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The services of Mr. George T. Smith, the teacher of the Chatham School was secured, and as hereafter stated, his place has not been supplied. Yet it is a satisfaction to find that a material improvement has taken place in this School under his charge. The number of scholars in June, 1860, being forty-five, and in June last, sixty-eight, an increase of upwards of fifty per cent.

SAINT ANDREWS.

It would have been gratifying had a Report from the Rev. Mr. Ketchum been furnished, so as to occupy a place in this Report; as this School, the junior on the list, bids fair to be one of the most promising under the charge of the Board. This may be attributed to the excellent qualifications of Miss Hooper, and to the interest and earnestness that the Rev. Mr. Ketchum has shewn in the welfare of this School since its re-establishment. The numbers by the last returns were sixty-one, consisting of thirty-six boys and twenty-five girls. An application has been made by the Local Committee for assistance to repair the building, but the Board wisely adhered to their determination in the present state of the funds, to apply them to the more legitimate purpose of providing proper tuition and the requisite books, and other modes of instruction, leaving to the inhabitants the burden, slight indeed, of providing or repairing the School houses.

CHATHAM.

As already mentioned, Mr. George T. Smith, the former teacher, having removed to St. George to take charge of the School at that place, this School became vacant, and although at one time the Local Committee gave encouragement that the School would soon be re-opened, it is to be regretted that their hopes have not been realized.

SHEDIAC.

The state of the building at this place was referred to in the last Report, and it would have been a matter of congratulation had this difficulty been obviated. In July last, the Visiting Committee examined the building, and strongly recommended that the School should be removed to or near the Railway Station, where the population is rapidly increasing, and the School become more useful than it has been lately, and should a suitable building be provided at the latter place, it would, no doubt, be a more judicious course to apply the funds in the hands of the Board towards the support of a good and efficient School there.

By the returns of the 30th June, the number in attendance were twenty-eight, but Mr. Simpson, the teacher, has since that time resigned his situation and the School is now closed.

GAGETOWN.

There has been no local report in reference to this School during the past year. There is nothing of importance to mention, beyond that the attendance, small as it was before, is still less so by the last return, the numbers were only twenty seven.

CLIFTON.

This School in a thriving little village on the banks of the Kennebecasis, still merits the remarks of the visiting Committee that it was one of