

APPENDIX No. 4.

very orderly. The school-house may, perhaps, be accounted "sufficient," but it ought to be boarded or plastered inside, and ceiled. The desks and benches are very inconvenient, and ought to be altered and improved. Recommended the having of these defects remedied through the exertions of the Trustees.

Webster's Creek, Lot 65; James McNeill, Teacher; Second or Highest Class. Register, 34—Boys 19, Girls 15; present to-day, 20—Boys 12, Girls 8; average daily attendance, 20 6-3^d, (1st quarter of 2d half-year) from 8th Nov. to 22d Dec. Reading, 34—5 classes. Writing, 27; good. Arithmetic, 15—3 classes; expert and correct. Grammar, 10; Lennie. Geography, 12; Stewart's and Chambers'. Dictation, 13; three times a week. Book-keeping, 3; books very creditable. Mensuration, 2. Scripture lesson daily. Remarks—Wednesday, 22d December, 1858. Examined this School this day. Register duly kept. The state of the School is highly satisfactory. Considerable progress has been made by the pupils in Grammar, Geography, and Arithmetic. This School is opened and closed with prayer—the prescribed forms. The pupils are clean, of respectable appearance and well behaved. The school furniture is strong, very substantial, but clumsy and inconvenient. It ought to be altered and improved.

Long Creek, Lot 65; Donald Currie, Teacher; Second or Highest Class. Register, 36—Boys 17, Girls 19; present to-day, 30; average daily attendance, 25 for the time past of the third quarter. Reading, 36—4 classes. Writing, 26—Boys 12, Girls 14. Arithmetic, 21—3 classes; first as far as Vulgar Fractions. Grammar, 18—2 classes. Geography, 18—2 classes. Dictation, 14. Algebra, 2. Geometry, 4. English History, 14. Remarks—Thursday, 23d December, 1858. Inspected this School this day. The examination, which was a searching one, was very satisfactory and truly creditable to the teacher and to his pupils. This School is one of the best—if not the very best—and most successfully conducted of all the rural District Schools that I have hitherto visited. The teacher, Mr. Currie, is not only particularly well qualified by his educational acquirements, but also peculiarly so by his natural endowments, to become (should he continue in the profession) an eminently successful teacher of youth. At the instance, and under the guidance of the teacher, a School Library has been formed in this School. The books which have already been purchased for it are select and suitable. The undertaking meets with due encouragement from the parents of the pupils. It is an example which should be imitated in every other School District in the Island.

St. Catherine's, Lot 65; Isabella McMillan, Teacher, female. Register, 42—Boys 23, Girls 19; present to-day, 16—Boys 10, Girls 6; average daily attendance, current quarter, 22; (commenced 20th Dec.). Reading, 42—5 classes; reading, spelling, and explanations very fair. Writing, 17; very carefully and successfully taught, style very good, and books clean. Arithmetic, 13; highest, Decimal Fractions: the pupils whom I examined in Arithmetic made their calculations readily and correctly. Grammar, 5; (beginners) Etymology. Geography, 12; Geographical Primer: fair knowledge of outlines. Scripture lesson daily. Remarks—Thursday, 23d December, 1858. Examined this School this day. Register duly kept. The School is evidently very well conducted. It is opened and closed with prayer—the prescribed forms. School-house a good log one, but not fin-