Your Committee feel that they would be wanting in their duty, if on this occasion they failed thus publicly to testify their unqualified approbation. Mr. Thom's desire to promote the improvement of the scholars, and his incessant attention in discharging all the duties which devolved upon him as Master, and also as Librarian, merit the warmest praise and acknowledgments. The want of funds to meet the increased amount of his salary, sanctioned by the Committee in 1831, after the expiration of the first year in which he was in charge, is the sole reason of his relinquishing the situation. The services of Mr. Dunbar Jameison, who has for some time been in charge of a public school at Three Rivers, on the Lancasterian system, and who is well qualified as a teacher, having received a classical education, have been engaged in the room of the present master.

Miss Norris, mistress of the girl's school has also recently retired from the charge of that branch of the Institution in which she had been successfully engaged for eight years. The Committee having every reason to be highly satisfied with the conduct of Miss Norris, has, as a mark of their approbation, presented her with a large Bible from their Repository. Mrs. Purcell sister of Mr. Jameison, and who is every way qualified for the office, is now in the actual

discharge of the duties of School Mistress.

An application was made to the Provincial Parliament during the last Session in aid of the funds of this school; but the Committee regret to state that it was not favourably received; an application was also made for a small grant towards establishing a Day school on the Madras system, at Pres-de-ville which is very much wanted in that neighbourhood, so far removed from any of the public free schools of the city; and in this instance as well as the other, they regret the application was unsuccessful.

The Sunday Schools belonging to the Church of England composed of the children of the poor attached to the civil and military congregations are in a flourishing condition and it is hoped are effecting much good; 139 Boys and 109

Girls are the children upon the books.

The Annual Public Examination took place on the 23rd of December, and the result of the examination was satis-

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