

28. The building, in  
g the first Teachers of  
albot and his Brother  
n the years 1828 and  
e the present Market  
now Richmond Street,  
Street, west of Ridout  
n of whom were Miss

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a, Sir John Colborne,  
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on referred to the fact  
overnment House, in  
e 5th of August, 1829,  
the second Monday of  
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e may, as an historical  
first Classical School  
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ade a deed conveying  
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rom whom the site of  
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burgh, was appointed  
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e Mr. Swait and Miss  
rth, Lyman Parsons,  
(3.)

of the District (Gram-  
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d different assistants,  
ed early in his career.  
g experiments in it.  
Sheriff McKellar, the  
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September, 1829, Miss  
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pils, and that she will  
ars will be admitted.  
ents as usual.

on in regard to the  
230, the following

February, 1894, by Mr.  
ss of May the 7th, 1894.  
be inserted in its proper

"St Catharines' Collegi-

particulars relating to the Teachers of the Cornwall School are taken from His Honour Judge Pringle's "Lunenburg":\*

After the Reverend Mr. Strachan's departure from Cornwall the School was carried on by the Reverend John Bethune, afterwards Dean of Montreal, until 1815. In the year 1817 the Reverend Joseph Johnston, a Presbyterian Minister, was appointed Master. He, no doubt, did all in his power for the School, but he was unable to keep up the standing it had acquired in the time of its founder, and his connection with it ceased about 1820, when the Mastership was given to the Reverend Henry James, and was held by him until 1822. The next Teacher was the Reverend Harry Leith, a Minister of the Church of Scotland, and a native of Aberdeen, who held the position until 1826. . . . He was a good scholar, and an active and energetic Teacher, but he did not win the affection of his scholars, (probably because he followed too strictly the precept of Solomon: "Withhold not correction," etc.) In 1827 the school was placed under the charge of the Reverend Hugh Urquhart, who had been educated at King's College, Aberdeen, and ordained a Minister of the Church of Scotland. He remained in charge of the Eastern District Grammar School until 1840. . . . He was a ripe scholar and a conscientious and highly successful Teacher. His assistants were Messieurs Lawrence Donahue, William Kay and William Bain—afterwards Presbyterian Minister for many years at Perth.

## APPENDIX.

### CIRCULAR ISSUED BY THE EDITOR OF THIS DOCUMENTARY HISTORY.

*To the Chairman and Members of School Boards in Cities and Towns of Toronto:*

DEAR SIRS,—In preparing for the Department of Education, (under the direction of the Honourable the Minister,) the Documentary History of Education in Upper Canada, from 1791 to 1876, it appears to me that the History would not be complete without a brief record in it of the establishment of the first Grammar, or Public School, (or noted Private School or Seminary, etc.), in the chief Cities, Towns and larger Villages of the Province.

I should be thankful, therefore, if your School Board would favour me, as soon as convenient, with such a statement of facts, names and dates, connected with the establishment and history of schools, (such as I have described,) in your municipality, as the Board may be able to procure and send to me.

Yours very truly,

J. GEORGE HODGINS,

LIBRARIAN AND HISTORIOGRAPHER TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT,

TORONTO, 5th February, 1894.

### MEMORANDUM IN REGARD TO THE FOREGOING CIRCULAR.

Up to the date of this memorandum, I have received no reply to the above circular from your Board.

Since it was sent to the Board, the compilation and printing of the Documentary History have progressed, chronologically, from 1807 to 1830, so that replies to the circular will soon be too late to be available for this History.

Of course, replies are optional; but my desire has been that each School Trustee Board in Ontario should have an opportunity to contribute, or not, at its pleasure, to this record of our educational history.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT,

TORONTO, May 12th, 1894.

J. GEORGE HODGINS.

\*Lunenburg, or the Old Eastern District, etc., by J. F. Pringle, Judge, County Court, Cornwall, 1890, pages 239, 240.