

APPENDIX (G.)

Lot 14, Grand River, John Ronayne, Teacher. This School numbers 40 scholars, all of whom were present. I cannot state that any improvement was visible in the state of the School since last visited; the attendance of the children too, has not been constant. A class of 3 had made some progress in the elements of Grammar; but, before completing their knowledge of this branch, it is to be regretted, had left the School. At the period of my last visit, I found a large class reading the Scriptures, and the remainder learning to read the first elementary books.

The other District Schools in this County are, a School lately opened in Lot 14, Dubois Smith, Teacher—33 scholars. All those who were present were in the first stage of their progress; and also a School at New Bideford, John Stewart, Teacher. There is a respectable school at this station of about 30 children; and, although the majority of these are in the first stages of instruction (the settlement having been some years without a School,) the progress many had made in the short period since the opening of the School, and the care and attention which the teacher apparently bestowed, gave every indication of future creditable improvement.

The School at Port Hill was vacant on my last visit. At Lot 19, Bedeque, a school has for several years back been established; it is now taught by Thomas Collins, who has been the teacher during the last 3 or 4 years. In December last, I examined this school in presence of the Trustees thereof, and found every thing to approve in the proficiency of the scholars, and in the method of conducting the school. The teacher gives the greatest satisfaction to all concerned, by his close and constant attention to his duties.

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Brudenell River, and Lot 50, Districts. The Schools at these stations are taught by the teachers of the last year. Having detailed with minuteness in my last Report the state of these schools, separately; and finding but little alteration on my two last subsequent visits, in the state of either of them, it will be unnecessary to mention more at this time than the fact of the satisfaction which the teachers continue to give to those concerned, generally in the improvement of those committed to their charge. In the latter school, particularly the proficiency which the pupils were attaining in one branch, writing, was striking; the good order and neat appearance of the copies being very pleasing.

The Montague School is now vacant; the late teacher, Roderick Campbell, has succeeded to the charge of the Georgetown school, recently.

At Murray Harbour, the School of the District is under the superintendence of the former teacher, Archibald M'Kenzie. The state of this school continues to be prosperous, holding out advantages in its excellent arrangements, and in the ability of the teacher, possessed by few school stations in the Colony.

The School at White Sands, Guernsey Cove, continue in operation; but the teacher is not so efficient for this station as could be wished. From the desire of the inhabitants generally to give their children a suitable education, a person possessing higher qualifications than the present incumbent would be more serviceable in this District.

Savage Harbour, Donald Scott, Teacher. I find at intervals the state of this School gradually improving. In the reading department, the distinctness and general accuracy of pronunciation, together with readiness in spelling, is remarkable; and the proficiency of the scholars, notwithstanding the broken attendance, deserves commendation.

St. Peter's Bay, Morel. This school is taught by Thomas Bambrick, and although but very recently opened, the improvement evinced by the pupils in a few months, was superior to my expectations; and it must be confessed, is very creditable to the master.