

lation of the city, which you will see in the report which I herewith send.

I am, with high esteem,

Most truly yours,

JOHN D. PHILBRICK,

Supt. of Public Schools.

To Rev. James Porter,
Local Supt. of Public Schools,
City of Toronto, C. W.

DECEMBER 6, 1861.

P.S.—I hope you will pardon my seeming negligence. This letter, written at the date it purports to be, by some unaccountable mistake got mislaid.

I am now preparing a paper giving a full account of our Truant Law and the mode of administering it in Boston.

J. D. F.

In accordance with instructions given by the Committee on School Management, the Secretary of the Board (Mr. G. A. Barber) addressed a communication to the Chief Superintendent of Education, the Rev. Dr. Ryerson, asking whether the Board possessed authority to make an educational census such as that referred to in the resolution adopted by the Board, and in reply the following communication was received, and in due course submitted and read to the Board, namely—