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NOTICE is hereby given that George H. H. McLean, of Margareville, in the County of Annapolis, Trader on the 28th day of March, A. D. 1881, assigned to me by indenture, all his Stock in trade, personal property, effects, choses in action, Book debts, and securities of every kind and description, in trust for the payment of such of his creditors as shall execute the same within three months from the date thereof, according to the terms and conditions of the trusts therein mentioned.

The said Indenture lies at my house, where it may be inspected and signed by the said parties interested, and that the same is also recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Annapolis.

THOMAS McLEAN, Assignee.

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For we know that men who ever think are not the slaves of their passions.

And to thinking men alone we all defer. Not the shakled thoughts shall lead us that by proxy works its way.

To a fallacy of mere past and gone. But the thought that moves triumphant in the ethering light of liberty's bright sun.

Give us thinking men to rule us; thinking men to make our laws;

Not the drones, but they who work to give us men of sterling metal, who will battle in our cause.

Thinking men to keep our energies alive. Not the fumes and fortune hunters of the world shall lead us on.

But the men who daily toil with heart and hand, who by their honest sweat and blood, bring of the many pathways whence the gods of old have gone.

Striving yet a better path across the plain.

Give us thinking men to teach us; thinking men to think for us;

That in turn we may be thoughtful, leave and true.

That in the world's fair and glorious fight, we may be able to discriminate between those who teach and those who keep school.

A thorough course of training in the art of teaching and maintaining discipline on the part of our teachers, would contribute largely to the present as well as to the future of our common-school system of education.

Trained teachers are, as a rule, much more efficient than those who have not been equally privileged.

The cancellation of grade E licenses was a step in the right direction. The beneficial effects of this act of the Council of Public Instruction cannot fail to be realized.

A person who cannot succeed in obtaining a high license, is turned out of the school, and is left to the mercy of the law.

The number of school sections in the said inspectorial district is one hundred and seventy-seven, of which number one hundred and two are in Annapolis County and seventy-five in Digby County.

Of these sections fifty-two have been adjudged worthy of receiving extra aid as "poor sections." Several of these last named sections, however, voluntarily declared themselves from receiving the extra grants provided by statute by employing first or second class teachers.

Even sections which were without schools during some portion of the year.

The school examination in most sections is sufficient to meet the requirements of the law. The greater part of the deficiency in this respect is in the Municipality of the Clare, among the Acadian population.

Several sections, however, containing from ninety to one hundred and thirty children between the ages of five and fifteen years, are provided with school houses containing one large school-room only, with one medium sized class-room adjoining.

These sections on Long Island has also but one school-room for about one hundred and twenty-five children of school going age. Graded schools should be maintained in all the sections last referred to.

The application of section 70 of the School Manual in connection with section 120 and the amendment thereto in the distribution of the county grant, is also beginning to exert a beneficial effect, and will doubtless induce the non-payers of the sections to provide the accommodations, and sustain the number of teachers required by the law without the application of any compulsory effort on the part of the educational authorities.

There are a few sections in which the buildings now occupied for school purposes are unfit for further use. I shall feel it to be my duty, at the next meetings of the Boards of Commissioners, to recommend these buildings be condemned. Three new and commodious school houses have been erected during the year, namely in Brooklyn West and Falkland sections in the County of Annapolis, and in Shore section in the County of Digby.

Reports more or less extensive have been made in other sections. The furniture in most school houses is of a suitable description. In some cases desks and seats, otherwise unobjectionable, are not properly graded, or are not arranged in such a manner as to secure the convenience and comfort of the pupils in the performance of their desk work.

A little more care and oversight on the part of the trustees would, to a great extent, remedy this defect. In a few school houses the furniture is so antiquated in style and had in other respects, that it will be incumbent upon me to recommend the Commissioners of Schools, at their next meeting, to exercise the powers conferred upon them by the recent amendment to section 69 of the Manual.

In the matter of the apparatus there is a deficiency in most school-rooms. A majority of cases the supply is limited to blackboard, the hemispheres, and one or two Nova Scotia. Comparatively speaking, very few are furnished with a terrestrial globe, unabridged dictionary or gazetteer, or any other book which is indispensable in all public schools. If many cases hand balls and ball-frames are not supplied. If no other can be found to compel trustees to furnish these articles, I would suggest that the County Grant be withheld from any section which fails to provide adequate apparatus for the instruction of the pupils.

It is gratifying to be able to report a considerable improvement in the method of imparting instruction in the schools. A considerable percentage of the teachers understand this matter thoroughly. The results of their labors are plainly visible in the schools under their charge, and in the progress which they have made in the study of their own language. In many cases, however, a sufficient amount of time is employed in attempting to teach the various branches, to ensure satisfactory results. It is often spent in such a manner as to be of little practical benefit. This is particularly the case with the important subject of reading. Many teachers apparently do not understand the natural laws and principles applicable to this branch of study, hence no little attention is paid to the instruction, emphasis, and the other requisites of good reading, which must be understood and practiced by every one who would bring out clearly and distinctly the ideas intended to be conveyed by the writer. Good reading evidently consists in their own estimation, in being able to repeat the words used with tolerable rapidity and distinctness. Hence, before the case, I would respectfully recommend that

the important subject be brought prominently before the attention of the trustees, and that at the examinations hereafter to be held they be subjected to a test on this branch as contained in Lewis' How to Read, or in some other compendious work on this subject. It is desirable to expect to attain a high standard in this other subject unless the teacher is qualified to impart the needed instruction. As matters now stand too many teachers bear their classes read, but give them very little proper instruction by precept or example.

The remarks which have just been made in reference to reading, apply with some modification to other branches of study as taught by those who have not been sufficiently trained in the art of teaching. The necessity of increasing our staff of trained teachers, is no doubt receiving your careful consideration.

Next in importance as efficient teachers is good apparatus, and especially suitable text-books. It is gratifying to note that the teachers are giving general satisfaction. The two arithmetics and the geometry now being introduced are, in the judgment of our best teachers, a marked improvement on those formerly in use. Some of the text-books now prescribed, however, not finding general favor among the teachers—especially Campbell's History of Nova Scotia, Wornell's Natural Philosophy, and one or two of the science primers. The objection urged against the Philosophy is, that it is too difficult for the common schools. The want of suitable apparatus for performing experiments is urged as an objection to one or two of the science primers. Text-books that would meet with the approval of all, must possess merits of a very high order in respect to matter, style of presentation, and cheapness. It is asserted by some of our experienced and most successful teachers that Steele's works on Natural Philosophy, Zoology, and other subjects possess the qualifications to a high degree, and that they are superior to common school text-books to those now prescribed. Not having examined the books I cannot form an opinion of my own respecting them.

The irregularity in the attendance of pupils at school and non-attendance reported on former occasions continue, I regret to say, as great as ever. These are most serious impediments to the attainment of progress. The fact disclosed by the official returns from the schools in my inspectorial district are as follows: The number of pupils daily present at school on an average for the year season per one hundred registered, was fifty-seven for the winter term and fifty-eight for the summer term. The percentage for the full term for the same period was 53 and 52 respectively. The percentage of pupils daily present for term in session omitted not, in any term, be less than seventy-five. The number of children between the ages of five and fifteen years reported not at school in sections having schools, was no less than one thousand six hundred and fifty-nine for the winter term, and one thousand four hundred and sixty-three for the summer term. 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—The most recent of the 27th of the age has turned up in the north part of the Bay...

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