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**FORTY-SECOND REPORT**

OF THE STATE OF THE

**MADRAS SCHOOL,**

INCORPORATED BY THE NAME OF

THE GOVERNOR AND TRUSTEES OF THE MADRAS SCHOOL

IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

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MADE AGREEABLY TO THE DIRECTIONS OF THE

**CHARTER.**

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DURING the past Year no material change or facts worthy of special notice have arisen, so that the ANNUAL REPORT can necessarily only be a general account of the state and condition of the Schools under the Supervision of the Board for the last twelve months.

In the Report of 1860, the Secretary had occasion to remark on the slight decrease in the average number of scholars in attendance at the various Schools, as compared with the corresponding period of the previous year; and that in those Schools where the greatest decrease was observed, viz.: the Central School and Portland, it might justly be attributed to temporary causes, which were then being removed. It is a subject of congratulation that the returns of those Schools during the present year justify the correctness of these remarks, as the Central School has increased its number from four hundred and thirty-six to five hundred and two; and Portland three hundred and eighteen to three hundred and fifty-five. And it is equally gratifying that not only in these Schools, but also in the others under the control of the Board, the increase in the numbers is one hundred and fifty-three, making the whole number fifteen hundred and thirty-four, the largest number with the exception of one year that has been returned for the last ten years, and one School, (Chatham,) having been discontinued.

### SAINT JOHN—CENTRAL SCHOOL.

As has already been remarked the full compliment of the scholars in attendance at this School was soon regained, the number of boys attending on the 30th June last, being two hundred and seventy, an increase of thirty in that Quarter; and of girls two hundred and thirty-two, an increase in the Quarter of fifty-eight.

These Schools being under the immediate supervision of the Board, it is unnecessary to make any further remark upon their state than that they under the effective and judicious management of M. Rynd and Miss Vickery still show the same efficiency and good order which has been hitherto so pleasing and satisfactory.

Since the last meeting of the Board the official resignation of Miss Vickery, as the teacher of the Female School has been received, to take effect on the first of October. For a number of years Miss Vickery has taught this School, training and educating the children who have attended her department with a patient and persevering industry which shewed a conscientious and earnest conviction of her duties, and ever claimed for her the well merited confidence and commendation of the Board; and it is to be hoped that her successor in that important situation will be equally fortunate in her efforts to fulfil the arduous duties which are necessarily involved in the charge and training of so many young children.

## PORTLAND.

A very favourable Report of this School by the Visiting Committee was presented by way of Appendix to the Report of 1860; and to which but little can now be added.

This School still continues under the charge of Mr. and Mrs. Middlemore, and who still successfully maintain their well earned reputation. The numbers by the last return were boys one hundred and eighty-eight, and girls one hundred and fifty-seven. Shewing an increase in the former in the year, twenty, and of the latter seven. The number of new scholars admitted in the last Quarter were forty four males and nineteen females.

## CARLETON.

This School, male and female, was also referred to in the Report of the Visiting Committee already mentioned, and in the past Winter this School was found to be in a most satisfactory condition. This was the more peculiarly gratifying from the fact that the attention of the Board has been of late more particularly called to these Schools, and a large sum expended in putting the buildings in thorough order. From the returns and also from the Report of the Local Committee, these Schools still maintain their efficiency.

By the returns of the 30th June last, in Mr. Ritchie's department there were one hundred and eighteen, and in Miss Peters' ninety one pupils, being an increase of seventy-five in both Schools, although in reality in Mr. Ritchie's School the daily attendance at the end of the Quarter was less, owing to the usual drain in the Spring for fishing operations.

Miss Peters in her Report states, "The scholars repeat the Church Catechism on Friday, are constantly exercised in Mental Arithmetic, and the girls do various kinds of needle and fancy work in the afternoons."

## FREDERICTON.

By the latest returns the number of boys in attendance were one hundred and thirty-six, not quite so large a number as in 1860, and the number in the female School, one hundred and twenty-two, being an increase of fifteen during the present year.

In the Report of last year the practice of the Local Committee, at Chatham, in sending in addition to the formal certificate, a short Report of the state of the School was adverted to, and the suggestion thrown out that it might be imitated with advantage by other Committees; and that this suggestion has not been attended to, is unfortunately shewn in this Report, as the formal Reports of the various Schools returned to the Treasurer are, with one exception, the only ones upon which the present Report could be formed.

No Report, as regards these Schools, as in every other instance, has been furnished, but from previous experience as well as the increase of these Schools, leaving no doubt but that they continue their former efficacy.

## SAINT GEORGE.

In the previous Report the vacancy in the School was commented on, but with the hope that before a long period it would be re-opened. This vacancy was, as anticipated in a short time filled; but unfortunately only by rendering another School under the supervision of the Board vacant.

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The services of Mr. George T. Smith, the teacher of the Chatham School was secured, and as hereafter stated, his place has not been supplied. Yet it is a satisfaction to find that a material improvement has taken place in this School under his charge. The number of scholars in June, 1860, being forty-five, and in June last, sixty-eight, an increase of upwards of fifty per cent.

#### SAINT ANDREWS.

It would have been gratifying had a Report from the Rev. Mr. Ketchum been furnished, so as to occupy a place in this Report; as this School, the junior on the list, bids fair to be one of the most promising under the charge of the Board. This may be attributed to the excellent qualifications of Miss Hooper, and to the interest and earnestness that the Rev. Mr. Ketchum has shewn in the welfare of this School since its re-establishment. The numbers by the last returns were sixty-one, consisting of thirty-six boys and twenty-five girls. An application has been made by the Local Committee for assistance to repair the building, but the Board wisely adhered to their determination in the present state of the funds, to apply them to the more legitimate purpose of providing proper tuition and the requisite books, and other modes of instruction, leaving to the inhabitants the burden, slight indeed, of providing or repairing the School houses.

#### CHATHAM.

As already mentioned, Mr. George T. Smith, the former teacher, having removed to St. George to take charge of the School at that place, this School became vacant, and although at one time the Local Committee gave encouragement that the School would soon be re-opened, it is to be regretted that their hopes have not been realized.

#### SHEDIAC.

The state of the building at this place was referred to in the last Report, and it would have been a matter of congratulation had this difficulty been obviated. In July last, the Visiting Committee examined the building, and strongly recommended that the School should be removed to or near the Railway Station, where the population is rapidly increasing, and the School become more useful than it has been lately, and should a suitable building be provided at the latter place, it would, no doubt, be a more judicious course to apply the funds in the hands of the Board towards the support of a good and efficient School there.

By the returns of the 30th June, the number in attendance were twenty-eight, but Mr. Simpson, the teacher, has since that time resigned his situation and the School is now closed.

#### GAGETOWN.

There has been no local report in reference to this School during the past year. There is nothing of importance to mention, beyond that the attendance, small as it was before, is still less so by the last return, the numbers were only twenty seven.

#### CLIFTON.

This School in a thriving little village on the banks of the Kennebecasis, still merits the remarks of the visiting Committee that it was one of

the best taught and best conducted under the patronage of the Board. There has been quite an increase during the past year; the numbers for the last quarter being thirty six. The Rev. the Rector for Kingston reports, "Of the forty two pupils entered on the list of the School during the last quarter, I found thirty three in attendance when I made a casual visit and examined them on the 16th of this month (May). Their general intelligence, evident interest in the studies and consequent progress continue to afford a most satisfactory evidence that the matter is both apt to teach and most diligent in teaching."

The average number of pupils in attendance at all the Schools for the year ending 30th June, as appears by the reported returns is, one thousand five hundred and thirty four, as follows:

|                       | Boys. | Girls. |             |
|-----------------------|-------|--------|-------------|
| SAINT JOHN (Central), | 270   | 232    | 502         |
| PORTLAND,             | 188   | 157    | 345         |
| CARLETON,             | 118   | 91     | 209         |
| FREDERICTON,          | 136   | 122    | 258         |
| SAINT ANDREWS,        | 36    | 25     | 61          |
| SAINT GEORGE,         | 48    | 20     | 68          |
| SHEDIAC,              | 20    | 8      | 28          |
| GAGETOWN,             | 12    | 15     | 27          |
| CLIFTON,              | 20    | 16     | 36          |
|                       | 848   | 680    | Total, 1534 |

Being one hundred and fifty three more than in the previous year, or an increase of eleven per cent. shewing an increasing confidence in the excellence and soundness of the system of education inculcated by the Board.

By order of the Board.

CHARLES W. WELDON, SECRETARY.

Saint John, N. B. September 20th, 1861.

The Appropriation Committee of the Governor and Trustees of the Madras School having attended to their duty beg leave to recommend the following scale for the year ending July 1st, 1862.

|  |      |   |          |
|--|------|---|----------|
| SAINT JOHN CENTRAL SCHOOL, (Master and Mistress,)  | £190 | 0 | 0        |
| PORTLAND,  | "    | " | 90 0 0   |
| CARLETON,  | "    | " | 80 0 0   |
| FREDERICTON,   | "    | " | 90 0 0   |
| SAINT ANDREWS, (Master or Mistress,)   |      |   | 30 0 0   |
| SAINT GEORGE, (Master,)  |      |   | 33 0 0   |
| SHEDIAC, (this grant of £20 will be suspended until the building is ready to teach therein.)   |      |   | 20 0 0   |
| GAGETOWN,  |      |   | 25 0 0   |
| CLIFTON, (Kingston,)   |      |   | 20 0 0   |
| SUSSEX VALE, (Special Grant,) on the Rector and Wardens certifying that a School House has been built and properly furnished to teach therein. |      |   | 20 0 0   |
|  |      |   | £598 0 0 |

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. SCOVIL,  
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WM. WRIGHT,

July 2nd, 1861.

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|   | <i>Brought Forward,</i> | £785 6 1 |
| <b>SPECIAL FUNDS.</b>                         |                         |          |
| To Special Funds distributed as follows:—viz. |                         |          |
| King's County Fund,                           | £354 16 1               |          |
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| Westmorland “ “                               | 0 13 2                  |          |
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| Less due by York County Fund,                 | 13 16 9                 |          |
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| Balance to credit of this account,            | 383 13 3                |          |
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| <i>Cash Received :</i>  |            |          |
| By Balance from last year's account rendered,                     |            | £136 3 8 |
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| “ Legislative Grant for 1860,                                     |            | 400 0 0  |
| <b>LAND ACCOUNT.</b>  |            |          |
| “ James H. Peters, Esq., on release of Gagatown land,             | £150 0 0   |          |
| “ John Oates, on principal of mortgage,                           | 12 0 0     |          |
| “ Richard R. Bickford, do.  | 10 0 0     |          |
| “ Daniel K. Campbell, do. note,                                   | 5 0 0      |          |
| “ Duncan M. Campbell, do. do.                                     | 12 5 10    |          |
| “ J. C. Robertson & Sons, do.                                     | 28 0 10    |          |
| “ Michael M'Dermott, do.  | 7 8 5      |          |
| “ John Manning, do.   | 10 0 0     |          |
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| <b>INTEREST MONIES.</b>   |            |          |
| “ Mrs. Gale, one year's interest on mortgage,                     | £21 0 0    |          |
| “ Joseph Fairweather, do.   | 18 0 0     |          |
| “ Charles Sulis, on account, do.                                  | 8 0 0      |          |
| “ William Hicklin, do.  | 10 0 0     |          |
| “ Samuel McKnight, do.  | 9 0 0      |          |
| “ John F. Turnbull, do.   | 27 6 0     |          |
| “ Patrick M'Dermott, do.  | 4 4 0      |          |
| “ M. Robinson 18 months, do.                                      | 9 0 0      |          |
| “ John H. Sheck, one year, do.                                    | 4 6 6      |          |
| “ Thomas Anderson, on account, do.                                | 5 0 0      |          |
| “ John McVay, half year's interest,                               | 4 10 0     |          |
| “ John and Thomas Forbes, one year, on notes,                     | 1 8 8      |          |
| “ John Oates, do. on mortgage                                     | 3 14 5     |          |
| “ Daniel K. Campbell, do. on note,                                | 0 14 5     |          |
| “ Duncan M. Campbell do. do.                                      | 2 5 8      |          |
| “ J. C. Robertson & Sons, do. on mortgage,                        | 11 16 7    |          |
| “ Richard R. Bickford, do. do.                                    | 11 2 6     |          |
| “ J. W. Wilcox, do. do.   | 5 7 6      |          |
| “ Michael McDermott, do. do.                                      | 4 11 7     |          |
| “ John McCarron, do. do.  | 2 9 6      |          |
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| <b>RENTS.</b>   |            |          |
| “ Mrs. Hunter, on account,  | £72 0 0    |          |
| “ Corporation of St. John, 2 years, Navy Island,                  | 60 0 0     |          |
| “ Samuel Holsted, do.   | 24 0 0     |          |
| “ Robert Robinson, do.  | 10 0 0     |          |
| “ Hon. James H. Peters,   | 18 15 0    |          |
| “ Jacob Mires,  | 4 3 4      |          |
| “ A. C. O. Trentowsky,  | 14 5 0     |          |
| “ James Boyd, Esq., St. Andrews, one year,                        | 11 2 6     |          |
| “ James W. Street do. do.   | 24 7 6     |          |
| “ Rev. Dr Alley, do., arrears,                                    | 11 16 3    |          |
| “ St. Andrews Sessions, do.                                       | 25 0 0     |          |
| “ George Sealy, do.   | 33 5 0     |          |
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| “ R. Rynd, for books sold per account, as per order of Committee, | 3 6 9      |          |
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E. E.  
St. John, N. B. 1st July, 1861.

WM. WRIGHT,  
Treasurer Madras Board.

The above account sworn to before me at the Annual Meeting of the Madras School Board, at Saint John, N. B. the second day of July, 1861.

W. G. LAWTON, CHAIRMAN.  
Church Warden of Trinity Church.

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WM. WRIGHT,  
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