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1st July.

It remains for me to request the Teachers to observe,

1st. As in the like case is practised with regard to engagements, the eight calendar months mentioned in the twenty-seventh section of the 9th Vic., cap. 27, must each be of twenty-six school-days; 2dly. in every question in dispute relative to the payment of the amount specified in the engagement between the School Commissioners and the Teacher, as the price of his services during the period of instruction therein mentioned, the proper course is to resort to the common law; 3dly. That the Superintendent of Education, in virtue of the latter part of the thirty-third section of the aforesaid Act, has no power to interfere in the disputes which may arise between the School Commissioners and the Teachers, but according to the true meaning of the fourth article of the twenty-first section of the same Act, that is to say, only in the case where the dismissal of a Teacher had not for its foundation, at least one of the four reasons therein mentioned; 4thly. that any Teacher whom the School Commissioners do not judge proper to continue in their employ as such when the time has expired for which he had been engaged, has not, in the sense of the law, reason to consider himself as dismissed; but in this case, the School Commissioners should give the Teachers at least three month's notice, especially if the Teacher be the father of a family, to allow him time to provide for himself elsewhere.

The School Commissioners, with a due regard to the interests of education, cannot pay too much attention in treating the Teachers always in these respects with that regard to justice, and with that consideration and good will, which invariably characterize good government.

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your most humble and obedient Servt.,
(Signed,) J. B. MEILLEUR, S E

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This Circular, as may be perceived by a remark made therein, is accompanied by a series of questions which the Teachers must answer at the Examination they are required to undergo before one of the Boards of Examiners, for the first of July, 1852, on the different branches of instruction prescribed by the 10th article of the 50th section of 9 Vict. ch. 27.

This Circular thus accompanied by the above mentioned series of questions, was, together with the Education Laws, placed as much as possible at the disposal of the School Commissioners and the Teachers, in the course of the year, and especially in the months of June and July, 1849. In a good number of schools, the Teachers have given their instruction, and prepared themselves for examination on these questions, and one of them gave a series of answers to these questions, which are now in press and will be shortly published. I have every reason to believe that the use of these questions in our schools, with the answers thereto, included in one work, will greatly contribute to uniformity, facility, certainty and economy in the teaching of the branches of instruction prescribed by law.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. B. MEILLEUR, S. E.

Education Office,
Montreal, 20th June, 1850.