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Dear Sir

I have to return your Quarterly School Returns for the quarter ended 30th Sep: 1898. for amendment. They were returned to me from the office in Victoria with a request that I would return them to you for amendment. I quote for your guidance the following remarks made by the Superintendent in his letter to me.

" There are so many inconsistencies therein
" (i.e. your School Returns) that it would be
" useless to send the Return to the Department
" in its present incomplete condition, as
" payment of the Teacher's Salary could not
" be expected till the irregularities referred
" to were corrected. In the remarks column
" you will notice in print the following,
" "No of days in Quarter School was open. 34.
" According to this statement the school was
" open only 34 days, yet in spite of that
" statement made by the Teacher some pupils
" are credited with an attendance in the
" "Days present" column of 36, 37, 41, 35, 39, 40
" days, and so on all through this column. It
" is difficult to understand how a pupil
" could attend school more than 34 days
" in the quarter when the School was open
" for

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Teacher

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