

No. 2, and again from Primary No. 6, until by the 4th September, Advanced, No. 6, had an enrolled attendance of 40 pupils. In the interval between the 22nd August and the last named date, visits were again made to the several departments of Primary, No. 10, and a few desirable inter-changes of pupils effected. On the 5th September the Advanced, No. 5, was examined in a great variety of subjects, and the boys were found making as satisfactory progress and coming as nearly up to the requirements of the standard as could be expected, although as a whole the school suffered in appearance from a circumstance not to be overlooked, that, from the opening of the school till the day of examination, thirty-one boys out of sixty-two enrolled, or exactly one-half, had been withdrawn, some few leaving the Province, three going to other schools, eight to sea, and the remainder to enter offices, stores, and other places of business in the city.

From this time to the 20th September I made three lengthened visits to various Primary and Advanced departments on both sides of the harbour, classifying and transferring about sixty pupils, of whom some were new scholars and some had been absent at my former examinations. On the 20th I examined the girls' department in Primary No. 3,—a department that, for a long time, had been much too full for efficient work. The promotions which had recently taken place from Primary No. 2, and vacancies thereby created; now opened up a way of relief to the over-charged department just mentioned, and, accordingly, after a day spent in testing the qualifications of the pupils, fifteen were transferred thence to join the grades in Primary No. 2, with which they had been found by previous trial to agree.

About a month from the last named date was spent by me in a variety of duties, amongst which may be mentioned the search for a suitable room for the accommodation of the French classes, the Board having now decided that these were to be held in a distinct building by themselves. It fell to me also at this time to visit a great number of the school buildings, noting and reporting to the Board the requisites for the comfort of the pupils during the coming winter. Numerous short visits were likewise paid to the schools, notes taken of the exact state of the attendance in each room, and preparations made, wherever it was necessary or time permitted, for the semi-annual promotion of