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#### HISTORY OF EDUCATION IN CARLETON COUNTY.

BY D. W. HAMILTON, B. A.

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"For the better understanding of th matter, I will state briefly, what appears to be the usual course of a school engagementsay in the County of York. A. B. is licensed male teacher of the highest class employed; he hears that the school in such district is vacant; it is twenty-five or thirty miles from Fredericton; he cannot afford to ride; he walks that distance, and then goes round to all the inhabitants to procure their signatures to an engagement for six months; each subscribes a certain sum in proportion to the number of children he wishes to send to school. Supposing him to be successful in obtaining a promise of the whole amount required by the act, he has then to obtain a memorandum in writing from the trustees of the parish sanctioning his engagement." These trustees live many miles apart, and know nothing of the school. Of course they sign his engagement. "This done the teacher returns to the dis-

trict: he soon finds the school house a very insufficient one, that in summer it is too hot, in winter too cold, that it leaks in rainy weather, admits the snow and wind when it storms, and that the chimney smokes when ever there is a fire; all this is very bad; he complains and obtains promises of repairs in due season; the children have no books, no slates, no pencils, no paper, no pens. He asks for a blackboard and a map; all these will be provided in time, and meanwhile he must do the best he can. Winter comes and he has to admit a score of children whom he never saw before, and who come to make up for the summer absences of their brothers and sisters; he has to form an A. B. C. class of little ones who do not know their letters, another of such as have learnt that c a spells cat, and so on up to the fluent and Rate. They will find the cost by Special intelligent readers. In other subjects the difficulties are precisely the same; and as he tance. We take all grists to and from is a first class teacher he has some three or station FREE OF CHARGE. Take your grist | four big boys who are anxious to learn bookto nearest station and ask the agent for keeping, and an ambitious one or two who will not be satisfied with less than geometry, mensuration, land surveying, navigation, and algebra; the law allows it, and they will have it. . . . Now if this be, and I believe it is, a faithful description of a school engagement and its troubles when the inhabitants subscribe the requisite amount, what must be the condition of a teacher who being a married man, has to take what he can get in produce, and never receives any money but the provincial allowance and is very frequently compelled to forestall that by obtaining credit at the store? or of the single man who gets board, washing and lodging in lieu of money, and who has to be boarded, washed, and lodged by all the inhabitants in turn-one week in a comfortable farm house, the next in a miserable little log hut-the food buckwheat-the washing, little-the lodging the fourth bed in the fourth corner of the one room; he can know neither comfort, cleanliness nor decency. He cannot read, he cannot study; he cannot have one moment to himself, and when the fatiguing labors of the day are over, and when he requires rest and quiet to raise his flagging spirits, he finds that he is in the way and unwelcome at the fire side; that he is locked upon as a lazy fellow if he does not chop wood and fetch water, or at all events nurse

the baby." The School Act of 1871, which provided for free and non-sectarian schools throughout the province, has done away with the "sub scription list" and "boarding round." It has elevated the teacher's position and placed a liberal education within reach of all.

I conclude this article with a few words about the leading schools of our county.

The Woodstock Grammar School has, since Carleton County was erected in 1832, been the High School of this section of the province. From its classic halls have gone many men and women who are at present leaders in the different vocations of life. Most of the leading men of Woodstock today have been its pupils. Its graduates may be found in different sections of America, nobly and successfully fighting the battles of life. The first principal of the Woodstock Grammar School, as at present constituted, was James McCoy; who, after several years of successful service, died at his post. He was succeeded by R. Landalls, B. A. R. P. Steeves, M. A. succeeded Mr. Horseman and taught until appointed Inspector of Schools, when the present principal, G. H. Harrison, M. A., was appointed. At the time of Mr. Landall's principalship, the attendance was 28; it is now about 60 in the Grammar School grades. Miss Julia Neales a faithful and efficient teacher, has had charge of the ninth grade years. Some of its teachers have been Dr. for nearly ten years. Almost every year Woodstock sends several students to our universities; and this year it sent to the U. N. B. the first coloured lady to attend

that institution. By the act of 1858, provision was made for one school in each parish of a higher grade twenty-five years ago. One is now a member than the ordinary common school. These of the United States Senate. Dr. William were to be known as Superior Schools.

Florenceville is the third oldest village in Carleton County. It was formerly known as "Buttermilk Creek," but shortly after the Crimean war the inhabitants decided to name it Florenceville after Florence Nightingale. The Superior School at Florenceville is probably the oldest in the county, and has been for many years the most efficient. From all parts of the county, pupils have come to this school in order to prepare for Normal school, or to further prepare themselves for useful citizenship. During the past twenty years, about one hundred young men and women have gone from this school to our Provincial Normal School, and many have afterwards taken a cellege course. The present building was built about the year 1862, and is now a little out-of-date. Like the deacon's "One Hoss Shay," no doubt it will last one hundred years to a day and then fall to pieces completely. Morning after morning for many years, the ringing of its large bell has been heard for several miles around. In a short time Florenceville school will possess the largest and best school library in the county. Among its first teachers were Hugh T. Parlee, Robert Armstrong, Mr. Ayer, Mr. Bynard, Richard Wheeler and C. T. Hendry. During 211 years, Mr. Hendry did faithful and efficient work as principal. Perhaps no boast of a greater number of professional men from among those who received their early education at its school, than Florence. ville can. Teachers without number, doctors, lawyers, clergymen and professors, may be included among those who laid the foundation of an advanced education at this school. The late Dr. Clarence A. Saunders, at one time Professor of Physics in Johns Hopkins University, and one of the most brilliant students Carleton County has produced, was a native of Florenceville. Among others who studied at this school may be mentioned the names of Frank Kilburn, M. D., Edward Boyer, M. D., Rev. Thos. Parlee, Hedley Taylor, B. A., Frank Wheeler, M. D., H. H. Hagerman, M. A., Frederick Jewett, D. D. S., and others. Many of its former pupils have been very successful in other callings of

The settlement at Jacksontown, or Jacksonville as it is now called, was formed by the Loyalists about the year 1816, and was one of the first settlements in Carleton County north of Woodstock. Its first settlers were the Jacksons and Simonsons who were loyalists. The Jacksonville Superior School was established in 1872, with Josiah Murphy (now a lawyer of Woodstock) as teacher. Mr. Murphy was succeeded by W. Pennell Kelly, and then W. B. Wiggins, now a Reformed Baptist minister. Mr. Wiggins taught there for eight years. He was succeeded by Ed- Cal. Dr. Harvey Howard, now practising ward Miller, Samuel Alexander, Cortwright | near Portland, Me., at one time went to Neales, Charles Nevers, John Farley, and school at Centreville. now C. H. Gray, who has been its successful. there was much opposition to its maintenance, because of the expense; but now the rateschool is the cheapest. Among those who were pupils at this school are F. B. Carvell, F. A. Good, Amasa Plummer, S. S. Miller, Rev. Ernest Simonson, Rev. A. H. Kearney, its youth. all well known in this county; and James and Sherman Hannah, successful business men in the Western States. It seems that Jacksonville young ladies have always been very much sought after by those inclined towards matrimony, as the lives of several | their youth ! of the leading men of the county have been made happy or miserable by young ladies educated at the Jacksonville Superior School.

The first settlement in the old Parish of Wakefield, north of Woodstock, on the east side of the river, was at the mouth of the Becaguimic. Here the Indians made a small clearing in 1789, on the site of the town of Hartland. The first teacher at Hartland after 1871, was James H. Gray, a second class teacher. Others who followed were Mrs. Giberson, Jacob Sherwood, Miss Milbury, Wm. MacIntosh, Ambrose Sherwood, Mr. Coulthard, Miss Noble, and Mr. Flemming. On November 1st, 1885, the school was made Superior. Since that time Messrs. Flemming, Palmer, Plummer, Peppers, Hetherington, Kerr, Rideout and Howe have been its teachers. Hartland possesses one of the best village school houses in New Brunswick. It cost about \$4,000 and is well equipped. There are now three departments in operation. Hartland may justly feel proud of its school house, and it would be well for education in this county if other villages would emulate the example set by this pro-

Fifty years ago the Centreville school house was a little building near the creek. Mr. McClintock, father of Mr. Geo. McClintock, was its teacher. The Centreville school has been classed as Superior for several Cody, F. B. Carvell, Dr. Peppers, S. S. Miller, T. V. Hunter, Horace Perry and John Barnett, and at present Miss Ruth Reid is principal. Among those who received their early education at Centreville were the "Johnsons," who left the village about Johnson is a popular physician in Los Angles,

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Statutes and Amending Acts.

Dated at Woodstock in the County of Carleton the twenty-first day of January, A. D., 1902.

WILLIAM A. HAYWARD,

Sheriff of Carleton County.

## Probate Court, County of Carleton, Province of New Brunswick.

To the sheriff of the County of Carleton or any Constable of the said County,—GREETING:
Whereas the Administratrix of the estate of Randolph K. Jones, deceased, has filed in this Court an account of her Administration of the deceased's estate and has prayed that the same may be passed and allowed in due form of law.

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You are therefor required to cite the heirs and next of kin of the said deceased, and all of the creditors and other persons interested in the said estate to appear before Frank B. Carvell Esquire Judge of Probate Pro Hac Vice in the matter of the said estate of the said Randolph K. Jones deceased, at a Court of Probate to be held in and for the County of Carleton at the office of the said Frank B. Carvell Judge of Probate Pro Hac Vice in the matter of the said estate as aforesaid, in the Town of Woodstock in said County on TUESDAY the FOURTH day of MARCH next, at ten of the clock in the torenoon, then and there to attend the passing and allowing of the said accounts as prayed for and as by law directed.

.... Given under my hand and the Seal of the LS. said Probate Court this Twenty-Fifth day
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FRANK B. CARVELL,
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