

SCHOOLMASTER'S REPORT.

HALIFAX PENITENTIARY,
January 2, 1875.

SIR,—In submitting to you my twelfth annual report, it affords me much pleasure in being able to bear testimony to the general good conduct and steady application of my pupils during the past year, and to the proportionate advancement in their studies.

I am greatly indebted to the Warden and Chaplains for their aid and encouragement in the discharge of my school duties.

There are at present upon the roll—

White	16
Colored	9
Total	<u>25</u>

Of these—

(an read, write and cypher.....	10
Can read.....	10
Can spell.....	5
Total.....	<u>25</u>

Having, in capacity of Schoolmaster, charge of the general library, I attended to 573 issues of books in 1875. Next to their religious advantages, this source of amusement and instruction is, perhaps, the greatest privilege which the prisoners enjoy, and has done much towards the improvement of their minds as well as of their manners.

With warmest gratitude to yourself for past kindness,

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

JOHN F. COTTON,
Schoolmaster.

J. G. MOYLAN, Esq.,
Inspector of Penitentiaries.

MATRON'S REPORT.

HALIFAX PENITENTIARY,
December 31, 1875.

SIR,—I beg to inform you that I assumed the duties of Matron of this prison on the 1st July last. I found that the late matron, Miss Chambers, had left everything in her department in very good order. There was one female prisoner there, who still remains, and has been since employed in useful services of the prison. I would add that she is a very industrious and well-behaved woman.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

ELLEN FLINN,
Matron.

J. G. MOYLAN, Esq.,
Inspector of Penitentiaries.