

from the most direct and authentic source, to the exact day in every case in which that can be ascertained. And all other items directed to be entered on the Register at the opening of the school should be entered just as soon as the *exact* information can be reasonably obtained and proved by the teacher.

(c.) The teacher will be held responsible for any delay on the part of the secretary of the trustees in entering upon the Register the statistics he is required to obtain, unless evidence is forthcoming that the teacher gave due and reasonable notice to the secretary that the required entries had not been made in the Register.

(d.) These statistics are open to the inspection of all school visitors and officers; and if any error should be discovered it should be immediately corrected.

(e.) The following notes are made on points which have been observed to be misunderstood or overlooked by some teacher or trustee during the past three years :

#### GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTES.

1. The Return is an exact copy of specified portions of the Register, and it must therefore be exactly copied as prescribed before it can be sworn to. The return will, therefore, contain some statistics which refer to the beginning of the school year instead of the close—the ages of pupils for instance.

2. An assistant teacher as well as any other, must make oath in statutory form in order to draw any Provincial Grant. Such affidavits should be attached to the return of the principal teacher of the department in the blank space provided for the same.

3. In the case of school sections to which extra holidays have been granted under any of the Regulations of the C. P. I., and of teachers applying for the extra Class A, or Agricultural Grants, the facts should be plainly endorsed on the margin of the Return or otherwise inseparably attached to it, so that the Inspector cannot overlook them. Teachers or sections neglecting this precaution will rightly be held responsible for their own losses if any occur on account of the neglect.

4. When a teacher does not expect to remain in the section after the close of the school, his or her Post Office address for the month following should be endorsed on the return, say, on the foot margin of its face when folded, in case the Inspector should require to communicate with the teacher regarding some point in the "return" or the payment of the Provincial Grant. If this precaution is neglected, the teacher alone must be held responsible for delay in the payment of moneys occasioned thereby, and the additional trouble given the Inspector.