

GENERAL CIRCULAR TO REEVES OF TOWNSHIPS, TO CLERKS OF COUNTIES AND TO
LOCAL SUPERINTENDENTS OF SCHOOLS, TRANSMITTING VARIOUS REPORTS
AND DOCUMENTS FOR THE USE OF THE SCHOOLS.

I have the honour to transmit, herewith, for use of the Schools in your Municipality, the following Documents.

The Laws relating to Common Schools in Upper Canada, with the Forms and Regulations, etcetera. The duties of each Council and School Officer will be found on reference to the Index. The attention of the Council will be found is specially directed to the Twenty-fifth Section of the School Law, on page 58, and the note on page 55. A copy of this Pamphlet has already been sent to each School Corporation and Local Superintendent in Upper Canada.

The laws relating to Roman Catholic Separate Schools in Upper Canada (passed in 1855), and to Dissentient Schools in Lower Canada, arranged in parallel columns. The latter is not sent for any special purpose, but having been printed in this form for another object, a copy is sent, merely for your information on the subject. The law relating to Separate Schools for Protestants and Coloured people remains the same as that passed in 1850-53.

The Department Notices relating to the supply of the Public Schools with Maps, Apparatus and Public Library Books. The importance of supplying the Trustees and Teachers with these necessary and useful adjuncts in the great work of education, and the public with interesting and appropriate Books, will readily suggest itself to the Council and to each local Superintendent, without any more formal reference to the subject. The Department will, in terms of the "Notices" sent, add one hundred per cent. to any sums, not less than Five dollars, which the Council, or School Corporation, may appropriate to these objects.

Forms of Application for these School Requisites.

Various other pamphlets and catalogues are sent herewith.

I have also sent a further supply of School Registers, to be distributed as usual to the Schools, when required.

I have requested the County Clerk to forward these documents and Reports to the Local Superintendents without delay.

On their receipt the Local Superintendent will please distribute numbers (1) and (2) among the Common, Separate, and Grammar Schools, retaining one of each for himself. The blank Forms, numbers (3) and (4), should be distributed among the Common Schools *alone*. The Registers can be distributed to the Schools as heretofore.

The Chief Superintendent of Education has addressed a Circular to the various Municipalities in the Province on the expediency and propriety of their devoting, at least, a portion of their share of the Clergy Reserve Fund to the purchase of Maps, School Apparatus, and Public Library Books. The matter is one of the highest importance, and I shall rely on each Council and School Officer's co-operation in promoting so noble an object.

TORONTO, 20th November, 1856.

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CIRCULAR TO THE HEADS OF CITY, TOWN, TOWNSHIP AND VILLAGE MUNICIPALITIES
IN UPPER CANADA, ON THE APPROPRIATION OF THE "CLERGY RESERVE
FUND" OF THE MUNICIPALITY TO THE PURCHASE OF MAPS, GLOBES, APPARATUS
AND LIBRARIES FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

1. By the late settlement of the Clergy Reserve question, a considerable sum of Money is placed at the disposal of each Municipality in Upper Canada; and, I take the liberty of addressing to you, and to the Council over which you have been chosen to preside, a few words on the expenditure of the Clergy Reserve Moneys, which the Act of Legislature has placed under your control.