INSTRUCTION. "Of Time in Session, Holidays, and Vacations" has been revised as follows:

HOLIDAYS.

The following Regulations have been added to SECTION 3, of the Chapter above named.

a. When for any cause the Trustees of a school shall deem it desirable that any prescribed Teaching Day should be given as a Holiday, the school or schools may be kept in session on the Saturday of the week in which such Holiday has been given, and such Saturday shall be held to be in all respects a legal Teaching Day.

b. When, owing to illness, or for any other just cause, a teacher loses any number of prescribed teaching days, such teacher shall have the privilege of making up for such lost days, to the extent of SIX during any Term, by teaching on Saturdays; But

c. No school shall be kept in session more than five days per week for any two consecutive weeks;

d. Nor shall any Teacher teach more than FIVE DAYS PER WEEK on the average (vacations not being counted) during the period of his engagement in any term.

The Anniversary of the QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY shall be a Holiday in all the Public Schools, as heretofore.

VACATIONS.

The following Regulations have been made in lieu of SECTION 4, of the Chapter above named:—

1. The CHRISTMAS VACATION shall remain as heretofore, the "eight days" being held to mean week-days other than Saturdays.

2. Instead of two vacations during the summer term (a week at seed time and a fortnight at harvest) as heretofore, THREE WEEKS (15 week-days other than Saturdays,) shall hereafter be given as vacation during the summer term, at such time or times as the Trustees shall decide: Nevertheless

3. In order that the due Inspection of Schools as required by law, may not be interfered with, each Inspector shall have power, notwithstanding anything in the foregoing Regulations, to give notice of the day or days on which he proposes to visit any school or schools in his county for the purposes of Inspection, and to require that on the day or days so named such school or schools shall be kept in session.

July, 1867.

III. Teachers' Agreements.

The attention of Teachers and Trustees is again called to the necessity of complying with the provision of the Law in relation to the disposal of the County Fund. It appears from the School Returns of the past Term that some teachers have in their agreements with Trustees in respect to salary, *assumed all risk as to the amount to be received from the County Fund.* Such proceeding is contrary to the provisions of the law and directly subversive of a most important principle of the school system, since the pecuniary penalty imposed upon the inhabitants of the section by the absence and irregular attendance of pupils is thereby inflicted upon the teacher, while the pecuniary rewards consequent upon a large and regular attendance of pupils at school is diverted from the people to the teacher. These results clearly tend to prevent the growth and development of a sentiment of responsibility and interest among all the inhabitants of each section, and thus measurably defeat the object of the whole system—the education of every child in the province.

The Superintendent of Education, therefore, calls the attention of Teachers and Trustees to the following

NOTICE.

1. The COUNTY FUND is paid to the TRUSTEES of the section. The amount depends upon the number of pupils, the regularity of their attendance, and the number of prescribed teaching days on which school is open in any section during the term.

2. Teachers must engage with Trustees at a *definite sum or rate.* The Provincial grant is paid to teachers *in addition* to such specified sum.

3. The following form of agreement is in accordance with the law:

[Form of Agreement.]

Memorandum of Agreement made and entered into the —— day of ——— A.D. 186 , between *(name of teacher)* a duly licensed teacher of the —— class of the one part, and *(names of trustees)* Trustees of School Section No. —— in the District of ——— of the second part.

The said *(name of teacher)* on his (or her) part, in consideration of the below mentioned agreements by the parties of the second part, hereby covenants and agrees with the said *(names of Trustees)* Trustees as aforesaid and their successors in office, diligently and faithfully to teach a public school in the said section, under the authority of the said Trustees and their successors in office, during the School Year (or Term) ending on the thirty-first day of October next, (or the thirtieth day of April, as the case may be).

And the said Trustees and their successors in office on their part covenant and agree with the said *(name of teacher)* Teacher as aforesaid, to pay the said *(name of teacher)* out of the School Funds under their control, at the rate of ——— dollars for the School Year (or Term.)

And it is hereby further mutually agreed that both parties to this agreement shall be in all respects subject to the provisions of the School Law and the Regulations made under its authority by the Council of Public Instruction.

In Witness whereof the parties to these presents have hereto subscribed their names on the day and year first above written.

Witness, *(Name of Witness.)* — *(Name of Teacher.)* *(Names of Trustees.)*

4. Each Inspector is instructed to report every case of illegal stipulation on the part of teachers, in reference to the County Fund.

May, 1867.

IV. The procuring of Books and Apparatus.

1. WHEREAS, by the 20th Section of the Amended School Law, the rate-payers of each school section are empowered to assess themselves for the purchase of prescribed School Books, Maps, and Apparatus; and WHEREAS, by the 15th subdivision of the 6th section of the said law, an annual Provincial Grant is provided to enable the Superintendent of Education to furnish the above articles at half their cost, to School Trustees,—

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

That the Superintendent of Education will furnish, as below, School Books Maps, and Apparatus, to the extent of the Provincial Grant in aid of the same.

2. Trustees must carefully comply with the following Regulations:—

Reg. 1.—Applications must be made in the following form, and addressed to MESSRS. A. & W. MACKINLAY, HALIFAX, who have been duly authorized to attend to all orders.

[Form of Application.]

(Date)

Messrs. A. & W. Mackinlay,
Halifax.

SIRS,—We enclose *(or forward by* ——— *)* the sum of $———, for which you will please send us the following articles provided by the Superintendent of Education for use in the public schools. The parcel is to be addressed——— *(here give the address in full)* and forwarded by——— *(here state the name of the person, express company, or vessel; and, if by vessel, direct the parcel to be insured, if so desired.)*

LIST OF ARTICLES.

(Here specify distinctly the Books, Maps, &c., required, and the quantity of each sort.)

We certify that each and all of the articles named in the above list are required for use in the Public School (or Schools) under our control, and for no other purpose whatsoever; and we engage strictly to carry out the Regulations of the Council of Public Instruction for the management and preservation of school books and apparatus.

(Signed) ———, ———, ——— } *Trustees of——School Section in the County of——*

Reg. 2.—Any application not accompanied with the money will not be attended to.

Reg. 3.—All costs and risk of transportation of parcels must be borne by Trustees, (*i. e.* by the Sections on behalf of which they act, and not by the Educational Department.)

☞ If Trustees so direct in their application, goods (except Globes,) transported by *water* will be insured for the amount paid for the same by them, at the following rates:—

Parcels shipped during the First Term of the School year, 2½ per ct.
" " Second Term " " 1½ per ct.

Trustees must forward with their application the amount required to effect the insurance, otherwise parcels will not be insured. No charge will be made for policies.

Reg. 4.—Applications will, as far as the articles in stock and the annual grant permit, receive attention in the order of their receipt.

Regulations.

3. The following are the regulations of the Council of Public Instruction with reference to all Books, Maps, and Apparatus furnished to Trustees, under the operation of Sec. 6 (15) of the law concerning Public Schools:—

Reg. 1.—They shall be the property of the School Section, and not of private individuals (except as specified in Reg. 5.)

Reg 2.—Any pupil shall be entitled, free of charge, to the use of such school books as the teacher may deem necessary.

Reg. 3.—Any pupil shall have the privilege of taking home with him any books, &c., which, in the opinion of the teacher, may be required for study or use out of school.

Reg. 4.—Pupils, or their parents or guardians, shall be responsible for any damage done to books beyond reasonable wear and tear.

Reg. 5.—Any pupil desiring it, may be allowed to purchase from the trustees the books required by him, provided the same be done without prejudice to the claims of other pupils; the price to be, in all cases, the same as advertised in the official notice published from time to time in the *Journal of Education.* No pupil who has been allowed to purchase a book shall have any claim on the trustees for the free use of another of the same kind.

Reg. 6.—Any section neglecting to provide a sufficient supply of books, maps, and apparatus, may be deprived of the public grants.

Reg. 7.—Trustees shall make such further regulations, agreeably to law, as may be necessary to ensure the careful use and preservation of books, maps, and apparatus belonging to the section.

Any section infringing in any way upon the above regulations will forfeit the privilege of purchasing books, &c., at half cost.

4. List of Text-Books, Maps and Apparatus.

☞ The following list of Books will be extended, and other articles of apparatus included as the fund at the disposal of the Superintendent permits. The Wall-Maps (including one of the United States) now in course of preparation, under the supervision of the Educational Department, will be added to the list as soon as published.

PUPILS' WEEKLY RECORDS.

Weekly Record for one Term (on printing paper) 1 cent each.
do. do. (on writing paper) 2 cents each.

THE NOVA SCOTIA SERIES OF READING BOOKS.

Book No. 1	$0.22½ doz.	Book No. 6	$0.17 ea.
" 2	0.50 "	" 7	0.23 "
" 3	0.06 each.	The art of Teaching Reading	0.07½ " *Or,*
" 4	0.10 "	Bailey's Brief Treatise on Elocution	0.05 "
" 5	0.11 "		

SPELLING BOOK.

The Spelling Book Superseded, (Rev. Ed.) 8½ cents each.

GRAMMAR AND COMPOSITION.

English Grammar.*
Morell's Analysis, 5 cents each.
Reid's Rudiments of Composition, 20 cents each.
Bain's Rhetoric, 40 cents each.

MATHEMATICS.

Arithmetic.—Nova Scotia Elementary Arithmetic	10	cents each
Nova Scotia (advanced) Arithmetic	15	" "
Nova Scotia Arithmetical Table Book	19	" doz.
Algebra.—Chambers' Algebra, (as far as Quadratics)	20	" each
Do. Do. (complete)	30	" "
Plane Geometry.—Chambers' Euclid, (including Plane Trigonometry)	15	" "
Practical Mathematics.—Chambers', (including Land-surveying, a brief treatise on Navigation, &c.)	45	" "