with the utmost care, as well for the sake of the giver as for the intrinsic merit of the gift itself."

W. R. Mulholland Esq, has been appointed Principal of the Provincial Normal and Model Schools, in place of the late Dr. Forrester.

ORAL LESSONS ON GRAMMAR.—CLASSIFICATION.

WE shall suppose the children can point out nouns and verbs without difficulty. The Advanced without difficulty. The Adjective may appropriately be

Children, you see what I hold in my hand. An Apple. 1 will give it to John, and I will write upon the board, John has an apple. Can you tell me what kind of a word apple is? It is a noun; because it is a name. See now if you can tell me anything about the apple. It is red. Are all apples red? No, some are green and some are yellow. Name something else that is red. A straw-berry—Jane's dress—John's neck-tie. What more can you say about this apple? It is round and hard. Taste it. It is sour. We will write these words in the sentence. Where shall I place them? Before apple. John has a red, round, hard, sour apple. Now suppose I take the apple from John, will he have the red, hard, round, and sour? No, because these words do not mean things, but what kind of an apple it is, yes, or qualities of the apple, and must go with it. So if I take away the word apple from this sentence, the words red, round, hard, and sour must be taken away

Read what I have written. James found a small, black-What did James find? Well, Mary? It wants another word. What for? We do not know what James found. Do you know anything about it? Yes, we know it is small and black. You do

not know what he found, or you do not know its name. Then the word to be written must be the name of something, or it must be a noun. The word small shows its size, and black its colour. I will write the word dog after black, and we now have—James found a small black dog. What kind of a word is dog? It is a noun. Can you put some other word in place of dog? Cat. Bean. These words are nouns.

I have now shown you a new kind of words. What can you tell me about the words of this class? They cannot be used alone. They must be placed beside nouns. Name some words of this class. White, green, blue, rough, smooth, long, short, good, but—and these words may be used with nouns. Yes, and because we join them with nouns they are called Adjectives,—a word which means added to, or placed beside.

You may now write on your slates all the Adjectives in your reading lesson.

J. B. C.

PRACTICAL EDUCATION.

Mr. Emiton,—Illaving read your remarks in the Journal of Education for April in reference to the Chemistry of Common Things, I have produced a copy of the book. It supplies me with just the sort of information I have long desired to have, in a compact and connected form, and I propose to carry on a regular series of oral lessons with my pupils on the subjects treated of. Last summer, I gave oral lessons on plants. For years I have devoted considerable private study on the structure and growth of plants, but I would like to obtain some simple and reliable book on the subject, in which the information is given in a form adapted for oral lessons. If you know of such a book, you would confer a favour upon myself, and other teachers, by giving information of the same through the Journal.

Respectfully yours, H. M. McK.

How Plants Grow, by Professor Gray, will supply any teacher with the sort of information required for systematic oral lessons on plants. This work is one of the prescribed text-books for the Public Schools of Nova Scotia. It is an excellent text-book. Part First contains four chapters simply and lucidly written:—

How Plants grow, and what their parts or organs are.

How Plants are propagated or multiplied in number.

Why Plants grow; what they are made for and what they do.

How plants are Classified, Named, and Studied.

Part Second consists of a Popular Flora for beginners.

There is a growing desire among the teachers of the Province to qualify themselves for thorough and practical work in the schools under their charge. If we believed that such a desire was necessarily promotive of vain and mistaken ambitions and aims, and tended to hinder solid work in the standard branches of reading, writing, and arithmetic, it would be our duty to discountenance any attempts to introduce into the Common Schools such subjects as those referred to by our correspondent. But we do not, we cannot believe that such knowledge, skilfully and judiciously imparted, can produce other than the happiest, the most profitable results upon every department of School work. We entertain great respect for the opinions of those who would advocate the placing of legal restrictions upon the curriculum of common school studies. The course pursued by some teachers in the Province has given just occasion to those who realize most fully the fundamental importance in a system of Education of the standard branches, to rebuke that hankering after display in great subjects, while the rudimentary branches were bidden to occupy but a secondary place. Justice compels us, however, to say that the number of teachers who appreciate fully the importance of giving the first position to the instrumentary branches, and who subordinate their instruction to sound views of common school work, is rapidly on the increase. Such teachers should not, in our view, be hampered by legal restraints, if they, in harmony with the desire of their Trustees, endeavour to give their pupils, when prepared for it, the benefit of instruction in more advanced branches.

Every good teacher knows that a skilfully given course of oral lessons, on subjects connected with the mineral, vegetable, or

animal kingdoms, is one of the most powerful means that can be employed for awakening and stimulating the minds of his pupils The increase of mental power thus begotten enables these same pupils to make far greater progress in the instrumentary branches themselves, than would be possible if all the hours of the School were given exclusively to the study of them. This is the lowest view of the subject, but it more than justifies' the position the best teachers assign to branches of economic science in the common schools. These studies appeal to the natural curiosity of children, to their lively desire of knowing about things. Lessons in these branches are admirably adapted to call out and direct (i. c. educate) the powers of observation, and to sharpen and exercise in a pleasant way the faculty of discrimination. To learn how to observe and how to distinguish things correctly, is the greater part of education, and is that in which people otherwise well educated are upt to be surprisingly deficient

An oral lesson a day in some branch of economic science, skilfully given, would be of incalculable service to the pupils of any School. The "Chemistry of Common Things" and "How Plants Grow" are text-books which any earnest Teacher can easily master One is the natural supplement of the other, and the subjects treated of in each ought in our opinion, to receive careful attention in all our Schools, especially those situated in the agricultural districts of the Province. The practical character of the instruction which they contain is a matter of the greatest interest to those who desire to see the children of the Province fitted to enter wisely upon the labours of their callings. One of the most direct means of ensuring the prosperity of any department of human industry is to enoble and dignify that industry by elevating it into the region of thought, and study and science. Surely it is not too much to expect from our Public Schools that they will by the impartation of sound practical knowledge, do much to check that superficial dignity which in the choice of a profession, leaves so many to pass by the noble, employments of the farmer and the artizan. But if lessons on subjects lying at the very foundations of these branches of industry are to be studiously avoided in the School room, and the attention of the young wholly devoted to abstract studies, we are easting away practical means which might be used to secure the prosperity of the people. Once let the young clearly see that every lawful occupation to be truly successful must be carried on in cotformity with laws and principles inflexibly established by the Author of All Knowledge, and that these laws and principles can be searched out and reduced to a science, and we have done more to dignify labour, and to enlist the energies of cultivated minds in some one department of its service, than can be effected in any other way.

HALF-YEARLY EXAMINATION OF THE C. B. COUNTY ACADEMY.

WE learn that the last half-yearly examination of the High School, at Sydney, C. B., was an occasion of peculiar interest. The examinations of the three lower departments of the Academy, under Mr. D. McIntosh, Miss A. Harrington and Miss Archibald, took place on Thursday, April 29th, and according to the C.B. Neas, "exhibited fair average progress on the part of the pupils." In the High School, in charge of H. C. Creed, B. A., the examinations occupied Thursday afternoon and two sessions on Friday. As it was known that Mr. Creed, who had been Principal of the Academy for three years and a half, was about to leave the place, and would that day close his labours there, a larger number of the parents and visitors were present than have heretofore attended on such occasions. Classes were examined in Algebra, Analysis, Arithmetic, Astronomy, Chemistry of Common Things, French, Geography, Geometry, Greek, History of England, History of Greece, Latin, Practical Mathematics, and Reading. With few exceptions the pupils acquitted themselves very creditably throughout, particularly in History, Astronomy, Latin and Reading. The readiness and accuracy with which most of them answered the large number of questions asked on the different subjects, showed that both they and their teacher had been diligent and pains-taking. In reading, both singly and simultaneously, the school was particularly worthy of commendation. At the close of the examination, four original compositions were read, all of which elicited great praise.

The pupils then, through two of their number, presented their teacher with a handsome album containing their likenesses, with a farewell address. Deep and tender emotions had been awakened by the last of the essays read, entitled "The Old School Bell," and now the thoughts of the parting between teacher and pupils, so much attached to each other, increased those sympathetic feelings, so that many of the pupils and others present were moved to tears. Mr. Creed, after thanking his pupils for their present and their kind wishes, read an appropriate closing address. Several clergymen and other prominent gentlemen of Sydney afterwards spoke of their satisfaction with the exercises of the day, the progress made by the scholars, and the general management of the school, and gave expression to a common feeling of regret that Mr. Creed had deemed it necessary to resign his position. This closed the proceedings. The following Address was presented on a later day.

ADDRESS.

Sydney, C. B., May 1st, 1869.

H. C. CREED, Esq., B. A.

RESPECTED SIR,—As we learn with regret that you are about to leave Cape Breton, we, the undersigned inhabitants of Sydney,

to leave Cape Breton, we, the undersigned inhabitants of Sydney, desire to express the feelings entertained by us on this occasion. In the first place we would express our appreciation of your services as Head Master of the Academy in this town. In that position you have given evidence of high scholarship and superior abilities as an instructor, and have constantly manifested a deep and unabated interest in the moral and intellectual culture of those who have been brought under your influence.

Again, in the relation of a citizen, you have ever sought to promote the best interests of the community; and we feel that your removal from us will be a public loss, and that our Temperance Societies, the Mechanics' Institute, and other public objects, both secular and religions, will miss your counsel, liberality and assistance.

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But while we regret your departure from Sydney, we trust it may be to occupy a sphere of still greater usefulness, and we unite in wishing you all of prosperity and happiness that Providence of the prosperity and happiness that Providence of the prosperity and happiness that Providence of the property of the property and happiness that Providence of the property o dence can bestow, for yourself and your amable partner.

The address was signed by,-

R. J. UNIACKE, D.D., Chairman School Commissioners. H. McLeod, A.M., and D.D.,
C. H. Harrington, J.P.,
N. L. Mackay, Barrister at Law,
Ed. M. Dodd, Judge Supreme Court.
Henry Davenport, Custos. Trustees. HERRY DAVENPORT, Custos.

J. L. HILL, High Sheriff.
D. N. McQueen, Q. C. and Judge of Product.
C. E. Leonard, Jr., Prothonotary.
P. Prestwood, Wesleyan Minister.
JAMES QUINAN, P. P.
W. B. Boggs, Baptist Minister.
JAMES P. WARD, Editor "C. B. News."

And many others of the leading professional men, merchants, and tradesmen of Sydney.

Such tokens of appreciation must be specially gratifying to a teacher, and we cannot but express our own pleasure at these evidences of the esteem and respect in which faithful teachers are held.

We understand that Mr. John Sievewright, late Principal of the Gloucester (N. B.) Grammar School, has been appointed Head Master of the Cape Breton County Academy, and we trust the institution will steadily increase in efficiency under his management.

THE STATE AND EDUCATION.

WE propose to bring together the opinions of some of the most eminent men of modern and ancient times, upon the great subject of public education. Probably no subject except that of religion itself has so largely enlisted the profoundest thought of the profoundest minds

Among the resplendent names of modern English literature that of Thomas Babbington Macauley stands preeminent. In his place in the House of Commons, in 1847, Macauley earnestly advocated the cause of popular education We make the following extract from his speech

"Take away education, and what are your means? Military force, prisons, solitary cells, penal colonics, gibbets—all the other apparatus of penal laws. If, then, there be an end to which government is bound to attain—if there are two ways only of attaining it—if one of those ways is by clevating the moral and intellectual character of the people, and if the other way is by inflicting pain, who can doubt which way every government ought to take? It seems to me that no proposition can be more strange than this—that the State ought to have power to punish and is bound to punish its subjects for not knowing their duty, but at the same time is to take no sten to let them know what their duty is.

bound to punish its subjects for not knowing their duty, but at the same time is to take no step to let them know what their duty is. I say, therefore, that the education of the people ought to be the first concern of a State, not only because it is an efficient means of promoting and obtaining that which all allow to be the main end of government, but because it is the most efficient, the most humane, the most civilized, and in all respects the best means of attaining that end. This is my deliberate conviction, and in this opinion am fortified by thinking that it is the opinion of all the great legislators, of all the great statesmen, of all the great political philosophers of all ages and of all functions, even including those whose general opinion is, and has ever been, to restrict the functions of government. Sir, it is the opinion of all the greatest champions of civil and religious liberty in the old world and in the new; and of none—I hesitate not to say it—more emphatically than of those whose names are heid in the highest estimation by the Protestant Nonconformist of England. Assuredly if there be any class of men whom the Protestant Nonconformists of England respect more highly than another—if any whose memory they hold in deeper veneration whom the Protestant Nonconformists of England respect more, highly than another—if any whose memory they hold in deeper veneration—it is that class of men, of high spirit and unconquerable principles, who in the days of Archbishop Land preferred leaving their native country, and living in the savage solitudes of a wilderness, rather than to live in a land of prosperity and plenty, where they could not enjoy the priviledge of worshipping their Maker freely according to the dictates of their conscience. Those men, illustrious for ever in historys were the founders of the commonwealth of Massachusetts; but though their love of freedom of conscience was illimitable and indistructable, they could see nothing servile or degrading in the principal that the State should take upon itself the charge of the education of the people. In the year 1642 they the charge of the education of the people. In the year 1642 they passed their first legislative enactment on this subject, in the preamble of which they distinctly pledged themselves to this principle, that education was a matter of the deepest possible importance and that education was a matter of the deepest possible importance and the greatest possible interest to all nations and to all communities, and that as such it was, in an eminent degree, deserving of the peculiar attention of the State. I have peculiar satisfaction in referring to the case of America, because those who are the most enthusiastic advocates of the voluntary principle in matters of religion, turn fondly to that land as affording the best illustration that can be any where found of the successful operation of that principle. And yet what do we find to be the principle of America and of all the greatest men that she has produced upon the question? "Educate the people," was the first, admonition addressed by Penn to the commonwealth he founded—" educate the people' was the last legacy of Washington to the republic of the United States—"cducate the people?" was the unceasing exhortation of Jefferson, Yes of Jefferson himselfs; and I quote his authority with peculiar favor; for of all the eminent public men that the world ever saw, he was the one whose greatest delight was to pare down the functions of governments to the lowest possible point, and to leave the frees possible scope for the exercise of individual exertion. Such was the disposition—such, indeed, might be said to be the mission of Jefferson; and yet the latter portion of his life was devoted with censeless energy to the effort to procure the blessing of a State education for Virginia. And against the concurrent testimony of all these great authorities, what have you, who take the opposite side, to show?

** Institutions for the education of the people are on every ground the very discription of institutions which the government, as the guardians of the people's best interests, are bound to interfere with. This point has been powerfully put by Mr. David Hume.

** After laying down very-emphatically the general principle of non-interference and free competition, Mr. Hume goes on to make the admission that there undoubtedly may be and are some ve the greatest possible interest to all nations and to all communities, ters which do not give that degree of advantage to any man that they can be safely left to individuals. Such matters, he says, must they can be safely left to individuals. Such matters, he says, must be effected by money; or by distinctions, or by both. Now, sir, if there ever was a case to which that discription faithfully and accurately applies, I maintain that it is to the calling of the school-master in England. That his calling is a necessary and an useful one, is clear; and yet it is equally clear that he does not obtain, and can not obtain, adequate remuneration without interference on the part of the government. Here, then, we have the precise case, if we are to adopt the illustration of Hume, in which the government ought to interfere Reasoning a priori, the principle of free competition is not sufficient of itself, and can not supply a good education. Let us look at the facts. What is the existing state in England? There has, for years, been nothing except the principle of non-interference. If, therefore, the principle of free competition were in reality a principle of the same potency in education as we all admit it to be in matter of trade, we ought to see education as prosperous under this system of free competition as trade itself is. If we could by possibility have had the principle of free competition fairly tried in any country, it would be in our

own. It has been tried for a long time with perfect liberty in the richest country under the heavens, and where the people are not unfriendly to it. If the principle of free competition could show itself sufficient, it ought to be here; our schools ought to be the models of common schools; the people who have been educated in them ought to show the most perfect intelligence; every school ought to have its excellent little library, and its mechanical apparatus; and, instead of there being such a thing as a grown person unable to read or to write, such an individual ought to be one at whom the people would stare, and who should be noted in the newspapers; while the schoolmaster ought to be will acquainted with his important duties as the cutler with knives, or the engineer with machinery; moreover, he ought to be amply remunerated, and with hisjimportant duties as the cutler with knives, or the engineer with machinery; moreover, he ought to be amply remunerated, and the highest respect of the public ought to be extended to him. Now, is this the truth? Look at the charges of the judges, at the resolutions of the grand juries, and at the reports made to every public department that has any thing to do with education. Take the reports of the inspection of prisons. In Hartfort House of Correction, out of 700 prisoners, about half were unable to read, and only eight could read and write well. In Maidstone juil, out of 8,000 prisoners, 1,300 were unable to read, and only 50 were able to read and write well. In Coldbath-field, out of 8,000, it is not said that one could read and write well. If we turn from the reports of the inspectors of prisons to the registers of Marriages, we find that there were nearly 130,000 couples married in the year 1844, and of those more than 40,000 of the bridegrooms and more than 60,000 of the brides could not sign their names, but made their marks. Therefore one third of the men and one half of the women, who are supposed to be in the prime of life, and who are destined who are supposed to be in the prime of life, and who are destined to be the parents of the next generation, can not sign their names. What does this imply? The most grievous want of education.

• And it is said, that if we only wait with patience, the principle of free competition will be all that is necessary for educa-How much longer are we to wait? Are we to wait till 2,847, or till 3,847? Will you wait till patience is exhausted? Can you say that the experiment which has been tried with so little effect has been tried under unfavourable circumstances? has it been tried on a small scale, or for a short period? You can say none of these things. * It was at the end of the 17th century that Fle tcher of Saltoun, a brave and able man, who fought and suffered for liberty, was so overwhelmed with the spectacle of misery his country presented, that he actually published a pamphlet, in which he proposed the institution of personal slavery in Scotland as the only way to compel the common people to work. Within two months after the appearance of the pamphlet of Fletcher, the Parliament of Scotland passed in 1696, an act for the settlement of schools. Has the whole world given us such an instance of improvement as that which took place at the beginning of of the 18th century? In a short time, in spite of the inclemency of the air and the sterility of the soil, Scotland became a country which had no reason to envy any part of the world, however richly gifted by nature; and remember that Scotchmen did this, and that wherever a Scotchman went—and there were few places he did not go to—he has been tried under unfavourable circumstances? has it been tried a Scotchman went—and there were few places he did not go to—he carried with him signs of the moral and intellectual cultivation he carried with him signs of the moral and intellectual cultivation he had received. If he had a shop, he had the best trade in the street if he enlisted in the army, he soon became a non-commissioned officer. Not that the Scotchman changed; there was no change in the man, for a hundred years before Scotchmen of the lower class were spoken of in London as you speak of the Esquimaux; but such was the difference when this system of State education had been in force for only one generation, the language of contempt was at an end, and that of envy succeeded. Then the complaint was, that wherever the Scotchman came he got more than his share: that when he mixed with Englishmon and Irishmen, he share; that when he mixed with Englishmon and Irishmen, he share; that when he mixed with Englishmon and Irishmen, he rose as regularly to the top as oil rises on water. * * * Under this system of State education, whatever were its defects, Scotland rose and prospered to such a degree that I do not believe a single person, even of those who now most loudly proclaim their abhorrance of State education, would venture to say that Scotland would have become the free, civilized country it is, if the education of her people had been left to free competition without any interference on the part of the State. Then how does this argument stand? I doubt whether it be possible to find, if there be any meaning in the science of induction as applied to polities, any instance of an experscience of induction as applied to politics, any instance of an experiment tried so fully and so fairly, tried with all the conditions which Lord Bacon has laid down in his Novum Organon, and of which the result was so evident. Observe, you take these two countries so closely resembling each other in many particulars—in one of these two countries, by far the richer of the two, and better what a get on with free connection, you have free commetition. one of these two countries, by far the richer of the two, and better' able to get on with free competition, you have free competition; and what is the result? The Congregational Union tells you that it is a result, indeed, to make us ashamed, and every enlightened foreigner that comes amongst us, sad. In the other country, little favored by nature you find, a system of State education—not a perfect one, but still an efficient one—and the result is an evident and rapid improvement in the moral and intellectual character of the result, and a consequent improvement in security and in processing the result. the people, and a consequent improvement in security and in prosperity such as was hardly seen before in the world. If this had been the case in surgery or in chemistry, and such experiments and results had been laid before you, would it be possible for you not to see which was the wrong course and which the right? These arguments have most fully convinced me of a truth which I shall not part or in whole from the payment thereof without prejudice to

shrink from proclaiming in the face of any clamor that may be raised against it—that it is the duty of the State to educate the people.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE EXISTING LAWS RELAT-ING TO EDUCATION. PASSED MAY 14TH, 1869.

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly as follows :-

- In all assessments levied in any School section after the passing hereof, every male person twenty-one years of age or upwards, having resided in such section for the period of six months next previous to the levying of such assessment, shall be assessed and shall pay the sum of one dollar as a poll-tax. The balance of the sum authorized to be assessed shall be levied and assessed as provided in the existing law. Nothing herein shall render any person liable to pay more than one such poll-tax in any school year.
- 2. On depositing with the Secretary of Trustees, previous to, or at any annual School meeting, the sum of one dollar, any person liable to pay such poll-tax, though not rated in respect of real or personal property, shall be qualified to vote in the election of Trustees at such meeting, and at any other meeting held for the election of Trustees within a year from such deposit, except the same be refunded as hereinafter provided, and shall be eligible to be elected as a Trustee; provided, nevertheless, that a majority of the Trustees shall be persons rated in respect of real or personal property. Money deposited as above shall be refunded on demand in every case where no assessment is authorized by such meeting; otherwise it shall be retained as payment of the poll-tax of the depositor.
- 3. Property situated in any school section and owned by:a: non-resident of the County, the same not being otherwise liable to sectional assessment, shall be liable to assessment in the section in which it is so situate.
- 4. The assessment of any person who shall subsequently die, or become insolvent, or assign his property liable to the assess ment, shall be a charge upon his estate, to be paid by his executors, administrators, or assignees, and in default of payment, they or either of them, may be held personally liable under the warrant, unless they or either of them shall make oath before a Justice of the Peace, stating that there is not in their possession or under their control, belonging to such estate, sufficient money or other property to satisfy such assessment.
- 5. In every case where between the making of the County assessment roll for any year, and the levying of any sectional assessment according to such roll, any person rated therein in respect of real or personal property, shall remove from the section, having conveyed, leased, or otherwise disposed of such property, such assessment shall be a charge on the property, and may be collected from the owner or person in possession of the same at the time of levying such assessment.
- 6. Property held by executors, administrators, trustees, or assignees, at the time of the making of the County assessment roll for any year, shall be liable to be assessed in all assessments levied according to such roll, in the section in which the original owner of such property resides or last resided; but property held in trust for heirs, being minors, shall be liable to assessment in the section in which such heirs, being minors, or a majority of them, may be in attendance at a public school, provided such section shall be in the County in which such property is situate. In default of payment of any assessment levied under this clause, the same may be collected as provided in the case of unpaid assessments under the fourth clause hereof.
- 7. Any person making affidavit, if required, that he was sixty years of age or upwards at the time any assessment was , authorized, and also any regularly ordained minister occupied in ministerial work, and any unmarried woman or widow, shall be exempt from sectional assessment on all property to the value

the rate; and the Trustees shall present a statement of any such exemptions in their report to the annual school meeting.

9. Each Board of Commissioners shall have power to exempt from the sectional school rate, either in whole or in part, persons resident more than three miles from the school house in the section, where they reside or on Islands too sparsely populated to maintain public schools, and foo distant from the mainland to permit children to attend school thereon; and such Commissioner shall have power to make such arrangements as they may deem necessary to establish schools on such islands.

10. All heds, bedding, clothing, stoves, cooking utensils, and the last cow of any person against whom a warrant of distress or other legal process shall be issued to recover the rates assessed for school purposes, shall be exempt from the operation

of such warrant or other legal process.

11. Any person holding the office of Trustee of Schools, in any section, who shall become insolvent or assign his property for the benefit of his creditors, or become permanently unfitted for business, or shall cease to reside in the section, shall thereupon coaks to hold such office of Trustee, and the other Trustees shall call a meeting for the election of a new Trustee in his stead, as provided in the case of extraordinary vacancies.

127. The Council of Public Instruction shall have power to modify or change, from time to time, as the interests of education may require, the existing provisions requiring an Inspector for each County, and to make such provisions for the payment of Inspectors consistent with economy and efficiency as they may does proper; but the expense of inspection shall in no case be

increased : 1

13. In every County where at the passing hereof there are two or injoire separate Boards of School Commissioners empowered to draw upon one and the same County school fund there shall hereafter be one Board of Commissioners instead o such separate Boards, and the members of the existing Boards shall be nembers of the new Board, and any trust or property vested in existing Boards, shall vest in the new Board; provided, however, that such consolidation of Boards shall take take place only upon the joint request of the separate Boards of Commissioners at their semi-annual meeting. The Council of Public Instruction shall have power to determine the places of meeting of Boards of Commissioners; and each Board of Commissioners shall have power to re-number consecutively the school sections within its district.

14. So much of the forty-seventh section of "An Act for the Better Encouragement of Education," as exempts Inspectors, Teachers of the Normal School, and hecused Teachers from the

school tax, is hereby repealed.

15. The County School rate assessed upon the inhabitants of any section not provided with a suitable school house and unable to erect one, shall be retained for two years, and if within that time means shall be adopted to build a school house, the moneys so vested shall form part of the amount required for such purpose. The assessors shall return yearly to the Clerk of the Peace 'a statement of the amounts levied for such County rate upon said section.

18. The half-yearly Return of each School and department shall hereafter include an affidavit by the Teacher according to

the form given in the Schedule.

17. So much of the "Act for the Better Encouragement of Education," and of any Acts in amendment thereof, as is inconsistent with this Act, is hereby repealed.

SCHEDULE.

I, A B, of do swear that I have taught and conducted the School* in Section in accordance with Law for the period of authorized teaching days during the term ended A.D. 18; that the grand total days' attendance made by the enrolled pupils in the said period was (the number to be expressed in words at length); that my agreement with the Trustees is lawful, and that there is no collusive understanding by which any portion of the agreement is to be made of no effect.

Sworn before me this

day of A.D. 18 A.B.

If one or more graded Schools in the section, such further descriptive words may be necessary, are to be used in each case.

IN THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

June 3rd.—Mr. Pundy moved the following resolution:—
Resolved, As the opinion of this House that all teachers in the
Public Schools ought to be examined in the same way and by the
same Examiners. And Whereas, a system of examination by
means of "written exercises," and a board of Provincial Examiners has been established under authority of law.

Therefore Resolved, As the wish of this House that all teachers without exception or distinction, shall submit to examination under,

and in accordance with, the said system.

June 7th—Hox. Prov. Secretary remarked that Mr. Purdy's resolution on the subject of Examination of Teachers was on the order of the day, but it would save time if this resolution was brought up in Committee on the School bill.

Mn. Penny doubted that that would be an advisable course.

Hon. Attorner General said that there was no need for a distension on this question. The resolution referred to a recent rule of the Council of Public Instruction allowing exceptional examinations. In order to remove all misapprehension he would state that that rule had been passed at a very small meeting of the Council, and as there was a strong difference of opinion on the subject in the Council, the rule had not been acted on, and in all probability: never would be.

MR. PURDY asked the Government to give the House an assurance that the rule would be withdrawn.

HON. ATTORNEY GENERAL said he could only repeat what he had; said before—that the rule would not be acted on.

Mr. Purpy accepted the explanation of the Government, and took it for granted that the rule would be withdrawn.

Morning Chronicle,

CORRESPONDENCE.

For the Journal of Education.

Mr. Editon,—As an anonymous critic, I regard myself under special obligations to avoid personalities, and to maintain toward Professor Macleod that respectful bearing which his position demands. I must, however, be allowed candidly to confess that I am surprised at the course he has adopted in this discussion. I expected—and I think I had a right to expect—that he would give my objections a careful examination, first to ascertain what the objections were, and then to determine whether they were well founded or not. He seems, however, to have thought this quite unnecessary labor. He had made up his mind from the first that his critic knew nothing of mathematical processes, and that the objections were, therefore, such as an ignorant man would be likely to make. The result has been, that he has misrepresented my statements, and wasted his strength in fighting down objections which I never thought of raising, and which my language cannot, by any fair interpretation, be made to express.

down objections which I never thought of raising, and which injulanguage cannot, by any fair interpretation, be made to express. He says my first objection is "that it is illogical to investigate the law of indices in an expansion, while overlooking the law of co-efficients." Having got the objection into this convenient form, he proceeds to disprove it by introducing a quotation from Hind's Algebra, in proof of the fact, that other "distinguished writers on Analysis" are in the habit of giving the law of indices an independent investigation. He then winds up this branch of the argument by remarking that "the process for ascertaining the law of indices is often omitted by mathematicians on account of its simplicity, as a thing to be easily supplied by the student," while "the process for determining the law of co-efficients is sometimes extremely difficult," and that the latter process, in which a fallacy is most likely to occur, has been

passed over by his critic in silence.

Now, if Mr. Macleod had read my statements at all carefully, he could not fail to see that my objection was aimed exactly at this most difficult part of the demonstration, and that the objection was not, that he had undertaken to investigate the law of co-efficients and allowed a fallacy to creep in,—a comparatively venial fault,—but that he had drawn his conclusion without having made any investigation of the law of co-efficients whatsoever. Professor Macleod differs, therefore, from "other distinguished writers on Analysis," simply in this, that, while they sometimes omit the more simple portions of the demonstration, he omits the difficult parts, the only parts in fact in which a demonstration is essential, since it can not "be easily supplied by the student." This is a sufficiently broad difference to relieve me from the charge of having condemned him in company with these distinguished writers. He will have to quote to better purpose than he has yet done, before he can shew that his practice, in this respect is supported by the authority of any author, great or small.

In case he should write again on this subject, I beg to propose

the following questions:—

1st. Whether he did, or did not, investigate the law of coefficients previous to introducing his conclusion in reference to the law of expansion?

2nd. If not, whether any author of reputation can be cited as authority for such an omission?

3rd. If not this, then whether he can give any good and sufficient reason why he should introduce the practice? I readily admit that improvements in mathematical processes are now and then introduced, but those who introduce them must expect

to have them challenged, and be prepared to give a reason.

In replying to my second objection, Professor Macleod quotes part of a sentence from my last letter, in which I had referred to the objection as made "on the score of too many assumptions," the objection as made "on the score of too many assumptions," not supposing the phrase was likely to mislead any one who had read what I had previously written. Ou the authority of this phrase, however, he endeavors to convince himself that my objections had reference entirely to the number of assumptions. This point being gained he proceeds at once to the refutation. He first asserts his right to make two hundred assumptions, "provided that each of them held not only for the assumed values, but for the next greater integral value," and then declares that this proviso holds in the case of both his assumptions. Ergo the logic of his trigonometrical demonstration cannot be impeached. peached.

All this seems fair; but in order to reach so happy a conclusion, it was necessary to use the same expansion in different and incompatible senses. The phrase, "provided that each of them incompatible senses. The phrase, "provided that each of them held, etc," to be true, must be understood to mean—provided that each of them can, by being combined with some correct equation, be shewn to have the same form for the next greater integral value. The same phrase, in order to help in patching up the professor's logic, would have to mean—provided that each of them can be made to have the same form for the next greater integral value by combining it with any other equation, true or false. This differs from that toto coleo. A mathematician has the right to make any number of assumptions that may suit his nurpose, provided the correctness of each of them is legitimately his purpose, provided the correctness of each of them is legitimately tested; but the combining of two hyperhelical equations does not furnish a legitimate test. I have previously pointed out the source of the error that would arise from combining one assumption with the error that would arise from combining one assumption with another, and need not now repeat the argument. In fact, the thing is so transparently wrong that argument seems scarcely necessary. To employ one hypothesis to prove the correctness of another, and then that other to prove the correctness of the first, is such sharp practice in the use of false logic that a mere statement of the case is sufficient to condemn it.

There seems some room for doubt, however, whether Professor

Macleod is willing to allow that an assumption is hypothetical. He says he "was bound down in the form of his assumption by what was known to hold for particular numerical values," and he makes this statement in such a connection as to leave the impression that he regarded himself as having no liberty of choice. He must take that particular form or none. Now there is a sense in which his language, as above quoted, is true. man who makes a conjecture on any subject, is, in a certain sense, bound down by the law that holds for particular cases, if he can find out what that law is. So the mathematician, if he can discover the law that holds for particular values, will, of course, make his assumption in accordance with that law. But it is not always easy to detect the law of expansion by considering a few numerical cases. It is, in fact, often impossible to do so; and mathematicians are frequently obliged to feel their way toward the true law by making assumptions which they suppose : may be true, but which, when brought to the test, turn out to be false. A mathematician is not, therefore, in any proper sense, "bound down"to a particular form. If his assumption contains error, the progress of the argument is sure to disclose the fact, provided always the argument is properly conducted.

Yours truly. A TEACHER.

GUYSBORO COUNTY ACADEMY EXAMINATION.

Mr. Editor,—The School term just closed has been one of general satisfaction and success. The Public Examinations of general satisfaction and success. The Public Examinations of the various departments, which were held during the two last days of the term, reflected much credit both upon teachers and pupils, and were exhibitions of literary merit and improvement of the most gratifying character to all concerned. The entire Institution is a graded school, comprising the whole intermediate course, from the mere elementary, until it assumes the worthy

course, from the mere elementary, until it assumes the worthy dignity of a County Academy.

The Junior Elementary Department, taught by Miss Peart, has had 50 pupils in attendance during the term, with an average daily of 32. The perfect order and discipline manifest in this department, considering the age and number of children, were highly commendable, and the improvement in the various branches taught equally pleasing.

The Senior Elementary Dep ment, taught by Miss Cahill,

has had 46 enrolled, and an average daily attendance of 38 during the term. Miss Cahill has been connected with the Institution for the last two years, and the present examination but goes to prove that her zeal and success have been unabated. The subjects in which the pupils were examined, were treated of in that prompt and intelligent manner, which evinced careful study on the part of the scholars, as well as unwearied drill on that of the teacher. Some of the Recitations and Dialogues were particularly well rendered. Miss Cahill, being about to resign her official position, which she has so faithfully filled, was presented with a complimentary address, signed by the Sheriff, the Miniswith a complimentary address, signed by the Sheriff, the Ministers, and many of the principal persons of the town, expressive of their high appreciation of her virtues as a friend and a teacher. A similar address of affection and esteem was presented by the school, being wholly signed by her own pupils. Such expressions of regard are ever but the due of the faithful teacher, and cannot fail to afford encouragement, and inspire with true laudable zeal.

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The Preparatory Department, under the very efficient management of Mr. Cox, has had in all 49 during the term, with an average daily attendance of 34. The pupils of this department, with scarcely an exception, acquitted themselves in a very creditable manner. The reading was generally excellent, and showed that a good amount of attention had been paid to this too much neglected, but important branch of education. English Analysis, Mental and Slate Arithmetic, were each treated of in a manner that shewed careful study and successful teaching. The Geography lesson was particularly interesting, being taight, according to the netural and exhaustive divisions. As recently

a manner that shewed careful study and successful teaching. The Geography lesson was particularly interesting, being thight, according to the natural and exhaustive divisions, as recently laid down by Mr. Calkin in his School Geography. The outlines of British History were scarcely less systematic in arrangement, or thoroughly understood and memorized. According to official inspection, this School is the only one in the Couny meriting a claim to the special grant for Superior Schools.

In the Academic Department, which is taught by Mr. Mc-Naughton, B. A., there were 51 pupils in attendance, with an average daily of 32 during the term. At the March Examination for Teachers' License, 20 of these pupils applied for license of the several Grades from B to E, and it is believed with general success. Already numbers of teachers, which were greatly needed, have gene from the Institution to supply the surrounding School Sections. At the recent Public Examination, were very creditable specimens of Mapping and Drawing, tastefully arranged round the room by the amateur artists. There were also examination papers similarly arranged, having been carefully examined and corrected by the Head Master, on the follow, ing subjects, viz.:—Latin, French, Book-Keeping, Trigonometry Navigation, Natural Philosophy, Chemistry, Geon.etry, History, &c., being in all nineteen different branches of study. The oral exercises in Reading, Prosody, British and Universal History, with Algebra, Geometry, and Mapping on blackboard from memory, were very satisfactory, and fully evinced the diligence and thought of the students, and are the best exponent of the teacher's efforts, ability, and success. Much of the rhetorical reading was especially good, perhaps with the exception, in some cases, of being too fast for the most accurate and distinct

teacher's efforts, ability, and success. Much of the rhetorical reading was especially good, perhaps with the exception, in some cases, of being too fast for the most accurate and distinct enunciation, and this is a prevalent defect.

The whole number of pupils in all the departments during the term was 196, and the average daily attendance was 132. Thus ends the semi-annual Public Examination, of one of the most pleasant and successful terms in the whole history of the present Institution. The entire examination was largely patronized by an intelligent and interested company of proprietors, visitors, and spectators; and at the close an apt eulogistic and retrospective address was offered by the Rev. George Johnson, who expressed his satisfaction with what he had witnessed of theorder and proficiency of the School throughout, and contrasted the very favourable present educational position of Nova Scotia. the very favourable present educational position of Nova Scotia, with the years of the past. May Free Schools, and a liberal education, forever continue to bless our native land.

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OFFICIAL NOTICES.

EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, JULY 77H, 1866.—" Provision being made by the School Law for the publication of a Journal of Education, the Council of Public Instruction directs that the said Journal be made the medium of official notices in connexion with the Educational Department.

T. II. RAND, Secy to C. P. I.

The Council of Public Instruction has been pleased to appear to be Inspector of Schools for the County of Richmond Remi of W. R. Cutler.

II. Examination of Teachers.

"The half-rearly Examination for license to teach in the Public Schools, shell be held in March and September of each year. Examinations to begin on Tuesday the until day preceeding the last Thursday of said months."—Reg. Council Public Instruction.

NOTICE 18 HEREBY GIVEN, That the next semi-annual Examination will been on

TUESDAY, 21st September next, at 9.30 o'clock, A.M. Deputy Examiners will be strictly forbidden to admit any person to be examined who falls to be present on the day and hour above-named.

Candidates are required to forward to the Inspector, by August 15th, a written notification of their intention to be examined, and of the grade of license for which they will apply. Applications may be made for examination at one of the following stations:

| STATION. | ADDRESS. |
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| Sydney | E. Outram, Sydney. |
| Baddeck | A. Munro, Boulardarie. |
| Margaree Forks } Port Hood. | John Y. Gum, Broad Cove. |
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| Guysboro' } Sherbrooke } | S. IL Russell, Guysboro' |
| Antigonish | A. McIsaac, Antigonish. |
| Pictou | M. J. Smith, Picton. |
| Amherst | F. W. George, Amherst. |
| Truro | II. C. Upham, Great Village. |
| Holifax | J. F. Parsons, 30 Albro St., IIx. |
| Windsor | Rev. D. M. Welton, Windsor. |
| Kentville, | Rev. Robt. Sommerville, Wolfville. |
| Bridgetown | Rev. Geo. Armstreng, Bridgetown. |
| Digby | A. W. Savary, Digby. |
| Yarmouth | G. J. Faush, Yarmouth. |
| Barrington Passage | Rev. W. H. Richan, Barrington. |
| Liverpool | RevD. O. Parker, Liverpool. |
| Lunenburgh | W. M. B. Lawson, Lunenburgh. |

Candidates are to furnish their own writing material
All Candidates for License will be required, on presenting themselves for examination, to furnish a written certificate of good moral character, signed by a minister of Religion, or by two of Her Hajesty's Justices of the Feace. These certificates are filed in the Educational Department, together with the other papers relating to the candidate's Examination.

The use of Dictionaries (or other books) will be strictly prohibited.

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An exercise in spelling will be held on Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock, for Candidates who at any previous examination made an average of 60 or unwards in the Examination for 1st Class, and were debarred from receiving license of the 1st Class by reason of had spelling. The list will contain a number of ordinary English words to be spelled (in writing) at Dictation, and any such candidate not making more than 6 errors will be granted a license of the 1st Class without further examination.

 $\ref{eq:constraint}$ Every person examined will be informed by mail of the result of his or her examination, as soon as decided.

III. Amended and Additional Regulations concerning Superior Schools.

Notice is hereby given to Teachers, Trustees of schools and others, that Chapter V. of the Comments and Regulations of the Council of Public Instruction, "Of Superior Schools," has been revised as follows:

1. In then of sub-division (2), (4), and (10) of Section 3—
(2) Ample School accommodation must be provided for all children of school age in the Section.

(4) The furniture must be of an approved pattern, and the supply of books, apparatus, and school materials, sufficient for and adapted to the wants of the school.

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(10) a School must have been kept at least 100 days during the term.

5. At least three-fourths of the children of school age must be registered at school.

c. The number of pupils daily present on an avarage, must be at least two-thirds of the number registered

d. For any excess of the Registered Number over and above the requirements, an avorage of ONE HALF daily present will be sufficient.

C. The Regulation limiting the right of competition to Teachers of the First Class, is hereby rescined.

2. In Sections having Graded Schools, tests referring to school buildings ferniture, books, apparatus, and school materials shall apply to all the departments. The number of registered pupils daily present on an average, shall apply to all the departments in the aggregate.

3. In the case of Graded Schools, the Council will determine which department shall be liligible to compete in any term; and notice of the same will be given at least three months previous to the commencement of such term. Any department of a Graded School shall be examined only upon such subjects as are suited to its grade

4. Agreements respecting Teachers' salaries must be regular in every respect.

5. As one half of the grant to any superior school is payable to the Trustees.

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5 As one half to the Teacher, in deciding the complitions two elements will be kept in view as the basis of all awards.

First—The character of the school accommodation, general equipment, school attendance; and generally, all matters, wholly or chiefly under the control of the Section—

Second—The organization, management, discipline, and progress of the school; and generally, all matters wholly or chiefly depending on the ability and difference of the Leauren—

And these two elements will be regarded as of equal force and importance.

6. The foregoing legulations shall take effect on the first day of May, 1865, and all existing Regulations not inconsistent with the foregoing shall continue in force thereafter

TT In pursuance of the above lingulations Trustees and Teachers of Graded Schools are hereby notified that the Council of Public Incornetion has determined that the most FLEXENTARY Department shall bee ligible to compete during the term beginning May 1st, 1868.

IV. Holidays and Vacations.

Notice is hereby given to Trustees of Schools and others, that CHAPTER XI, of the COMMENTS AND REGULATIONS OF THE COUNCIL OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION. "Of Time in Session Holidays, and Vacations" has been revised as follows:

HOLIDAYS.

The following Regulations have been added to Section 3, of

The following Regulations have been added to SECTION 3, of the Chapter above-named.

a When for any cause the Trustees of a school shall deem it desirable that any prescribed Teaching Day should be given as a Holiday, the school or schools may be kept in ression on the Saturday of the week in which such Holiday, has been given, and such Saturday shall be held to be in all respects a legal Teaching day.

b When, owing to illness, or for any other just cause, a teacher loses any number of prescribed teaching days, such teacher chall have the privilege of making up for such lost days, to the extent of six during any Term, by Teaching on Saturdays. But

c. No School shall be kept in session more than five days per week for any two consecutive weeks:

d. Nor shall any Teacher teach more than rive days per week on the average (racations not being counted) during the period of his engagement in any term.

The Anniversary of the Queen's Burthday shall be a Holiday in all the Public Schools, as herelofore; also any day preclaimed as a public holiday throughout the Province.

VACATIONS.

The following Regulations have been made in lieu of Section

The following Regulations have been made in lieu of Section 4, of the Chapter above-named:—

1. The Chapter above-named:—

2. Instead of two vacations shall remain as heretofore, the "eight days" being held to mean week-days other than Saturdays.

2. Instead of two vacations during the summer term (a week at seed time and a fortnight at harrest) as heretofore, there were the week-days other than Saturdays) shall hereafter be given as vacation during the summer term, at such time or times as the Trustees shall decide: Nevertheless

3. In order that the due inspection of Schools as required by law, may not be interfered with, each inspect or shall have power, notwithstanding anything in the foregoing Regulations, to give notice of the day or days on which he proposes to visit any school or schools in his county for the purpose of inspection, and to require that on the day or days so named such school or schools shall be kept in session.

July 1957.

V. Teachers' Agreements.

The attention of Teachers and Trustees is again called to the necessity of complying with the provisions of the Law in relation to the disposal of the county Fund. It appears from the School Returns of the past Term that some teachers have in their agreements with Trustees in respect to salary, assumed all

risk as to the amount to be received from the County Fund. Such proceeding is contrary to the provisions of the law and directly subversive of a most important principle of the School system, subversive of a most important principle of the School system, since the pecuniary penalty imposed upon the inhabitants of the section by the absence and irregular attendance of pupils is thereby inflicted upon the teacher, while the preuniary rewards consequent upon a large and regular attendance of pupils at school is diverted from the people to the teacher. These results clearly tend to prevent the growth and development of a sentiment of responsibility and interest among all the inhabitants of each section, and thus measurably defeat the object of the whole system—the education of every child in the Province.

The Superintendent of Education, therefore, calls the attention of Teachers and Trustees to the following

NOTICE

1. The County Fund is paid to the Truetzs of the section. The amount depends upon the number of pupils, the regularity of their attendance, and the number of prescribed teaching days on which school is open in any section during the torm.

2. Leachers must engage with Trustees at a definite sum or rate. The Provincial grant is paid to teachers in addition to such specified sum.

3. The following form of agreement is in accordance with the law:

(FORM OF AGREEMENT.)

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Monorandum of Agreement made and entered into the day of A.D. 380, between manes of teacher a duly licensed steacher of the class of the one part, and manes of teacher a duly licensed steacher of the class of the one part, and manes of tracker of the second part.

The said mane of teacher on the second part, hereby covenants and agrees with the said mane of Trustees of the second part, hereby covenants and agrees with the said name of Trustees of the second part, hereby covenants and agrees with the said name of Trustees and their successors in office, dilignently and faithfully to teach a public school in the said section under the authority of the said Trustees and their successors in office, diligned the School Year (or Term) ending on the thirty-first day of Octobernext, for the thirtieth day of April, as the case may be.)

And thosaid Trustees and their successiors in office on their part covenant and agree with the said learne of teacher] out of the School Funds under their control, at the rate of dialras for the School Year (or Term.)

And it is hereby further mutually agreed that both parties to this agreement shall be in all respects subject to the provisions of the School Law and the Regulations made under its authority by the Council of Public Instruction.

In Witness whereof the parties to these presents have hereto subscribed their names on the day and year first above written.

Witness,

[Name of Witness]

[Names of Teacher] [Names of Trustees]

i. Each inspector is instructed to report every case of illegal atipulation on the part of teachers, in reference to the County Fund.

VI. To Trustees of Public Schools.

1. "A relation being established between the trustees and the teacher, it becomes the daty of the former, on behalf of the people. To see that the scholars are making sure progress, that there is life in the school both intellectual and moral,—in short, that the great ends sought by the education of the young are being realized in the section over which they preside. All may not be able to form a nice judgment upon its intellectual speech, but none can fall to estimate correctly its social and moral tone. While the law does not sanction the teaching in our public schools of the pseudiar views which characterize the different denominations of Christians, it does instruct the teacher "to inculcate by precept and example a respect for religion and the principles of Christian morality." To the Trusters the people must look to see their desires in this respect, so far as is consonant with the spirit of the law, carried into effect by the teacher."—"Comments and Regulations" of Council of Public Instruction, p. 51, reg. 5.

2. Whereas it has been represented to the Council of Public Instruction, p. 51, reg. 5.

2. Whereas it has been represented to the Council of Public Instruction that Trustees of Public Schools have, in certain cases, required pupils, on pain of forfeiting school privileges, to be present during devotional exercises not approved of by their parents; and whereas such proceeding is contrary to the urinciples of the School Law, the following additional Regulation is made for the direction of Trustees, the better to casure the carrying out of the spirit of the Law in this behalf:—

ORDERED, That in cases where the parents or guardians of children in actual attendance on any public school (or department) signify in writing to the Trustees their conscientious objection to any portion of such devotional exercises as may be conducted therein under the sanction of the Trustees, such devotional exercises shall either be so modified as not to offend the religious feelings of those so objecting, or shall be held immediately before the time fixed for the opening or after the time fixed for the close of the daily work of the school; and no children, whose parents or guardians signify conscientious objections dren, whose parents or guardians signify conscientious objections thereto, shall be required to be present during such devotional exercises.

March, 1867.

3. "The hours of teaching shall not exceed six each day, exclusive of the hour allowed at noon for recreation. Trustees, however may determine upon a less number of hours. A short recess should be allowed about the middle of both the morning and afternoon session. In elementary departments, especially. Trustees should exercise special care that the children are not confident in the school room too long."—"Comments and Regulations" of Council of Public Instruction, p. 48, reg. 2

VII. The procuring of Books and Apparatus.

In pursuance of an Order of the Council of Public Instruction

NOTICE IS HEREDY GIVEN,

That Prescribed School Books and Apparatus will be supplied to the Trustees of Public Schools, during the ensuing School Year, at three-quarters of the prime cost of the same, instead of one-half of the prime cost as here-tofore. Diagrams, Maps, and Globes will be supplied at half cost as for-

Orders from Trustees of Sections placed, in May last, by the Boards of School Commissioners upon the list of sections entitled to receive special aid, will be filled at half cost. All such orders must be distinctly marked over the top, "Poon Section." In making up their orders, Trustees of Poor Sections will deductone-third from the prices given below; except in the case of Diagrams, Calkin's "Geography of the World," Maps, and Globes, which are already marked at half cost.

2: Trustees will carefully note the following Regulations:—

Reg. 1.—Application must be made in the following form, and addressed to Missus, A. & W. Mackinlay, Hallfax, who have been duly authorized to attend to all orders.

o an order. (FORM OF APPLICATION.) (Date)

Messis. A. & W. Mackinlay, Halifax,

Sins,—We enclose (or forward by—) the sum of \$—, for which you will please send us the following articles provided by the Superintendent of Education for use in the public schools. The parcel is to be adddressed—(here five the address in full) and forwarded by—here state the name of the person, express company, or ressel; and, if by ressel, direct the parcel to be insured, if so desired.)

LIST OF ARTICLES.

(Here specify distinctly the Books, Maps. S.c., required; and the quantity of each sort.)

We certify that each and all of the articles named in the above list are required for use in the Public School (or Schools) under our control, and for no other purpose whatsoever; and we engage strictly to carry out the Regulations of the Council of Public Instruction for the management and preservation of school books and apparatus. (Signed)

Trustees of ____School in the County of--School Section

Reg. 2.—Any application not accompanied with the money will not be attended to.

attended to.

Reg. 3.—All costs and risk of transportation of parcels must be borne by Trustees; (i. c. by the sections on behalf of which they act, and not by the educational Department.)

Trustees so direct in their application, goods, (except Globes,) tansported by tooler will be insured for the amount paid for the same by them, at the following rates:—

Parcels shipped during the First Term of the School year, 21 per ct.
"Second Term " 11 per ct.

Trustees must forward witheir application the amount required to effect the insurance, otherwise parcels will not be insured. No charge will be made for policies.

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Reg. 1.—applications will, as far as the articles in stock and the annual grant permit, receive attention in the order of their receipt.

REGULATIONS,

3. The following are the regulations of the Council of Public Instruc-tion with reference to all Books, Maps, and Apparatus, furnished to Trustees, under the operation of Sec. 6 (15) of the law conceining Public Schools.

Schools.

Reg. 1.—They shall be the property of the School Section, and not of private individuals (except as specified in Reg. 5.)

Reg. 2.—Any pupil shall be entitled, free of charge, to the use of such school books as the teacher may deem necessary.

Reg. 3.—Any pupil shall have the privilege of taking home with him any books, &c., which, in the opinion of the teacher, may be required for study or use out of school.

Reg. 4.—Pupils, or their parents or guardians, shall be responsible for any damage done to books, beyond reasonable wear and tear.

Reg. 5.—Any pupil desiring it, may be allowed to purchase from the trustees the books required by him, provided the same be done without prejudice to the claims of other pupils; the price to be in all cases the same as advertised in the official notice published from time to time in the Journal of Education. No pupil who has been allowed to purchase a book shall have any claim on the trustees for the free use of another of the same kind. same kind.

same kind.

Reg. 6.—Any section neglecting to provide a sufficient supply of books, maps, and apparatus, may be deprived of the public grants.

Reg. 7.—Trustees shall make such further regulations, agreeably to law, as may be necessary to ensure the careful use and preservation of books, maps, and apparatus belonging to the section.

Any section infringing in any way upon the above regulations will forfeit the privilege of purchasing books, &c., through the Education Deparatment.

A. LIST OF TEXT-BOOKS, MAPS AND APPARATUS.

The following list of Books will be extended, and other articles or apparatus included as the fund at the disposal of the Superintendent permits. The Wall-Maps (including one of the United States now in course of preparation, under the supervision of the Educational Department,) will be added to the list as soon as published.

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Colchester, 1st June, 1869.

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