

### BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

EDUCATION IN SCIENCE AND ART.—On Monday appeared a copy of an order in Council, passed on the 25th ult., approving a report of the Privy Council, recommending,—1. That in future the Educational Department, (so to be called) be placed under the Lord President of the Council, assisted by a member of the Privy Council, who shall be Vice-President of the Committee of the said Privy Council on Education; and, 2, that the Education Department include (a) the education establishment of the Privy Council-office, and, (b) the establishment for the encouragement of science and art, now under the direction of the Board of Trade and called "The Department of Science and Art." Both these establishments are to be under the orders of the Lord President. The new Education Department is to report on such questions concerning education as may be referred to it by the Charity Commissioners, to inspect the naval and regimental schools, and to examine into the instruction in nautical science given in the navigation schools connected with the Department of Science and Art.

Mr. Layard, M. P., has been unanimously re-elected Lord Rector of Mareschal College and University, Aberdeen, for the current year. The Duke of Newcastle had declined the nomination, and the Lord Advocate refused to be put in opposition to the hon. member for Aylesbury.

### UNITED STATES.

#### SCHOOLS IN PENNSYLVANIA IN 1855.

There are in the sixty-three counties of the state 10,469 schools; number of schools required 650; average number of months taught, 5½; male teachers, 8,003; number of female teachers, 4,140; range of salaries of males per month, \$22 to \$29; range of salaries of females per month, \$14 to \$19; number of male scholars, 295,889; number of female scholars, 233,120; number learning German, 10,015; average number of scholars attending school, 361,316; cost of teaching each scholar per month, 58 1-3.

Amount of tax levied for school purposes, \$1,242,233 10, total amount levied \$1,354,937 04; received from state appropriation, \$159,554 17; received from collector of school tax \$1,127,992 61; cost of instruction, \$1,041,571 96.

### Departmental Notices.

#### To Municipal and School Corporations in Upper Canada.

#### PUBLIC SCHOOL LIBRARIES.

The Chief Superintendent of Education is prepared to apportion *one hundred per cent.* upon all sums which shall be raised from local sources by Municipal Councils and School Corporations, for the establishment or increase of Public Libraries in Upper Canada, under the regulations provided according to law.

In selecting from the General and Supplementary Catalogues, parties will be particular to give merely the catalogue number of the book required, and the department from which it is selected. To give the names of books without their number and department, (as is frequently done,) causes great delay in the selection and despatch of a library. The list should be written on a distinct sheet of paper from the letter, attested by the corporate seal and signature of the Trustees; or by the corporate seal and signature of the Reeve or Clerk of the Municipalities applying for libraries. See accompanying Form.

#### SCHOOL MAPS AND APPARATUS.

The Legislature having granted annually, from the commencement of 1855, a sufficient sum of money to enable the Department to supply Maps and Apparatus (not text-books) to Grammar and Common Schools, upon the same terms as Library Books are now supplied to Trustees and Municipalities the Chief Superintendent of Education will be happy to add one hundred per cent. to any sum or sums, not less than five dollars transmitted to the Department; and to forward Maps, Apparatus, Charts, and Diagrams to the value of the amount thus augmented, upon receiving a list of the articles required by the Trustees. In all cases it will be necessary for any person, acting on behalf of the Trustees, to enclose or present a written authority to do so, verified by the corporate seal of the Trustees. A selection of articles to be sent can always be made by the Department, when so desired.\*

\* *The Form of Application should be as follows:*

SIR,—The undersigned, Trustees [Reeve, or Clerk] of \_\_\_\_\_, being anxious to supply the Section (or Township) with suitable school requisites, [or library books,] hereby make application for the [maps, books, &c.,] enumerated in the accompanying list, in terms of the Departmental notice, relating to maps

and apparatus, [or library books.] The [maps or library books] selected are, *bond fide*, for the use of the school [or municipality:] and they hereby pledge themselves and their successors in office, not to dispose of them, nor permit them to be disposed of to any private party or for any private purpose whatsoever; but that they shall be appropriated exclusively to the use of the school, [or municipality,] in terms of the Regulations granting one hundred per cent. on the present remittance.

In testimony whereof, the Trustees [Reeve, or Clerk] of the \_\_\_\_\_ above mentioned—hereto affix their names and seal of office this—day of—, 185—, at—.

[Name.] [Seal.]

We hereby authorise—above mentioned,—to procure for us the \_\_\_\_\_ above mentioned,—in terms of the foregoing application. [Name of Trustees, &c.]

TO THE CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION, TORONTO.

NOTE.—A Corporate Seal must be affixed to the foregoing application, otherwise it is of no legal value. Text-books cannot be furnished on the terms mentioned above. They must be paid for in full at the net catalogue price. The 100 per cent. will not be allowed on any sum less than \$5, which must be remitted in one sum.

#### SPECIAL NOTICE TO TEACHERS.

Public notice is hereby given to all Teachers of Common Schools in Upper Canada, who may wish to avail themselves at any future time, of the advantages of the Superannuated Common School Teachers' Fund, that it will be necessary for them to transmit to the Chief Superintendent, without delay, (if they have not already done so), their annual subscription of \$4, commencing with 1854. The law authorizing the establishment of this fund provides, "that no teacher shall be entitled to share in the said fund who shall not contribute to such fund at least at the rate of one pound per annum." This proviso of the law will be strictly enforced in all cases; and intimation is thus early given to all Teachers, who have not yet sent in their subscriptions, to enable them to comply with the law, and so prevent future misunderstanding or disappointment, when application is made to be placed as a pensioner on the fund.

### VICTORIA COLLEGE.

THE next Session will open on Thursday, the 21st of August, 1856. Gazette containing particulars may be had on application.

S. S. NELLES, M. A., President.

Cobourg, May 31. 1856.

#### Annual Examination of Common School Teachers, for the County of York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Adjourned Meetings of the Board of Public Instruction, for the County of York, will be held at the Court House, CITY OF TORONTO, on Monday, the 4th day of August, next; at RICHMOND HILL, on Tuesday, the 5th August; and at NEWMARKET, on Wednesday the 6th August, at 9 A. M. for the purpose of examining Common School Teachers, whose certificates will expire on the 30th September; when all teachers (excepting those holding first class certificates) are expected to attend.

JOHN JENNINGS, Chairman.

N.B.—Each Teacher is required to produce a certificate of good moral character, also a certificate from the Trustees of the School last engaged in. Toronto, 24th June, 1856.

#### WANTS A SITUATION AS SCHOOLMASTER.

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