

which he regretted his inability to furnish the list till after the meeting of the Board next Wednesday night. We, at all events, have done our best to insure accuracy in Our statistical tables.

CATHOLIC PUPILS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS ON 22ND OCT., 1887.

I. Children of parents, both Catholic :

From Kingston City—1 family ; 5 children.

From the Country, but within the area of Municipal taxation—5 families ; 10 children.

From the Country outside Kingston City and Township—1 family ; 3 children.

Total—7 families ; 18 children.

All those children, without exception, have been transferred from the Public to the Separate Schools since the publication of Our Pastoral Letter on the Public School Trustees' resolution Oct. 23rd.

The parents of the 10 children who reside in the country, within the municipal limits (at G. T. R. depot), have always desired to educate their children in the Separate Schools. But they had no Separate School nearer to them than a mile and a half, while they had a Public School at their door. Their children, whose ages range from 4 to 10 years, were too young to make the long double journey every day and in every season of the year; and, moreover, it would be dangerous for children so young to cross the unfenced K. & P. Railway track twice daily. The 3 other children, who reside in Pittsburg Township, have no Separate School nearer to them than two long miles. Accordingly the good and thoroughly loyal Catholic parents of those 13 children have hitherto presumed on Our reasonable consent to their utilizing the Public Schools. But now the Trustees have rendered it absolutely impossible for any self-respecting Catholic to commit his children to their care; and all have consequently been withdrawn from the Public Schools and placed in the far-away Separate Schools. Thanks be to God, whose mercy draws good out of evil.

II. Catholic pupils, children of Catholic fathers and Protestant mothers, who attended the Public Schools up to Oct. 23rd, were 4 in number, and they belong to 3 families. They likewise have all been withdrawn from the Public Schools and sent to the Separate Schools since the publication of Our Pastoral Letter denouncing the action of the Trustees.

III. Catholic pupils, children of Protestant fathers and Catholic mothers, attending Public Schools up to Oct. 23rd, belong to 9 families and are 14 in number. Three of those families have transferred their children, four in number, to the Separate Schools since the publication of Our Pastoral. The children of three others are distributed between the Separate and the Public Schools; and the mothers of two of the remaining three families are most eager to transfer their children to the Separate Schools, and hope to be allowed to do so before long. The "expelling" decree of the Board was directed against two families only, and it was not enforced against them on the 1st inst., the day fixed for its execution. Those two families, and with them eleven others, nowise affected by the decree, have transferred their children from the Public to the Separate Schools since the publication of Our former Pastoral on Oct. 23rd. Thanks be to God for His mercy to Our little ones.

We have good reason to hope that all, except one, of the Protestant fathers of Our Catholic children will ere long consent to their being educated in accordance with the doctrine and moral discipline of the Church of their Baptism; that, being Catholics, they may be good, religious and virtuous Catholics, not half-and-half nor neutralized, that is, neither Indifferentists nor Agnostics, of whom, unhappily for families and for society, there are too many at this side of the Atlantic.