

BOARD OF DIRECTORS INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Gentlemen:—

The attendance during the past year has been larger than in any other since my connection with the school began. At present the nightly attendance averages 41. With very few exceptions the boys are anxious to acquire the rudiments of an English education and gradual improvement is being made. The conduct of the boys in school and out of it too as far as I know, is excellent. The only exceptions which I have noted were in the cases of some of the lads sent for truancy. The shortness of the period for which they were sent seemed to leave them under the impression that it was not worth their while to learn to conform to the rules of the Institution. Considerable strictness had to be exercised to get an ordinary amount of work done during school hours. But those in the school at the present time, both truants and others, are on the whole quite as diligent as could reasonably be expected. We spend by far the greater part of our time on reading, writing and arithmetic. Perhaps the most noticeable improvement during the year is in writing.

Respectfully submitted.

Halifax, Feb., 1893.

W. T. KENNEDY.

TO THE CHAIRMAN BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Sir:—

I have much pleasure in reporting for the information of the board that the general health of the school for the year ending Dec. 31st, '92 has been remarkably good. No serious case of accident or illness has occurred during that term. The suggestions made to the Board in reference to the dormitories and lavatory having been in the main carried out has done much towards enabling the superintendent to secure and maintain the cleanliness and comfort of the pupils.

A. W. H. LINDSAY,

Att'g. Phys.