

Dividing the District into new counties would be followed by several beneficial results.

The difficulty of giving children any education in a newly settled country is a disadvantage to which it is incident, almost inseparable from its earliest stages of improvement, especially, when the settlers take up lots of one or two hundred acres, and each head of a family builds his habitation on his own lot ; which is the general practice of the settlers in these Townships. In many parts of them they are destitute of schools and school-masters. Now, that the population in most of them is considerable, this ought to be remedied. The inhabitants, no doubt, will in some measure soon provide for this want ; but its removal is worthy of the attention of Government and of public-spirited men. It is desirable that the first principles of religion, morality, and loyalty to the King, should be early instilled into the rising generation ; and this might be accomplished in a great degree by the appointment of proper school-masters. By allowing a small salary to two school-masters, or to three, in a Township, in addition to what the parents of the scholars should pay for their education, the nomination of the masters, and their system of education, might be watched over, and directed by government. A salary of £60 divided between two school-masters, would be more beneficial than the same sum, or more, given to one school. The provisions of the Act for the establishment of free-schools and the advancement of learning in this Province, passed A. D.