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### FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES IN UPPER CANADA.

In the last number of this Journal we presented a brief view, with illustrations, of what has been done, and is now doing, in home manufacture of School Furniture, Maps, Globes, and various School Apparatus. In this number we present a tabular view of what has been done in another branch of Public Instruction—the circulation of books in Free Public Libraries.

In this Journal, for February, 1856, we inserted a table showing the number of volumes which had been procured at the Department during each month from 1853 to 1855 inclusive. We now insert, in continuation of that, another table, showing the number of volumes supplied by the Department on the application of Municipal and School authorities, during each month of the years 1856 and 1857:—

#### STATEMENT OF THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES SENT TO THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES OF UPPER CANADA:

| During the Months of   | In<br>History.   | Zoology.   | Botany.  | Phenome-<br>na.   | Physical<br>Science.  | Geology.   | Natural<br>Philoso'y.   | Chemis-<br>try.                         | Agricul-<br>tural<br>Chemis'y.            | Practical Agriculture.  | Manufac-<br>tures.   | Litera-<br>ture.   | Vоувев.   | Biogra-   | Tales,<br>Sketches,<br>&c.  | Teachers'  | TOTAL.  |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|--|---|---|---|---|--|--|---|---|---|--|---|
| Total sent out from 1855 to December, 1855, as per statement in Journal of February, 1856.  January, 1856.  February " | 20266<br>36<br><br>261<br>137<br>105<br>150<br>236<br>77<br>19<br>228<br>870<br>691<br>1049<br>1386<br>405<br>261<br>125<br>18<br>78<br>28<br>28<br>28<br>28<br>29<br>20<br>20<br>20<br>20<br>20<br>20<br>20<br>20<br>20<br>20 | 9187 36 41 20 10 49 129 5 57 104 197 258 410 439 87 108 172 149 75 32 9 9 15 | 1635 4 2 30 82 24 46 73 79 66 225 18 23 11 2 4 1 | 3686<br>3 10 21 5 36 83 5 5 3 46 50 135 61 110 146 487 62 41 49 9 14 9 24 | 2540<br>24<br><br>27<br>8<br>4<br>6<br>13<br>21<br><br>35<br>112<br>171<br>182<br>215<br>38<br>34<br>57<br>51<br>35<br>5<br>6<br>6<br>6<br>13<br>21<br>171<br>182<br>183<br>183<br>183<br>183<br>183<br>183<br>183<br>183 | 1070<br>9<br><br>9<br>5<br>12<br>3<br>7<br>23<br>35<br>59<br>10<br>9<br>20<br>18<br>4<br>5<br> | 1823<br>36<br><br>30<br>2<br>1<br>7<br>11<br>9<br><br>27<br>16<br>65<br>66<br>98<br>136<br>29<br>24<br>27<br>38<br>38<br>39<br>1<br><br>1<br>1<br>1<br>1<br>1<br>1<br>1<br>1<br>1<br>1<br>1<br>1<br>1 | 968 11 16 1 2 6 25 12 37 30 39 7 4 1 16 | 589 3 2 1 1 2 2 2 1 3 14 9 16 4 8 1 1 2 1 | 5404<br>8<br>52 30<br>18 35<br>46 11<br>1 40<br>76 111<br>1304<br>274 323<br>99<br>115<br>127<br>107<br>7 3<br>16 | 5705<br>36<br>44<br>12<br>2<br>2<br>58<br>7<br>5<br>61<br>116<br>99<br>217<br>74<br>32<br>99<br>75<br>22<br>14<br>5<br>8 | 11819<br>22<br>264<br>62<br>41<br>74<br>184<br>55<br>4<br>286<br>495<br>464<br>546<br>622<br>242<br>115<br>90<br>40<br>40<br>26<br>6<br>19 | 8417<br>4<br>10<br>89<br>41<br>61<br>154<br>80<br><br>53<br>167<br>369<br>804<br>547<br>684<br>547<br>684<br>106<br>109<br>203<br>205<br>109<br>109<br>109<br>109<br>109<br>109<br>109<br>109 | 12391<br>5<br>135<br>81<br>32<br>207<br>313<br>29<br>11<br>109<br>378<br>544<br>566<br>723<br>102<br>195<br>319<br>248<br>119<br>40<br>47<br>12<br>62 | 30534<br>2<br><br>338<br>140<br>173<br>108<br>515<br>103<br>227<br>284<br>648<br>1094<br>1359<br>1326<br>2957<br>295<br>1073<br>594<br>539<br>349<br>242<br>243<br>123<br>194<br>422<br>375 | 1218 10 37 8 26 22 21 59 69 31 53 58 98 26 20 16 1 4 | 117292 245 240 1359 571 434 794 1796 351 272 1050 2544 4233 4435 5579 8619 1261 2283 2595 2000 1200 448 387 172 891 |
| Total to 31st December, 1857   | 28059  | 11602  | 2074   | 4665  | 3644  | 1342   | 2482  | 1157                                    | 687                                       | 7169  | 7435   | 15733  | 11689   | 17751   | 43585   | 1720   | 160794  |

Large supplies of books for libraries having been sent out during the years 1854 and 1855, the orders for them in 1856 were much reduced; while the number of volumes sent out in 1857 was greatly increased. An average of little more than

1,000 volumes per month was sent out in 1856; while in 1857 it was nearly 2,500 volumes per month. In this table, *Prize Books* (which have been ordered and supplied as rewards to meritorious pupils in the schools, are not included. These