

properly attended to, as much for their welfare as for the public good."

December 11th.—By consent of the mover and seconder this resolution was withdrawn and the following substituted therefor, namely,—Mr. Henning moved, seconded by Mr. Dowzard,—“That it be remitted to a special committee to report the probable cost of a return showing the number of children in the City of Toronto who do not attend any School, with the causes of their non-attendance, and also the number of children who attend the public, private, evening, religious and charitable schools respectively, provided the Board has authority under the School Act to take such a census,” which resolution was carried.

In his Report No. 17, (dated December 11th,) the Local Superintendent stated that he had recently received a communication from John D. Philbrick, Esq., Superintendent of the Public Schools of the City of Boston, on the working of the Truant Law of the State of Massachusetts, in that city, which, as likely to be of present interest to the Board, he begged to submit accordingly. The following is a copy of the communication referred to:—

BOSTON, MASS., Sept. 27, 1861.

DEAR SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your favour of the 24th.

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