

\$7.46 cts. per pupil, without condition. The High School, with 283 pupils, receives \$1128; or at the rate of \$3.98 cts. per pupil, and has, for this, to educate 30 free pupils, whose education is worth, at the ordinary rate of fees charged by the School, more than the whole sum received. This we hold to be nothing less than virtually to proscribe as unworthy of public support the superior English and Protestant education represented by the High School. It is further to be observed that all of the institutions above referred to, have, in former years, received additional grants for building purposes, while no such grant has been given to the High School, though the Governors of the College have erected an excellent building for it, and renewed this building, at great expense, after the calamitous fire of 1856.

Your Committee would not wish to be understood as desiring to exclude free scholars from the High School, but as insisting on the unfairness of representing as a grant to the School, the fees paid under an arrangement entered into with Government for the purpose of educating indigent and deserving pupils, long before the enactment of the Superior Education Act, and not considered as a free grant. What we maintain is that a grant should be given in addition to the fees paid for those pupils, and in proportion to the efficiency of the School. Nor do your Committee wish to attach to any one in particular the blame for the injustice which they have suffered. They are, however, decidedly of opinion that the time has fully arrived to add to their frequent and fruitless applications to the Education office and the Government, a more formal appeal, and if necessary to demand a parliamentary investigation of the application of the Superior Education fund, in connection with the injustice so long done to this University and its preparatory school.

Your Committee would farther state that the connection of the High School with the University should not cause the High School to receive less than its due proportion of aid from the Superior Education fund. The connection produces no pecuniary benefit to the College, but entails on it an expense equal to the amount of its own parliamentary grant, which has always been very inadequate, and the care extended by the Board of Royal Institution to this School, and the excellence to which it has in consequence attained, should surely be regarded as additional reasons for its liberal support.