

In witness whereof the said parties have hereunto set their hands, this day of 185 .

Signed in presence of

A. B.,
C. D. }
E. F. } Trustees.
G. H. }
I. J. }
K. L. }

Orders for school books, signed by the Teacher and one Trustee, to be addressed alone to H. Stamper, Esquire, Depositary, Queen Square.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

WEDNESDAY, February 25, 1857.

The following Resolution having been adopted by the Board, was ordered to be added to the regulations now in force for the government of the Free Schools of this Island, and a copy to be furnished to every Teacher and Board of School Trustees for their guidance, viz:—

Resolution of Board with respects to religious instruction in Schools.

That the Board of Education recognize the desirableness of affording, as far as possible, to the scholars in the Public Schools of this Island, the benefit and advantages of a religious and moral, as well as of a literary education; but taking into consideration the extreme difficulty of laying down any general rules for the Public Schools, respecting the mode of conducting religious reading or instruction, on account of the different religious persuasions prevailing amongst the Inhabitants and Teachers in the various Districts of the Island, and fearing that any attempt to do so, instead of proving beneficial and producing harmony and good will, would be productive of religious strife and contention, which they consider it to be the duty of all to avoid as much as possible—the Board have always deemed it better to leave the management of the District Schools in this respect to be adjusted by the respective