## STEVAN MILOVANOV PROFESSOR AT THE SERBIAN ORTHODOX HIGH SCOOL IN NOVI SAD

Stevan Milovanov was born in Stari Bečej on January 28th, 1856. He finished elementary school in his native town. He graduated grammar school in Novi Sad with high grades. As a student of Tekelianum, he studied philosophy in Budapest and for a year in Zagreb. There he took a professor's exam in Mathematics, Physics, and Chemistry. Upon his arrival to Novi Sad in 1878, Stevan was elected as a professor at the Serbian Orthodox High School and taught Mathematics and Physics until 1920. He was the principal of the high school from 1918 to 1920. He wrote several textbooks Geometric Drawing for lower classes, Geometry for upper classes, Alegebra for all grades, Physics for VII and VIII grades, Mineralogy. He wrote an extensive study of Physics with the Serbs (1886). Milovanov is responsible for the development of education in Novi Sad. He wrote many journal articles on topics related to his interests in the natural sciences, for example about X-Rays and Tesla's currents. His text about comets was found in the Bosanska Vila magazine (1909). He published the first printed catalog of the Matica Srpska Library in 1899. He died on April 28, 1946 in Novi Sad. In this article the life and activities of Stevan Milovanov are presented.

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