

made. Mr. Wilson urged the economy of a central school in opposition to four schools employing inferior teachers, and of better qualifications in some parts of the town than in others; thereby leaving the poorest portion that most needed education, worst provided for; making ungenerous distinctions in the application of public funds, and disuniting the rising generation. He also pointed out the benefit of the smaller consideration, of a building and establishment on a large and respectable scale, it drew and attached youth to it; gave them occasion for a laudable pride, in having been educated therein, and added to the reputation of any community.

"Mr. Begg followed Mr. Wilson, and bore testimony to the success of Mr. Robert Wilson's teaching, and pointed out the entire unfitness of the present schools—their proportionate expensiveness and inefficiency.

"Mr. Buchanan urged the necessity of doing something immediately, as some of the school-houses were altogether unfit for winter use; he recommended the council to inspect the schools, and they would be convinced of the necessity of doing something to improve the state of Common School education, and of the adoption of a system on an adequate scale, for the population of the whole town."

On the 3rd instant, the Mayor and Council adopted a resolution appropriating for the erection of a School-house for Common School purposes the sum of £1000 : £100 to be paid the present year; £200 in one year; £300 in two years; and £400 in three years.

PUBLIC MEETING IN FAVOUR OF FREE SCHOOLS IN THE LONDON DISTRICT.

—We are glad to perceive that a movement for the improvement of their Schools is commencing among some of the inhabitants of the London District. Such movements at primary meetings of the people—several of which we have had the pleasure of noticing—are the best indications of a growing interest in behalf of Common Schools, and the best means of improving them by diffusing correct information and embodying right views on the subject of education. We copy the following from a local paper :

"Pursuant to a requisition of the Trustees of School Section, No. 4, Westminster, a meeting of the inhabitants of said section was held on Saturday, the 1st inst, "for the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety of having the entire school section assessed for the support of the school, from henceforth, in pursuance of the eighth section of the amended School Act." The following resolutions were proposed and adopted :

Moved by Mr. Robert Frank, seconded by Mr. Thomas Jarvis;

Resolved,—That Mr. Robert Summers (Trustee) do take the Chair, and that Mr. Nathan Griffith do act as Secretary.

Moved by Mr. Robert Frank, seconded by Mr. Samuel Jarvis, (Trustee;)

Resolved,—That Education being a subject of most vital importance to mankind in general, and to every individual in particular, it is the interest and duty of every honest member of the community, and of every lover of social order and harmony, to aid in its diffusion among the rising generation—to render every possible assistance, and to give every incentive towards acquisition.

Moved by Mr. Richard Tunks, seconded by Mr. Eli Griffith;

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this meeting, that the views of the Chief Su-