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Fredericton Globe.

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THAT GRAVEYARD.

The first thing to which the proposed Horticultural society should turn its attention, after removing the old advertising fountain in the centre of the Post Office square, is the ornamentation of the old graveyard in the middle of the city. In its present state it is really a disgrace to our beautiful town. It is bad enough to have a graveyard in the very heart of the city, taking up room which might otherwise be adopted to a dozen useful purposes, when there is so much room outside; but there it is, and there, we suppose, it will always stay. And, being there, there is no reason under the sun why it might not be made a thousand times more beautiful and ornamental than it is, and at a comparatively small expense, so that, instead of being an eyesore to the general public, they may come to admire and to delight in it. When we compare its slovenly dilapidated appearance, and confused irregularity, with the artistic beauty, cleanliness and regularity of the Rural Cemetery above the city, it is no wonder we are disgusted with the graveyard and the city which tolerates it in its midst. Surely here, if anywhere is an unlimited field for the display of all the energy and artistic taste which the Horticultural Society may bring to the work of beautifying and ornamenting our city.

CO-EDUCATION.

For the first time in the history of the U. N. B. the graduating class has been headed by a lady, and that lady is a York county girl. Miss Frances Everett has the double honor of leading her class and of being victorious in the competition for the Alumni gold medal, awarded for the best Latin essay. But the women have also come off conquerors over their less ambitious or more lazy competitors in the field of English composition where Miss Isabel McIntosh also a York county girl is the winner of the Douglas gold medal. These two prizes have always been looked upon as the most valuable and desirable in the gift of the University, and they are always more eagerly sought after than any other. The fact then, that women have outstripped their brothers in the race for knowledge at the Provincial University must be taken as no ordinary or accidental occurrence. It is not the result of chance, nor the decree of a blind and capricious fate. It is the natural and direct result of the inauguration in the University of the system of co-education. Ever since the doors of the U. N. B. have been thrown open to the women of New Brunswick, they have been quickly but steadily gaining on the young men, until now they have come up with and distanced them in the past year's race for knowledge. That much is certain.

Relatively they have shown themselves better than the men. But what does this indicate? Is it that the women are naturally and in fact the intellectual superiors of the men in New Brunswick? or is it that the men this year are exceptionally dull and the women exceptionally brilliant? or is it that the men are not as industrious, ambitious and painstaking as their weaker rivals? We are inclined to think the latter is the case.

It is not, we think, at all true that here in New Brunswick the gentler sex can claim an intellectual superiority. It cannot be that the male graduates this year are exceptionally dull, or the females unusually brilliant. The true reason for the present affairs is that the successful young ladies outworked the unsuccessful young men, and we are of opinion that this condition of things should not be allowed to continue. The male sex should if they do not now feel partially humiliated at the spectacle of a co-educational beneficiary reaping the honors of first place at the Provincial University, the fountain head of learning in the province and should in the future make a strong and determined effort to regain their lost supremacy. We do not doubt but that if the effort is honestly and earnestly made, the result will be a victory for the stronger sex and it is our ardent wish to see natural supremacy of that sex in the intellectual field vindicated and maintained against the encroachments of the prospective loaf-givers of the land.

Sir Charles Russell has finished his argument before the Behring Sea Arbitration Commission, and the president of the commission has congratulated him very heartily upon his masterly handling of the case for great Britain.

THE SCHOOL QUESTION.

Investigation now in Progress at Bathurst.
 Judge Fraser duly opened his court of enquiry into the Bathurst school trouble Tuesday of this week. C. N. Skinner and George W. Fowler appeared for the complainants; R. A. Lawlor, of the Chatham, and N. A. Landry of Bathurst, for the Bathurst school trustees, and the Hon. A. S. White for the Board of Education. Bishop Rogers and several priests were present and of course Rev. A. F. Thompson and several other clergymen. Judge Fraser announced that the original statement of complaint had been withdrawn and a new one substituted, from which were omitted some reflection on the inspector of schools.

After the Judge's commission and the charges had been read Mr. Lawlor submitted that fuller particulars should be given so that answers could be furnished to the complainant. All he wanted was a fair field and no favor.

Mr. Skinner said the particulars were full enough and he did not think the complainants could give more. They depended on the evidence brought out the facts.

Hon. Mr. White remarked that he desired the fullest investigation but it was his view some of the statements purporting to be charges are not violations of the school law or regulation.

The Judge said the fullest scope should be given in the interest of all concerned. He agreed with Mr. Lawlor that he thought to have the fullest opportunity would be granted him to meet the case. The evidence must be legal evidence.

Rev. J. S. Allen, Methodist minister, now living at Richibucto, was the first called. He resided in Bathurst for three years, but could give very little information except the substance of a conversation he had with the school trustee, O'Brien, in 1889. O'Brien told him he had been attending a meeting at Father Barry's house, where Bishop Rogers, Father Varrily, K. F. Burns and others were present and when it was decided to substitute Sisters of Charity for the Sister of Notre Dame who had been teaching school here. He had no definite knowledge of why the change was made.

John E. O'Brien, school trustee, testified that the meeting referred to was an informal one; that it was held in 1890, and that Bishop Rogers and Father Varrily were not present. The bishop was in the house however. Mr. O'Brien explained that the Notre Dame teachers were not teaching under the school law and were supported by the Catholic people. It was considered advisable to engage the Sisters of Charity, who could teach under the law. They were engaged and their schools became public schools. The Sisters were examined by a gentleman who came from Fredericton, but he did not know whether a sister now teaching had undergone examination. The school trustees had full control of the school rooms in the convent building. Protestants as well as Catholics attended the schools there. Of 98 pupils on the average attending now 5 or 6 are Protestants. The witness testified at length to the size of the school rooms, attendance, etc. Last winter thirty-eight pupils withdrew from the public schools to attend a private school.

Before the Sisters came the schools cost \$1,100; since then it had increased to \$1,480, about all for salaries. The teaching Sisters all received the government grant. The school board did not keep the convent building in repairs. Before the sisters came under the law there were 104 pupils taught in the Convent at the sole expense of the Catholic population; now this expense is borne by the whole district. Of the forty-five pupils in the school building, all but five or six are Catholics.

In reply to Mr. Lawlor the witness emphatically stated that no attempt had been made by any Catholic, lay or clerical, to induce him to drive out Protestant teachers or to do anything that would in any way tend to place the control of the education of Protestant children in Catholic hands.

In reply to the Solicitor general he said: There was no truth whatever in the story that the grammar school was closed to force pupils to the convent schools, as they were not high enough to take in such advanced scholars.

To Mr. Skinner, witness said. The attendance at the Grammar school, formerly forty-five, fell off largely after the convent schools were opened.

Hon. Mr. White—The total number in the convent schools has increased since their opening. To put a sister in one of the public schools would almost create a riot. Such an act had aroused trouble in the village. He would no more think of arousing the Protestants in this way than he would sending a Protestant teacher to the convent to the annoyance of Catholics. The act of the board of education in providing dual schools met the wants of all parties and decreased the number of children running the streets.

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