

## PREFATORY NOTE.

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In the selection of the articles enumerated in this Catalogue, the greatest care has been exercised, so as to render the list under each head, as complete as possible.

The most approved description of maps, apparatus, books and requisites published in either Europe or America, have been obtained by the Department, with a view to afford to our Canadian Schools all the facilities of instruction enjoined in the Schools of both these Continents.

To render a system of Public Instruction complete in all its parts, not only is a just and comprehensive law necessary, and a Normal School for training teachers indispensable, but it is of equal importance that the facilities afforded to teachers, in the schools, for effectively imparting instruction to the young, should be both varied and appropriate. The Mechanic, without the implements of his art, labours under not less inconvenience than a teacher without books, maps and apparatus. The object of this Department has therefore been to provide the Public Schools of Upper Canada with these facilities of instruction in ample variety and abundance; as well as to provide competent teachers and useful and interesting books for libraries.

In the Catalogue are given the net prices at which the maps and schools requisites enumerated therein may be obtained by the public Educational Institutions of Upper Canada, from the Depository in connection with the Department. In each case, cash must accompany the order sent. To all remittances sent by the Trustees of Common or Grammar Schools, or by Municipal Councils, for Maps and Apparatus, One Hundred per cent. will be added by the Department. Application for these articles should be made according to a form, which will be found on the next page.

Text books must be paid for at the full catalogue price. Colleges and Private Schools will be supplied with any of the articles mentioned in the catalogue at the prices stated. Local Superintendents and teachers will also be supplied with such Educational works as relate to the duties of their profession. No article, however, mentioned in the catalogue, will be disposed of to any private individual.