

APPENDIX.

(No. 1.)

CIRCULAR OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

To the Municipal Councils of the several Districts and Cities in Upper Canada.

GENTLEMEN,—The new School Act for Upper Canada has provided for the appointment of a Board of Education, whose special duty it is to select and recommend proper Books and Libraries; and to establish a Normal School for the better education of School Teachers in Upper Canada.

We, to whom this duty has been assigned, have undertaken it with a deep conviction of its importance and difficulty, and with an earnest desire to perform it in a manner that will promote, to the greatest possible extent, the best interests of the country.

Addressing ourselves to the work committed to us, with an interest in common with our fellow subjects, we hope for the cordial and generous co-operation of the several District Councils, in promoting the important objects for which the Board has been constituted.

In respect to School Books, it may be sufficient at the present time for us to state, that we shall endeavour to make such arrangements, that those School Books which may be recommended by the Board of Education, for use in schools, shall have the additional advantage of being the *cheapest* as well as the *best* of their kind. Reduction in the price of School Books will, indeed, follow as the natural consequence of the use of a uniform series throughout the Province. Persons in this branch of business will find it expedient to supply themselves with books which are in general and permanent demand; and, like all other articles in general and constant use, the price of such books will be reduced in proportion to the extent of their circulation and the facilities of procuring them.