ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTERS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THE CITY OF TORONTO:

Gentlemen, -In fulfilment of one of the duties which devolve on me, as Local Superintendent of the Public Schools of this city, I respectfully submit to you the following Report on the condition and operation of those schools, during the year 1863.

In my last Report I had occasion to complain of the close resemblance of our Public School statistics during several successive years, notwithstanding the earnest efforts which had been constantly made to render the schools more extensively useful, by inducing a larger number of parents to avail themselves of the advantages which they supply. Perhaps, in common with not a few who earnestly desire the mental and moral culture of the obviously neglected portion of the children of our city, I have supposed that their number is larger than it actually is. My last Report, however, acknowledged