

contradiction to the above order forbidding teachers to detain pupils during recess UNDER NO CONSIDERATION.

8-1-4.

MR. FOWLER, DEAR SIR: I wish you would be kind enough to *oblige me* by keeping in Willard Sinclair. I have a charge against him which I wish you to investigate. I will be up at 4 o'clock. *Please watch him that he does not clear out at recess.* I want you if you please to keep in Mitchell Johnstone and Jack Ingram as witnesses. Depending on your attention to this, and that you will not allow them to escape at recess, I am,

Yours truly,  
[Signed] A. C. SMITH.

Here is a letter from Dr. A. C. Smith to Mr. Fowler regarding the proposal to close the schools, to give teachers and pupils an opportunity to attend the funeral of the late Mr. Hays, formerly a co-Trustee.

26-11-3.

PRINCIPAL FOWLER, DEAR SIR: I regret to say that I do not see the way clear to the closing of the schools to-morrow. It is only fair to say that Mr. Ferguson is willing that they should close. As matters stand you have one Trustee with you and one against you. So you can take your own course, choosing between us. But we are quite willing that you should close to attend the funeral if you choose to do so.

Truly yours,  
[Signed] A. C. SMITH, School Trustee.

Observe that Trustee Smith endeavors to place Mr. Fowler in a false position by telling him to choose between himself and Mr. Ferguson.

But though Trustee Smith could not see his way clear to closing the schools on this occasion, we find, Dec. 4, 1884, this endorsement on a petition of scholars in Mr. Fowler's department for a half holiday to go skating:

I consent provided one of the other Trustees will also consent.

[Signed] A. C. SMITH,  
" JAMES FALCONER, } Trustees of Schools.  
" P. HENNESSY,

The following refers to the grading of a pupil, in which Trustee Smith interfered.

W. J. Fowler, Esq., A. B.

SIR: Please let me know by bearer, Wm. Copp, why you sent him from School to-day. I sent him to Miss Lawson's department. Yours,

[Signed] A. C. SMITH, School Trustee.

May 18th, 1884.

The next letter shows that Mr. Fowler called the attention of