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Education Office,<br>Montreal, $28 t h$ February, 1856.

Honorable G. E. Cartier, Provincial Secretary, \&c., \&c., Toronto.

SIR,-I have the honor to transmit you my Report to the three branches of the Legislature for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

I have appended to it several statistical tables, and copies and extracis from the Reports of the School Inspectors. These last documents may, perhaps, be looked upon as too voluminous, but I trust it will be taken into consideration that it would have been very difficult indeed to have condensed them more than they are; and that the detailed information which they contain, although not very interesting to the majority of readers, yet, in the different portions respecting particular municipalities, will be so in a high degree, to those to whom they respectively relate; and the award of praise and blame, contained in these Reports, is moreover a powerful stimulant to the functionaries entrusted with the execution of the law.

It should also be observed that the Superintendent of Education for Lower Canada has no journal at his disposal, and that the publication of hisosisn Report and those of the School Inspectors, is the only means which he has of diffusing information, and pressing his own views on the community. I am also of opinion that every teacher should receive a copy of the Report, for which purpose I would require a thousand nambers additional.

I avail myself of this opportunity of expressing, the very high opinion i have formed of the Clerks in my office, who for a comparatively small remuneration, have performed an amount of work not surpassed, if it be equalled, in any other depart ment of the public service. I owe this ackowledgment particularly to Mr Giard, the Secretary, who, from circumstances mentioned in my Report, had, during the first months of my appointment, frequent occasion to act as my deputy.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

# Education Office, 

Montreax, $25 t h$ February, 1856.
Honorable G. E. Cartier, Provincial Secretary, \&c., \&c.

## Introduction.

$\mathrm{Sir}_{3}$-In submitting to the three branches of the Legislature my first Annual Report on the state of public instruction in Lower Canada, I feel how much I stand in need of indulgence, and owe it to myself not to pass over in silence occurences which will, I trust, obtain it.

When, on the second of July last, I accepted, after much hesitation, impressed, more than I can tell, by the responsibility attaching to it, and the difficulties which surround it, the office which I now hold, I found myself obliged to ask for a delay of a few weeks before commencing the exercise of my new functions. The painful family affictions which had obliged me to make this request, continuing beyond that period, I was compelled to enter on the duties of my office under somewhat adverse circumstances. Being under the necessity of leaving my family at Quebec, while my presence was required at Montreal, to attend to the department, I had to make frequent journeys from one city to the other, until, on the occurence of the calamity which had been threatening me, I left at Quebec the remains of a beloved daughter, and brought up with me the rest of my family to Montreal. So it is only during the last three months that I have been able to devote myself entirely to the duties of my office, and that time 1 have been obliged to employ in familiarising myself with the working of the department, and making myself, as far as possible, acquainted with the details of a system far more complicated than it ought to be, at the same time not neglecting to draw up the following remarks on the reforms whichappeared to me to be requisite.

I should also add, that the greater number of the School Inspectors sent in their Reports and Tables only a few days before the 15th of January, and even at that date several of these documents were still wanting.

The present state of public instruction in Lower Canada was perfectly described by my worthy and zealous predecessor in his last Report, where he says : "The law now in force was perhap:' suitable to the times in which it was passed, but now several modifications are necessary, in order to give to the system its full development, to place it in harmony with the progress since made, and to give to public instruction that high degree of utility and perfection to which every system of national education should tend."

No person, however much inclined to view things in their worst light, can fail to admit that most important resnlts have been obtained, not only in the establishment over the whole Province of a regular system of primary instruction, but also in the progressive development of the system, made evident from year to year by the statistics published by the department.

One might be inclined not to estimate at its proper value what we have, if he were to compare it with what every one wishes to see established; but a more impartial view of the case would be to compare what has been achieved with the obstacles to be overcome and the means of surmounting them. At the time of the passing of the first law which embodied a principle of compulsion, people would have been happy to be assured that at this date that law would be everywhere carried out by the very persons whom it was designed to coërce, nor would they have been at all surprised to hear that after ä few years all wonld not yet be perfect, in an order of things established under circumstances so difficult.

To say what constant and persevering efforts, what surpassing patience, my predecessor must have required, to succeed even in bringing into operation a law,
at the time of its passing unfortunately unpopular, would subject me to a task almost as painful as the rials which it would record. It is only astonishing that the success which crowned his efforts, (however limited it may appear to some, ) did not render him, who was so much better able to estimate its proper value, incapable of discovering in his work all it's inevitable defects, and omissions difficult to remedy; there is nevertheless hardly any important reform demanded to day by public opinion, which has not been proposed and even urgently called for by the former Superintendent in his Reports.

## PART FIRST.-EXAMINATION OF THE PROPOSED REFORMS.

It is evident from the documents published by this department, the investigations of the Committee of the Legislative Assembly in 1853, the frequent discassions in Parliament and in the Press, that all are agreed as to the nature of the principal reforms which are required; and their general character has been clearly enunciated by my predecessor in the extract already cited.

The differences as to the urgency of these reforms, the want of funds necessary to accomplish them, and important questions of detail undecided, are the only obstacles to their immediate realisation.

The points upon which public opinion is most decided are:

1. Improvement of the body of teachers ;
2. Uniformity of school books;
3. Centralization of authority, and as a consequence, better and more vigorous discipline through the whole department of public instruction.
4. The establishment, in every county or division of county, of at least one of the schools to which our Legislature has given the name of Academy, and of a Model Primary School in each municipality.

The necessity of improvement in the body of teachers is too keenly felt for it to need any demonstration from me.

The establishment of Normal Schools on some plan or other is admitted by every one to be the first and principal remedy. The amelioration of the position of the teacher is also considered as so inseparable from the improvement of the body, that many hold it to be a condition precedent to any attempt at normal instruction. It is however true, that the immediate consequence of normal instruction is an augentation of salary in favor of the higher class of teachers which it produces. The municipalities rival euch other in their efforts to obtain such teachers, and the notorious incapacity of a great part of the masters has been here so often alledged as a sufficient excuse for the smallness of their remuneration, that they could not with a good grace refuse a sufficient salary to those who should present themselves with a certificate of having gone through a special course of study.

In Upper Canada, while the average of teachers' salaries is for men $£ 75$ and for women $£ 50$, the salaries of teachers holding diplomas from the Normal Schools, and left to the competition of the municipalities, are as follows:

Male teachers.

In the United States, the neighbouring provinces, in fact wherever Normal Schools have been established, an increase of salary has been the immediate consequence.

In Lower Canada, there are several teachers who receive from $£ 100$ to $£ 130$.
The Professors of the College of St. Michel, situated about five leagues below

Quebec, have for the last two years given a course of normal instruction to such (not only of their own pupils but also of those of the Girls' Academy established in the same parish) as choose to avail themselves of it; they have already brought out seven masters, one of whom bas a salary of $£ 75$, another $£ 60$, a third $£ 55$, three $£ 50$, and the last $£ 40$, and also fourteen female teachers, of whom three have $£ 40$ and the others from $£ 25$ to $£ 30$.

The Normal School established at Montreal by the Colonial Church and School Society has within the last wo years given diplomastoseven male teachers, of whom two are now in receipt of salaries of $£ 90$, one $£ 85$, one $£ 80$, one $£ 75$, and two $£ 60$, five female teachers, of whom four have $£ 50$, and the other $£ 30$. From $£ 10$ to 20 of these salaries is the premium granted by the Society; the rest is paid by the parents of the scholars.

In England the Government, with a view to encourage them, grants an annual premium to teachers who have completed theirstudiesal the Normal Schools; upou this subject some very interesting statements will be found in the Report of Mr. Bruce, one of the School Inspectors. Relying upon this precedent, Mr. Bruce suggests a scale of progressive prizes proportionate to the length of the services of each teacher, and the class of diploma obtained; Mr. Tanguay, another of the Inspectors, bas also several times, in his Reports and other writings, recommended the adoption of such a measure, and also the formation of a fund to provide pensions for aged and invalid teachers, similar to that now established in Upper Canada. I consider it my duty to say that both these projects should be carried out with as little delay as possible.

And in truth it would be dangerous here to trust entirely to the natural increase of salaries. The social condition of the two sections of the province is far from being the same; Upper Canada moreover, where the system of local taxation is carried out and extended with astonishing and admirable rapidity, already raises by special assessment $£ 118,250$ for teachers' salaries. In Lower Canada we cannot hope to obtain such a result for several years to come.

It would be almost useless to think of recruiting lay teachers from amongst the students of our colleges, at least from amongst those who have completed their course with success. The liberal professions must necessarily attract the ambitious; and notwithstanding the number of those who from their debut are left to vegetate, the brilliant example of those who succeed will long fascinate the most of the aspirants, while the chance of obfaining some subordinate situation in case of falure will justify, in their own estimation, the risk they are running. On the other hand the ecclesiastical body, the only class of instructors who have been honored as they ought to be in this country, absorbs almost all those who from a spirit of abnegation might have been induced to devote themselves to the instruction of their fellow men.

There are, however, particularly in the District of Montreal, (and they are in general the best teachers,) a considerable number of young men who, having finished their course of studies, become schoolmasters; and, in the formation of a Normal School, it would be advisable to afford them special encouragement. But in general this class of persons adopt teaching merely as a temporary resource, while waiting for someting better.

We can hope to draw pupils for the Normal Schools from amongst those students only who, without having failed in their studies, have left without completing their course, such forexample as have gone on so far with success, and leave in their Belles-Lettres or in Rhetoric. Their number is not at all proportionate to the multiplied wants of society, there are so many chances of obtaining situations which although not very lucrative are yet better than that of a teacher; and a epirit of adventure has of late years become so prevalent that to induce a sufficient
number of these young men to become schoolmasters, they woald require to be assured of proper remaneration.

Besides the progressive scale of annual prizes, and the fund for pensions to aged or infirm schoolmasters, there are several means which might and ought to be employed to improve the condition of the teacher. And even if the premium and pension should not at first be as high as might be desirable, young men who have a vocation for teaching, but not for the Church, should not on that account be discouraged, but on the contrary should take into consideration the movement in favor of elementary education, which is now so rapidly extending over the civilized world, and bear in mind that in this country that sympathy and marked respect which elsewhere are extended by all well minded persons to those who, under God, mould the hearts and the intellects of generations of men, have begun to manifest themselves and will soon produce those material benefits which may be expected from them.

Several Inspectors amongst others, Messrs. Bruce, Dorval and Tanguay, have described in the most graphic manner the fate of the teacher, as it is and as it ought 10 be; and the publication of their writings will, I hope, tend to dispel the sad realiy, and replace it by what has hitherto been a mere utopia.

The moral means indicated by those gentemen, such as the consideration with which influential men of. each locality should treat him who is in truth a second father to their children, those means, the most powerful of all, are within the reach of every reasonable man, and require no funds, and no sacrifice except that of prejudices unknown to antiquity and which society will hereafter be unable to comprehend.

Whatever is against the teacher is against education, judiciously observes Mr. Dorval, and thereupon he takes occasion to suggest several improvements in the construction of school houses, whichought all to be built soas to make a pleasant and comfortable residence for the teacher, a home with which he will be pleased. He gives a lively picture of the schoolmasterlin the position which he ought tooccupy, growing old amidst the generations whose youth he moulded, guiding by his advice in their maturer years those whom in their childhood he led by the hand, and forming the centre of a little circle of literary amusement and intellectual and moral progress.

However well suited to captivate persons of contemplative minds and placid temperament, however noble in the eyes of philosophy and religion, such a prospect would not perhaps allure all whom it would be desirable to enlist in the ranks of teachers. The cultivation of a garden round the school house, the esteem of the neighbours and the scholars whom he has educated, would not perhaps, as a permanent destiny, have sufficient attraction for a great many well qualified young men.

Ir would nevertheless be, at the present time, extremely imporiant to enlist in the army of teachers characters of energy sufficient to wrestle with the obstacles which will yet long oppose the progress of public instruction. For such spirits, ambitious by their very nature, it would be well to open a wider field, and not to restrict by too narrow limits the aspiration of youth, who natarally retain something of the adventurous character of their ancestors.

The important office of School Inspector is already in some districts filled by teachers who had already distinguished themselves in their profession, and it is but just to say that they now hold, as was to be expected, the first rank for zeal and ability. This situation, (which I hope will soon be better remunerated,) as new vacancies occur, ought to be given as of right to teachers, provided, amongst those applying, there be any qualified to diseharge its duties.

The professorships of Normal Schiools, as well as those of Secondary Lay Schools, which, following the example of the College of St. Michel, conducted by
four preceptors who have themselves served an apprenticeship while teaching Elementary Schools, will not fail tospring upsoon; the different offices of the Department of Public Instruction, including that of Superintendent, ought to be so many objects to excite the ambition and emulation of the teachers. Nothing adds more to the strength of any body than a well regulated hierarchy, provided no other obstacles encumber the steps, no other barrier stop the road, than those which nature herself has imposed, those limits which she has placed on the faculties and exertions of every individual, and nothing else intervene between the aspirant in the commencement of his career, to prevent him from rising, without violence or injustice, to the highest situation. The disparity of the different situations ceases to be a subject of jealousy; every one, feeling bimself a member of one great body, accepts the share which may fall to himself in the honors of the various grades to which he is allowed to aspire.

The associations and conferences justly mentioned by Inspector Bruce as having accomplished so much good in other countries, are not only means of improvement for the teacher, but also, by placing him on a more elevated stage, give him an importance which is perhaps more properly due, but is not awarded, to his more humble daily labors.

Such associations are not unknown in Lower Canada: they have sprung up spontaneously at Quebec, Montreal and L'Islet. That of Quebec in particular has shown such efficiency, that it has oblained a permanent grant on the Budget. At its meetings several teachers became conspicuous for their ability, and have since obtained situations as Professors or Inspectors, and its library now contains five hundred extremely well selected volumes.

The question of salaries, the importance of which cannot be disguised, as affecting not only the improvement of the material condition of the teacher, but also the respect which he ought to enjoy, has so engaged public attention, that it has been several times proposed to establish for the municipalities, a minimum of remuneration.

This is perhaps one of the points most difficult to settle. It would seem more in accordance with the general spirit of our system, to leave the initiative in the selection and remuneration of teachers to the competition of the municipalities. It moreover appears difficult to prevent a law establishing a minimum from being eluded. It is even to be feared that in many localities the proposed subsidies would be deducted from the ordinary salaries of the teachers to whom they might be awarded, and thus the teachers derive no advantage from them. This occurs sometimes in England, as I find in a periodical collection entitled "Papers for the Schoolmasters."

On the other hand, however, it is certain that in a great many municipalities, the establishment of a minimum salary would have a good effect. Although in some places the law might be eluded, yet a great many Commissioners would then give, for a good master, a salary which they would not otherwise pay; and it would besides furnish an excellent reason for opposing any excessive subdivision of municipalities. This measure ought therefore to be tried, and it is probable that, in conjunction with the progressive annual subsidies, it would in time produce the desired effect. It is unnecessary to say that each municipality must at the same time be granted authority to assess itself for more than the amount required by law, and this should be followed as soon as possible by an increase of the Government grant.

It has also been proposed to deprive the School Commissioners of the right of dismissing the teachers without permission from the Superintendent. Inspector Dorval mentions a municipality which, in order to get teachers at the lowest rate, has changed every year; and it is thought that the proposed restriction would
put a stop to such abuses. Itwould nevertheless be very difficult to oblige Commissioners to retain a teacher against their own wishes. Holding the power that they do, it would always be easy for them to make the place unienable. By the common law, the teacher has an action of damages, whenever be is, without just cause, discharged before the termination of his engagement. But few of them like to involve themselves in such lawsuits, and besides care is generally taken to make the engagement for a period so short that a teacher can be promptly got rid of by not renewing it. The best mode of protecting the teachers would be to fix also a minimum period of engagement, and to allow the Superintendent to determine, and, out of the share of the public grant allotted to the municipality, pay an indemnity to the teacher dismissed without just cause before the expiration of his term. If there be raised too strong objections against this method, then the best way is to let things take their natural course.

I cannot too often repeat, that normal instruction, well directed, will soon bring things to a proper level. The Normal Schools will contribute not only to produce teachers but also directly to improve their position. Having equal acquirements, they will be able to compete with professional men for some of the municipal offices to which salaries are attached. Vocal and instrumental music, which are taught in all well conducted Normal Schools, will enable them to add something to their income, as every parish vestry devotesacertain sum to procure music for public worship.

In France, Germany, Belgium, and in many other places, the schoolmaster is all that I have stated, and in Germany, where the schoolmaster's wife is generally a teacher also, he has an influence over the population which subsists even after the emigration of whole communities to this Continent.

To undertake to enumerate all the advantages which would result from normal instruction would be an endless task. The Reports of Inspectors Bardy, Bruce and Roney will convince any who may still doubt its necessity, and inform those who may be ignorant of the fact, that to be master of a subject is one thing, to be able to teach it, another. This point, however, is hardly controverted; what is unceasingly repeated is that so long as the position of the teacher remains unimproved, it is useless to have Normal Schools. But to me it seems that, on the one hand, to wait for an improvement in the condition of the teacher, while on the other the municipalities say that they are waiting to raise the salaries until we provide them good teachers, is to travel in a vicious circle, so much the more to be regretted that the two reforms should be carried forward pari passu, and by their mutual reaction each would necessarily contribute to the success of the other.

And here begin these important questions of detail, of a characier so grave as to have caused, even in men best gualified to decide them, a hesitation which may be easily understood. It will not be straying from this subject to observe that the Act of 14 and 15 Victoria, cap. 97 , now in force, mentions only one Normal School for the whole of Lower Canada, makes an annual appropriation of only $£ 1050$ for its support, and of $£ 200$ for the encouragement of the pupils. Both these allowances, but more especially the last, are insufficient.

The plan adopted in Upper Canada, of having only one Normal School under the immediate direction of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, has so far produced excellent results. This method has also been successfully followed in several of the adjoining Provinces and States. There are, however, other systems which so much the more merit our attention that Lower Canada is in many respects in an exceptional position.

In England, where it is true the action of the state in taking the lead in any intellectual or benevolent movement is more restricted than in any other
country, the establishment of Normal Schools was tardily thought of, and what has taken place there may perhaps account for some of the obstacles which our own Government has had to encounter.

In 1835 the House of Commons voted $£ 10,000$ for the establishment of Normal and Model Schools; and in 1839 that sum, as well as what had been subsequently voted, was, by an order in council, appropriated in equal portions to the encouragement of the schools ander the control of the National Society and the Society of British and Foreign Schools.
"The Lords of the Conmittee recommend, says the Order in Council, that "the sum of ten thousand pounds granted by Parliament in 1855 towards the "erection of Normal or Model Schools, be given in equal proportions to the Natio"n nal Society and the Bristish and Foreign School Society; hat the remainder of "the subsequent grants of the years 1837 and 1838 , yet unappropriated, and any " grant that may be voted in the present year, be chietly applied in aid of subscrip-
"tions for buildings, and in particular cases for the support of schools connected
"with these Societies, but that the principle of apportioning the largest amount
"where the largest proportion is subscribed be not invariably adhered to, should
"applications be made from very poor and populous districts where subscriptions
" 10 a sufficient amount cannot be obtained.
"The Commitee are of opinion that the most useful application of any sums "voted by Parliament would consist in the employment of those monies in the
"establishment of a Normal School under the direction of the state, and not placed
"u under the management of a voluntary society. The Committee, however, expe-
"rience so much difficulty in reconciling conflicting views respecting the provisions
"which they are desirous to make in furtherance of Your Majesty's wish that the
"children and teachers instructed in these schools should be duly trained in the
" principles of the Christian religion, while the rights of conscience should be res-
"pected, that it is not in the power of the Commitee to mature a plan for the ac-
"complishment of this design without further consideration; and they therefore
" postpone taking any steps for the purpose until greater concurrence of opinion is " found to prevail."

There is not at the present time one Normal School in England under the control of the state. That of Kneller Hall, established by the Government in 1851, at great expense, for the purpose of educating teachers for the schools called "Union Schools," which are attached to the work houses, has just beeu abandoned. Its want of success has by some been attributed to the repugnance felt for that particular career to which its scholars were destined.

The Government at present grants, in accordance with a plan of distribution very analogous to that recommended by the order in council, subsidies to particular societies who have opened Normal Schools in various Iocalities. The National School Society bas three, at Westminster, at Battersea andatChelsea; the Wesleyans have one at Westminster; the Society of British and Foreign Schools: has one at Soulhwark; the English and Colonial Society one at London, and the Established Church supports one in each diocese. The Government grants an annual premium, as I have already stated, to the teacher who has graduated at any of these various schools; and the Board of Education of the Privy Council is actively engaged in framing rules for the examination of teachers, and the questions which ought to be put to them.

To those who can not perceive the analogy between the state of affairs above described, and that existing in Lower Canada the failure of the attempt which was made here by our former Legislature may perhaps appear a stronger motive for the doubts which $I$ consider myself bound to express at to the efficiency of a single school.

I will not here undertake to argue the question of Separate Schools. The Legislation of Lower Canada was the first to sanction the principle; and if they be still a subject of discussion to the Protestants of Upper Canada, the same thing cannot be said of this section of the Province, for there are here 42 boards of dissentient trustees, (of which 4 only are Catholic, ) having 73 schools under their control. I should also add that the demands of the Protestant inhabitants for Separate Schools are every year becoming more and more numerous. In Upper Canada there are 42 Separate Catholic Schools for a population of 167,696 souls. The non-Catholic population of Lower Canada amounts to 143,395 souls.

No man of sense would wish to set himself in opposition to facts of which, however differently they may be estimated, the importance and the bearing cannot be denied. The success of public instruction should take precedence of every other consideration, and when ideas which, viewed in the most favorable light, are still only a theory of perfection, threaten to prevent the establishment of an institution, it is surely not requiring too great a sacrifice from those who are sincerely desirous of seeing it in operation, to ask them 10 consent to the trial of a system less perfect in their view, but which has at all events the advantage of being practicable; if it were otherwise there would be occasion to say that to insist on perfection is to be the enerny of improvement, according to the French saying: "Le mieux est l'ennemi du bien."

I am, however, far from recommending that the state which here has to a much greaterextent than liasbeen done in England, taken the control of primary instruction, and hasinsoliberal a manner encouraged collegiate and university education, should content itself with placing at the disposal of the various sects funds sufficient to enable them to provide normal instruction. So many subdivisions would jeopardize the success of the undertaking, and the want of unity of authoriyy would frustrate the principal object of the institution, namely the securing, at least on some points, a uniform system of teaching.

But I think that in establishing under, the activeand incessant superintendence of this department, several Normal Schools, means might be found of affording to the principal sections of our population, heterogenous in language and religion, guarantees which, without the odium of a system of exclusion, would induce each individual to go to that institution which he would expect to find most suited to his own views.

Independently of the considerations already briefly stated, the gengraphical zonfiguration of Lower Canada presents another objection to the establishment of a single Normal School.

It has been frequently suggested that the institutions destined for normal tuition should be situated in the midst of a rural population. The utility, as well to the children entrusted to his care as to the master himself, of the agricultural and horticultural knowledge which he might acquire, the assimilation of his tastes and habits with those of the people amongst whom he is destined to pass his life, rhe advantages in point of economy and morality, all these, 1 must admit, combine to render the project boih plausible and seductive.

When nevertheless, we consider that within the immediate vicinity of the large cities, can be found all the space necessary for horticultural purposes, as well as better practical instruction than can be obtained elsewhere; that in the Primary Schools it would be impossible for the teacher to give the pupils any thorough knowledge of agriculture, and that he could do little more than recommend a few ameliorations, and assist by his advice in doing away with some pernicious practices, and by a suitable course of leciures inculeate a proper taste and respect for the noble calling of agriculturist; that any extensive creform of our agricultural system will more probably result from the successful operation of the model farms, which should be carried on in connection with the Academies or Model Schools, in each
county or division of county; we will perhaps cease to impose, as a condition essential to success, that the situation of every Normal School should be in the country.

The shortness of the normal course, the multiplicity of the subjects taught, the teaching exercises in the Model School, the frequency of the lessons occupying the whole day and a part of the evening, the innocent and instructive amusement which the pupils will derive from visiting, under the guidance of their professors, the scientific institutions, manufactories, workshops, and all the other objects so fruitful in instruction to be found in large cities, their self interest which will prescribe strict morality as a condition essential to success in their profession ; strict supervision and, above all, frequent and serious religious instruction, form all together considerations whichy if justly estimated, may perhaps counterbalance the very natural apprehensions which the residence of the young teachers in the towns is calculated to inspire. It is true that opportunities for dissipation will be found there for these young men as well as for others; but from the well regulated distribution and employment of their time, the temptations will be less frequent ; and he who sincerely and earnestly desires to qualify himself for the serious I shall even venture to call them the religious functions of teacher, will be less exposed than seems to be apprehended. Moreover, any marked immorality, any known act of debauchery or intemperance, or even suspicious conduct or habits, must be followed by certain expulsion.

If I insist so much upon these points, it is because the central position of our cities, the much greater facilities which they afford for that species of instruction which is derived from external objects, and which as it were rises up from the centre where we stand, the vicinity of the high collegiate institutions which they contain, the prestige which they enjoy over less populous localities, seem to me advantages worthy of the most attentive consideration.

Nor should it be lost sight of that the progress of improvement in the mechanical and useful arts is much more easily followed in cities than in villages; a subject of great importance, particularly now that Lower Canada, thanks to the enfranchisement of her industry by the abolishment of the seignorial tenure, may become what nature has intended, a manufacturing as well as an agricultural country.

I shall not go further into questions of detail which I am far from wishing to decide in any positive manner, and in the solition of which the Legislature may perhaps leave a considerable latitude to the Government, whose action has been hitherto trammeled by too precise legislation. I am not ignorant of the not very encouraging predictions of many persons of standing and intelligence, with respect to the establishment of Normal Schools, for which every one has his own plan, without which he sincerely believes there is no chance of success.

Whatever precautions we may take, we may possibly be disappointed in our expectations, be perhaps obliged to retrace our steps, and change our system, after an unsuccessful trial. But the worst plan to adopt, is to adopt none, and to do nothing, for fear of doing wrong. The subject has long engaged the attention of the public; the necessity of normal instruction is generally admitted, and prompt and decided action seems to me most urgently required.

It would be well to remember that in such matters much depends on their proper execution, that systems apparently the best sometimes fail in practise, and those against which the most objections are raised, if we frankly assist to develope and improve them, produce the most happy results, and that to persist by sinister predictions in discouraging the establishment of an institution the success of which mainly depends on public confidence, because it does not in its proposed arrangements embody our own ideas, or realise our own views, wovia be to show but little solicitude for the good of the country.

Another point not less important in the reform of the body of teachers is the improvement of the present schoolmasters. Few if any of them willabandon their schools to atteud the normal course; nevertheless, as the Normal schools mast depend for the greater part of their pupils on the Academies and Model Schools, some time must elapse before they can furnish any considerable number of teachers.

The associations and conferences of which I have already spoken are an excellent means of arriving at this end. It would therefore be advisable to encourage their formation in every district.

But there are also other means equally effectual which I shall now proceed to notice.

The easiest and most important would be the publication, under the direction of this department, of a journal of public instruction. The influence of such a journal would extend not only to teachers, but also to every person entrusted with the administration of the law, raise up a multitude of defenders of our system of compulsory taxation, and would contribute more than anything else to inspire our population with that active zeal without which all the efforts of the Government would always be more or less ineffectual. It would relieve the department of a vast amount of correspondence, the multiplicity of which engrosses a large share of time which might be much more usefully employed, and would spread abroad notices and instructions not easily diffused by other means. It would afford the teacher means of publicity, which is an actual necessity to the educated man of our times; and while the meetings of the associations would be his forum, the Journal of public instruction would be his own press, the organ of the whole body of teachers.

In France, notwithstanding the existence of the "Journal" and of "La Revue de $l$ 'Instruction Publique," and of a number of other publications of the same character, "Le Bulletin de l" Instruction Primaire," which, in the style of its management, approaches more nearly to the American Journals of Education, was in 1854 established under the auspices of the Minister of Public Instruction.

The important benefits obtained in other countries from similar publications, more particularly nearer home, at Nova Scotia and Upper Canada, are well known, and induced my predecessor to make the suggestion which I now repeat.

The Journal of Education for Lower Canada ought to be distributed gratuitously to all teachers, as well as to the several Boards of School Commissioners. Should it be desired to recover part of the expenses of publication, it would require not to be limited exclusively to articles on public instruction, but to be made a regular Family Journal, which, under an agreeable form and small price, would spread useful knowledge through the country, and inspire the youth with a taste for sound reading, and would be the auxiliary and the complement of the parish libraries. Almost all the magazines of this character have adopted this method, which in this country would be nearly an absolute condition of success.

The third means to be adopted for improving the present class of teachers would be to institute at the Normal Schools, during the vacation of the Primary Schools, a special course of lectures. There is nothing to prevent the present teachers, after having gone through this course, from being admitted to share according to the ability which they have displayed, their experience in teaching being taken liberally into account, in the advantages granted to the graduated students of the Normal School.

A fourth means would be to distribute to the teachers some manuals of insruction in teaching, which they would be bound to remit in good order to their successor, and which besides the library of the parish and scholars, would form a small library for the teacher. Inspector Bruce has already conceived this happy idea,
and with a generosity which does him honor, has at his own expense distributed to the teachers of his district several works, which have already effected a great deal of good.

Lastly we might try a species of encouragement which has been adopted in England. At each of his visits the Inspector subjects the pupils about to leave the school to a particular examination, and according to the proficiency which they exhibit, grants certificates of different degrees, of which he gives duplicates to the master, who receives from the Government a small reward graduated according to the class and number of his certificates. There is in France a regular distribution of medals of different classes to the teachers, male and female, who distinguish themselves in teaching, and lists of these prizes are published in all the official journals, and in all those devoted to public instruction. Such means of inspiring emulation would be as effectual in Lower Canada as they are in France, and ought not to be neglected.

The second reform required is uniformity in the school books. The Inspectors in their Reports constantly complain of the great variety of those in use. The choice of books is practically left to the teacher, and as each one has his own particular habiss and predilections, a change of books generally accompanies a change of teacher, and this as we know takes place too frequently. There is nothing more likely to retard the progress of the children, and disgust the parents than the useless expense thus imposed upon them. But, what is still worse in many schools, the teachers are weak enough, or perhaps are forced by the poverty of the parents, and the parsimony of the Commissioners, to allow each child to use the grammar, the geography or the reader, which chance may have placed in his hands; I leave it to be imagined what confusion this must produce.

In Appendix $G$ a table of the books in use in the schools is given.
It is greatly to be regretted that many of the School Corporations have neglected to furnish, or have furnished only very incomplete information on a subject of such importance. I have thought it my duty to have new blanks for reports; printed containing, amongst other improvements, a column, for this particular purpose. The Commissioners are to indicale clearly the name of the author of each book, the edition, the use made of it, that is to say whether it be used merely for reading, or whether the scholar commits it to memory or explains its contents; and also the number of schools in which each book is in use. These new blanks are to be distributed gratuitously to the Commissioners, and will I hope produce more regularity in their Reports.

Although, owing to its incompleteness, the adjoined table does not give a proper statement of the great variety of school books in use, it there appears that four different Fench grammars are used; but under the general name of French grammar, to my knowledge, four others are almost as widely spread, making altogether eight. It is the same thing with regard to English grammar : besides the five indicated, there are four others, making all together nine in use.

There are three French treatises on arithmetic entered in the table, besides two others which are used, making all together five. Of English, there are seven separately named besides those of the Brothers of the Christian Schools and those of the Irish National Schools, making nine. In French, the word Geography in the table includes, besides that of the Brothers, four different works which I know to be widely spread, making five. In English, besides those of the Brotlicrs and the "National School Books," five are entered, making all together seven in use.

A graduated course of reading seems hardly thought of, and every book coming into hand seems to be indiscriminately used. Besides the twenty-nine French books entered under this head in the tables, I know more than ten others in use, making altogether at least thirty-nine. The table indicates twenty-eight English
readers ; there are thirteen readers which are only used in one municipality. The "Devoir du Chrétien," compiled by the Brothers of the Christian Schools; appears to be read in 193 municipalities; it is the book most in use.

Two Latin books, the Psalter and the Epitome, are read in fifty-three municipalities. From those who profess the Catholic religion, the worship of their Church requires a certain knowledge of the Latin language; and an able teacher would take advantage of that circumstance to impart to the children etymological instructions which it would otherwise be difficult to communicate.

The Old Testament is read in French in thiry-four, and in English in fourteen municipalities; the New in French in forty-two and in English in eleven. The Bible is read in English in ten municipalities, and an abridgment entitled "Histoire Sacrée", is read in French in ninety-four municipalities.

The compilation and revision of a systematic series of school books adapted to the country ought to be one of the first cares of every people desirous of organizing public insrtuction on a solid and rational basis. There are already several well known series, and four in particular enjoy a great reputation : these are, in French; the Books of the Christian Brothers; and those of the Abbé Gauthier; in English, the books of the Irish National Schools, and Parley's. The latter are very generally used in the schools of the New England States. The Books of the Christian Brothers are now published in English. The complete series of Irish National School Books, which has been adopted in Upper Canada, seems to be in use in sixty-seven municipalities of Lower Canada, and the books of the Christian Brohers in twenty-five. And both have already effected a great deal of good. In both collections the parts treating of the exact sciences, book keeping and drawing, are excellent.

The abridgment of Christian Doctrine, in the Spelling Book, and the first chapters of the "Devoir du Chrétien," in the Brothers" collection, are veritable master-pieces of analysis, written with a touching simplicity well calculated, to engrave in the hearts of the children truths and precepts whereof the fruits will grow with their growth.

The geography of the same collection has the rare merit of being correct with respect to the United States and Canada; it holds a middle rank betveen the excellent treatise of Mr. Holmes, intended for the higher schools, and the little catechisms of geography which ought to be used in all the Elementary Schools: The geography of the Irish collection has the advantage of being, like most American geographies, illustrated with vignettes and small maps in the text.

The manuscript used in the Brothers' Schools forms a little encyclopedia of arts and trades and modern inventions, well calculated to develope he intelligence of the children in a direction conformable to the spirit of progress of our age. There is, however, something wanting in several passages of the edition of 1851.

The article on agriculture is as well written as it is wisely conceived, and ought to be read and committed to memory in all our country schools, in order to imbue the sons of our agriculturists with that high opinion, in which they are sometimes wanting, of the noble profession of their fathers.

The French/grammar in the collection is, in the opinion of several teachers and Inspectors, too complicated and scienific for the Primary Schools, and some prefer to it the old grammar of Lhomond.

The orthographical dicta contain copions extracts fron the best authors.
The graduated course of reading of the Irish National Books justly enjoys the highest reputation. As it also consists of selections from the best authors, it would be temerity to undertake a translation.

It is in a graduated course of reading, history and geography, that the utility of a compilation made and revised for the country is most manifest. - 4

We might make use of a great part of the materials collected for the other compilations, and choose from amongst the plans which have been most successful. Articles, specially written for our children, on the history of Canada, the resources of this beautiful country, on the history of the ancient as well as of the new mother country, would create a truly national spirit, form the new generation, to the calm and intelligent exercise of the power conferred by representative Government, and would, at a given day; give to public opinion an irresistible and salutary impulse.

The Department of Public Instruction ought to be entrusted with this task, and for this and many other reasons, the number of its clerks ought to be increased. The books might be printed at the expense of the Government, and distributed to the municipalities as a part of their share in the grant.

As this is a work which would necessarily require some time, the Department ought to be exclusively entrusted with the choice of books for all schools subject to its control; many of those now in use might be allowed, for the mean time, or perhaps, with some modification, might form part of the national collection. It has given me great pleasure to learn that our able historian, Mr. Garneau, is preparing an abridgment of his history intended for the use of schools; and if his work answer our well founded hopes, as I have no doubt it will, we will have ready made to our hand one of the most important books of the series.

The department ought also to take charge, as is done in Upper Canada, of furnishing maps, globes, orreries, and similar articles. The poorest Elementary School ought to have at least a black board, a map of the world, and a mural map of Canada.

The third reform which I mentioned leads me to the consideration of the entire organization of this department, and of some of the defects of the present Act, which I shall review as briefly as possible.

On reading the Reports of the Schools Inspectors, for this and the preceding years, it is easily seen that almost all the obstacles arise from the improper choice of Commissioners in numerous localities.

Wherever the office of Commissioner is held by zealous and educated men, very great progress is remarked; and we can never too highly estimate the good which is done by some praise-worthy citizens holding that arduous and onerous situation.

It has been proposed, upon the very reasonable principle that the interests of education should not be entrusted to those who are themselves destitute of it; to require from these officers a literary qualification. In present circumstances it would be extremely difficult to define such a qualification, unless it were to be limited 10 reading and writing. It is true that these rudiments of human knowledge always presuppose a certain idea of the necessity of instruction, and would be an assurance of good will, except in a few cases where, from interested motives, persons who can read and write have shown themselves hostile to the system of forced taxation. I regret, however, to say that I do not think that we can for the present insist on even so modest a qualification; to do so in an absolute manner, leaving no discretionary power to the department, would be to run the risk of entirely stopping the operation of the law in some municipalities: - d in others causing great difficulties. Hereafter, when the Inspectors shall nued foralong time to distribute certificates of proficiency to the pupils:
Schools, it will be easier, by this means and some others which already exist, aot only to require from candidates for the office of School Commissioners the recessary acquirements, but also to regulate in this respect elegibility to the different civil offices.

In the mean time it would be advisable to consider the expediency of fixing
a period after which every functionary, whether provincial or municipal, should be obliged to read and write with his own hand the oath of office, before receiving his commission or certificate of appointment. There is no doubt that the prospect of such a state of things would greally stimulate the zeal of parents for the education of their children.

There is, however, another reform which it seems to me would be easily effected, and is urgently required.

The Committee of the Legislative Assembly of 1852 has said with reason: "A "Superintendent having only the right of advising is, in Lower Canada, an anom-s " aly and an absurdity; he should have the power of enforcing whatever he advises. " in accordance with the law." This opinion was founded upon the answers given by several well educated men to the questions submitted by the Committee. Amongst others, Mr. Cremazie had expressed himself in the following terms:"To "what is the power of the Superintendent reduced? What control has he over the " metnod of teaching, over the ability and other qualifications of the teachers, over "their course of study ; in fine, over anything whatever connected with public ins"truction? None. He is simply a machine for receiving and distributing the monies " voted for public instruction. Without any control whatever over the acts of the "Commissioners, whom the law has invested with powers unprecedented, powers
" which acknowledge as superior to their own no authority save that of the Legisla-:
"ture, the Superintendent, and the Inspectors, his deputies or representatives, are.
"left entirely powerless."
Farther on, Mr. Cremazie, who has studied the question closely, and has filled important offices under the various educational laws heretofore in force, goes on to say, that, "in order to establish and consolidate a good system of public "instruction, it is necessary, indispensably so, to confer, for some years, on its: " minister dictalorial powers."

Mr. Hubert, one of the most active and devoted Inspectors, in his Report for this year, puts the case in the following plain terms:
"The primary cause of the imperfect working of the system is the inversion of " the proper order of the administrative powers of the department, too much dis"cretionary authority allowed to the School Commissioners, too little control "over them on the part of the Chief of the department, and his deputies, the School "luspectors."

All the other Inspectors express themselves to the same effect.
The fixing of a minimum of salary for masters, the obligation which would be laid on every female teacher to obtain a diplom, (for it is in a great measure the competition of female teachers without diplomas which injures the masters and favours the avarice of some municipalities, the power which would be conferred on Inspectors, -subject to appeal to the Superintendent or to the Council of Publie Instruction; -to dismiss masters, hough furnished with diplomas, who should deserve expulsion for negligence or bad conduet, lastly, the choice of school books, which should be left exclusively to the department all these important restrictions which ought to be laid on the unlimited power of the School Com: missioners would form a remedy for many abuses. The law has given to those assessed the right of appeal in the case of special cotisation for the construction of school houses, the location of schools, the division of municipalities into districts, or their reunion, and for all the difficulties which might arise respecting the accounts to be rendered by the Secretary Treasurers to the Commissioners, and by them to the rate-payers; but it would be necessary to provide more efficiently for the carrying into execution the decisions of the Superintendentin all those cases, and the putting in force his ordersin general.

The only efficient means actually in my hands is one which, with the appro-
val of Government, my predecessor had adopted, to retain in his possession the part of the grant accruing to the municipality which obstinately refused to conform to his injunctions, and finally to restore it to the unclaimed balance appropriated by the Legislature to other objects. In many cases, where the majority of the assessed felt the importance of education, this means mast have succeeded, and without doubt it is a power with which the Superintendent ought 10 be armed; but there are scholastic municipalities who may make light of such a mode of compulsion, and even be very well content with it : in such cases the punishment intended for the refractory Commissioners would fall on the teachers, the children of the district, and the whole community.

It is true that the 52nd clause of 9 Vic., cap. 27, might be construed as authorizing the punishment of many faults and neglects; but we must have something more explicit, must impose heavy fines for every act of resistance to the injunctions of the department relative to what falls under its control. The action snould be instituted by the Superintendent, and a sufficient sum should be every year placed at his disposal for this purpose.

As soon as there are resident judges in each county, a summary and exclusive jurisdiction in everything pertaining to school affairs should be given to them.

In spite of all the improvements which I have now suggested, it will still be difficult, not to say impossible, for the Legislature to foresee all the cases in which the action of the department might be paralysed by the ill-will of the School Commissioners.

The Superintendent or the Council of Public Instruction ought to have the power to make all necessary regulations for the internal government and the good management of schools, and to meet all the difficulties which the law has been unable to provide against. These regulations, approved by the Governor in Council, and duly promulgated, ought to have the force of law, and every infraction of them ought to be punished in the manner I bave just suggested.

Besides this, it is to be hoped that the people themselves will very soon make a better choice of School Commissioners than they have done. The public lectures delivered by some of the School Inspectors in their own districts have had, in this particular, a good effect; it has been easy for them to demonstrate, by examples only too numerous, that ignorant Commissioners and schoolmasters are found in the end to be the most costly, and that an excellent education might be procured with the very sums spent in law-suits to impede its progress.

Unfortunately, however, there are but few of the Inspectors who have fulfilled this important part of their duties.

It cannot be denied that one of the most useful officers in our system is the Secretary Treasurer. For that important trust we require a man honest, intelligent and zealous, and if the office be filled by one lacking these qualifications, his failure will render the efforts of all the other officers uuavailing. It is without doubt for this reason that the Legislature has raised the remuneration of the Secretary Treasurer from $2 \frac{1}{2}$ to 4 per cent. on the monies received. This remuneration isstill regarded, by the boards of School Commissioners, and especially by the Secretary Treasurers themselves, as insufficient. The contests which take place among them, the expedients to which they resort, give a great deal of trouble to the department, and tend to introduce, if not absolute fraud, a degree of cunning which borders on it. It would be better to raise their salaries, making them sufficient to cover any remuneration to which they would have been entitled, for drawing out the cotisation roll, for all contingent expenses, in fact, for all services whatever. The law in its origin had this intention, but the salary allowed was so slender that in a manner it justified exceptions which have opened the door to abuse.

The School Inspectors, established in virtue of the Act 14 and 15 Vic., cap

97, are in fact so many deputies to whom it has been customary to send all the complaints and all the appeals submitted to the Superintendent, which they on their part inquire into, and upon which they report. They share with him the responsibility of the direction of public instruction, and have virtually a delegation of all his powers, or, if we are to believe the Committee of the Legislative Assembly, of all his impotence.

I regret to say that numerous and serious complaints are every day made respecting the manner in which many of these officers perform their duties. They have, even till now, had an excuse sufficiently plausible, in the immense extent of their circuits, the insufficiency of their salaries, on account of the travelling expenses they must incur, and the necessity they are under to devote a great part of their time 10 other occupations as a means of existence.

On this point the Legislature has to choose between two opposite systems. That followed in Upper Canada is founded on the supposition that the Local Superintendents, as they are termed, fulfill the duties of their office, as do many other public oficers, in a measure gratuitously. It is rather an indemuification than a salary that they receive. In 1854 their number amounted 10270 . Their circuits, though varying mach in extent, are generally small. They are appointed, and the limits of the circuits they have to inspect marked out by the Municipal Council of each county ; some of those circuits do not extend beyond a village or a township, while others may include a whole county. In France, on the other hand, the Inspectors, who form part of the staff of the Université have large districts under their care ; they are allowed proportionate salaries, and are obliged to devote the whole of their time exclusively to the task. This latter system seems to me to suit best the social condition of Lower Canada, and the actual state of tuition.

It would be difficult, in order to remunerate more amply the School Inspectors, to extend their circuits, and diminish their numbers. It is necessary rather to divide some districts which are immense. Those of Mr. Tanguay and of Mr. Beland cover a vast extent of territory, and would form on the map of Europe principalities of no mean importance. There are some which, thoughtihey appear less extended or more thinly peopled, yet could not, on account of their geographical configuration and of their isolation, be united to others. There are, however, some districts which might with advantage be dismembered, and perhaps we may thus find means to carry out in part the proposed reform.

The table marked H , in the Appendix, will give to all those who are even slightly acquainted with the topography of Lower Canada, a correct idea of the position of the Inspectors. I ought to add that the four visits and reports which the law demanded every year, have been by my predecessorreduced to two, with the approbation of the Executive, who, on my suggestion, have likewise extended to School Inspectors the 25 per cent. augmentation of salary which the Legislature had allowed to be given to some public servants. Whatever decision we may come to with regard to an ulterior augmentation of the salaries of Inspectors, there are several amongst them who will have to choose frankly between the punctual fulfilment of their duties and the relinquishment of an employment which may to them seem too burdensome.

In their relations with the Commissioners, the Inspectors have often to encounter a great deal of ill-will, and serious inconveniences result from the former evading meeting with them in their visits. This is another point of discipline which the department ought to have the power of regulating.

Among the measures which might be adopted to augment the good effects of my visits and those of my deputies, there is one which it seemed 10 me I ought to recommend, and which has met the immediate approbation of the Government. I have obtained permission to distribute, myself, and to give for distribution to the Inspectors, instructive books as a reward to the scholars who
should merit them by their assiduity, their good conduct and their success in any particular branch. This will be an excellent means of stimulating the development of those studies which seem to be neglected. I have for this object obtained from Government the 200 remain ing copies of the Essays on Canada, published by the Committee of the Universal Exhibition, and 400 copies of a treatise on Flemish Agriculture which the Minister of Agriculture has just got re-printed. With a sum which has been placed at my disposal I have been able to purchase a part of the Conversations on Agriculture pnblished by Mr. Ossaye, under the title of "Veillées Canadiennes," and I have been enabled to make choice of the most instructive books for the use of youth, published in France and in England.

I hope to be able by spring to send to each of the Inspectors a case of assorted books, appropriate to the wants of his district, with precise instructions as to the manner of their distribution. Several advantages will result from this measure : it will provide an excellent substitute for the too numerous holidays, the only favors which the visitors had it in their power to accord; excellent books will be put into circulation, to the great advantage not only of the children, but of their parents also; the visits and advice of the Inspectors will be agreeably impressed on the memories of the children, and it will also make up for the deficiencies of the public distribution of prizes, which, in consequence of the excessive desire of teachers and Commissioners to please the parents, considered with respect to the merit of the works presented, or as a means of exciting emulation, have dwindled almost to insignificance.

With regard to the Inspectors themselves, the want of booksandjournals treating specially of public instruction had been keenly felt ; but the Government, with a liberality and enlightened benevolence which, in this as well as the former instance I feel great pleasure in recording, has permitted me to appropriate a cortain sum, out of the amount allowed for the contingent expenses of the office, for the purpose of forming a library for the department. I have already succeeded in collecting about one hundred volumes, of which I stood myself in the greatest need. I expect more this spring, and with my next circular I trust I shall be able to enclose to the Inspectors a list of works, which they as well as all other friends of education shall be welcome to consult.

The fourth reform required is the establishment of an Academy in each county or division of county, and of a Model School in each municipality.

With regard to the first object, by means of the annual votes of the Legislature, of which I shall have to speak in another part of this Report, it is already nearly attained.

I must insist more strongly on the establishment of a Model, or, if we choose to call it so, of a Superior Primary School in each municipality. This is a matter not merely of improvement, but of absolute necessity; it is simply saying that there must be one really good school in each parish or township, and that is surely not more than is required.

This is another of those measures which ought to be withdrawn from the too slow action of the Commissioners, and confided to the department. The present law permits each municipality to put aside $£ 20$ for that purpose; but the Commissioners, far from seeking to avail themselves of that clause, sometimes, in consequence of the jealousy of the other school districts, even go so far as to deny the name to Model Schools really existing. Here again, the Superintendent and his deputies can interfere only by advice, a position which the Committee of 1852 , with reason, calls an anomaly and an absurdity. A sum, variable in proportion to its wants and resources, ought to be deducted by the Superintendent for a Model School from the share of each municipality in the grant; this would
moreover be a certain means of repressing the inclination of the Commissioners to subdivide their parishes into 100 many districts, and of ensuring sufficient salaries to a great number of masters.

There is in the present law an anomaly which I bave already noted: it is this, that the municipalities are not ellowed to tax themselves for any amount beyond a sum equal to their share in the grant. There was, it is true, a time when the legislator had to make that the limit of his greatest hopes. I am happy to say that several Commissioners have complained of this restriction, which, I have no doubt, will be abrogated without delay.

If we reflect that the assessment is based upon the grant, that the monthly remuneration amounts to a sum not much larger than each of these two sources of incorne, we may see how small are the means at the disposal of some of the municipalities.

Thus, on consulting the Appendix D, it will be seen that ninety-1wo municipalities do not receive more than $£ \mathbf{£} \mathbf{5}$ a year from the Government. It may be affirmed that with the cotisation and monthly fees, supposing that both be entirely collected, which rarely happens, these municipalities have annually not more than $\mathcal{L 7 5}$ at their disposal. Can such a sum, I ask, suffice to maintain for a whole year from three to four and sometimes even eight or nine schools? Is it not true that it would hardly be sufficient to pay the salary of one good teacher?

Nineteen municipalities receive only $£ 1210 \mathrm{~s}$. each, and some others not much more than half that amount. The rule which apportions everything to the population may, like any other, if it be absolutely inflexible, under a deceifful appearance of equality, cause very great injustice. The Education Office of the Privy Council, as shown in the Report from which I have already cited, had felt the necessity of providing a remedy for similar evils.

There are some poor and isolated municipalities which the law, on their producing a certificate of poverty, and showing that they have done all in their power to put the Act into operation, has permitted to draw their share of the grant without having assessed themselves for the whole amount required by the statute. This indulgence is founded on the principle which exempts the indigent from all taxation, and gives their children gratuitous admission to the schools, on the maxim, so truly Christian, that the state owes to the children of the poor the education necessary to fit them for honest citizens, a maxim no less utilitarian, in as much as it saves from the cost of repressing crime more than it spends in works of charity. But what is the utility of offering to a municipality, unable to double it, a sum of from $£ 6$ to $£ 8$ per annum ?

The Superintendent ought therefore to have the power of making special allowances to municipalities whose share of the grant, based on their population, would be 100 small to be useful; and an additional sum should be put at his disposal for this purpose. It would be equally important that he should also have the power of imposing special assessments for the liquidation of lawful debts contracted by the Boards of Commissioners, and which their ordinary annual revenues would not allow them to discharge without closing, or at least seriously impairing, their schools. When these debts, as often happens, have heen contracted by a municipality which has subsequently been divided into several, or whose limits have been changed, it should be equally in his power to apportion equitably between the different corporations liable for the debt, the amount to be paid.

## PART SECOND.-REMARKS ON THE STATISTICS OF 1855.

Having considered the principal reforms to be effected, 1 must now make some remarks on the statistical tables which accompany this Report, in so far as they establish the progress made during the past year.

If we reflect on the penury which, in consequence of the depression of trade, has been felt over the whole of this part of the Province, we will not be surprised to find that in some respects the progress made is not so great as it was the year before. I have even heard with pain that, in a few localities, the new Municipal Bill has been made the occasion of a renewed opposition to the school taxes. Inspector Hume mentions the existence of this disposition, not only among the inhabitants of French origin in his district, but even in a stronger degree amongst those of British birth or origin.

Public opinion, without distinction of party or origin, would, I am certain, heartily approve of the energetic means of repressing such opposition, which the Government would be obliged to adopt, should it break out into lawless violence.

The amount of progress made during the three last years in the number of all sorts of Educational Institutions, in the number of the scholars of all these Instititutions united, and in the sums levied from the tax payers for the Common Schools, may be thus stated :

|  | 1853 | 1854 | 1855 | Increase over 1854. | Increase over 1853. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *Institutions, | 2352 | 2795 | 2869 | 74 | 517 |
| *Pupils, ...... | 108284 | 119737 | 126677 | 6940 | 18393 |
| Contributions,...... | £41462 | £59508 | £62284 | £2776 | £20822 |

A similar statement for Upper Canada, during the same period, shows a progress numerically almost double; but the difference in the annual progress is not so great against Lower Canada, which, on the other hand, has the advantage with respect to higher and secondary education: there is nothing humiliating in the comparison I have made; it is always well to examine our position coolly, and endeavour rather to overcome than to disguise its difficulties, and to look the evil in the face in order to know and combat it.

The advantages which Upper Canada enjoys in comparison with us may be stated as follows :

|  | 1853 | 1854 | 1855 | Increase over 1854. | Increase over 1853. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Institutions, | 3391 | 3515 | 3600 | 85 | 209 |
| Pupils. | 203986 | 217356 | 228000 | 10644 | 24014 |
| Contributions, | £139178 | £166486 | $£ 180000$ | £13514 | £40822 |

The following table gives in detail the progress made in Lower Canada, and shows that it is greater in the middle and superiorclasses of education. The number of Academies, of the higher class of Girls Schools, of the Convents devoted to teaching and of their pupils, has more than quadrupled; that of Colleges and their students has increased by one half. The number of Model Schools and their pupils (perhaps the most important point of all) has more than doubled. It is to the suppression of several school districts, for the purpose of establishing better schools, the develnpment of the higher order of institutions, as well as to the general penury, that we must attribute the slower rate of progress for this year, compared with last, of the Elementary Schools.

[^0]|  | Number of Schools and Pupils in |  |  | Increase in 1854. | Increase in 1855. | Increase over 1853, in 1855. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1853 | 1854 | 1855 |  |  |  |
| Elementary Sch'ls. | 2114 | 2352 | 2513 | 238, or 11 p.c. | 161, or 6 p.c. | 399, or 18 p.c. |
| Pupils,........... | 92275 | 97310 | 100168 | 5035, or 5 p.c. | 2858, or 3 p.c. | 7893, or 8 p. c. |
| Model Schools.. | 67 | 154 | 152 | 87, or 129 p.c. |  | 85 , or 126 p.c. |
| Papils, | 3524 | 6747 | 8194 | 3223 , or 91 p.c. | 1447, or 20 p.c. | 4670 , or 132 p.c. |
| Girls High Schools, | 53 | 67 | 78 | 14, or $26 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. | 11, or 16 p.c. | 25 , or 47 p.c. |
| Pupils, | 3041 | 3171 | 4348 | 130, or 4 p.c. | 1177, or 37 p.c. | 1307, or $43 \mathrm{p.a}$ |
| Academies, | 19 | 23 | 40 | 4 | 17 | 21 |
| Pupils, | 1169 | 1272 | 3856 | 103, or 9 p.c. | 2584, or 203 p.c. | 2687, or 229 p. ©. |
| Convents devoted to teaching,.... | 4 | 46 | 52 | 2 | 6 | 8 |
| Pupils,... | 2796 | 6104 | 8530 | 3308, or 118 p.c. | 2426, or 39 p.c. | 5734, or 205 p.e. |
| Colleges, | 14 | 16 | 21 | 2 | 5 | 7 |
| Students,......... | 2110 | 2515 | 3325 | 405 , or $19 \mathrm{p.c}$ | 810 , or $32 \mathrm{p.c}$. | 1215, or 57 p.c. |

I am happy to state that the few bad symptons which I have pointed out are far from being general, but on the contrary the facts and figures which I will now rapidly asse mble prove a continual progress.

One proof of that progress is the almost general abandonment of the system of voluntary contribution, and the adoption of that of assessment. It will be seen, by Appendix $\mathbf{C}$, that 384 municipalities take the most simple, the most economical, all things considered, and, at all events, the most equitable and certain methor, that of assessment; 45 only have had recourse to voluntary contributions, and they are principally municipalities in which they are only beginning to have schools: the practical good sense of our people is every where condemning the latter mode.

Notwithstanding the extreme misery which has prevailed in many districts, only five municipalities have availed themselves of the clause in favor of indigent townships; there is every where manifested a noble repugnance to taking advantage of that provision. Ten municipalities appear on the table as giving no sign of intellectual life. With the exception of St. Michel d'Yamaska, these are very poor and isolated settlements: Mann and Newport in the District of Gaspé, Valcartier, St. Féréol, Ste. Sophie and Cranbourne in the District of Quebec, Ely in the District of St. Francis, St. Columban in the District of Montreal, and Grenville in the District of Ottawa. Since receiving the Report, of the Inspectors, I have ascertained that there have been steps taken by the inhabitants of Valcartier, St. Columban, and St. Féréol, which justify me in saying that the law is now carried out there; the last mentioned parish has had a school since the month of July. There are therefore in reality only seven municipalities where the law is not in operation; and it is to be observed, to the honour of the Districts of Kamouraska and Montreal, that not one of these dark spots is found within their limits.

Taking the total number of pupils attending Colleges, Academies, and Model Schools, we have 15,215 boys receiving instruction of various grades above
elementary education. The total number of pupils attending Convents and schools of the higher class for girls gives 12,788 girls receiving a superior education. If to this we add one half of the pupils of the Elementary Schools, we shall have 75,782 children receiving a good education.

The statistics of the Colleges, Academies, and Grammar Schools of Upper Canada, for the last three years, show the following result:

|  | 1853. | 1854. | 1855. | Increase over 1854. | Increase over 1885. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Colleges, . . . . . . . . ... | 8 | 9 | 9 | 0 | 1 |
| Pupils,............... | 756 | 06 | 850 | 44 | 94 |
| Grammar Schools and Academies,. | 79 | 84 | 88 | 4 | 11 |
| Pupils,............... | 5039 | 5153 | 5300 | 147 | 261* |

In this respect, the numbers for Lower Canada are more than double, as is also the annual progress; and he, who would not admit that many of our educational Institutions are not inferior to those of any part of this continent, must either be very much prejudiced or know very little of what is passing around him.

I should have remarked that, besides the numerous superior and secondary educational Institutions which the Catholic Clergy of Lower Canada have founded, the country owes to them the two Institutions for the deaf and dumb, the only ones which we have. That for females, situated at Long Point, near Montreal, has about twenty pupils; that for boys, at St. Laurent, has lately added to the number of its Professors two Clerks of St. Viator, one of whom, Mr. Young, is himself deaf and dumb, and was educated at the Institute of Nancy in France.

It should be remembered that a sum of $£ 30,000$ is at the disposal of the Government, for the establishment of such schools. Having had, while occupying a different position, to examine this subject, I would be happy to give any information, or make any suggestions, which might be desired, at least as far as Lower Canada is concerned.

There is nothing better calculated than the following table to establish the substantial character of the progress accomplished. It will be seen that the proportion of the pupils of our Model and Common Schools, studying the most important branches of practical education, increases every year. The number of those studying compound arithmetic and book-keeping has doubled in two years; that of those learning geography has increased by more than half; students of history have doubled, of grammar have increased more than half, and of parsing have more than quadrupled.

|  | 1853 | 1854 | 1855 | Increase in 1854 | Increase in 1855 | Increase of 1855 over 1853 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pupils read'g well | 27367 | 32881 | 43407 | 5494, or 20 p. c. | 10546, or 30 p.c. | 16040 , or $57 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. |
| Writing | 50072 | 47014 | 58033 |  | 11019, or $30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. | 7961 , or 15 p.c. |
| Simple A cithmetic | 18281 | 22897 | 30631 | 4616, or 25 p. c. | 7734 , or $33 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. | 12350, or 67 p. c. |
| Compound " | 12448 | 18073 | 22586 | 5625 , or 45 p.c. | 4513, or 24 p.c. | 10138, or S1 p.c. |
| Book-keeping |  | 799 | 1976 |  | 1177, or 147 p. c. |  |
| G-osraphy | 22185 | 13826 | 17700 | 1641, or 13 p.c. | 3874 , or 20 p. c. | 5515 , or 45 p. c. |
| History | 6738 | 11486 | 15520 | 4748, or 70 p.c. | 4034, or 34 p.c. | S782, or 130 p.c. |
| French Grammar | 15353 | 17852 | 23260 | 2499 , or 13 p.c. | 5408 , or 30 p.c. | 7907 , or $51 \mathrm{p.c}$ c. |
| English | 7066 | 7097 | 9004 | 31 \% | 1907, or 27 p. c. | 2938, or 41 p. c. |
| Parsing | 4412 | 9283 | 16439 | 4871 , or 65 p.c. | 9156, or 125 p. c. | 12027, or 272 p.c. |

[^1]In Appendix A we will find, on consulting it, other very encouraging facts not included in this table

Dictation or orthographical exercises which did not figure at all in the Report for 1853 , were practised in 1854 by 20,346 pupils, whose numbers this year amount to 32,512 .

Some branches which had never been noticed in the tables for preceding years, appear there for the first time this year, and are represented by very respeciable figures. Thus there are 430 pupils studying literature and epistolary composition ; agriculture and horticulture, 199; mathematics and geometry, 777; surveying and mensuration, 836 ; lineary drawing, 1272; singing, 5013, and instrumental music, 1032. As was to be expected, the Academies and Model Schools claim the greatest part of these developments.

The progress in some inspection districts is truly astonishing. The following table, compiled and abridged from the Report of Inspector Beland, is so much the more remarkable that the Counties of Lotbinière, Beauce, Dorchester, and Levi, forming that circuit, contain the only eteignoirs (as they are populary called) in the District of Quebec, who, have ever assumed a hostile attitude. Nothing proves better the happy spirit of imitation possessed by our people. When the impulse is once given, with us it may truly be said that it is only the first step that is dilficult,-ce n'est que le premier pas qui coûte.

|  | 1852 | 1855 | Increase from 1852 to 1855. | Proportion of Increase. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oommon Schools under control, | 177 | 214 | 37 |  |
| Number of Pupils..... | 5724 | 7167 | 1443 | 25. |
| Model Schools, | 4 | 6 | 2 |  |
| Pupils, ....... | 116 | 258 | 137 |  |
| Superior Schools for Girls, | 1 | 7 |  |  |
| Pupils,... | 50 | 345 | 295 |  |
| Pupils reading well, ..... | 2872 | 3089 | 217 | 7 |
| Pupils studying Grammar, | 1043 | 1882 | 839 | 80 |
| " " Orthography, | ${ }_{992} 82$ | 1169 1702 | 342 710 | 41 |
| " " Compound " | 992 427 | 1702 939 | 710 | 81 119 |
| " " Geography,.. | 282 | 752 | 470 | 177 |
| " Writing, | 836 | 3169 | 2383 | 305 |
| "" English,.... | 119 | 135 | 16 | 16 |
| « " $\quad$ History,...... | 579 | 1064 | 485 | - 93 |
| ductive Grammar, | 269 | 1169 | 900 | 334 |
| School house property of the municipality, | 55 | 74 | 19 | 102 |
| Schools having geographical maps, | 20 | 48 | 28 | 110 |

The district of Inspector Archambault, containing a population of only 60,589 souls, and including only 24 municipalities, possesses one College, 4 Academies, 12 Superior and Convent Schools for girls, 10 Modeland 99 Elementary Schools. The example of the County of Vercheres, which forms part of this circuit, has had a good effect on the neighbouring county of Yamaska, celebrated for its obstinate resistance to the law ; and two of the three last rebellious parishes have this year given signs of rapid progress. St. David has collected assessments in arrear and even those imposed for the construction of school bouses, and St. Aime in the County of Richelien, going still farther, bas, in imitation of the neighbouring parish of St. Hugues, erected a handsome building for a Convent. Actuve steps have been taken by the department with respect to St. Michel, and
that parish will show a great deal of obstinacy if it do not follow the example of St. David andSt. Zephirin, to which parishes, in order to encourage them, and by special favor, very large arrears have been aliowed and paid.

I consider it my duty to call the particular attention of the reader to Table B of the Appendix, independently of the large Synoptical Table A, and the subsequent detailed tables. That table shows the proportion attending schools compared to the whole number of children of an age to attend them, and to the whole population. These proportions are indicated for each inspection district, and these have also been grouped by judicial districts, in order, if possible, to increase the emulation of the different sections of the country. The judicial districts, according to the order of their proportion stand as follows: St. Francis 68,* Quebec 59, Montreal 51, Kamouraska 50, Three Rivers 45, Gaspé 45, and Ottawa 41 per cent.

The inspection district which gives the highest proportion is that of Mr. Child, 90, and the lowest is that of Mr. Lesperance, 15. The proportion for Lower Canada is 53 per cent., being more than the half of the children of an age to attend school, that is to say, children, of from five to sixteen. This would give a great deal more than the half of the children from seven to fourteen, who are by law required to attend school. The next census should contain a particular column for these two classes. The number to be taken into consideration is rather that of children from seven to fourteen; in the country it is difficult, on account of the rigour of the climate, to send children under seven to school, while those over fourteen are generally too useful to their parents for them to dispense with their services, unless they have determined to give them a liberal education, in which case they are sent to college. I am morally certain that if the census on the one hand, and on the other the school statistics, as they have been hitherto taken, furnished the means of establishing the proportion of children from seven to fourteen attending school, it would be equal to two-thirds.

The fact that nearly one half of the children from five to sixteen receive noinstruction is nevertheless of very grave import, especially when we reflect that in Upper Canada nearly three-fourths of the children between these ages, and in Nova Scotia two thirds of those from four tofifteen, atlend school. We must however make allowance, as my predecessor has done, for the asperity of the climate, greater than in any part of America, and also for the long distance which some children have to travel, in the new districts, where besides, poverty furnishes an unanswerable excuse.

I ought to add further that our statistics are generally far below the real number. I shall cite two facts. In 1853, Mr. DeCourcy, in a work accompanied with statistics collected by Mr. Jacques Viger, showed that our Convent Schools had 10429 pupils.

That same year the Report of the Superintendent set them down as only 2796 , and 3041 in the higher schools for girls, under which deniomination it is true were comprised many of these inslitutions. Still the two numbers united give litile more than half of that in the statement of Mr. Viger, whose information was drawn from a correct source. It is very probable that this year there is a similar deficiency.

In the Report of Inspector Valade for this year, the whole number of children attending the Catholic Institutions of the City of Montreal is slated to be 5480. Exact information, which I have been able to procure, and which will be found

[^2]in appendix E, makes the amount 6612; of this number 2295 belong to the Schools of the Christian Brothers, and 2286 to those of the Nuns of the Congregation of Notre Dame, supported in a great measure by the liberality of the Seminary of Montreal.*

Among the improvements to be noticed is that which the parish libraries have made. It is well known that, only three years have elapsed since their commeucement. They amount to ninety, and contain 47,703 volumes, not to speak of many public libraries in the large Cities of Montreal and Quebec, which are omitted in our Reports.

Those intended for the use of the poorer classes of Montreal, and under the care of the Catholic Clergy are composed of more than 12,000 volumes.

From all quarters I receive demands for aid and offers to contribute, in case the Legislature would make a new grant for parish libraries. It is the same with respect to the building of school-houses. The offers and the demands of the municipalities become every day more numerous.

Some of those, however, who had made applications at the time of the first grant, have even till now neglected to conform to the conditions imposed on them. I have, with the approbation of Government, informed them, that if they do not fulfil their obligations before the 1st of April, their allotted part of the grant will be confiscated, and bestowed on localities more diligent.

A great part of the last Report of my predecessor has been devoted to collegiate institutions; this exempts me from the necessity of going at great length into the subject. I have been enabled, by the help of information transmitted to the Government, in virtue of an act of last session, and by means of that which I myself procured, to compile tables both of superior and of secondary schools. These tables indicate the vigour and the increasing progress of our higher seminaries of education. The establishment of numerous academies will supply a deficiency in our system, but I take the liberty of dissenting from the opinion of those who believe that all our colleges should lower their course of study, and, in truth, bring down the standard of university education to the level of primary instruction.
"Our college courses," very properly says the Pincipal of McGill College, " must not attempt to gain support by descending to the level of the schools, but " must depend on that portion of the young mien of our country who desire a higher " and more extended course of instruction, and are willing to devote a few years "to this object." $\dagger$

His Grace the Archbishop of Quebec, in his pastoral charge respecting the erection of the Laval University expresses, himself still more strongly to the same effect, but adds: "There are already in our educational institutions far too many "of those young men who ought to have contented ihemselves with the educa"tiongiven in a good Elementary School, in order to return to the occupations.of iheir " fathers. These students destitute of ability occasiontheir familiesuselessexpense, " lose at college muchof their most precious time, and besidesretard the progress of "their classmates; and this is but one part of the evil, for after spending at coilege " some unprofitable years they get disgusted writh their fruitless toil, and abandon " their studies, ofien drawing away with them students gifted with superior talents. "Both the untalented and the gifted, considering themselves as above, and entilled to

[^3]" despise agriculture and all other sorts of manual labour, throw themselves into " some of the learned professions, place themselves behind a counter, or besiege " the public offices to obtain some meagre situation: it is to this cause we must " attribute the deplorable overloading of all the learned professions, and the fright" ful displacement of a crowd of young men, who abandon the humble but useful " vocation of their fathers to become a burden to society in a position which they " often disgrace."

The results of such a state of things, and the consequences it will have on our community, are shown and brought out strongly and at great length in the Report of Inspector Bardy. It is in reality towards the perfecting of our system of primary instruction, by the amelioration of the body of teachers and by a more powerful and more concentrated control, that all our attention ought to be given; it is to attain this, (and thereby avert the impending evil,) that we ought to strike promptly, forcibly, and with unerring aim.

The Table $\mathbf{F}$ will show with what rapidity our system of superior and secondary instruction has developed itself in the course of a few years. Down to the year 1804, when Mr. Brassard founded the College of Nicolet, two venerable collegiate institutions, the Seminary for Foreign Missions established at Quebec by Bishop Laval in 1663, and that of St. Sulpice founded at Montreal in 1773, were all that we possessed. Between the founding of the College of Quebec and that of the College of Montreal a whole age had elapsed. More than a quarter of a century had passed between the establishment of the College of Montreal and the founding of that of Nicolet. It was therefore at that time the task of a century, at the present time it is the work of a year, we might even say of a day; and the Archbishop of Quebec has with profound wisdom advised his Clergy against increasing too rapidly the number of these establishments. Since 1804, colleges have sprung up in every direction, till their number amounts to more than twenty.

The Committee of the Legislative Assembly, appointed in 1849 to inquire into the causes of emigration to the United States, gave with respect to educated youth, among other reasons, the want of practical instruction in our colleges; but they also added that these institutions had made and were every day making considerable progress in that direction.

In the six years which have since passed, not only have the Colleges done all that could possibly be expected of them in this respect, but there have arisen and are every day rising new intermediate establishments, in sufficient numbers to prevent us from thoughtlessly running the risk of lowering the standard of classical studies in the establishments originally devoted to that purpose.

It would be the height of ingratitude to pass unacknowledged the services which these institutions, especially the more ancient, have rendered in preserving here a centre of light, when but for them the greatest obscurity must have prevailed, light which beams forth and reflects itself to-day in a manner so brilliant. The Laval University, which figures so honorably in our table, is, for the ancient population of Lower Canada, the completion of the whole edifice of public instruction. McGill College, to which the Protestant youth give the preference, has within the last few years, made progress important and of good omen.

I bave endeavoured, in the classification in the tables of Appendix F, of the different educational institutions, to keep as close as possible to the divisions adopted by the minister of public instruction in France; and, that 1 might be equally intelligible at home and abroad, I have added the names recognized by our own Legislature.

There are three grand divisions, viz: of Superior, of Secondary, and of Primary Schools. The first class is subdivided into Universities and Special Schools ; the second, 1st, into Colleges, or properly so cailed Secondary Schools;

2ndly, into Academies, or Secondary Preparatory Schools ; 3rdly, into Convents or Academies for girls; and 4thly, into Special Secondary Schools. The third division comprehends the Superior Primary or Model Schools, and lastly the Elementary Schools.

The data on which these divisions are based are still very imperfect; and we must not be surprised if there lave crept in some errors and anomalies. Their statistics differ considerably fom those of the large Table A, from which were compiled the small tables that have just been reviewed. These discrepancies are all in our favor, and (except in some instances where they are explained by the fact that a different classification has been followed in the two tables,) go to establish what I have already said respecting the deficiencies of the statistics collected by the Inspectors. As some uncertainly exists upon this point, it has been impossible for me to correct from Appendix F the figures of Appendix A. I need hardly add that next year the tables published by the department will be in strict accordance with one another.

The recapitulation of the three divisions of Appendix $F$ gives the following results:


We have two Universities with five Faculties organized, and seven special Superior Schools, making altogether twelve Superior Schools, namely : five Theological Schools, of which there are four Catholic and one Protestant; two Facul ties and one School of Law, two Faculties and one School of Medicine, and one Faculty of Arts.

There are 13 professors and 143 students of Theology; 10 professors and 46 students in the Faculty of Law ; 25 professors and 105 students of Medicine, and 6 professors and 37 students in the Faculty of Arts, of McGill College. The Faculty of Arts of the University of Laval is not yet organized; but several students from the College of Quebec are now in the highest educational institutions of Europe, preparing themselves for professorships, and their return is awaited for the opening of that important department of the institution.

The united libraries of the Superior Schools and Colleges give a total of 78,300 volumes. The cost of the museums, and of the apparatus for the classes of natural philosophy comes up to $£ 12,750$.

The value of the buildings belonging to these inslitutions would appear to be $£ 155,500$, a figure which I am sure is much below the reality; and it will be seen that the greater part of these edifices has been erected within the last few years. I have been unable to obtain satisfactory information as to the value of the buildings for Academies and Convents. It is also to be regretted that the information lurnished to the Government respecting Superior and Secondary Schools does not

[^4]enable me to state with certainty the whole amount paid every year by the inhabitants of Lower Canada, as well under the designation of board for their children, at Colleges, Academies and Convents, as by voluntary contributions for the erection of the baildings occupied by such institutions. There are also voluntary contributions for the support of Common Schools, of which no Report has been made, and extra assessments for the construction of school houses, the amount of which is not known. From approximate calculations, I may say, without fear of error, that the people of Lower Canada have for the last five years contributed in this manner over one hundred thousand pounds currency per annum. This sum should be added to the $£ 63,000$ produced by the ordinary legal assessments ; and this would in fact give an amount nearly as high as that raised in Upper Canada for purposes of education.

The first section of the second division shows 24 Colleges, with a total of 252 Professors and Directors, and 4089 students. In six of these institutions the dead languages are not taught, but in consequence of the length of their course of study, and the number of their students, I have thought it right to continue to extend to them the tille of College, which they had themselves assumed.

The Seminaries of Quebec and Montreal, the two most ancient of our establishments receive no assistance from the state. Their property consists principally in donations and ancient endowments. Their libraries, their cabinets of natural philosophy, and their museums, do them the greatest honor. One of these institutions, the Seminary of Quebec alone, possesses in its three divisions, that is to say, in the University of Laval and the greater and lesser Seminaries, 22,700 volumes. Its museum and cabinet of natural philosophy have cost over $£ 5000$. Not to speak of the value of the greater and lesser Seminaries, the country seats of Mézerets and St. Joachim, where professors and students may, during the holidays and vacations, rest from the fatigue of their classes, the University of Laval has already spent over $£ 24,000$ in the building of the vast edifices now in process of erection, and the total cost of which will amount to at least $£ 50,000$.

There are 12 Professors of the University, 4 of the greater Seminary or School of Theology, 26 of the College,-making 42 altogether.

The two Faculties in actual operation, those of medecine and of law, have both together 36 students; the Theological School, has 42, and the College 400,-making altogether 478.

The Seminary of St. Sulpice has several libraries, which united would amount to more than 12,000 volumes. One of its collections of minerals, consisting of more than a housand specimens, is a present from the celebrated Haüy, and was assorted and classified by himself. The Rev. Mr. Villeneuve has collected such a great number of geological and mineralogical specimens, that they have not yet been completely classified; these collections and the cabinet of natural philosophy have cost over $£ 3000$.

The professors of the greater Seminary or Theological School are 5 in number, and 18 are atlached to the College,-making 23 altogether ; of pupils, 60 attend the Theological School, and 256 the College,-making altogether 316. Besides this, the Seminary maintains a great many schools, and defrays the expense of rearing 129 orphans under the care of the Sisters of Charity. This institution annually expends $£ 7,500$ in education, and through its means 5000 children receive a Christian Education.

The revenue from the farms of the Island of Montreal is specially destined to the establishment of a model farm, on which vast agricultural works, which will soon prove to our farmers what the earth can produce, when culivated with energy and intelligence, are already commenced.

The University of McGill College, which has lately suffered by fire a loss that no friend of education will fail to regret, succeeded however in saving nearly the whole of its library, comprising 3700 volumes. The value of its buildings is about $£ 17,000$ currency. In the three Faculties there are 20 professors and 109 students, and 9 masters, and 213 pupils at the High School or College in connection with the establishment,-giving altogether 29 professors and 322 pupils. Besides its regular classes this institution has commenced a course of popular lectures which are delivered in the evening, and promise to be very successful.

The Colleges of Nicolet, St. Hyacinthe, Ste. Thérèse de Blainville, of Ste. Anne de la Pocatière, of L'Assomption and of St. Mary at Montreal, are rapidly following in the traces of the two institutions of Montreal and Quebec, asmay be seen by the details of their course of studies, and other statistics given in Table F. With respect to the institutions of more recent foundation, it is astonishing, considering how numerous they are, that they manage to support themselves, and nevertheless it will be seen that they not only do so, but also make considerable progress. Two new Colleges not mentioned in the table, one at Côteau du-Lac and the other at Rimouski, are in process of construction and will soon be opened.

In eight of these institutions the mathematical course is as full as possible, and comprehends of differential and integral calculus. In eight others it stops at conic sections, and in the remaining eight goes no farther than alegebra and elementary geometry.

In twenty-one Colleges mechanics and astronomy are taught, in fifteen chemistry, and in seventeen natural history. In some establishments meteorological observations are regularly made. It would be very desirable that they should be generally extended, according to some system similar to that already adopted in Upper Canada. Dr. Smallwood, who has for a long lime successfully prosecuted these investigations, has favoured me with suggestions of which I will not fail to avail myself as soon as possible, more especially with respect to Academies and Model Schools under the direction of the department.

Hebrew is taught to a few students in three establishments; Greek forms part of the course of fifieen Colleges, and Latin of eighteen. The elements of these two languages are also taught in several Academies.

English and French are also taught every where. In Colleges where French is the language of the classes, two methods have of late years been adopted to insure the progress of the pupils in the acquirement of the English language. The first is to teach some particular branch in that language, the second to devote every week a certain number of the hours of recreation to English coversation. The two languages spoken in the country should not in fact be studied as dead languages, but ought on the contrary to be classed amongst things indispensable, and it would be very important that the Lyceums or Academies, where English is the language of the school, should adopt in the study of French some such method as the one I have just mentioned. Italian and German are taught only in the High Schools of Quebec and Montreal.

Bèles-Lettres are every where taught, as are also geography and history. The History of Canada and that of the United States have for the last few years received more attention than they used to.

In nineteen Colleges rhetoric, in eighteen metaphysics and moral philosophy form part of the course of study.

The fine arts, music, vocal and instrumental, drawing, and painting in water colours, appear in all the programmes. Lineary drawing, and the art of making plans and surveying, figure also. It is to be regretted that none of them mention fencing, swimming, horsemanship, or gymnastic exercises.

Eight Colleges have a commercial course separate from the classical; in fifteen others book-keeping is taught as an integral part of the ordinary course.

Thirteen of these institutions have commenced practical courses on agriculture and horticulture, and in ten are taught the elements of jurisprudence and constitutional law, which also form part of the programme of several Academies.

Religious instruction is given in all the Colleges. At the High School of the University of McGill College, and at the College of St. Francis at Richmond, that instruction appears to be what it has been agreed to call " of a non-sectarian natare."

The number of boys' or mixed Academies is 43, with a total of 150 leachers; male and female, and 4472 pupils. It will be noticed that the institutions where boys and girls attend together are almost all in the Eastern Townships. The Convent Schools and girls' Academies, forming the third section of the division of Secondary Schools, are 71 in number, and are attended by 11,639 pupils.

In most of the Convents and young ladies' Boarding Schools, the boarders and day boarders are laught history, geography, parsing, compound arithmetic, Belles-Lettres, the elements of astronomy, of mechanics, of chemistry, and of natural history, drawing, painting, music, vocal and instrumental, and all those sorts of needle work which form part of a complete feminine education of the highest order. The number of pupils, boarders and day boarders, who study all these branches, amounts to 4139 .

A considerable number of Catholic and even of Protestant pupils at these Convents, as well as at our Colleges, come from Upper Canada, and from the neighbouring Provinces and States.*

The establishments of the Canadian order of the Congregation of Notre Dame of Montreal, several of which, as may be seen by the table in appendix F, are of ancient foundation, kept up through the country, even in our worst days, a certain amount of education amongst the women of Lower Canada. It is to this that the French Canadian owes in a great measure that excellent domestic education which makes him particularly distinguished for the mildness of his character and the urbanity of his manners, not the least important amongst the elements of true civilization.

In making a comparison between this and other countries, we should never lose sight of the long suppression of the Order of Jesuits, the principal and most numerous body of teachers in existence at the time of the conquest, the re-union of their property to the domain of the Crown, the rejection by the Legislative Council, under the old constitution, of several Bills on the subject of public instruction, which had passed the House of Assembly, and lastly the state of isolation in which the Colony remained for so long a time after its cession by France. French books and French journals, the only ones that the people could read at a time when nobody knew Euglish, were rare and high priced. This circumstance must have considerably retarded the intellectual progress of the country. Books and journals are the complement of the school, and when those who have 'received some e education, have very few opportunities of developing and improving their knowledge, it cannot reasonably be expected that they will make the exertions necessary to disseminate information, and accelerate the progress of public instruction.

Happily, the greater facility of intercourse with France, and the knowledge of the English language, becoming more and more general amongst us, have produced and are day by day developing a very different state of things.

[^5]The Legislature has wisely abolished the duty on books; but there existed until very recently a rate of postage equivalent to a prohibition, on reviews, pamphlets and periodical publications from the Continent of Europe. It will be seen with pleasure on reading the correspondence (Appendix I) between this Department and the Post Office, that very important modifications have lately been made in the rate of postage between this country and France. It is by carrying into the consideration of every measure which may arise, a due sense of the great and paramount interests of national instruction, that our Legislators will succeed in developing and perfecting the whole system. It is by not neglecting any reform which may be suggested, however unimportant it may appear in itself, that they will give it on the one hand, that theoretical excellence and, on the other, that practical utilitiy which are equally necessary for the accomplishment of that high destiny which awaits our posterity.

## THIRD PART.-REMARKS ON THE FINANCES OF THE DEPARTMENT.

For the numerous improvements which I have thought it my duty to recommend, it is evident that there will be required, as soon as the resources of the country will permit, an increase of the Budget of Public Instruction, and above all things that its amount be fixed, and that there be not every year more promised thati is paid; that the Superintendent be able to count upon a certain sum, and that that sum be in his hands in time, that the municipalities may not receive the monies allotted to them too late, for in this matter more than in any thing else, the adage applies that bis dat, gui cito dat.

The irregularity in the payments of the depariment, arising, on the one hand, from the tardiness of the municipalities, on the other, from defective legislation, is a bad example to set to the rate payers. The state has undertaken to support the expenses of public instruction, so to say, in partnership with the rate payrrs. The amount of its investment must not be left uncertain, nor should the payinent of the amount be delayed from day to day.

Above all, says Mr. Roselly de Lorgues, the Budget of Public Instruction should be sufficienı and invariable.

But the method of division adopted between the two sections of the Province bas produced a Budget which bas neither one nor the other of the qualities required by that learned writer. Up to 1850, the Legislotive grant for the Common Schools was divided in the proportion of $£ 29,000$ for Lower and $£ 21,000$ for Upper Canada, which was in accordance with the law granting $£ 50,000$ for the whole Province, to be distributed amongst the municipalities according to their respective population. *At that period, an equal division was made, and the share of Lower Canada thus reduced from $£ 29,000$ to $£ 25,000$, the population of each section being then considered equal. In 1852, herpopulation being the lesser, Lower Canada beheld her share again reduce 1 from $£ 25,000$ to $£ 24,162,2 \mathrm{~s}$. 8 d .

This diminution of the allowance, thus necessitated by the unequal progress of population, if it were not remedied by an annual addition to the grant, would be productive of the most seriousconsequences. In the first place, contrary to all natural and logical order, in proporlion as the population increases, (because it dnes not increase as fast as that of Upper Canada, the funds destined for public instruction would diminish, that is to say, the provision would be in inverse ratio to the wants. Moreover, the law provides that the rate payers shall not be taxed for a sum greater than their annual share of the grant. To diminish the grant is therefore to invite to reduce the amount of their taxation those whom we have with so much difficulty induced to tax themselves for a higher amount. Such a state of things would be very deplorable, not only in a pecuniary point of view,
but still more from its moral effect; it would be making a retrograde movement, while every thing demands more and more energetic action.

There bave therefore been added every year, to the total grant for public instruction, sums amounting progressively to $£ 10,000, £ 15,000$, and $£ 25,000$. In this manner the allowance to Upper Canada has been increased and that to Lower Canada kept up. But there have followed two consequences. The Legislature votes every year to Colleges and Academies, and other institutions of a similar character, considerable sums of money, to be taken first from the variable revenues of the Jesuit Estates, and secondly from the still more variable balance of the Common School Fund of Lower Canada, consisting of sums not claimed by the refractory or dilatory municipalities. This balance has moreover been charged with the salaries of Inspectors, aid to parish libraries, assistance in the building of school houses, in a word, for every expense for which there was no special fund. It is besides diminishing every year, as well from the progress of the system, the law being now almost every where in operation, as because it has beenconsidered expedient, (in order not to discourage those who, after many efforts, had succeeded in collecting the arrears of assessmentsor voluntary contributions, in municipalities theretofore rebellious,) to pay to the Commissioners the amount which they claimed under such circumstances.

From all this arise complications which, it is true, may be remedied by increasing the additional sum, without taking the increase into account in the division of the grant; but this is nevertheless a false position, from which we ought to endeavour to relieve ourselves as soon as possible.

For this purpose, the sum for distribution, amongst the municipalities of Lower Canada, should form an invariable allowance, and that for Upper Canada should be of equal amount, with an additional sum proportioned to the excess of her population. Thus, if the grant for Lower Canada were permanently fixed at $£ 30,000$, when the population of Upper Canada became one-third greater, she would draw $£ 40,000$, without requiring to diminish the share of Lower Canada.

Besides this Budget which would belong to the municipalities, the Superintendent ought to have his own, destined to provide funds for various objects not to be left to the initiative of the municipalities. He would then cease to be what Mr. Crémazie calls a Machine for receiving Reports. He would have at his disposal a certain sum, by means of which he might himself give, to the whole system of public instruction, a powerful impetus.

The government might take advantage of the permanent grant to distribute to Academies and Colleges the sums annually voted to them. The present method excites, with or without reason, violent recriminations, and, however much the Legislature may be animated by a spirit of justice, it will always find great difficuly in making that distribution by a detailed annual vote, without occasioning numerous complaints.
"Without wishing to depreciate," says Inspector Parmelee, "the impor" tance of High Schools or Academies, or questioning the utility of the "grant made to them at the last Session of Parliament, I cannot forbear the "expression of the opinion that more public good would have resulted, had " the amount granted, been added to the Common School Fund. I think an Acad"emy in each county, if properly endowed and conducted, would fully meet " the wants of the public. From the tables it appears that the municipality of "Shefford receives more Government aid for one Academy, atended during the "past summer by 12 scholars, than for 18 Common Schools, attended during the "same period of time by 407 scholars. The same is true of Farnham, with " 28 scholars attending a High School and 292 attending Common Schools; of "Granby, with. 22 attending the Academy and 337 attending Common Schools; " of Dunham, with 33 attending a High School and 533 attending Common " Schools."

There is nothing in these results which need to astonish us; and the Legislature would obviate all these inconveniences and also the financial embarrasments incident to the disposal by vote, of the balance of the Common School Fund, by leaving to the Department of Public Instruction and to the Executive the division of those funds, of which they would render account.

The annual allowance to be distributed to the municipalities ought to be paid to the Superintendent in equal parts, half yearly or quarterly. This would better correspond with the intention of Government to require all ibe departurents to render their accounts half yearly or quarterly.

The present law requires that the funds should only be advanced to the Superintendent by the Receiver General, by little and little, according as the School Commissioners have, by fulfilling their obligations, acquired the right to demand from the department the payment of their part of the grant. Up to this day the department has been obliged to furnish, as the basis of the amount which it claims, a list of the municipalities who have sent in their Reports. The impossibility of sending in a Return every week makes it necessary to wait till a certain number of Reports be received ; this takes more than six weeks of each half year, for the first application. The time required to send in a list to the Government and receive a warrant, takes at least a fortnight longer. Sometimes the want of a quorum, occasioned by the absence of some of the Ministers, whose presence is required by public business in various parts of the Province, causes a further delay of more than four weeks.

The order for payment once received, the preparation of drafts for 200 or 250 municipalities, occupies five or six days more; and these drafts cannot be prepared beforehand, for the list submitted to the Inspector General may be modified.

Thus, two months, sometimes more, pass on before the municipalities, even the most diligent, can receive their part of the grant. Even this period of two months is a time of difficulty and anxiety to the teachers; but as to the more tardy municipalities, their teachers often see the second half year pass over, before they have received payment for the first. Besides, these known delays serve as a pretext to many of the Secretary Treasurers to retain in their own hands, after having received them, the salaries of the teachers.

It would be superfluous to enumerate the multitude of discontents and difficulties which such a state of things brings on; a great part of the correspondence so burdensome to the office, has no other object than to defend the department from the accusations of negligence and even of malversation which the parties interested cannot refrain from bringing against it.

If the Superintendent received half-yearly one half of the grant, it would be easy for him to pay as soon as the Reports reached him; and if some such plan is not adopted, the necessity of rendering accounts every three months will be an increase of useless labour to the department. Of course, according to this plan, the balances remainiug each quarter in the hands of the Superintendent, ought to be placed at interest for the benefit of the fund for public instruction.

The vote of an additional sum for all those objects which I have mentioned might, I believe, be made out of those very resources of which we are now dispos: ing and a supplementary sum of which an equivalent should be given to Upper Canada for her superior schools, and for all those ameliorations of a higher order, which it is felt necessary to introduce into secoudary instruction in that section of the Province, already so well provided with all that belongs to primary tuition.

Each section of the Province has a direct interest in the progress which education makes in the other. This interest is not merely of a moral kind; it may be very easily demonstrated in a financial and utilitarian point of view.

The great public works in which our Government is engaged require the union of industrial and commercial activity as an indispensable condition of their success; that very activity is dependent on the diffusion of useful knowledge and the progress of primary instruction.

The law which would direct that all things should be equally and minutely divided, penny for penny, item for item, without regard to the diversity of wants .which the twosections of the Province experience, would be a law jealous and unjust, under a specious appearance of equality. Nature has willed that every firm and solid union should be based on the difference of wants and of capabilities; and providence no doubt wills that the two fine and vigorous populations of Upper and Lower Canada should mutually improve each oiker, and lean on each oiher in order to advance in that career of improvement, and of prosperity in which their very debut, (even side by side with the gigantic development of our neighbours, fixes on them so strongly to day the attention of Europe.

The question of Public Instruction seems, in Upper Canada as with us, to be entering into a new phase although in another point of view. The Superiniendent, who has already acquired one of the highest reputations on this contivent, still feels how important it is 10 complete his work by the development of science and letters, to adorn it by the culture of the fine arts and by all other ornaments of which it is susceptible. All his efforts are al present directed to elevale the character of Secondary, that is to say, Grammar Schools, the direction of which has just been confided to him, and to introduce everywhere a taste for letters and the fine arts. He would not trust entirely for the reputation of his country to the powerful utilitarian impulse given to primary instruction. He feels that letters, the fine arts, and moral philosophy, are indispensibly required to impart to manners that refinement and polish which a merely practical education does not always produce. He agrees in the view taken by a distinguished prelate of the Church of Englaud who has recently said: "There is something else required to make a " nation truly great and her people happy besides coffers filled with dollars, or "a people full of knowledge. A heathen poet would say, "Quid leges sine " moribus vance proficiunt? ?"*

He would not that the traveller should one day say of his country: "Nations " like the Phænicians, Tyre, Sidon, and Carthage, commercial communities "turning the whole earth to their profit, measuring the grandeur of their enter"prises, solely by their material utility and their actual result, like Dante, I "glance at and pass on!"
"Non ragionar di lir ma guarda è passa."
"Speak not of them. They bave been rich and prosperous: there is the " whole. They have laboured but for the present; with them the future has no "" concern. Receperunt mercedem." $\dagger$

Wants of another kind are felt amongst us, and those in each section of the Province who admit the urgency of our different wants should coalesce in order to obtain from the Provincial chest, liberally opened for so many years back for judicial institutions and public works, the necessary supplies.

We, in Lower Canada, have perhaps prematurely given our attention to the summit of the edifice; yet, insecure though it may be, it certainly must not be left to fall; but, on the contrary, while using our best endeavours to prop it up, we must, above all, labour to give it a broad and solid base.

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## CONCLUSION.

As the practical inference to be drawn from this Report, I shall now sum up in a few words sone of the things most essential to be done. I think then that we ought:-

Ist. To assure to Lower Canada a Budget for Public Instruction invariable as to is minimum amount;
zudly. To provide a fund different from that destinel for distribution amongst the boards of Schools Commissioners, to be placed at the disposal of the Superinten lent, and by him, with the approbation of the Execulive, devoted to the following objecers: 1, Usual allowances to Colleges; 2, The establishnent of Acudemies or Secondary Transitory Schools; 3, Establi-hinent of Normal Schools; 4, Creation of bursaries for the poor children attending these schools; 5, The creation of bursaries for poor scholars for the Secondary Schools, to be from time to time selected by the inspectors from amongst the pupilsof the Primary Schools; 6, Annual progressive graduated premians for teachers; 7, Creation of a fand for pensions to aged and infirm teachers; 8, Pablication of a" Journalof Public Instruction;" 9 , Purchase of maps, globes and similar articles, as also of $b$ oks to be given as prizes; 10, Formation of parish libraries; 11, Aid in the construction of school houses ; 12, Special allowances to municipalities whose share of the grant is too small; 13, Prosecutions to be carried on by the department, against officers in default; 14, Formation of a library for the department.

3rdly" 'ogive the Superintendent he right: 1, Of discharging incapable, negligent or immoral teachers; 2, Of retaining out of the share of each municipality in the grant, a sum for the establishment of a Normal School; 3, Of dividing amongst the other scho, districts of a mancepality the share of any district coutributing nothing or searcely any thing to the common fund; 4, The exclusive selection of books for all the schools under the conirol of the department.

4thly. To give to the Governor in Council the right, on the recommendation of the Superintendent: 1, To make all necessary rules for the establishment and goverument of Normal Schools; 2, To fix the minimum of salaries for male and female teachers; 3, To confiscate the share of any refractory municipality, and reunite it to the sums appropriated to other objects; 4, To make all the necessary rules for the internal government of schools, and the conduct of the various officers entrusted with the execution of the law, and, in general, for all cases for which the law has not provided; all these powers to be shared with the Council of Public Instruction, of which my predecessor has aiready recommended the establishment:

5thly. To give the municipalities authority 10 assess themselves for more than the amount of their share of the grant; to require from female as well as from male teachers certificales of qualification; to render executory the decisions of the Suparinien:lent on appeals brought before him, and to impose heavy fines for all infractions of rules sanctioned by the Governor in Council.

6thly. To fix the pecuniary qualification of Cómmissioners, exempt the trustes of dissentient sthools from swearing to their cettificates, or else subject alt the Commisioners to the same formality, raise the remmeration of Sucrelaty Treanures, and more accurately difine their daties, and correct some oher obscure and imperfect clauses in the prisent law.

7thly. To require that Schiool Commissioners should read and write their oath of office, and give the Superintendent the power of replacing those who stiall be foun! nnable to do vo, by persons of more ability, whenever for this reason he shall consider it expedient not to ratify the election; and to fix a period after which the same condition should be attached to the nomination and election to any office in this Province.

I am far from assuming the merit of the greater part of the preceding suggestions; I thave already indicated, as far as I could, the sources from which they are drawn; some of them bave been so often repeated that they may perbaps appear 1 iresome; but it was my duly frankly to express my opinion on each of them. I have reviewed them to the best of my ability, with an eclecticism, if not happy, at least c onscientious, and have hazarded the proposal of those which have something of novelty, with a boldness which, seeing my short experience in the department, I should not have had, if I had not before, under other circumstances, given my attention to these matters.

I am far from imagining that all that I have recommended can, or ought to be done immediately; I merely invite the attention of the Government, ihe Legislature, and all the friends of education to the subject.

I have no need to stimulate the zeal of the one or the other: the cause of popular education is one which can take its own part.

If the people of Lower Canada required examples to encourage them to persevere in the direction which, under the guidance of my predecessor, they have so resolutely taken, such are not wanting around us.

In 1855, Upper Canada assessed itself for education, independently of the Legislative grant, to the amount of $£ 220,000$, and has paid in salaries to the teachers of is Model and Flementary Schools alone, $£ 140,000$; she possesses, besides a Normal School which has already granted diplomas to more than 700 students, 3300 Primaly Schools, having 214,000 pupils, and 260 parish libraries containing 118,000 volumes.

Nova Scotia, a small Province compared to Lower Canada, whose population in 1851 was 276,117 souls, had, in 1853, 33,324 children attending school in summer, 31,901 in winter, out of 46,869 of an age to go; and the Superintendent distributed 12,541 school books and 893 yeographical maps. She now possesses a Normal School and a Journal of Education.

In New Brunswick, with a population of 193,800 souls, in 1853, there were, 24,127 children attending 774 schools, and the Province is making rapid progress in the route of improvement. With respect to the New England States, it is from them principally that Upper Canada received the impetus.

Such examples cannot be lost on a people in whom emulation of great things has always been so powerful. The considerable progress already made, the zeal of the Clergy and of a great number of influential citizens, the daily improving spirit of the rural population, the great social reforms which religion and patriotism have within the last few years enabled us to accomplish, are so many guarantees of success, particularly if I, and those who share with me the grave responsibility which has devolved upon me, fail not to devote every instant of our time, and all the strength which Divine Providence shall grant us, to the accomplishment of our task.

I have the honor to be,

> Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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> PIERRE J. O. CHAUVEAU,
> Superintendent of Education.

[^7]Large Synoptical Table giving a Summary of all


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Statistics collected by the Inspectors of Schools, for the year 1855.

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Large Synoptical Table, \&c.-(Continued.)


## RECAPITULATION.-(Continued.)



## APPENDIX B.

Small Synoptical Table showing the Proportion of Children attending School, compared with those of an age to do so, and with the total population.

N. B.-A great part of Mr. Bourgeois' Inspection District is included in the District of St. Fravcis.

The total population appears less than it does in the Census, because oome settlements are not included in any school municipality.

## APPENDIX C.

Table of each Inspection District, showing the Number of Children in each Municipality attending Sichool, as compared with the Number of the Pupulation, the Muncicialities where A-sesment is enfoiced, and those whete the cotisation is voluntary, and those who have a certificate of poverty.

## DISTRICT OF THREE-RIVERS.



DISTRICT OF MONTREAL.

|  | Popula tion. | - . | Children attending School. |  | Vol'ntary Cotisation. | Cer'ficate of Poverty. | Assessment. |
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| F. X. VALADE. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| St. Anne, | 915 |  | 120 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Gen-viève. | 1899 |  | $22 \cdot 1$ |  |  |  | 1 |
| Pointe Claire. | 1545 |  | 200 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Lachine.. | 2164 |  | 211 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. L.atrut. . | 2623 |  | 366 |  |  |  | 1 |
| City, Catholics. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 41464 |  | 5480 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Hochelaga. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 577 |  | 90 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Hen i . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 476 |  | 120 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Pierre. | 820 |  | 90 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Côte des Neiges. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1687 |  | 170 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Côteatu St. Louis. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 995 |  | 1311 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Côte Visitation. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 383 |  | 70 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Sault an kécollet.. . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 2241 |  | 241 |  |  |  | $1 \cdots$ |
| Rivière des Prairies. | 1028 |  | 910 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Pointe aux Trembles. | ] 249 |  | 200 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Longue Puinte... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1114 |  | 150 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Isle Perrot. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | S91 |  | 49 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Soulanges. | 2338 |  | 230 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Côterit ilu Lac. | 2143 |  | 171 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Zstique. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1172 |  | 130 |  |  |  | 1. |
| Côtcau Lauding. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 461 |  | 90 |  |  |  | 1 |
| New Lungueuni. | 4141 |  | 350 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Newts.in. ...... | 488 |  | 30 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Cret. | 1257 |  | 150 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Marthe. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1466 |  | 190 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Rigand... | $3 \div 61$ |  | 395 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Vaudreuil. | 5812 |  | 346 |  |  |  | 1 |
| JOHN BRUCE. |  | 82559 |  | 10076 |  |  |  |
| Dundere... | 984 |  | 283 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Aniset. . | 2566 |  | 469 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Goduranchester | 2100 |  | 385 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Elyin. . | 1110 |  | 223 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Hunt.ngdun.... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 679 |  | 210 |  |  |  | $1 \therefore$ |
| Hinchubrouke | 2657 |  | 453 | . . . . . |  |  | 1 |
| Hemmungford. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 4125 |  | 848 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Jeau Chrysostôme . . . . . . . . . . | 31556 |  | 680 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ornstuwn.... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 3333 |  | 652 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Montreal. Protestants. | 16252 |  | 5435 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Argenteuil. ........................ | 2326 |  | 469 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Jerusalem. | 2124. |  | 393 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Gore. : . | 1292 |  | 269 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Chatham. | 3167 |  | 500 |  |  |  | -1 |
| Grenville. | 2259 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| J. N. A. ARCHAMBEAULT. |  |  |  | 11269 |  |  |  |
| Longucuil........................ | 4092 |  | 849 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Boucherville. . . .................... | 2764 |  | $\times 289$ |  |  |  | 1 1 |
| St. Buano. | 1842 |  | 162 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Chambly . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 3924 |  | 489 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Lue............................ | 1172 |  | - 59 |  |  |  | 1 |
|  | 4708 |  | : 597 |  |  |  |  |
| Blairfumie | 2614 |  | - 251 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Varenies. | 3300 |  | 389 |  |  |  | 12 |
| Verchères. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 3063 |  | \%308 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Contrecœur........................ | 1555 |  | , 222 |  |  |  |  |
| St. Marc. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1243 |  | $\bigcirc 174$ |  |  |  | 1 l |
| Carried forward. | 30277 | 131089 | $3789$ | 21345 | ...... | - | $65{ }^{2}$ |

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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brought furward. | 15532 | 256436 | 2217 | 36669 |  |  | 105 |
| St. Valentia...................... | 3239 |  | 437 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Lacolle.. | 3483 |  | 603 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Edward. | 2111 |  | 252 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Sherrington. | 1645 |  | 215 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Rėmi.... | 2994 |  | 329 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Michel. . | 2291 |  | 230 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Isidore.. | 2133 |  | 318 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Chateauguay. | 2360 |  | 345 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Clement... | 4086 |  | 772. |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Martine. . | 38:6. |  | 408 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Philomène.. | 1971 . |  | 248. |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Louis de Gonzague. | 3845. |  | 519. |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Thimothée. . ....... | 4231. |  | 616. |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Urbain 1st. | 2038 |  | 236 |  |  |  | 1 |
| C. GERMALN. |  | 55785 |  | 795 |  |  |  |
| St. Vincent de Paul. . | 2385. |  | 582. |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. François de Sales. | 983. |  | 111 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Rose. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 2971. |  | 312 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Martin | 5764 |  | 541. |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Thérèse | 3028. |  | 462 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Terrebonue. | 2129 |  | 392 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Anne des Plaine | 1623 |  | 185 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Lacorne..... | 1460 | ..... | 198 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Jérôme. | 5631 | ....... | 446 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Janvier | 1544 |  | 187 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Ste. Adèle. | 1273 |  | 67. |  |  |  | 1 |
| Mille Isles. . | 508 | ........ | 98 |  |  |  |  |
| St. Sauveur. |  |  | 37 |  |  |  | , |
| St. Raphaël South. | 625 |  | 78 |  |  |  | 1 |
| " North. | 325 |  | 45 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Eustache. . | 3449 |  | 497 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Augustin. | 2299 |  | 237 |  |  |  | , |
| St. Joseph. . . ......... . . . . . . . . . . | 1200 | ......... | 121 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Benoit. $\qquad$ | 2163 1781 |  | 347 <br> 265 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Placide. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1230 |  | 223 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Lake of Two Mountains,............. | 630 |  | 70 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Scholastique | 3479 |  | 480 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Joachim. | 539 |  | 103 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Côte ste. Marie. | 353 |  | 40 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Columban | 888 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| J. J. RONET. |  | 46210 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Notre-Dame de Bonsecours. | 659 |  | 88 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Angelique . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1352 |  | 190 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. André Avelin. ................. | 1280 |  | 115 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Lochaber.. | 1082 |  | 180 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Buckinglam..................... | 2204 |  | 246 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Templeton <br> Hull | 1181 |  | 105 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Aylmer. | 1169 |  | 284 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Wakefield. | 588 |  | 75 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Masham. | 998 |  | 65 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Low. | 300 |  | 20 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Carried forward. | 13574 | 358431 | 1698 | 50588 | 8 |  | 151 |

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| Brought forward. | 13574 | 358431 | 1598 | 50588 | 4 | ........ | 151 |
| Oısluw........................... |  |  | 130 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Bristol.................. . ...... | 1491 |  | 185 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Clarendon. ........................ | 1759 |  | 205 | .... | 1 |  |  |
| Litehfilla.......................... | 756 |  | 150 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Calumıt...................... ... | 783 |  | 88 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Mansfield and Walth ım. . . . . . . . . . . | 612 |  | 60 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Shen and Chichester. ............. | 402 |  | 70 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Allumpttes....................... | -1025 |  | 172 |  |  |  | 1. |
| Maniwaki......................... | 550 |  | 25 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Portand......................... | 102 |  | 20 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Waterloo......................... | 581 |  | 54 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Eardly........................... | 724 |  | 35. |  |  |  | 1 |
| A. P. L. CONSIGNY. |  | 23164 |  | 2795 |  |  |  |
| St. Césaire..................... | 4816 |  | 660 |  |  |  | 1 |
| L'Ange-Gardien................... | 1463 |  | 175 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Abbotsford.. | 522 |  | 73. |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Pie. ....................... . | 41580 |  | 506. |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Ryacinthe, Town............... | 3814 |  | 1138 |  |  |  | 1 |
| . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Parish............... | 2 T 11 |  | 336. |  |  |  | 1 |
| La Préentation................... | 1755. |  | 212. |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Dominique.................... | 1998. |  | 3134 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Rusalie...................... | $18: 9$. |  | 179. |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Simon. | 1784. |  | $230^{\circ}$. |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Hugues. | 2990. |  | 354. |  |  |  | 1 |
| Soraba...... .................... | 495. |  | 126. |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Damase.... | 2783. |  | 366. |  |  |  | 1 |
| SL. Jean-Baptiste................... | 2182. |  | 19 ij . |  |  |  | 1 |
| Rouville............... ........ | 1550 |  | 190. |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Mathias. . | 1757. |  | 167. |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Brigitte...................... | 1355. |  | 100 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Grégoire . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 2750. |  | 296. |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Alex:ander... $\%$ | 2203 |  | 80 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Athanase, Parish............... | 2682. |  | 192. |  |  |  | 1 |
| Christieville....................... | 1294. |  | 115 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Maric....................... | 4028. |  | 465 |  |  |  | 1 |
|  |  | 50889 |  | 6490 |  |  |  |
|  |  | 432484 |  | 59873 | 7 |  | 182 |

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| P. M. BARDY. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| City of Quebee, Catholics, | 32934 |  | 4583 |  |  |  | " 1 |
| Beauport, | 2377 |  | 830 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Charlesbourg, | 2063 |  | 194 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Dunstan,.. | 391 |  | 59 |  | 1 |  |  |
| St. Ambroise, | 2575 |  | 386 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Valcartier, ... | 1397 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ancienne Lorette, | 2464 |  | 264 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Foye, | 2164 |  | 195 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Stadacona, | 3022 |  | 160 |  |  | 1 |  |
| Cape Rouge, | 463 |  | 66 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Rnelh,. | 3888 |  | 295 |  |  |  | 1 |
| General Hospital, |  |  | 92 |  |  |  |  |
| Groodines, | 1093 |  | 95 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Casimir, | 1468 |  | 221 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Deschambeault | 2829 |  | 346 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Cape Santé, | 3473 |  | 419 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Basile, | 715 |  | 110 |  |  | 1 |  |
| St. Raymond, | 1701 |  | 132 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ecureuils,... | 569 |  | 85 |  |  |  | 1. |
| Ste. Catherine, | 1789 |  | 36 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Augustin, ....... | 1623 |  | 149 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Pointe aux Trembles, | 2077 |  | 248 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Laurent, | 877 |  | 153 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Jean,. | 1251 |  | 220 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Françis, | 521 |  | 50 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Famille, ... | 850 |  | 68 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Pierre,...... | 887 |  | 141 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Chateau Richer, | 1250 |  | 118 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Anne, . | 969 |  | 101 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Joachim,... | 1068 |  | 117 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ange Gardien,................... St. Feréol, .................. | 829 |  | 121 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Feréol, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Laval, . . . | 667 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Laval, ............................ | 399 |  | 41 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Colleges, Acudemies, Independant Schools, |  |  | 3608 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 80673 |  | 13203 |  |  |  |
| St. Nicolas, | 2719 |  | 342 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Romuald, | 1609 |  | 223 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Jean Chrysostôme, | 1718 |  | 204 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Notre Dame de la Victoire, ......... | 8442 |  | 604 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ville d'Aubigny, | 973 |  | 136 |  |  |  |  |
| St. Joseph'de Lévy, | 1535 |  | 305 |  |  |  |  |
| St. Henri,.. | 3069 |  | 481 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Anselme, ...................... | 8022 |  | 416 |  |  |  |  |
| Ste. Claire, . | 2390 |  | 243 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Marguerite, | 1438 |  | 90 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Ste. Hénédine,. | 1028 |  | 115 |  | 1 |  |  |
| St. Isidore, . ${ }^{\text {St. }}$ | 2163 |  | 336 |  | 1 |  |  |
| St. Lambert, St. Bernard, | 902 |  | 123 |  | 1 |  |  |
| St. Bernard, | 1448 |  | 322 |  | 1. |  |  |
| St. Frédéric, Ste. Marie, | 1186 |  | 219 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Marie, | 3263 |  | 496 |  | 1 |  |  |
| St. Elzear, ....... | 2365 |  | 249 |  | 1 |  |  |
| St. Joseph de Beauc | 2565 |  | 832 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Frangois, | 2874 |  | 444 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. George, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1394 |  | 142 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Carried forward. | 41103 | 80673 | 5822 | 13203 | 10 | 2 | 38 |

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| Brought forward. <br> P. F. Beland.-(Continued.) | 41103 | 80673 | 5822 | 13203 | 10 | 2 | 38 |
| St. Jean Deschaillons, . . . . . . . . . . . | 1757 |  | 312 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Lotbinière, . . . . . . . . | 3578 |  | 537 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Croix, | 2188 | . | 391 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Flavien, | 568 |  | 138 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Antoine, . | 3191 | ..... | 472 |  |  |  |  |
| St. Sylvestre, | 3733 | . . $\cdot$ | 489 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Ste. Agathe, . | 522 |  | 165 |  | 1 |  |  |
| St. Giles,.... | 1060 |  | 89 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Metschermet, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 435 |  | 50 |  |  |  | 1 |
| JEAN CREPAULT. <br> Beaumont, | 1710 |  | 135 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Charles, . . . . . | 2309 |  | 495 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Lazarre, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1698 |  | 252 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Gervais, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 3133 | . . . . . | 457 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Raphaël, .......... . . . . . . . . . . | 836 |  | 257 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Michel, No. 1, | 1550 |  | 287 |  |  |  | 1 |
| " No. 2, | 1104 |  | 189 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Vallier,. | 1915 |  | 280 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Berthier,............................ | 1109 |  | 187 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. François, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1724. |  | 260 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Thomas,. | 4215 |  | 796 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Cape St. Ignace, | 2733 |  | 351 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Crane Island,. . | 622. |  | 127 |  |  |  | 1 |
| L'Islet, ............................ | 3656 |  | 674 |  |  |  |  |
| St. Cyrille, ...... | 448 |  | 97 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Jean Port Joli, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 3496 |  | 626 |  | 1 |  |  |
| St. Rach des Aulnets,.............. | 2991 |  | 378 |  | 1 |  |  |
|  | 3072 |  | 556 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ixwerth, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 587 |  | 38 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Rivière Ouelle, | 2022 |  | 300 |  | 1 |  |  |
| St. Pacôme, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1485 |  | 213 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Denis, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1774 |  | 317 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Notre Dame du Mont Carmel, . . . . . . | 600 |  | 96 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Kamouraska, ....................... | 2326 |  | 333 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Paschal, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 3149 |  | 452 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Hélène, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1069 |  | 108 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Alexandre, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 913 |  | 156 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Andre, .......................... | - 2458 |  | 399 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Rivière du Loup, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | - 2753 |  | 232 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Edouard, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | - 995 |  | 70 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. George de.Kakouna,..... . . . . . . | - 1457 |  | 152 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Arsène, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | - 1929 |  | 292 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Mėtis................................ | - 960 |  | 61 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Isle Verte, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | - 2663 |  | 446 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Eloi, . ............................. | - 1086 |  | 146 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Trois Pistoles, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | - 2846 |  | 396 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Simon, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | - 1661 |  | 284 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Fabien, ............................ | - 988 |  | 107 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Bic,............................... | - 1391 |  | 148 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Rimouski,............................ | - 3653 |  | 571 |  |  |  | - 1 |
| Lessard, .............................. | - 1895 |  | 275 |  |  |  | - 1 |
| Lepage, ............................... | - 1634 |  | 160 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Matane, . . ............................ | - 1194 |  | 169 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Colleges, dic.,. ....................... |  | 46638 | 120 | 6592 |  |  |  |
| 2. Carried forward. |  | 222175 |  | 34209 | 17 | 2 | 84 |

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| $\qquad$ JOHN HUME. |  | 222175 | $\cdots$ | 34209 | 17 | 2 | 84 |
| Tring, .... | 1173 |  | 142 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Forsyth, ............................ | 390 |  | 31 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Lambton, | 600 |  | 94 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Aylmer, | 264 |  | 39 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Broughton, .......................... | 687 |  | 40 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Leeds, . . . | 1944 |  | 189 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Nelson, . | 471 |  | 41 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Inverness, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1951 |  | 239 |  | 1 |  |  |
| St. Calixte of Somerset, . . . . . . . . . . | 1432 |  | 192 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ste. Julie, . . . . . | S60 |  | 81 |  | 1 |  |  |
| St. Ferdinsnd of Halifax, . . . . . . . . . | 1679 |  | 77 |  | . ... . . |  | 1 |
| Ste. Sophre, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1216 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ireland, . ........................... | 802 |  | 53 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Frampton . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1993 |  | 246 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Cranbourne, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 284 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Standon, ........................... | 839 |  | 28 |  |  |  | 1 |
| C. CIMON. |  | 16085 |  | 1492 |  |  |  |
| Escoumains, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 713 |  | 43 |  | 1 |  |  |
| St. Fidele, | 934 |  | 118 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Malbaie, . | 2653 |  | 220 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Ste. Agnes, | 1278 |  | 85 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Irénée, . | 1092 |  | 75 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Eboulemens,. | 2107 |  | 196 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Isle aux Coudres, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 719 |  | 148 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Bay St. Paul, ...................... | 3212 |  | 315 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Petite Rivière,..................... | 575 |  | 56 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Urbain,. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 729 |  | 89 |  |  | . . . . | 1 |
| REV. G. PLEES. <br> City of Quebec, (Protestants) | 9118 |  | 1684 |  |  |  |  |
| ISIDORE MORIN. |  |  | . |  |  |  |  |
| Chicoutimi,......... ................ | 1:64 |  | 75 |  | 1 |  |  |
| St. Joseph, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 582 |  | 64 |  |  | 1 |  |
| Bagot,............................ | 1030 |  | 73 |  | 1 |  |  |
| Bagotville, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1408 |  | 142 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Laterrière,.......................... | 367 | $4951$ | 37 | $391$ | 1 |  |  |
|  |  | 265341 |  | 39016 | 30 | 3 | 99. |

DISTRICT OF GASPE.


EASTERN TOWNSHIPS.

| R. PARMELEE. |  |  |  |  | . |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Shefford.......................... | 2512 |  | 419 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Brome......................... ... | 2095 |  | 509 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Granby............................ | 2392 |  | 377 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Stukely. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 2194 |  | 222 |  |  | 1 |  |
| Milton. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1741 |  | 133 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Roxton. | 1226 |  | 100 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Farnham............................ | 1364 |  | 320 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St: Romuald. | 2200 |  | 219 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Valérien. |  |  | 15 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Dunham. | 3481 |  | 616 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Stanbridge.. . | 4067 |  | 634 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Armand East. | 1901 |  | 265 |  |  |  | 1 |
| $\cdots$ West | 1557 |  | 275 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Sutton. | 2468 |  | 457 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Henriville. | 4577 |  | 535 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Clarenceville. | 1597 | -........ | 281 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Thomas. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1086 |  | 191 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Athanase (Dissentients)......... | 300 |  | 46 |  |  |  | 1 |
| St. Alexander. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 2208 |  | 192 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Bolton. | 1936 |  | 361 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Potton............................ | 1707 |  | 259 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Ehly. ............................... | 1018 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Omis................................. |  | 43632 | 150 | 6576 |  |  |  |
| Carried forward. |  | 43632 |  | 6576 |  | 1 | 20 |

## EASTERN TOWNSHIPS, (Continued.)



RECAPITULATION.

| District of Three Rivers |  | 85136 |  | 10744 | 4 |  | 43 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| " of Montreal. |  | 432484 |  | 59873 | 7 |  | 182 |
| " of Qubec and Kamouraska |  | 265341 | . ...... | 39016 | 30 | 3 | 99 |
| " of Gaspe.................. |  | 21738 |  | 1434 | 2 | 1 | 16 |
| Eastern Townships................ |  | 79480 |  | 15610 |  | 2 | , 44 |
| * |  | 884179 |  | 126677 | 43 | 6 | 384 |

N. B. The trifing difference existing between the Total Population, as given in this Table and in the Census, is owing to several small settlements in new clearings not being entered in it; in consequence of nut being yet erected into municipalities, and being without the limits of all those now in existence.

## APPENDIX D. <br> INSPECTION DISTRICT OF J. N. A. ARCHAMBAULT, Esq.

TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant to each Municipality, for the periods mentioned below.

COUNTY OF CHAMBLY.


COUNTY OF STE JOHN.


COUNTY OF VERCHERES.


COUNTY OF RICHELIEU.


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INSPECTION DISTRICT OF J. N. A. ARCHAMBAULTT, Esq.-(Continued.)
TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.)

## COUNTY OF CHAMBLY.



COUTNY OF ST. JOHN.


COUNTY OF VERCHERES.

| Brought forward, | 261149 | 261151 | 261149 | 26115 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

## COUNTY OF RICHELIEU.

| Brought forward.. ................................ | 297179 | $39718 \quad 0$ | 29717 | $29718 \quad 0$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

COUNTY OF ST. HYACINTHE.


## INSPECTION DISTRICT OF P. M. BARDY, Esq.

## TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.)

COUNTY OF PORTNEUF.


COUNTY OF QUEBEC.


COUNTY OF MONTMORENCY.

| St.Laurent,.. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . |  | 15.5 .5 | 15.515 | $15 \quad 5 \quad 5$ | $15 \quad 5 \quad 5$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| St. Jean.. |  | 22 1 6 | 22.17 | 22.16 | 22.7 |
| St. François, |  | 9110 | $\begin{array}{llll}9 & 1 & 10\end{array}$ | 9.110 | 9110 |
| Ste. Famille. |  | 14160 | 14161 | 1416 | 14161 |
| Ange Gardien, |  | $\begin{array}{llll}14 & 8 & 9\end{array}$ | 14.810 | - 14.89 | 14.810 |
| Château Richer,. |  | 211411 | 21150 | 211411 | 21150 |
| Ste. Anne... . . |  | 16174 | 1617 | 16174 | $16.17 \quad 5$ |
| St. Joachim, |  | 18119 | 18119 | 18119 | 18119 |
| St. Féréol, . |  | 11126 | 11126 |  | 11126 |
| Laval............ <br> St. Tite des Caps, <br> St. Pierre, |  | 6195 | 6196 |  | 6195 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $15 \quad 8 \quad 11$ | 15.8111 | 15.811 | 15.811 |
| St. Pierre, . . . . | Total, | $16618 \quad 4$ | 1661810 | $148 \cdot 5 \quad 5$ | 1661810 |
|  | Grand Total, . | $1223 \quad 7$ | 122388 | $1149 \quad 6 \quad 2$ | $1168 \quad 0 \quad 1$ |

# INSPECTION DISTRICT OF P. F. BELAND, Esq. <br> TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.) <br> COUNTY OF DORCHESTER. 



## COUNTY OF LEVI.

| St. Nicolas, | 4750 | 4750 | 475 | $47 \quad 50$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pointe Levi, | 34.78 | 34.78 | $\begin{array}{llll}33 & 7 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lllll}35 & 7 & 8\end{array}$ |
| St. Jean Chrysostôme, | 251411 | 251411 | 251411 | 251411 |
| St. Romuald, . | $24 \cdots 2$ | $24 \quad 2 \quad 3$ | 24.2 | 24.3 |
| Ville d'Aubigny | 161711 | 161711 | 161711 | 161711 |
| Notre Dame de la Viet | 591511 | 5916 | 591511 | 59160 |
| St. Lambert, | 15141 | 15142 | $1514 \quad 1$ | 15142 |
| Total | 223178 | 2231711 | 22317 | 2271711 |

COUNTY OF BEAUCE.


COUNTY OF LOTBINIERE.


# INSPECTION DISTRICT OF G. A. BOURGEOIS, Esq. <br> TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.- (Continued.) <br> COUNTY OF DRUMMOND. 



COUNTY OF BAGOT.


COUNTY OF ARTHABASKA.


INSPECTION DISTRICT OF JOHN BRUCE, EsQ.

## COUNTY OF HUNTINGDON.



INSPECTION DISTRICT OF JOHN BRUCE, Esq-(Continued.)
TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.)
COUNTY OF HUNTINGDON.

|  | sum accrumg. |  | sum Gbanted. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { 1st part of } \\ 1855 . \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { 2nd part of } \\ 1855 . \end{array}\right\|$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 1st part of } \\ 1855 . \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2nd part of } \\ 1855 . \end{gathered}$ |
| Brought forward, . | $\begin{array}{ccc} f & \text { s. } & d_{1} \\ 200 & 17 & 8 \end{array}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{x} & \mathrm{s} . & \mathrm{d} . \\ 200 & 17 & 8 \end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} f & 8 & \mathrm{~d} \\ 200 & 17 & 8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{cc} f & d \\ 200 & 17 \end{array}$ |

COUNTY OF CHATEAUGUAY.


COUNTY OF ARGENTEUIL.

| Argenteuil, | 40.87 | 40.8 7 | $\begin{array}{llll}40 & 8 & 7\end{array}$ | $408$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jerusalem, | 36.18 5 | $\cdots 3618$ - 5 | $\begin{array}{llll}36 & 18 & 5\end{array}$ | 3618 E |
| Gore,.. | 2677 | $\begin{array}{llll}26 & 7 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}26 & 7 & 7\end{array}$ | $26 \quad 78$ |
| Chatam, | 55.0 .7 | 55087 | 56.007 | $\begin{array}{lll}55 & 0\end{array}$ |
| Grenville, | $\begin{array}{llll}39 & 5 & 3\end{array}$ |    <br> 89 5 4 |  |  |
| Total. | 198 O 5 | $\begin{array}{llll}198 & 0 & 7\end{array}$ | $158 \quad 15 \quad 2$ | 158153 |
| City of Montreal-Protestants. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $70.11,8$ | 70118 | 70118 | $70 \quad 118$ |
| Grand Total. | 635113 | 635117 | 635113 | 5321511 |

INSPECTION DISTRICT OF C. CIMON, EsQ:
COUNTY OF CHARLEVOIX.


COUNTY OF SAGUENAY.


## INSPECTION DISTRICT OF M. CHILD, EsQ.

## TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.) <br> COUNTY OF STANSTEAD.

|  |
| :--- | :--- |

COUNTY OF SHERBROOKE.


## COUNTY OF COMPTON.



| Dudswell, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $\begin{array}{lll}11 & 8 & 9\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}11 & 3 & 9\end{array}$ | 11.39 | 1 | 8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

## COUNTY OF DRUMMOND.

| Kings |  | 40166 | 40167 | $4016 \quad 6$ | 4016 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Durham No. 1 | . | 28128 | 28128 | 2812 8 | 28.128 |
| Durham No. 2, |  | 91411 | 91411 | 91411 | 91411 |
|  | Tutal. | 794 | $\begin{array}{llll}79 & 4 & 2\end{array}$ | 79 * 1 | 79 4 2 |

COUNTY OF ARTHABASKA.

| Tingwick, | 1716 | 17.17 | 17126 | $\begin{array}{llll}17 & 1 & 7\end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grand Total | 605.7 | $605 \quad 510$ | 56119 ठ | 5511311 |

## INSPECTION DISTRICT OF A..PP. L. CONSIGNY, Esq.

## TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.)

COUNTY OF ST. HYACINTHE.


COUNTY OF ROUVILLE.

| St. Jean Baptiste,. | 37186 | 3718 7 7 | 3718 6 | 3718 \% 7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Abbottsford,.... | $\begin{array}{llll}9 & 2 & 2\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}9 & 2 & 2\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}9 & 2 & 2\end{array}$ | 922 |
| St. Mathias, | $\begin{array}{lll}31 & 1 & 0\end{array}$ | 31.10 | 31.15 | 3110 |
| St. Césaire, | 84106 | 84106 | 84106 | 84106 |
| St. Marie,.. | 69196 | 6919 7 | 69196 | 69197 |
| Rouville,. | $\begin{array}{llll}26 & 8 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}26 & 8 & 9\end{array}$ | 2688 | 2689 |
| Ange Gardien, ... | $25 \quad 8111$ | $\begin{array}{llll}25 & 8 & 11\end{array}$ | 25811 | 25.811 |
| Total, . . ............................. | $\begin{array}{llll}284 & 9 & 8\end{array}$ | 28496 | $\begin{array}{llll}284 & 9 & 3\end{array}$ | 28496 |

COUNTY OF BAGOT.


COUNTY OF IBERVILLE.

| Ste. Brigitte,. . <br> St. Grégoire, . . | 28 48 47 18 | $\begin{array}{llll}28 & 11 & 5 \\ 47 & 15 & 10\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}28 & 11 & 5 \\ 47 & 15 & 9\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} 2811 & 5 \\ 4715 & 10 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total, ................................ | 76.78 | $76 \quad 7 \quad 3$ | $76 \quad 7 \quad 2$ | 7678 |
| Grand Total, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 782115 | 7821111 | 782115 | 7821112 |

## inspection district of Jean crepatut, roa

TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.)
COUNTY OF BELLECHASSE.


COUNTY OF MONTMAGNY.

| Berthier, | 21410 | 21411 | 21410 | 21411 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| St. Francis, | 29196 | 29197 | 29196 | $2919 \quad 7$ |
| St. Pierre, | 25149 | 251410 | 2514 | 251410 |
| St. Thomas, | 73 4 4 5 | 73486 | 7845 | 7346 |
| Crane Island. | 101611 | 101611 | 101611 | 101611 |
| Cape St. Ignace, | $47 \quad 910$ | 47911 | 478910 | 47911 |
| Total................................... | 20810 3 | 208108 | 20810 3 | 208108 |

COUNTY OF L'ISLET.

| L'Islet, . | 63104 | 63105 | 68104 | 6810 E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| St. Cyrille, | 716 | 716 | 716 . 5 | 716 |
| St. Jean Port Joli,. | 60149 | 601410 | 6014.9 | 601410 |
| St. Roch des Aulnets, | 51195 | 51196 | 5119 b | 51196 |
| Total. | 184011 | 18418 | 184011 | 184 1 8 |
| Grand Total. . | $\begin{array}{llll}640 & 7 & 1\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}640 & 8 & 2\end{array}$ | 640 7 1 | 64082 |

# INSPECTION DISTRICT OF A. D. DORVAT, Eeq. <br> TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant-(Continued.) <br> COUNTY OF BERTHIER. 

|  | sum acciolng. |  | sum granted. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { lst part of } \\ 1855 . \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { 2nd part of } \\ 1855 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { 1st part of } \\ 1855 . \end{array}\right\|$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2nd part of } \\ & 185 . \end{aligned}$ |
|  | f. s. d. | £ s. d. | $f$ s. d. | f s. d. |
| Isle du Pads, | $1817 \quad 3$ | 18174 | 1817 3 | 18174 |
| St. Barthelémi, | 39165 | $\begin{array}{llll}39 & 16 & 5\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}89 & 16 & 5\end{array}$ | 39165 |
| St. Cuthbert, | 4818 | $\begin{array}{lll}48 & 1 & 8\end{array}$ | 4818 | 4818 |
| Berthier,.... | 44.30 | $\begin{array}{llll}44 & 3 & 3\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}44 & 3 & 2\end{array}$ | 44.85 |
| " Village, | 23.20 | $\begin{array}{llll}23 & 2 & 1\end{array}$ | $23-20$ | $\begin{array}{llll}23 & 2 & 1\end{array}$ |
| Lanoraie,...... | 34192 | 34192 | 34192 | 34192 |
| Lavaltrie,... | 2315 | $\begin{array}{llll}23 & 15 & 7\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}23 & 15 & 7\end{array}$ | $2315 \%$ |
| St. Gabriel of Brandon, | 38121 | 33121 | 38121 | 33121 |
| St. Norbert, . . . . . . . . . | 18104 | 18104 | 18104 | 18104 |
| Total. | 284178 | 2841711 | 284178 | 2841711 |

COUNTY OF JOLIETTE.


COUNTY OF L'ASSOMPTION.


TABLE of the Appportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.)
COUNTY OF LAVAL.


COUNTY OF TERREBONNE.

| St. Anne, | $\begin{array}{llll}28 & 4 & 5\end{array}$ | $28 \quad 4 \quad 5$ | 2845 | 2845 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| St. Janvier | 12141 | 12141 | 12141 | 12141 |
| " No. 2, | 4162 | 4163 | 4162 | 4168 |
| " Village, | 9658 | 966 | $\begin{array}{llll}9 & 6 & 8\end{array}$ | 969 |
| Lacorne,. | $25 \quad 710$ | 25710 | $25 \quad 710$ | $25 \quad 710$ |
| Ste. Thérc̀se, (Village) | 231011 | 231011 | 231011 | 231011 |
| Upper of * | 5186 | 51818 | 5186 | 5187 |
| North of " | $\begin{array}{llll}5 & 9 & 2\end{array}$ | $5{ }_{5}^{5} 9892$ | 5198 | 592 |
| South of | 410 | 41011 | 4100 | 4101 |
| Lower of " | $7{ }^{7} 109$ | $7 \begin{array}{lll}7 & 0 & 9\end{array}$ | $7{ }_{7} 109$ | 709 |
| Ste. Thérèse, Riviere Cachée, | 2181 | 21821 | 2181 | 2182 |
| " dissentient,. . . . . | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 4 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 4 & 9\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 4 & 8\end{array}$ | 349 |
| Terrebonne,. | 37 0-1 | 37 0-1 | 37001 | 37 01 |
| Total,. | $\begin{array}{lll}170 & 1 & 4\end{array}$ | 170110 | $\begin{array}{llll}170 & 1 & 4\end{array}$ | 170110 |

COUNTY OF TWO MOUNTAINS.


TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.)

COUNTY OF LAVAL.

|  | sUM AcCruing. | suar granted. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 st part of 2 ad part of  <br> 1855. 1855. | lst part of 1855. | 2nd part of 1855. |
| Brought forward, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | f s. d. f s. d. <br> 191 12 0 191 12 6 | $\begin{array}{ccc}£ & 8 & \text { d } \\ 191 & 12 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { f } & \text { B. } & \text { d. } \\ 191 & 12 & 5\end{array}$ |

COUNTY OF TERREBONNE.

| Brought forward,$\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ |
| :--- |

## COUNTY OF TWO MOUNTAINS.

| Brought forward, $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ |
| :--- |

## COUNTY OF ARGENTEUIL.



INSPECTION DISTRICT OF P. HUBERT, Esq.

COUNTY OF ST. MAURICE.


## inspection district of p. HUBERT, Esq-(Continued.)

TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.)
COUNTY OF ST. MAURICE.

|  | sum accruna. |  | SEM Granted. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1st part of | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { 2nd part of } \\ 1855 . \end{gathered}\right.$ | 1st part of 1855. | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2nd part of } \\ 1855 . \end{gathered}$ |
| Brought forward, | $\begin{array}{ccc} \pm & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 248 & 14 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \pm & \text { B. } & \text { d. } \\ 248 & 14 & 4\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \pm & \text { s. } & \text { d } \\ 248 & 14 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { f } & \text { s, } & \text { d. } \\ 248 & 14 & 4\end{array}$ |

## COUNTY OF MASKINONGE.

| Rivière-du-Loup, | $\begin{array}{llll}53 & 7 & 2\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}53 & 7 & 2\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}53 & 7 & 2\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}53 & 7 & 2\end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Maskinonge, . . . . | 67 17. 0 | 671711 | 6717 0 | 67171 |
| Ste. Ursule.. | 3600 | 360001 | 36 | 3600 |
| Dumontier,......... ............ . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 47001 | 47 | $\begin{array}{llll}47 & 0 & 1\end{array}$ | $47 \quad 0$ |
| St. Paulin,. ... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $1315 \quad 2$ | $\begin{array}{llll}13 & 15 & 2\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}13 & 15 & 2\end{array}$ | $1315 \quad 2$ |
| St. Didace, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1279 | $12 \quad 710$ | $\begin{array}{llll}12 & 7 & 9\end{array}$ | 12710 |
| Total, | 230 | $\begin{array}{llll}230 & 7 & 5\end{array}$ | 230 | 23075 |

## COUNTY OF CHAMPLAIN.

| Batiscan | 16126 | $\begin{array}{lll}16 & 12 & 6\end{array}$ | 16126 | 16126 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ste. Anne Lapérade, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 43829 | $\begin{array}{lll}43 & 2 & 5 \\ 30 & 8\end{array}$ | 43 2 4 | $43 \quad 2 \quad 5$ |
| Champlain,. | $\begin{array}{llll}33 & 8 & 7\end{array}$ | 33 8 8 <br> 1 10  | $\begin{array}{lll}33 & 8 & 7\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}33 & 8 & 8\end{array}$ |
| Cap de la Madeleine, | 191010 | 191010 | 191010 | 191010 |
| St. Maurice, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 28132 | 281318 | 2813 | 25132 |
| Ste. Geneviève, | $\begin{array}{llll}36 & 0 & 4\end{array}$ | 36005 | $\begin{array}{lll}36 & 0 & 4\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}36 & 0 & 5\end{array}$ |
| St. Stanislas, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 4943 | $\begin{array}{llll}49 & 4 & 3\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}49 & 4 & 3\end{array}$ | 4948 |
| St. Narcisse. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 15002 | 15008 | 1500 | 1503 |
| Total, | $24112 \quad 2$ | $24112 \quad 5$ | 24112 | 241125 |
| Grand Total,. | 72013 4 | $72014 \quad 2$ | 720134 | 72014.2 |

INSPECTION DISTRICT OF JOHN HUME, Esq.

## COUNTY OF DORCHESTER.

|  |  | $\begin{array}{rrrr} \boldsymbol{E}_{5} & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 54 & 18 & 8 \\ 34 & 12 & 11 \\ 4 & 19 & 7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \begin{array}{c} f \\ 8 \end{array} & \text { s. } & \text { d } \\ 8 & 18 & 7 \\ 84 & 12 & 11 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & f_{\mathrm{s}, \mathrm{~g}} \mathrm{~d} \\ & 341211 \end{aligned}$ |
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| Total. ... | 45110 | 45112 | 40116 | 4011 P |

INSPECTION DISTRICT OF JOHN HUME, Esq.-(Continued)
TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.)
COUNTY OF DORCHESTER.

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|  | ${ }^{\text {1st }}$ part of | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2nd part of } \\ 1855 . \end{gathered}$ | 1st part of 1855. | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2nd part of } \\ 1855 . \end{gathered}$ |
| Brought forward, .. | f s, <br> 45 d <br>   | 5 s. <br> 45 11 | $\begin{array}{cccc}5 & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 40 & 11 & 6\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} f & \text { s. } & \mathrm{d} . \\ \mathbf{4 0} & 11 & 7 \end{array}$ |

## COUNTY OF MEGANTIC.



COUNTY OF BEAUCE.


## INSPECTION DISTRICT OF M. LANOTOT, Esq.

## COUNTY OF LAPRAIRIE.


inspection district of M. Lanctot, Esq.-(Continued.)
TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continucd.)
COUNTY OF LAPRAIRIE.


COUNTY OF NAPIERVILLE.


COUNTY OF ST. JOHN.


COUNTY OF CHATEAUGAY.


## COUNTY OF BEAUHARNOIS.



## [INSPECTION DISTRICT OF J. G. LESPERANOE, Esq.

TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.)
COUNTY OF GASPE.


## INSPECTION DISTRICT OF B. MAURAULT,'Esq.

## COUNTY OF YAMASKA.



## COUNTY OF NICOLET.



## INSPECTION DISTRICT OF JOS. MEAGHER, Esq.

## TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.)

COUNTY OF BONAVENTURE.

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COUNTY OF GASPE.


## INSPECTION DISTRICT OF ISIDORE MORIN, Esq.

COUNTY OF CHICOUTIMI.


## INSPECTION DISTRICT OF J. B. F. PAINCHAUD; EsQ.

TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.=-(Continued.)

> COUNTY OF GASPE.

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|  | Ist part of 1855. | 2nd part of | $\begin{gathered} \text { 1st part of } \\ 1855 . \end{gathered}$ | 2nd part of 1855. |
| Magdalen Islands, | $\begin{array}{llll}38 & 5 & 6\end{array}$ | 38 5 6 | 38 5 6 | $38 \quad 5 \quad 6$ |

## INSPECTION DISTRICT OF ROTUS PARMELEE, EsQ.

## COUNTY OF MISSISQUOI WEST.

| Dunham, | 60131 | 60131 | 60131 | 6013 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Stanbridge, | $\begin{array}{lllll}70 & 13 & 1\end{array}$ | 7013 1 | 70131 | 7013 |
| Phillipsburg, | 33010 | 330010 | 33010 | 33.10 |
| Frelighsburg, | $27 \begin{array}{lll}27 & 1 & \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}27 & 1 & 7\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}27 & 1 & 6\end{array}$ | 2717 |
| Clarenceville, | $27.15 \quad 5$ | 2715.5 | $2715 \quad 5$ | $2715 \quad 5$ |
| Foucault, | 18180 | 18180 | 1818 0 | 18180 |
| Farnham, | 2119 5 | 21195 | 2119 5 | 21195 |
| St. Romuald, | $\begin{array}{llll}35 & 8 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}35 & 8 & 9\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}35 & 8 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}35 & 8 & 9\end{array}$ |
|  | $29510 \quad 0$ | $29510 \quad 2$ | $29510 \quad 0$ | 295102 |

COUNTY OF MISSISQUOI EAST.


## COUNTY OF IBERVILLE.



# INSPE IION DISTRICT OF ROTUS PARMELEE, Esq.-(Continued.) 

TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.)

## COUNTY OF MISSISQUOI WEST.



## COUNTY OF MISSISQUOI EAST.

| Brought forward, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1421210 | 142131 | 1421210 | $14213 \quad 1$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

COUNTY OF IBERVILLE.

| Brought forward,.................................. . | 186184 | $\begin{array}{llll}186 & 18 & 5\end{array}$ | $18618 \quad 4$ | 18618 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

COUNTY OF SHEFFORD.


## INSPECTION DISTRICT OF REV. R. G. PLEES.

## TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continucd.)

CITY OF QUEBEC.-Protestants.

|  | sum Accruing. |  | sum gramted. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1st part of 1855. | 2nd part of 1855. | 1st part of 1855. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2nd part of } \\ & 1855 . \end{aligned}$ |
| Total, | (ccc\| | $\begin{array}{ccc} \underset{c}{£} & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 105 & 10 & 9 \end{array}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{ccc} f & \text { s. } & d \\ 105 & 10 & 9 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\begin{array}{cc} f & \varepsilon_{8} . \\ & d . \\ \hline 105 & 9 \end{array}$ |

INSPECTION DISTRICT OF J. J. RONEY, Esq.

## COUNTY OF OTTAWA.



COUNTY OF PONTIAC.


## INSPECTION DISTRICT OF G. TANGUAY, Esq.

## TABLE of the Apportionment of the Grant.-(Continued.)

> COUNTY OF KAMOURASKA.

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COUNTY OF RIMOUSKI.


COUNTY OF TEMISCOUATA.


## inspection district of F. X. Valadde, Esc.

## TABLE of the Apportioument of the Grant.-(Continued.)

COUNTY OF HOCHELAGA.

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|  | 1st part of 1855. | 2nd part of 1655. | Ist part of 1855. | 2nd part of 1855. |
|  | £ 8. d . | f s. d. | £ s. d. | £ 8. d. |
| Hochelaga, | 1018 | $\begin{array}{lll}10 & 1 & 3\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}10 & 1 & 8\end{array}$ | 1018 |
| St. Henri. | 8.62 | 863 | 862 | 863 |
| Coteau St Pierre, | $14 * 56$ | 1483 | 14.56 | 14.56 |
| Côte des Neiger, | 281841 | 2818 4 | 28184 | 28184 |
| Coteau St. Louis, | 1765 | $\begin{array}{llll}17 & 6 & 5\end{array}$ | 1765 | 1765 |
| Coite Visitation, | 61311 | 61311 | 61311 | 61911 |
| Sault au Récollets, | 84160 | $3416 \begin{array}{lll}34 & 1\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}34 & 16 & 0\end{array}$ | 34161 |
| Haut du Sault " | 4311 | 4311 | 4311 | 4311 |
| Pointe aux Trembles, | 22.1111 | 22120 | 22 11111 | 22120 |
| Loagu Point, ....... | 1718 | 17130 | 17130 | 17180 |
| Riviére des Prairies,. | 171711 | 17180 | 171711 | 17180 |

COUNTY OF JACQUES CARTIER.

| Lachine. | 37128 | 37124 | 37128 | 37124 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Point Claire, | 96174 | 26175 | 26174 | 26175 |
| Ste. Anne. | 15187 | 1518 7 | 15187 | 15187 |
| Ste. Geuevière. | 33 0 3 | 33044 | 33 0 8 | 3304 |
| St. Laurent,.... | 45118 | 45118 | 45118 |  |
| City, Cathoties, | $180 \quad 0 \quad 2$ | $\begin{array}{llll}180 & 0 & 3\end{array}$ | 18000 | 18008 |
| Total, | 520147 | $32015 \quad 3$ | $82014 \quad 7$ | $52015 \quad 3$ |

COUNTY OF VAUDREUIL.


COUNTY OF SOULANGES.


## APPENDIX E.

Statistics of the Catholic Schools of the City of Montreal.
TABLE No. 1.
GENERAL. STATEMENT

| 1. Boys' Schools: |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| College of Montrcal, (Priests of St. Sulpice.) | Pupils. |
| Students of Theology,. | 66 |
| Boarders, | 135 |
| Day Scholars,.... | 55 |

College of St. Mary, (Fathers of Society of Jesus,)250
Five Schools kept by the Brothers of the Christian Doctrine. Vide Table No. 2, ..... 2295
Model School, under the control of the Commissioners, kept by Mr. Doran, ..... 63
Mr. Anderson's School ..... 70
Six Schools for Irish Boys, ..... 440

2. Girls' or Mixed Schools :
3. Girls' or Mixed Schools :
4. Girls' or Mixed Schools :

Nine schools kept by the Sisters of the Congregation

Nine schools kept by the Sisters of the Congregation

Nine schools kept by the Sisters of the Congregation   of Notre Damc. Vide Table No. 3,   of Notre Damc. Vide Table No. 3,   of Notre Damc. Vide Table No. 3, .....  .....  ..... 2286 .....  .....  ..... 2286 .....  .....  ..... 2286

Schools of the General Hospital, for Orphan Boys and

Schools of the General Hospital, for Orphan Boys and

Schools of the General Hospital, for Orphan Boys and  Girls. (Grey Nuns or Sisters of Charity,)  Girls. (Grey Nuns or Sisters of Charity,)  Girls. (Grey Nuns or Sisters of Charity,) .....  ..... 350 .....  ..... 350 .....  ..... 350
School of the Convent of La Providence:
School of the Convent of La Providence:
School of the Convent of La Providence:
French School ..... 180
French and English School, ..... 65
32992.5
School of the Ladies of the Good Shepherd, ..... 44Five Girls' or Mixed Schools, Irish, (of which one isunder the control of the Commissioners,) kept byLay Teachers,118
Four Canadian Schools, (of which lhree are under control of the Commissioners) kept by Lay Tea- chers, ..... 2703313Recapitulation.
Boys at Boys' Schools, ..... 3299
Boys at Mixed Schools, ..... 2343535
Girls, ..... 3079
Total, ..... 6612
'TABL.E No. 2.


TABLE No. 3.
Stateasent of the Number of Pupils attending the Schools of the Ladies of the Congregation of Notre Dame at Montreal, 1856.


## APPENDIX F.

Synoptical Tables of all the Education Institutions of Lower Canada,

showing more particularly the state of Superior and Secondary Schools.


SECOND DIVISION.-
first section. -


## SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

colleges.

N. B.-At Collcges marked thus (1) board (ponsion) does not include meals.

## SECOND DIVISION.-SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

Frast Section.-Colleges.-(Continued.)



SECOND DIVISION.-
Thimd Section.-Academies and Boarding School


SECONDARY SCHOOLS.
for Girls, and Convent Schools,


## SECOND DIVISION. - SECONDARY SCHOOIS.

Fourta Section.-Special Schools.
Name of Institution.

## RECAPITULATION OF THE FOUR SECTIONS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

| SECTIONS. | Number of Schools. | Number of Professors. | Number of Pupils. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Conleges | 24 | 252 | 4089 |
| Boys or Mixed Academies............................. | 43 | 150 | 4478 |
| Convent Schools and Academies for Girls. <br> Special Schools. | 71 2 | 359 8 | 11639 45 |
| Grand Total.............. | 140 | 769 | 20215 |

## THIRD DIVISION.-PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

|  | Number of Schools. | Number of Teachers Male and Female. | Number of Pupils. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PIRST SECTION. |  |  |  |
| Superior, Primary, or Model Scliools. (inciuding the Superior Girls' Schools in Table A, which are not mentioned in the Third Section of Secondary Schools) | 223 | 930 | 12025 |
| BRCOND SECTION. Elementary Schools..................................... | 2513 | 9600 | 104168 |
| Total.................... | 2736 | 2850 | - 112193 |

RECAPITULATION OF THE THREE GREAT DIVISIONS.

| DIVLSIONS. | Number of Schools. | Number of Persons forming the Body of Teachers. | Number of Pupils. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Superior Schools. <br> Secondary Schools...................................................................... <br> Primary Schools. $\qquad$ | $\begin{array}{r} 12 \\ 140 \\ 2736 \end{array}$ | 54 767 2850 | $\begin{array}{r} 331 \\ 90245 \\ 112193 \end{array}$ |
| Grand Total............... | 2888 | 3671 | 182769 |

# APPENDIX G. <br> Table showing lhe Books in use in the Primary Schools of Lower Canada. <br> <br> LATIN BOOKS. 

 <br> <br> LATIN BOOKS.}
RGADING.
Number of Munici- palities in which they are used.
Psautier, ..... 49
Epitome, ..... 4
FRENCH BOOKS.
READING.
Alphabet, ..... 155
Livres des Ecoles des Frères, ..... 23
Neuvaine de St. François-Xavier, ..... 8
Catéchisme ..... 79
Nouveau Testament, ..... 42
Instruction de la Jeunesse, ..... 44
Notions Utiles, (Manuel des), ..... 5
Guide de l'Instituteur, ..... 57
Manuscrit, ..... 52
Veillées Canadiennes, ..... 1
Lectures Françaises, ..... 10
Vocabulaire, ..... 6
Art Epistolaire, ..... 3
Annales de la Propagation de la Foi, ..... 3
Lecture Graduée, par Juneau, ..... 4
Morale en Action, ..... 1
Logique, ..... 1
Principes de Littérature, ..... 1
Ancien Testament, ..... 34
Journée du Chrétien, ..... 5
Télémaque Moral, ..... 1
Philosophie Naturelle, ..... 1
Manuel de Tempérance, ..... 1
Devoirs du Chrétien, ..... 175
GRAMMAR.
Grammaire des Frères, ..... 63
Exercices et Dictées Orthographiques, ..... 31
Grammaire Française ..... 100
Grammaire de Bouthillier, ..... 1
Grammaire de Lequin, ..... 2
Grammaire de LHomond, ..... 28
HISTORY.
Histoire Naturelle, ..... 8
Histoire Ancienne, ..... 23
Abrégé de l'Histoire de France, ..... 41
Number of Munici- palities in which they are used.
94
Histoire Sainte,
2
Histoire Profane,
59
59
Histoire du Canada
Histoire du Canada ..... 3
GEOGRAPHY.
Géographie, ..... 97
Géographie des Frères des Ecoles Chrétiennes ..... 31 ..... 31
ARITHMETIC.
Arithmétique de Bouthillier, ..... 19
Arithmétique des Frères des Ecoles Chrétiennes, ..... 67
Arithmétique, ..... 97
Arithmétique de Bibaud, ..... 1
ENGLISH BOOKS.
READING.
Murray's English Reader, ..... 24
Sullivan's Spelling Book, ..... 1
Catholic School Book ..... 9
London Primer, ..... 1
Duty of the Christian, ..... 3
Walker's Dictionary, ..... 2
Mavor's English Reader, ..... 1
Christian Brothers' Class Book ..... 2
Universal Spelling Book, ..... 4
Webster's Spelling Book, ..... 7
American Books, ..... 3
Hunter's Rudiments, ..... 1
Vocabulary, ..... 5
Catechism, ..... 5
Rhetoric ..... 2
Child's Guide ..... 1
Towns' Reader, ..... 3
French and English Dialogues, ..... 2
British American School Books ..... 4
Spelling Book, ..... 54
Carpenter's Spelling Book, ..... 19
Agricultural Society Books, ..... 7
National Series of School Books, ..... 67
The Old Testament, ..... 14
The New Testament, ..... 11
English Reading, ..... 4
Bible, ..... 10
Mavor's Spelling Book, ..... 23
GRAMMAR.
Weed's and Kirkham's Grammar, ..... 2
Smith's Grammar, ..... 2Number of Munici- palities in which they are used.
Sullivan's Grammar, ..... 1
Murray's Grammar, ..... 11
Grammar, ..... 38
Lennie's Grammar, ..... 11
HISTORY.
History of England, ..... 12
History of the Sainits, ..... 2
Modern History, ..... 5
Goldsmith's History, ..... 11
History of Canada, ..... 4
GEOGRAPHY.
Smith's Geography, ..... 11
Murray's Geography, ..... 1
Morse's Geography, ..... 27
Geography, ..... 24
Stewart's Geography, ..... 3
Olney's Geography, ..... 10
ARITHMETIC.
Thompson's Arithmetic, ..... 5
Adam's Arithmetic. ..... 7
Murray's do ..... 1
Ingram's do ..... 3
Arithmetic, ..... 28
Walkingham's Arithmetic, ..... 15
Gray's do ..... 6
Elements of Book-keeping, ..... 5

## APPENDIX H．

Table showing the Circuit of each Inspector，the Names of Counties or parts of Counties included in it，the Number of Municipalities，the Population，the Number of Schools in operation，and the Salary of Inspectors．

Names of Inspector，and Description of his District．

|  | 荷荡 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { N゙ } \\ & \text { N } \end{aligned}$ | 安葆 | $\left\|\right\|$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| J．B．F．Painchaud，Magdalen Islands， | 1 | 2220 |  | 3 | $\begin{array}{cccc} \boldsymbol{f} & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 31 & 5 & 0 \end{array}$ |
| Jos．Meagher，Counties of Bonaventure and G | 20 | 20772 | 233340 | 31 | 25000 |
| J．Lespérance，part of Gaspé． | 1 | 966 | 8000 | 1 | 6210 |
| Isidore Morin，County of Chicou | 5 | 4951 | 69669 | 15 | 125 |
| G．Tanguay，Counties of Kamouraska，Rimouski，and Témiscour | 26 | 34088 | 584092 | 150 | 21815 |
| C．Cimon，County of Charlevoix and part of Saguenay， | 10 | 13012 | 209007 | 33 | 125 |
| John Hume，County of Mégantic and part of Dorchester and of Beauce， | 16 | 16085 | 214121 | 31 | 18710 |
| F．X．Béland，Counties of Beauce，Lévi，Dorchester，and Lot－ biaière， | 29 | 58135 | 685437 | 214 | 21815 |
| J．Crépault，counties of Bellechasse，Montmagny，and | 18 | 36729 | 386134 | 128 | 18710 |
| P．M．Bardy，Counties of Québec，Montmorency and Portneuf ； Catholic Population of the City of Québec | 32 | 80673 | 544571 | 124 | 250 |
| Rev．R．Plees；Protestant Population of the City of Québec | 1 | 9118 |  | 35 | 6210 |
| P．Hubert，Counties of St．Maurice，Maskinongé and Cbamplain | 21 | 41181 | 443909 | 100 | 18710 |
| G．A．Bourgeois，part of the Counties of Drummond，Bagot，and Arthabaska．． | 9 | 9305 | 175000 | 35 | 1565 |
| B．Maurault，Counties of Nicolet and Yamaska， | 17 | 34650 | 333482 | 95 | 18710 |
| M．Child，Counties of Stanstead，Richmond，Compton，Wolfe，and part of Drummond and of Arthabaska，．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． R．Parmelee，Counties of Missisquoi，Brome，Shefford，and part of | 25 | 35848 | 484143 | 245 | 21815 |
| Iberville | 23 | 43632 | 380704 | 192 | 21815 |
| J．N．A．Archambault，the Counties of Richelieu，Verchères，Cham－ bly，and part of St．John and of St．Hyacinthe， | 24 | 60889 | 473296 | 120 | 21815 |
| A．P．I．Consigny，the Counties of Bagot，Rouville，and part of St．Hyacinthe and of Iberville，． | 22 | 50889 | 457923 | 127 | 1565 |
| M．Lanctot，Counties of Laprairie，Napierville，Beauharnois，and part of Châteauguay and of St．John， | 10 | 55785 | 470523 | 141 | 21815 |
| John Bruce，County of Huntingdon，part of Châteauguay and of Ar－ genteuil，and the Protestant Population of the City of Montreal． | 15 | 48530 | 331139 | 167 | 250 |
| F．X．Valade，counties of Jacques Cartier，Hochelaga，Vaudreuil and Soulanges，and Catholic Population of the City of Montreal．． | 26 | 82559 | 424175 | 116. | 250 |
| A．D．Dorval，Oounties of Berthier，Joliette and Muntcalm，． | 34 | 64558 | 630008 | 134 | 21815 |
| F．Germain，Counties of Laval，Terrebonne，Two－Mountains，and part of Argentcuil，－ | 26 | 46210 | 393584 | 114 | 18710 |
| J．J．Roney，Counties of Ottawa and Pontiac， | 23 | 23164 | 826227 | 86 | 21815 |

## APPENDICE 1.

## Correspondence bctween the Department of Public Insiruction and the Post Office Department, on the subject of the Postal Relations between Canada and France.

## Education Office East,

Montreal, 22nd December, 1855.
The Honorable R. Spence,

## Postmaster General of Canada.

Sir,-Having applied to the Post Office to transmit to France a certain number of the Reports of my predecessor for last year, I was told that the cost of each copy would amount to no less than twenty-eight shillings currency. 1 of course gave up the idea of sending any, the expense being one that the Department could hardly bear. I was also told that this enormous rate of postage, amounting in fact to a prohibition, is exacted between England and France, the postage between this country and England being moderate. I have thought it my duty to call your attention to this state of things, that you may, if you think proper, communicate with the Imperial Government.

I can hardly conceive how such an impediment can be allowed to remain in the way of the literary and intellectual intercourse of the two great nations who are now bound together by so many ties.

As to our own country, at a time when both in France and here, such efforts are made to establish relations of a social and commercial nature between us and a country, the language of which is still spoken by nearly one half of the people of Canada, it behoves us to remove all obstacles to a free intercourse, and especially one that operates so much to our disadvantage.

If I am correctly informed, the same postage is exacted for French periodicals, in pamphlet form, sent to this country, and consequently their transmission by the post has entirely ceased. This is certainly a very great obstacle to the diffusion of knowledge among the French speaking population of Lower Canada.

Such has been your zeal and such your success in carrying out important reforms in your department, that I need only mention to you this highly interesting subject, to secure to my compatriots a great amount of good.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Signed,) PIERRE J. O. CHAUVEAU.

## Post Office Department,

$$
\text { Toronto, 28th December, } 1855 .
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Sir,-I am directed by the Post Master General to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 22nd instant, and to convey his thanks to you for drawing his attention to the subject of the charges made by the Imperial Post Office on the transmission of phamphlets and periodicals between Canada and France; and viewing, as he does, this matter as bearing very strongly on the educational interests of the Province, I am to assure you that this Department will use its utmost efforts to procure from the Imperial authorities an abatement of the restrictive charges which now exist.

At the same time, I beg to add, for your information, that this Department has frequently, from time to time, sought from the British Post Office a reduction
of the postage rates upon correspondence generally between Canada and France; and some improvement in this respect was conceded this spring, coupled with an assurance that the subject would be borne in mind in negotiations between Great Britain and France, with the object of ameliorating the postal intercourse of the two nations, which, it was anticipated, would take place during the past summer.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant, (Signed,) W. H. GRIFFIN, Secretary.

Honorable P. J. O. Chauveau, Superintendent of Education, Montreal.

Post Office Department,<br>Toronto, 15th February, 1856.

Sir,-With reference to your letter of the 22nd December last, remarking upon the prohibitory character of the postage charges made under the Imperial Post Office Regulations on the transmission through the English Mails of pamphlets and other printed matter of like description between Canada and France, and urging the advantages to the literary and intellectual intercourse of the two countries, which would accrue upon a mitigation of the existing rates, and further, in view of the warm interest you have frequently, from time to time, on previous occasions, expressed on this subject, in all which the Post Master General fully participated, I am directed to inform you that the Post Master General has been apprized by the Imperial Post Office, London, that an arrangement has been concluded between the British and French Governments which comprehends a provision for the transmission at reduced rates between Canada and France of printed papers and books, of which he hopes to be enabled to announce the details and conditions by department circular at an early date. I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your most obedient servant, W. H. GRIFFIN, Secretary.

Honorable P. J. O. Chauveau, Superintendent of Education<br>For Lower Canada.

## APPENDIX J.

Copies and Extracts from the Reports of the School Inspectors for 1855, viz., from-
Messrs. J. N. A. Archambault,
P. M. Bardy,
P. F. Beland,
G. A. Bourgeors, John Bruce,
M. Child,
C. Cimon,
J. Crepault,
A. P. L. Consigny,
A. D. Dorval,

Cesaire Germain, P. Hubert, John Hume, M. Lanctot,
J. G. Lesperance, B. Maurault, Jos. Meagher, I. Morin,
J. B. F. Painchatd, R. Parmelee, Rev. R. G. Plees, J. J. Roney, G. Tanguay, F. X. Vadade.

Honorable P. J. O. Chauveau, Superintendent of Education, L. C.
Sir,-I have the honor to transmit you along with this Report my Tables of Statistics for the scholastic year ending on the 30th of June, 1855.

I think I may say, without deviating from the truth, that this Inspection District is one of those in which the law is most fairly carried out, and meets with least opposition; I am, however, far from claiming the merit of this : on the contrary it must be attributed to the liberality of the rate-payers.

In the parishes which I have to visit, the inhabitants are generally desirous of educating their children, and of profiting by the advantages afforded by the Act, and are willing to make every suitable sacrifice to procure for their families an education adopted to the present wants of society: in all the principal parishes may be seen springing up educational institutions for each sex, and of the first order.

To give you an idea of what they are, I enclose you copies of the programme of studies of each of these institutions.

You will see by my Tables, that there is a College at Chambly, a Lyceum at Varennes, that there are Academies at Varennes, at St. Johns, and at William Henry ; Model Schools at Longueuil, at Boucherville, at Contreccur, at St. Antoine, at St. Marc, at Belœil, at St. Charles, at St. Denis, at Si. Ours, and at St. Aimé ; Convents and Boarding Schools for Young Ladies at Longueuil, at Varennes, at St. Johns, at William Henry, at Boucherville, Belwil and St. Denis; Superior Schools for Girls at Chambly, at Verchéres, at Contreccur, at St. Antoine, St. Ours and St. Aimé.

In my next Report I hope to have to record the establishment of two new Academies for Boys, one at St. Johns and the other at Longueuil, and of two Boarding Schools for Young Ladies, one at Chambly and the other at St. Aime ; perhaps also of a third at Verchères, where a building destined to that purpose is in process of construction.

You, Sir, will agree with me that there is no stronger indication of the advance of education in a country than the establishment of such a number of these institutions.

You may judge how powerful is the impulse, since the parish of St. Aimé has separated itself from St. Michel d'Yamaska, that it might follow the general example.

There is no need of repeating that there is great improvement in the common schools of these parishes; it could hardly be otherwise, since these district schools are the places of preparation for the institutions of the highest order.

In my next Report I intend to send you a correct description of the edifices occupied by the above mentioned institutions of first rank; and you will then see that several of them are almost as extensive as that which you visited at St. Hugues in September last.

In many of the parishes, the Vestries have made great pecuniary sacrifices to encourage education; some of them have expended large sums; I would particularly cite those of Varennes, Verchères, Belœil and Longueuil.

The Clergy, as is their wont, have taken an active part in the formation of these numerous and important establishments.

Moreover, while rendering justice to the exertions, the zeal and hearty good will of all the teachers of this district, I am far from giving them (as one of my colleagues seems to do) the preference over the religious orders which I meet in the same district.
This Report shows that there are in this Inspection Distrist-
24 Municipalities.
112 School Districts.
96 Schöol Houses.
120 Schonls in operation under the control of the Commissioners.
99 Elementary Schools, ..... attented by 4586 Pupils.
10 Model Schools, ..... 602
4 Dissentient Schools, ..... 124
5 Superior for Girls, Schools, ..... 327
3 Academies, ..... 510
1 Lyceum, ..... 123
1 College, ..... 147
7 Convent Schools ..... 1214
1 Independent School, ..... 29
Forming altogether, ..... 7662 Pupils.
There are 33 teachers, of whom 30 have diplomas and 3 have none.75 female teachers, all except two, holding certificates from Inspectors.
I have not, of course, included in these numbers the persons employed inteaching in the religious houses already mentioned in this Report.These I shall class in the following order:
Professors.
College of Chambly, ..... 12
Lyceum of Varennes,. ..... 5
Academy of William Henry, ..... 5
" of Verchères, ..... 4
" of St. John, ..... 3
Convent of Longueuil, ..... 48
" of St. John, ..... 5
" of William Henry, ..... 6
" of Belœil, ..... 3
" of St. Denis, ..... 3
" of Boucherville, ..... 2
Young Ladies Boarding School at Varennes, ..... 5
Total, ..... 101
Adding to this the number of teachers, ..... 33
Also that of female teachers ..... 75
The body of teachers will amount to, ..... 209To avoid burdening this Report with useless details, I take the liberty ofreferring you to my Report of the 31st March, 1853, inserted in No. 5 Journal ofthe House of Assembly, eleventh volume, in which I have-given the most ampledetails respecting many of those important seminaries of education above men-tioned, amongst others the College of Chambly, the Academy of the Brothers ofthe Christian Doctrine at William Henry, the Convents of Longueuil, St. John,St. Denis, Boucherville and Belœil.
I shall merely say a few words respecting the Lyceum and the Boarding School for Young Ladies at Varennes: these two establishments are new, and it is of importance to know on what basis they are founded.
The Lord Bishop of Montreal, aided by some friends of education, founded at the Village of Varennes these two institutions, the Vestry of that parish having
placed at the disposal of His Lordship the old house belonging to the Vestry, for the Lyceum, and a lot of land purchased with that view for $£ 3000$, on which there is a handsome and convenient house for the Young Ladies Boarding School.

The annual means of support of these institutions are as follows:
For the Lyceum:
1st. A special grant from the Legislature, ............. £75 0: 0
2nd. Income from Boarders,......................... about, 1500
3rd. Part of produce of farm bought by the Vestry (Fa-
brique, ). . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . about,
$30 \quad 0 \quad 0$
£120 0
4th. By amount which the Commissioners of the School Municipality of Varennes have obliged themselves to pay in consideration of the free admission to all the classes of both the Institutions of the children of the Municipality, of age to attend school as defined in the Act,

| 1250 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2450 | 0 |

For the Young Ladies Boarding School:
1st. Grant from the Legislature, $50 \quad 0 \quad 0$
2nd. Day Scholars, about. $810 \quad 0$
3rd. Share of the proceeds of aforesaid farm,
$30 \quad 0 \quad 0$
£88 $10 \quad 0$
4th. By amount which Cornmissioners have obliged themselves to pay on same conditions as to the Lyceum,

$$
125 \quad 0 \quad 0
$$

£213 100
For other details see Report.
Such being the state of affairs, I am justified in speaking favorably of the parishes of my district.

Nevertheless, while praising the general disposition of the population, I do not mean to say that there are no more obstacles to be overcome ; on the contrary there are still very great and serious difficulties to the progress of improvement; but success gained in so good a cause, in the midst of such trials will be all the more durable.

> I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your most obedient and humble servant,

J. A. A. ARCHAMBAULT,<br>School Inspector.

## COURSE OF STUDIES AT THE LYCEUM, VARENNES.

Preparatory Class.-Reading (English and French,) writing, reckoning (the first four rules of arithmetic, lessons introductory to geography, and the catechism.

1st Year.-Elements of the two languages (English and French,) arithmetic, penmanship, geography, history.

2nd Year.-Syntax of both languages, arithmetic, geography, history, principles of agriculture and botany, epistolary and general composition.

3rd Year. - French literature, book-keeping, algebra, history, composition, drawing, translation from English to French and from French to English.

4th Year.-Literature, algebra, geometry, surveying, book-keeping, instructions on the form of Government and Constitution of Canada, composition, drawing, English and French translation.

5th Year.-Rudiments of philosophy (logic, metaphysical and moral,) political economy, geometry, surveying, composition, English and French translation.

6 th Year.-Rudiments of mechanics, chemistry in its application to the arts, architecture, astronomy, composition in both languages, speeches delivered by the pupils in presence of their class-mates.
N. B.-The catechism or religious course forms three divisions:

1 st Division.-Large catechism, called Catéchism de Persévérance (Gaume,) for pupils who have taken their first communion.

2nd Division.-The small catechism for children preparing for and about to take their first communion.

3rd Division.-The little children of the preparatory class.

COURSE OF STUDY AT YOUNG LADIES BOARDING SCHOOL, VARENNES.
Preparatory Class.-Reading (in French and English,) writing, reckoning (first four rules of arithmetic, ) introduction to geography, and the catechism.

1st Year.-Elements of both languages, arithmetic, geography, history, and penmanship.

2nd Year.-Syntax of both languages, arithmetic, geography, history, epistolary and general composition.

3rd Year.-Elementary lessons in literature and botany, book-keeping, history, use of the globes, translation (French and English,) composition, drawing.
$4 t h$ Year.-Simple lessons in logic, composition, familiar instruction on the constitution of the country, history, rudiments of astronomy, translation (French and English,) drawing.
N. B.-1st. Thursday is to be devoted to needle work, \&c., and to special lessons in instrumental and vocal music. The holiday and hours of recreation might also be employed in the same manner.

2nd. The Lady Directress is to take charge of the teaching domestic economy.
3rd. The religious course will form two divisions :
1st Division.-Large catechisms, or "Catéchisme de la Persévérance."
2nd Division.-Small catechism for those who have not taken their first communion.

## VERCHERES ACADEMY.

Preparatory Course.-French and English reading, writing, elements of arithmetic and of French grammar, sacred history. religious instruction.

1 st Year.-Elements of French grammar, arithmetic, geography of America, history of Canada, elements of the English language, translating the History of Canada, dialogues, English reading, penmanship, religious instruction.
$2 n d$ Year.-Syntax of French grammar, arithmetic continued, geography of Europe, ancient history, first lessons in lineary drawing, use of the globes, fundamental principles of agriculture, English syntax, translation of the history of England, translation (English and French,) religious instruction.
$3 r d$ Year.-Repetition of the elements and syntax of the two first years, and study of the principal difficulties of the French language, rudiments of literature, epistolary and general composition, complete arithmetic, book-keeping, practical geometry, geography of Asia, Africa and Australia, analysis of the History of France, study of the constitution of the country, natural history, English course continued, religious instruction.

J. N. A. ARCHAMBAULT, School Inspector.

I should remark that no female teachers in this district hold diplomas from the Department, they have only certificates from the Inspectors.

Report of Doctor P. M. Bardy, School Inspector for the Counties of Montmorenci, Portncuf and Quebec, and the City of Quebec, to the Hon. P. J. O. Chauveat, Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Quebec, 7th December, 1855.
Sir,-
I shall therefore consider it my duty to join with you in desiring to procure for the population of Lower Canada the means of acquiring with greater facility the inestimable advantages of education, which must be considered as the safeguard of the moral and material interests of society in general, the support and bulwark of a good government, the source of the security and welfare of all classes of our fellow-citizens.

The best institutions, amongst a people whose education is not sufficiently general and thorough to carry them out, become only elements of confusion; they are equally lavish in the bestowing of rights and the imposing duties; they are a source of weakness to Government, which, at last, in consequence of the laws being continually multiplied, become unable to enforce them. Here we see the danger to which every Government is exposed, the first aim of which is not to make the education of a people harmonise with the institutions of their country. Institutions, like buildings, should be based on firm, solid, and well-levelled ground. Education raises the level of intelligence and lays a basis for ideas. Experience shews us that if popular education endangers absolute Government, popular ignorance may peril representative Government, for Parliamentary diecussion, while it reveals to the masses the extent of their rights, does not await the time when they will be prepared to exercise them with discretion.

When a people has once acquired a knowledge of its rights, instruction is he only remaining means of governing. The first necessity therefore of every
representative Government, which has its origin in the elective principle, is a system of education comprehensive, graduated, special, and professional, carrying light into the heart of the masses, doing away with all arbitrary distinctions, and assigniug to every class its proper rank, to every man his place. Every Government based on the two-fold principles of equal civil rights and the elective franchise, will be unsteady and tending to anarchy, if the public mind, blinded and sophisticated by prejudices, be not regenerated by a system of education suited to the actual position of the people, capable of dissipating the numerous but erroneous pretensions which, from a mistaken interpretation, confound civil with social equality, of establishing the hierarchy of intellect, and in short of furnishing the requisite number of enlightened men to fill the posts necessary for the due administration of the Government, for the establishment and direction of municipalities, to provide trust-worthy Juries, and to secure inviolate, the rights of election.

The desire of representative Government involv s that of municipal institutions, and that again the elective principle. But where the electors are not enlightened judges of the choice which they ought to make, the right of election is no longer exercised; intrigue usurps its place; cabals and partiality paralyse the municipal system to such a degree that, under the empire of Parliamentary rules and forms, individual influence and ignorance really preside over the work of legislation. A state will never produce men capable of governing it, until the time arrives when education, being generally diffused, shall have formed such an extensive gradation of intellect that each municipal, each electoral, district shall possess men qualified to fill the offices of the community they belong to, and representatives able to make the interests of the locality, or the class that they represent, harmonise with those of the country.

It is, therefore, the office of public instruction to effect this double result. By public instruction must be understood primary education, but sufficiently comprehensive, and superior education judiciously carried out. And what can primary education effect without sulficient endowment? Confusion of ranks among the people; the impoverishment of trade and agriculture; impediments to industry; the agglomeration of a body of unsettled and turbulent men, besetting the steps of the executive, contemning the Government which employs them, and stirring up factious opposition against that which rejects them.

A man who can read and write even a little is still, in some neighbourhoods, in the little villages, a privileged being, possessing in fact a superiority which cannot be disputed; seldom does he fail to abuse the advantage conferred by the little he does know, by taking credit for an extent of knowledge which he does not possess. So it is that he generally combines in his person the offices of family secretary and family councillor, village lawyer and village notary, all which contribute not a litule to foment disputes and increase the numbers of law suits.

Experience proves that where elementary education, instead of being enforced on the many, is only the appanage of the few; it often produces only victims or dupes. Take a child who has learned merely to read and write : once possessed of this advantage over his father, he is convinced that the paternal calling is incompatible with his litte acquirements; his vanity misleads him as to his proper vocation, and makes him abandon the country for the town; instead of becoming, as he might, a good farmer, able to substitute for the erroneous old fashioned practices of his forefathers improved methods of culture, he will, according as his parents may be able to sacrifice much or little for his future advancement, increase the number of artisans out of work, or swell the crowd of men who, regardless that the liberal professions are already overburdened, while the soil calls for skill and labor to cultivate it, a wait the time when the general confusion which they are labouring to produce, shall amend their condition.

These are the ordinary fruits of elementary education, when it is parsimoniously and unequally distributed. This is the reason why it is desirable that a conventional degree of education should be imposed as an obligation on all, in order that, within a fixed period of time, reading and writing should no longer constitute a title to social privileges, and that the want of such knowledge should entail political disqualification. I am inclined to believe that the Houses of Parliament would not deny to the Government any appropriation which may be required for the advancement of elementary education; since, judging by the results in foreign countrits, we may reasonably conclude that without primary education there can be no stability in a Government such as ours, no prosperity amongst the different classes of society, no success in the various pursuits of life.

In short, where elementary education does not exist, commerce languishes, rural industry is stationary, ignorance shakes its hideous head, superstition leads on to scepticism, and scepticism to demoralization. Without public morality what becomes of trial by Jury; what of the elective franchise? What pledges can the representative give of his good faith? Yes, ignorance undoubtedly puts liberty in peril. The rust which corrodes the iron material of a machine exercises upon it an influence less destructive than does popular ignorance on the machinery of the representative and administrative system. How indeed can it work, when all its power must be employed to overcome incessant resistance. I assert then that under a representative form of Government, founded on popular election, every thing should be made 10 contribute to the training of youth, by studies specially adapted to that end, for the profitable use of the rights which they are called to exercise, and the performance of the duties which private and public interests require at their hands. The distipguishing characteristics, nay, the ordinary attributes of public education, should be, 1 st, the early inculcation, in the minds of the rising generation, of love and respect for the principles of the constitution; 2nd the training of youth to public speaking. All the laws made for elementary education will encounter in their application obstacles hard to be surmounted. These are of two kinds, material and moral. Of the former kind are the remoteness of certain localities, their distance from the school-bouse, bad roads, the inclemency of the weather in our long winters, oftener still those intervals, occurring several times in the year, when the children are kept at home to assist their parents in their farming operations; and, more than all, the payment of the local assessment, which, however small, is always too high for the humble means of the majority of the rate-payers.

Among the moral obstacles we number the apathy, the prejudices of the parents, who, being in no condition themselves to appreciate the advantages of education, regard it either as an element of discord in families, or as an innovation, adding nothing to their wealth and the advancement of their views, and the success of their rural labors; and consider themselves bound only to transmit to their children the provision which custom has sanctioned, together with the material and practical education which they themselves received from their forefathers, and all this under the apprehension that their children, having acquired an education in which they are deficient, may learn to despise them, and quit the beaten track which they and their ancestors have ever followed. We may also indubitably reckon among the moral obstacles to the advancement of elementary education, the indifierence or parsimony both of the Legislature fearing to appropriate too large a portion of the public money in that behalf, and of the rate-payers themselves, who can hardly be made to understand that the foundation of a school, and the salary of a teacher, demand a suitable appropriation; and the defective education of the persons who are charged with the working of the schoollaw, that is to say the Commissioners and the Secretary-Treasurers appointed for
each School Municipality. Lastly, another moral obstacle is the idea, unfortunately too well founded and too widely prevalent, that the office of a teacher can never be an honorable one, seeing that it does not afford decent maintenance. From this cause it ensues that no one adopts teaching as a pursuit, until he despairs finding one more lucrative, and that those who do embrace it are sometimes the least qualified to undertake it.

Suitable means must therefore be adopted to enable us to train our Municipal Councils, now established throughoutthe country, to exercise a moral influence over Parliament in the disposal of the public funds; to place agriculture and the manufactures on a footing of stability and improvement, leaving them free to give mutual support to each other; to render commerce prosperous and flourishing; if, in short, we desire that education, so necessary to unfold the human mind, should be regarded as indispeusable, as an obligation incumbent on every man possessing intellectual faculties, and susceptible of mental culture, we must, in order to discharge the duties which it imposes, and to secure the rights which it confers, keep in view one steadfast aim, and that we must pursue in earnest, and with no half measures.

With reference to salary, therefore, we must not merely place the teacher above want, but we must place him in the secure enjoyment of an income which leaves him no room to envy the lot of the rate-payers around him; we must render elementary education as nearly as possible a charge upon the Government; we must therefore ascertain the various subjects of instruction, and the degree to which it is necessary to pursue each; we mast diligently and unceasingly give encouragement to the most expeditious modes of teaching; we should; after a certain time, make every rate-payer of twenty-one years of age, who cannot read and write, ineligible to fill any office in a school municipality; we ought to establish, in each school municipality, and particularly at a central point or near the church, a superior school endowed by the Government, and which the children of most ability of other school districts might attend without charge : this would be an incentive to exertion to all students, and a means of rewarding those who might be judged worthy of admittance; we should induce both Commissioners and rate-payers to profit by the liberality of the Legislature in establishing libraries for them, the books of which should be chosen in accordance with the wants of the neighbourhood. At main points, literary and religious journals, books on political economy, agriculture, mechanics, manufactures, and commerce, might be of the greatest service by enlightening the people, and leading them to love their country, to the support of which they are bound to lend their aid.

The education of the people and the credit of the state are therefore intimately connected; the union of these can alone produce the public weal, properly so called, intelligent industry, a rapid circulation of capital, a perfect mainterance of the public highways, order, foresight and economy in the administration of the affairs of Government, in short, the most exact and the most extensive distribution of the public monies. It is acknowledged that it is only agriculture which can produce a large development of material wealth, and how should we establish the equilibrium betwixt manufactures, and agriculture the inexhaustible source of production, the first foundation of public wealth, if there be not in every locality, amidst the labouring classes, a man capable of teaching them to express theii thoughts by writing, numbers by figutes, and qualified to train the mind of the cultivator of the soil to observe and to reason on what he sees; to accustom him to keep a daily account of receipts and expenses, sales and purchases, that he may compare the amount of the cost of production with the value of the products, in order that he may decide, in the course of calture what is to be preferred in each description of soil, and linow what operations are most profitable, what expenditure is likely to yield the best return.

At a period when manufactures are in a state of transition, when the precision and the economy of mecbanical power are about to supersede individual strength and intelligence, when it is needful to warn the working classes of the necessity of further instruction, failing which they are exposed, at every step of improvement made in their peculiar trade or handicraft, to be thrown out of employment: at such a time, I ask, who will teach them the ordinary principles of meehanics, physics and chemistry, the use of which becomes more and more indisprnsable at every advance of science? Who will exert himself to give them the skill and knowledge necessary to acquire their several handicrafis? Who shall initiale them into those principles of hygiene, those physiological truths necessary to correct a cloud of traditional errors, prejudices and habits, detrimental to their well-being? Must it not be the schoolmaster?

But the schoolmaster will not thoroughly fulfil his mission, he will not be a profitable agent, and will not be entilled to the remuneration which 1 am desirous he should have, until he combines in himself all the knowledge which is necessary for the perfect enlightenment of the agricultural and industrial classes, until the knowledge which be imparts shall be adapted to their wants, and snfficient to exempt them from the necessity of betaking themselves 10 cities for further instruction.

The law ought therefore to show, by the terms in which it is enacted, and the manner in which it is enforced, that education is to man what the plough is to the soil, a necessary and indispensable preparation; and that it is less the seed which produces the abundant harvest than the training which developes the thinking powers of the husbandman, and gives fertility to his labors. To recapitulate, I should say that primary education may be of two degrees:

The first will be primary elementary instruction, and may comprise, 1 , religiaus and moral instruction ; 2 , reading; 3 , writing; 4 , the principles of the mother tongue, geography and the history of the country ; 5, arithmetic; 6, tables of weights and measures ; 7, the divisions of the year, the seasons, and the measure of time ; 8, singing.

The second degree will be superior primary instruction, and might comprise, according to local circumstances, dictation, parsing, the art of correct speaking, book-keeping, outlines of geography and history, the principles of agriculture and domestic economy, the principles of mensuration and surveying, of mechanics as applied to manufactures, of practical geometry, physical and natural history, of chemistry, lineary drawing, and of civil and pracical jurisprudence.

I must remark that all these various branches cannot be taught at the same time or in all places. The children of those engaged in the commercial and manufacturing establishments in the outskirts of ourcities, should not receive the same kind of instruction as those of parents employed in agriculture and other trades.

And here we are not 10 confound instruction with education, two words of very different signification. Education which with the ancients meant nurture (nourriture) cannot be exactly defined. This word has been very improperly used to express every matler, or thing having reference to modes of teaching or to the superintendence of teaching and teachers. We have therefore no "Office of Education," no "Superintendent of Education," \&c., inasmuch as education is not an art. Education is the whole: it is the choice and succession of physical attentions, of the moral precepts and examples by which the child is surrounded from the cradle. In the first period of existence, it is the milk which feeds him, and next it is the teaching afforded by the family circle, the development of the faculties, the germ of which he has received from nature; afterwards it is the choice of the associates amidst whom he is to live, to grow up to manhood. Many bulky volumes, long and learned dissertations, have been written on
education; but as I am to limit the expression of my ideas to a few lines, I shall only remark that the word education is calculated only to convey false ideas, and to awaken desires which can never be satisfied. In order that I may not be dogmatical, however, I admit that there is a sort of education which it is possible to receive from a teacher. The means of this are very limited : they are a good selection of reading; a system of rewards and punishments judiciously devised, and enforced with strict justice; the absence of humiliating and discouraging penalties, which harden the child, and induce a hatred of study, for the most important thing of all is to excite a love of labour, the true source of all success, public as well as private.

As to religious instruction, it will be disseminated in every school, under the authority and approbation, previously had, of the Pastor of the place, to whom the teacher will always defer in this matter.

I have said that singing should be included in the course of primary instruction ; for, rightly directed, it takes strong hold on the moral affections of the heart, it disciplines the organs and the sense of hearing, it disposes to meditation; in shor, it exercises over the feelings of the pupils an influence which must not be lightly considered. The study of singing oblains in the primary schools of Paris. In the Duchy of Darmstadt, where the primary schools are among the best in Germany, the ordinance decreeing their establishment expressly requires that singing shall be taught.

Permit me to repeat my recommendation that the organisation of regular con ferences of the teachers be encouraged, as one efficient means of promoting education. These always turn to the advantage of the pupils, while they draw the masters from the wearisome isolation in which they commonly live in their school districts. Such meetings, prudently conducted and regularly attended, have the advantage of establishing among the teachers bonds of kindly feeling and mutual enlightenment, of rousing their minds from the lethargy of solitude, and exciting among them the powerful principle of emulation; of multiplying their ideas by mutual interchange, and enabling them to acquire more profound and varied knowledge. I must remark that the Teacher's Association of the District of Quebec has produced happy results, and that we have reason to applaud the liberality of the Legislature in making a grant of money to that institution.

In concluding these remarks, I shall venture to submit to you a few amendments to be suggested for the improvement of the School Act, providing always that they are not comprised among those which you have already determined to introduce. These are as fullows:

1st. The Secretary-Treasurer should be qualified to keep correctly and without help the two account books, and the several minutes of the meetings of the Commissioners, and to present them in good order to the Inspector when he makes his visits.

2nd. The school year should commence either on 1st January or 1st May, in each year, in order that the teachers may be enabled to cultivate their garden, and gather in the produce in one season.

3rd. The vacation should be fixed to commence in summer on 15th August and terminate on 1st October, in winter to begin on Christmas Eve and end on the morrow of Twelfth Day, in order that the Inspector may always find the teachers and their scholars in attendance when he makes his visit.

41h. The Commissioners ought not to allow the masters to take a holiday or several holidays from time to time throughout the year, even though they may propose to keep school on Saturdays to make up for lost time.

5th. The Inspector should be invested with fuller powers; he ought to possess the right of deciding without appeal on all disputes between the teachers and the Commissioners ; of dismissing the former for incapacity, insubordination or immorality; and of allowing children, on the allegation of sufficient reasons, to attend any other school than that of the district in which they reside, provided that payment is made of the monthly school rate in that 10 which they are admitted.

> I have the honor to be,
> Sir,
> Your obedient servant,

P. M. BARDY, School Inspector.

Hon. P. J. O. Chauveau, Superintendent of Education

For Lower Canada.
Report of P. M. Bardx, Esquire, School Inspector, on his first visit to the Schools in his jurisdiction, in the month of January, 1855.
Sir,-In transmitting to you the Report of my first visit to the schools, commenced in January last, I have the honor to inform you that I took only a brief survey of the financial condition of each school municipality, as the Legislative grant had not at that time been received by any, and the local contributions were not yet all paid in. These circumstances prevented the majority of the Secretary-Treasurers from furnishing me with an exact and detailed statement of their accounts.

I therefore made it my business, in my inspection of each school, which extended over several hours, to ascertain the capacity of the teacher, his method of instruction, and the progress made by the scholars.

I regret to have to inform you that in almost all the schools, many of the scholars were absent on account of the small pox and other disorders, by which a majority of them had been attacked in the course of the autumn and winter.

I have nevertheless the satisfaction to inform you that generally the children have improved, and that the masters have been more assiduous in availing themselves of the means at their disposal, to secure this favorable result. If there are a few rare exceptions, to disfigure my Report, they must be imputed to the parents in several municipalities, who, in their zeal for the improvement of their children, are anxious to keep up a number of schools, where the local institutions and the Government grant would hardly suffice for the support of one on a good footing.

In this Report I shall follow the order in which I made my visits, and com. mence with the

## County of Portneuf.

St. Catherine de Jacques Cartier.-In this poor municipality I found only one school in operation, in school district No. 1, consisting of Canadians. The teacher bas 35 pupils who learn reading French and Latin, and a little writing. The Commissioners have not been able to bring to reason the rate-payers, who will pay nothing.

St. Raymond.-In the five school districts into which this poor municipality is divided, three schools were in operation. That of No. 1 had on its roll 54
children, but I found no more than nine present, the others being kept at home by sickness. Tuition : the History of Canada, Christian Duty, the French alphabet, grammar, and writing. No. 2, lately opened, had 25 children, who learn reading, writing and arithmetic. No. 4, also recently established, contains about 36 children, the most advanced of whom read French and Latin, can write', and do the simple rules of arithmetic. The rate-payers of the school districts have acquired a piece of ground of $\frac{3}{4}$ of an arpent, on which they are building a house which will be ready for the reception of the scholars in the course of the summer. Of the two other school districts one does not work for want of means, and the other, consisting of Irish Protestants, does nothing, on account of their constant opposition to the school law.

St. Basile.-There are 3 school districts here. The first, consisting of Canadians, sends to school 45 children, who are well managed by their school mistress, and learn reading in French and Latin, writing, French grammar, sacred bistory and arithmetic. The second furnishes 24 children, who are all beginning to read. The third school district, consisting of Irish Catholics, may muster 50 children, who are taught in English ; reading, writing and arithmetic, but they have not yet made much progress. This municipality is very poor.

Cap Santé.-There are in this municipality 7 school districts under the control of the Commissioners. All the schools are in operation, and number 228 children.

The instruction consists of French and Latin reading, geography, history, the simple and compound rules of arithmetic, and French grammar; besides this, in two of these schools English is taught. Generally these schools are well kept, and the children are improving.

There are also 2 school districts under the control of Protestant Trustees, where 2 schools muster about 88 children, who have yet made very little progress. Tuition: English, reading, writing, grammar, and the simple rules of arithemetic.

Near the church, in this municipality, there are 2 superior schools: one for girls, established by the exertions and zeal of the Rev. M. Morin, Curé, of the parish, who is the Director; it is kept by two well qualified teachers, one of whom, a Canadian, teaches 48 pupils French grammar, rhetoric, mythology, geography, arithmetic, history, \&c.; and the other, who is English, teaches her 24 pupils English grammar, music, landscape drawing, flower painting, and various kinds of needle work.

The other superior school numbers 24 young boys; it is well kept and is under the direction of the Cure and 6 gentlemen of the place as Directors, one of whom is Elie Thibodeau, Esq., M. P. P., and Mayor of the county. The tuition is in English and French, and the scholars make rapid progress.

Deschambault.-This municipality, which has 6 school districts, is under the management of the Commissioners and a Secretary Treasurer who are very zealous, and pride themselves in their success in the working of the school law.

2 male and 4 female teachers successfully instruct 300 children in Frenčh and Latinreading, writing, general arithmetic, French grammar, geography and history.

The School No. 1, kept by Mr. Belleau, has been raised to the rank of a Superior School. In a word, the progress of the children at these schools, and the zeal of all concerned, amply repay me for the time and trouble which I devote to visiting them.

St. Casimir. -This poor municipality has 3 middling schools, in which the scholars, 78 in number, are backward, and destitute of the necessary books: two schools well kept would be sufficient.

Grondines.-There are in this municipality 5 school districts, and the schools number 172 scholars. The tuition comprises reading, writing, the French Gram
mars of Lhomond and of the Brothers, the "Teacher's Guide," the Geography of the Brothers and of the Guide. The children do sums in all these schools; and in that belonging to No. 4 English is taught.

Ecureui/s.-Here there is but one school district, which may muster 60 children: they are taught reading, writing, French grammar, geography, history and arithmetic. A few of the scholars read English, and learn the vocabulary. They would make more progress if the Commissioners did not change the teacher so frequently.

Pointe-aux-Trembles.-This municipality contains 4 school districts, in which 3 schools, kept by masters, and one by a female teacher, admit about 180 children. Tuition: French and Latin reading, writing, French grammar, geography, history and arithmetic. In two schools a few of the scholars read and learn a little English; these schools are tolerably good, particulary that of School District No. 2, kept by Mr. Létourneau, in which the pupils, all boys, make great progress.

The Ladies of the Congregation keep a school, not subject to the control of the Commissioners, which has already produced several teachers well qualified to keep elementary schools; at this establishment 80 girls are now receiving an excellent education of a superior order.

St. Augustin.-There are in this municipality 4 school districts, in which the Schools Nos. 2, 3 and 4, are in a prosperous state, and the children attending them are improving in reading, writing, grammar, history, geography and arithmetic. School No. 1 makes little progress, from the small number of pupils, and the irregularity of their attendance. The children at these 4 schools number 132.

I must beg of you, Sir, to observe that in all cases when I give the number of children generally attending the schools of each school municipality it comprises both boys and girls. In cases in which the schools are not mixed, I particularly designate the sex of the scholars.

## County of Montmorency.

The schools in this county are generally well kept and prosperous.
Isle d'Orléans.-There are, at St. Lawrence, 3 schools. No. 1 is attended by a great number of scholars, who are well taught. The whole number attending the three schools is 123. The Teacher's Guide, the Christian Duty, French grammar, geography, history, arithmetic, and the Latin Psalter, form part of the course of instruction.

St. Jean.-This parish also contains 3 school districts, in which are 3 schools remarkably well managed, particularly that in No. 1, kept by Mr. Mignaul1, who conducts a good superior school, and also teaches English. The constan progress of his pupils rewards the efforts and the skili of this teacher. English is also taught at School No. 2, by Miss Flore Mignault, who keeps up excellent order. The subjects of instruction in those three schools are : reading, writing, arithmetic, history, notions utiles, grammar, geography, parsing, the English Reader, the Catholic School Book, the Vocabulary, and the Alphabet.

St. Francois.-The 2 school districts of this municipality furnish 50 scholars to 2 schools, in which are taught reading, writing, arithmetic, and the Grammar of Lhomond. The books in use are: the Alphabet, the Copy Book, the Christian Duty, the Old Testament, Sacred History, and the Catechism.

I must remark also that in all the Catholic schools the teachers have the praiseworthy habit of making the children read or learn the Catechism.

Ste. Famille.-In this school municipality there are 2 schools; one for boys, 30 in number, kept by a master, the other by the Sisters of the Congregation: who teach 30 scholars, of whom 27 are boarders and 3 day-scholars. These good Sisters
teach their pupils with great success, the Instretion of Youth, manuscript exercises, the Psalter, grammar, geography, arithmetic, the art of letter writing, physiology and rhetoric; embroidery in wool and in silk, and kniting of all kinds are skilfully executed.

The boys at School No. 1 learn reading, writing, arithmetic and French grammar, geography, the Teacher's Guide, manuscript exercises, Cicero's Letters, the Christian Duty \&c.

St. Pierre-Has 3 very good schools, attended by 141 scholars. The tuition consists of reading, writing, grammar, geography, history and arithmetic. The Christian Duty, the New. Testament, the Psalter, the Alphabet, and Manuscript, are also in use.

## Cote Beatpre.

Chateau Richer.-The Commissioners, in compliance with my suggestions, and influenced by a desire to promote the good of their schools, have, with great labor, and aided by the exertions of their Secretary Treasurer, succeeded in putting the accounts in order ; and the rate-payers, tired of former dissentions, appear to have come forward generously to aid in the settlement of all pecuniary difficulties by assuming themselves new responsibilities. The three schools of this municipality number about 100 scholars. One of the three female teachers, who has a diploma, keeps an excellent school in the centre of the parish, and teaches English to several of her pupils. The branches taught in all the three schools are Freuch and Latin reading, writing, grammar, geography, hislory, and arithmetic.

St. Anne.-This municipality has but 2 schools, which contain 80 scholars. The teacher of the second school district has for several years conducted the school with great advantage to the pupils confided to her care, and also to the satisfaction of all the rate-payers The branches taught are, French and Latin reading, writing, grammar, geography, history, and arithmetic "Notions Utiles, le Devoir," the Alphabet, and dictation, are also taught in these schools.

St. Joachim-Has but 2 schools, containing 117 scholars, who would make more progress were the teachers to remain there for a greater length of time. Useful Ideas, Notions Utiles, Roman History, the Testament, the Instruction of Youth, manuscript exercises, the Alphabet, and the Psalter, are used as reading bnoks; writing, arithmetic, French grammar, history, and geography, are also taught.

L'Ange Gardien.-This municipality has 3 good schools, which number 121 scholari, to whom reading, French and Latin, French grammar, writing, history, geography, and arithmetic, are taught. The books in use consist of Geography, Reports of Missions, Christian Duty, the Instruction of Youth, the Psaltêr and Copy Book.

St. Féreol.-On account of the extreme poverty of the inhabitants, there is no school in this parish, notwithstanding repeated recommendations and exhortations on my part. Nevertheless, the present Parish Priest is using all his endeavors to organize one or two schools. I am of opinion that one well kept school would be sufficient.

Laval-Is in the same situation as the preceding municipality, with regard to sehools. Great desire has been manifested to have schools, but there are but slen:ler resources to establish them. Nevertheless the great zeal of the Reverend Mr. Paradis, the Pastor of the parish, leads me to hope that in a short time a large number of the children of this municipality will have the means of education placed within their reach.

## County of Quebec.

In almost all the municipalities of this county I have found excellent schools; in some of them, nevertheless, there are no schools in operation; such as Valcartier, where the Parish Priest, notwithstanding all his zeal, has not been more successful than myself in bringing the law into operation; and at Stadacona, where the Commissioners have not been able to finish the assessments, or to obtain a correct valuation of the properties in this new municipality.

L'Ancienne Lorette.-The schools in this parish, owing to the zeal and activity of the Commissioners who have charge of them, are in a prosperous condition. The number of children attending the six schools of this municipality amounts to 250. Reading, writing, French grammar, geography, arithmetic, and history, are taught in each of these schools. In all of them the Christian Duty, Telemachus, Natural History, the Testament, manuscript lessons, and the Alphabet, are used.

St. Dunstan.-This municipality contains 2 English schools. The one under the control of Protestant Commissioners numbers 32 scholars, who learn the reading of the Bible, Mavor's Spelling Book, writing and arithmetic. The other, which is under the direction of Catholic Trustees, contains 26 pupils, to whom reading, writing, Murray's Grammar, and a little arithmetic, are taught. These schools have been but a short time in operation; nevertheless, the inhabitants, notwithstanding their limited means, display great zeal for the education of their children.

St. Foye-Contains an academy and an elementary school, under the control of the Commissioners. The first, kept by an English teacher, with a Canadian assistant, numbers 137 scholars, of whom 108 are of British, and 29 of French extraction; with the exception of 3 all are Catholics. The branches taught here consist in reading in English, French and Latin, French and English grammar, geography, arithmetic, lineary drawing, book-keeping, mensuration, parsing and writing.

The second school, which is near the Church of St. Foye, is also kept on an excellent footing. The teacher has 45 pupils under his care, of whom five are of British extraction,'and Protestants, and the remainder French Canadians. The tuition embraces reading in Eaglish, French and Latin, French and English grammar, geography, parsing, \&c. There is also a dissentient school under the management of the Protestant Trustees, which contains 38 scholars, of whom two or three are Catholics. The reading books are the Bible, and the 1 st , 2 nd , 3rd, 4th and 5th National School Books; grammar, geography, arithmetic, and writing, are also taught.

Cap Rouge.-This municipality has but one school district and one school, which is attended by 60 scholars, 20 of whom are taught English, reading in French and English, and writing. Lhomond's Grammar, the Geography, the Christian Duty, the Vocabulary, and Arithmetic of the Christian Brothers, are the books used. The Commissioners keep their affairs in admirable order.

Chailebourg-This municipality contains 6 school districts and 5 schools; Schonl Districts Nos. 1 and 2 being united into one school.

These schools are attented by 204 pupils, who are instructed in reading, writing, French grammar, history, geography and arithmetic. The school boolss generally in use are : the Christian Duty, the Temperance Manual, the Psalter, Reports of Missions, Manuscripts, and the Spelling Book. In the school of the two united districts, 24 of the scholars make use of the Catholic. School Book and the Vocabulary.

St. Ambroise-Comprises 6 schools, attended by about 213 pupils. The course of study consists in reading, writing, French grammar, geography, arithmetic and history. In every school the pupils read the Psalter; the Christian Duty, Reports of Missions, Manuscripts, the Testament, History, and the Vocabulary, are the books used for reading.

Beauport.-This municipality has 5 school districts, but only 4 schools, which are attended by 277 scholars, who are instructed in French grammar, history and arithmetic. The school books in use comprise : Reports of Missions, the Christian Duty, Sacred History, New Method, the Alphabet, English Reader, History of England and the Catholic School Book; 109 of the pupils can write. The boys school, No. 1, and that of the 'girls, No. 2, are well kept, and the scholars are progressing.

Banlieu of St. Roch.-This municipality has for the present but one school in operation; it is intended to open two others soon. This school is attended by 94 little boys, 75 of whom are of French and 19 of British origin; among the latter 6 are Protestants. Besides reading in English and French, the teacher instructs them in French grammar and arithmetic. English also is taught to 36 pupils, who study Murray's National Book.

## City of Quebec.

The Sisters of Charity keep several schools, all under the control of the Commissioners.

1st. A school in St.John's Suburbs, containing 4 classes, 2 Frenchand 2 English.
The two French classes contain 164 Canadian girls. The course of study consists in French grammar, history, geography and arithmetic ; 97 of them know how to write.

The two English classes are composed of 82 girls, 34 of whom are of French and 48 of British descent,

They study English grammar, the National Book, the History of Canada, geography and arithmetic, as also the Christian Duty, Vocabulary, and Murray's Spelling Book; 43 of these are taught writing.

2nd. A school at Cape Diamond Harbour, which is divided into 2 classes, one of which contains 95 girls, all of British extraction, who study geography, arithmetic, the grammar called "National;" 50 of these are taught writing. The other class comprises 72 girls, 32 of whom are of French and 40 of British origin. They are taught the French grammar, history and geography. They read in the Christian Duty, the Vocabulary, the Psalter and the Catholic School Book; 15 of these are taught writing and arithmetic.

The Brothers of the Christian Doctrine have also a school house at Cape Diamond, where they have 4 classes, 3 English and 1 French.

The three English classes are composed of 220 boys, all of Irish origin, with the exception of four who are French. They are instructed in reading, writing, English grammar, geography, natural philosophy, Christian Duty, and the Catholic School Book.

The French classes contain 30 Canadian pupils, who are taught reading, writing, French grammar, geography and arithmetic.

The Brothers of the Christian Doctrine instruct in St. Johns Suburbs, under the control of the Commissioners, 3 English classes, attended by 188 scholars, 103 of whom are of British and 85 of French origin; they are all Catholics, with the exception of two Protestants. One is a superior school, and the pupils are taught Grace's History, natural philosophy, geography, Lennie's Grammar, geometry, lineary drawing, algebra, mensuration, arithmetic, book-keeping, etc. In the two others the pupils are instructed in reading, writing, Murray's Grammar, geography and arithmetic.

St. Roch.-The same Brothers have also a school here divided into 9 classes, 7 French and 2 English.

The seven French classes are attended by 481 Canadian boys. In the first, which is ane xcellent superior school, the pupils learn history, grammar, arithmetic,
book-keeping, geometry, algebra, lineary drawing, the use of the globes, letter writing, parsing, \&c., stc.

In the six other classes, history, geography, graminar, arithmetic, reading and writing, are taught to the children, according to their respective ages and ability.

The two English classes are attended by 126 scholars, 103 of whom are of French, 21 of British, and 2 of Jewish origin. In the first class the children are occupied with reading, writing, grammar, geography, the use of the globes, lineary drawing and arithmetic. In the second, where the children are very young, they are taught only reading, writing, and the elements of arithmetic.

Mr. Dion keeps also a school at St. Rochs, under the control of the Commissioners. This school contains 118 little boys, who study reading, writing, arihmetic, French grammar, geography and history. The books read are Notions Utiles, Sacred History, History of Canada and France, the Christian Duty, and the Alphabet.

School of the Good Shepherd.-In St. Louis Suburbs, the ladies of this Institution instruct 4 classes of girls, 2 French and 2 English. The 1 wo French classes comprise 125 Canadian pupils, who are instructed in reading French and Latin, writing, French grammar, history, geography, and arithmetic.

The two English classes are composed of 89 pupils, one half of whom are of British and the other half of French origin. The Christian Duty, English Reader Cathoiic School Book, reading, writing, geography, English grammar, sacred History and arithmetic, are the branches which they study.

There are also two French schools in St. Johns Suburbs.
The one (a boys school, ) which numbers 85 pupils, is kept by Mr. Dugal, who teaches French grammar, geography, arithmetic in all its branches, history and writng. The school books in use consist of the Alphabet, the Christian Duty, Latin Psalter, and "Notions Utiles."

The other (a girls school,) kept by Miss Malherbes, contains 40 scholars, who learn French grammar, geography, arithmetic, reading and writing.

Lower Town.-Miss Brophy keeps an English school containing 40 pupils, who are taught English grammar, geography, arithmetic, together with reading and writing. These children are all of British origin, and Catholics.

These are the schools in the city, under the control of the Commissioners. In this Report the other schools kept by the Brothers, not under the control of the Connmissioners, and the various independent Catholic schools of the city are not comprised.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most devoted servant,

P. M. BARDY,<br>School Inspector.

J. B. Meilleur, Esq., S. E.

Quebec, 2nd April, 1856.

Report of P. F. Beland, Esq., Inspector of Schools.
St. Antonne, 3rd December, 1855.
I now proceed to the Statistical Report. Between 1852 and 1855 considerable progress has been maile, as may be seen from the following comparative statement:

In 1852 I counted 25 municipalities; I can now count 30 , increase 5. These 25 municipalities coutained 218 school districts; they now contain 258, increase 40. In 18.5 the number of common schools under control in my four counties was 177, there are now 214, making an increase of 37.

The number of children attending the common schools in 1852 was 5724 ; there are now 7167, increase 1443. In 1852 there were only 4 model schools; there are now 6, increase 2. These 4 schools were attended by 116 pupils; those now in operation are atten!ed by 253, increase 137. In 1852 there was only one superior school for girls, attended by 50 pupils; we now number 7 , attended by 345, increase in number of schools 6 in pupils 235. In 1852, 2872 could read well; at this moment 3083 can do so, increase 217. At the same date there were 1043 children studying grammar; their number now amounts to 1882, increase 839. In 1852 there were 827 ; there are now 1169 learning spelling, increase 342. In 1852; 992 could do the simple rules of arithmetic; now 1702 can do them, increase 710. The compound rules were taught to 427 ; to-day they are taught to 939, increase 512. In 1852, geography was taught to 282; it is now taught to 752 , increase 470.

The number of children learning to write in 1852 was 836 ; we have now 3169, increase 2333.

In 1852, 119 studied the English language; we have now 135 who do so, increase 16. Studying history 579 in 1852 ; now 1064, increase 485.

In 1852 parsing was taught to 269 , it is now taught to 1169 , increase 900. In 1852 there were 55 school houses built; there are now 74, increase 19. Schools having geographical maps 20 ; now 48 , increase 28.

From the increase above stated, it must at once be admitted that very great progress has been made. The two points of comparison that we have taken, repulse triumphantly the attacks of the enemies of the cause. I am also of opinion, Honorable Sir, that it would not be out of place to give you here a statistical report of each separate municipality. Two special motives induce me to do so : the first to satisfy the public; the second, to enable me to make some very useful remarks.

## County of Dorchester.

St. Nicholas-Is divided intc 11 school districts. 8 of which have schools in operation, which are attended by 312 scholars; there is also an independent school numbering 30 scholars : grand total, 342. In these schools, 135 read well, 95 read fluently, 71 study French grammar, 53 parsing, 51 geography, 53 inductive grammar, 69 learn the simple rules of arithmetic, 27 the compound rules, 134 writing, and 38: study history. There is one highly qualified teacher giving instruction in two languages, and 8 female teachers, 7 of whom are well qualified.

This parish has always been distinguished by its zeal and its love of peace and order. The Commissioners are on the best terms with every body. The Secretary Treasurer is a very able man; his accounts are always remarkably well kept. This parish is, so to speak, a model one. Each inhabitant coniributes most liberally for the support of the schools. Ten magnificent school houses may be seen in it, built almost entirely by voluntary contributions. The teachers are paid liberally and regularly. The general amount of their salaries is for female teachers from $£ 25$ to $£ 30$; the male teacher has $£ 35$. The pecuniary affairs are in good order.

St. Romuald-Contains 4 school districts, 3 for catholics and one for dissentients; they are all in operation. The village schnol is very well kept by a competent teacher; the school conducted by Mr Smith is also on a good fouting; in both of these English and French are taught simultaneousiy. The third is

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under the direction of a female teacher sufficiently eapable. The dissentient school is in no respect inferior to the other; and contains 30 scholars.

The total number of pupils is 223 ; in the three Catholic sehools, 59 read well, 43 fluently, 51 study French grammar, 5 English grammar, 10 the inductive grammar, and parsing ; 39 learn the simple rules of arithmetic, 10 the compound, 66 can write, and 59 study history. The salary of the male teacher is $£ 50$, and that of the female teacher is £25. A good understanding exists among the Commissioners. The Secretary is a thoroughly qualified person, and his accounts are kept in good order. On account of the bad harvest he has had difficulty in collecting the amounts due to the Corporation.

St. Jean Chrysostome-Contains 8 school districts, all in operation. The number of scbolars is 204 ; out of these, 97 read well, 87 read fluenly, 120 write, 76 learn the simple rules of arithmetic, 22 the compound, 66 study French grammar, 19 inductive grammar, 19 parsing, 6 bistory, and 12 geography.

The village school is kept by a well educated teacher; the seven others are under the direction of qualified female teachers, of whom three in particular conduct their sehools well. The Commissioners, under the direction of the Rev. Mr. Beaumont, the Cure of the place, do their part well. The Secretary Treasurer is a trust-worthy man, the books are well kept.

Notre Dame de Levy-Is divided into 8 school districts which contain 9 schools, attended by 314 scholars, of whom 110 read well, 102 read fluently; 169 write, 90 understand the simple rules of arithmetic, 35 the compound rules, 127 study French grammar, 91 the inductive grammar, 91 parsing, 20 English grammar, 101 epistolary composition, 51 history, 33 geography, and 3 learn instrumental music. All these schools are entrusted to female teachers, except one, viz: that kept by Mr. Valliere, who has taught the two languages with great success for the last twenty-five years. The girls school kept by his daughter deserves the highest praise; it may compare with the classes in our best convents, the same branches of education being taught there. The Commissioners, all men of property, and full of zeal, do their duty. Mr. Roy, the Notary, the Secretary Treasurer, keeps bis accounts correctly.

For information respecting the college, vide Report of the Superintendent for 1854.

Municipality of d'Aubigny-Contains 3 school districts. Two superior schools are in operation, one is the College of Notre Dame, for the education of boys, and the other for girls, occupies the magnificent building erected by the ratepayers for that purpose. The boys schocl contains 50 pupils, and the girls 84. To say that the boys school is under the direction of the Brothers of the Christian Schools is saying enough. The girls school is also maintained on a good footing; this school the younger boys are allowed to attend. The law works satisfactorily in this municipality.

St. Joseph de Levy.-In this parish there are 6 school districts, 3 good school-houses built, and $\mathbf{7}$ schools in operation. There is here a magnificent convent which has been recently opened. It was founded by the Reverend Mr. Routier, Cure of the parish, assisted by several of his parishioners. I cannot state the exact number of scholars attending this new establishment.

The boy's school is kept by Mr. Desrochers. Its fame is already so fully established that it is unnecessary to say much respecting it. This school undoubt. edly merits the title of Academy. The English and French languages are there equally well taught. The former of these languages is taught by an Irishman who is highly educated; the system pursued by Mr. Desrochers is strictly prac-tical:- The other schools are under the direction of thoroughly qualified female teachers. Those in the concessions are badly attended, this is the fault of the parents.

The Commissioners are very zealous. The Secretary Treasurer keeps his accounts in good order; the whole being sedulonsly watched by the Rev. Mr. Routier. The total number of scholars attending the schools is 305 , not including the convent; of these 105 read well, S read flaently, 148 write, 26 are learning the simple rules of arithmetic, and 63, the compound, 61 study French grammar; 7, English grammar ; 58, the inductive French grammar; 52, history, and 25, geography. The school kept by Mrs. Carrier deserves honorable mention.

St. Henry-Contains 15 school districts, and zhere are 15 schools in operation, attended by 493 scholars, of whom 161 read well, 118 read fluently, 196 write, 28 learn the simple rules of aritbmetic, 63, the compound, 115 study French grammar, 93, the inductive grammar, and 38, yeography. English grammar is taught to 11 scholars, and history, to 78. The Model School kept by Mr. St. Aubain does honor to the parish. All the other schools are also well directed, except four which are inferior.

The systern of assessment is now generally adopted, experience having shewn that the voluntary system was impracticable. It is a matter of regret that the Cure of the place has retired from office as Commissioner ; affairs nevertheless progress favorably. The Secretary Treasurer is a man of merit; his accounts are accurately kept. This parish has distinguished itself by the erection of two handsome and good school houses. The general amount of salaries granted is from $£ 20$ to $£ 25$; Mr. St. Aubain receives $£ 50$.

St. Anselme.-This parish also merits the title of model parish. The whole work is accomplished on the voluntary system, but the people are generous and liberal, and prompt in supplying all that is required. All the schools are well provided with what is necessary; in some there is even more. It is therefore a real pleasure for me to visit this municipality, so remarkably well are its ten schools kept. Whence arises then the superiority of this parish over the majority of the others? The answer is easy : it is because the Commissioners have always paid liberally those who have devoted themselves to teaching. Their reputation in this particular, spreading through the neighbouting parishes and elsewhere, it results that when engagements are to be made they always have an ample number of candidates, which enables them to make a good selection. Miss Verret and Miss Couture have greatly contributed to obtain for this parish the renown which it now enjoys. Mr. Brochu, now a merchant at St. Lambert, has also labored many long years to secure the same result. All the scholars educated at these schools have scrupulously followed the good examples there placed before them.

Of the pupils 189 read well; 178, fluently; 88 learn the simple rules; 46 , the compound, 139 study French Grammar; 94, parsing; 94, the inductive grammar; 6, English grammar; 96, geography; 83, history ; 182, write. It need not beadded that all the teaehers are well qualified.

St. Claire-Although this parish is next to St. Anselme, it does not manifest quite the same desire for the advancement of education. A handsome building in which the girl's and boy's schools are kept, has nevertheless been erected in the village. The master, Mr. Couture, is a very able teacher, and in the course of a single year his pupils have made astonishing progress. It will be necessary to establish there also the system of assessment, but that is not as yet possible. I am, however, of opinion that the majority would not make any violent opposition. It is generally the rich who refuse to pay, and the poor suffer considerably in consequence. This year the Commissioners have thought proper only to put seven schools into operation. These schools are good with the exception of two which are only passable. The number of scholars is 243 , of whom 111 read well and 111 fluently, 31 can do the simple rules of arithmetic and 45, the com-
pound, 47 learn spelling, 31 study geography; 72,French grammar; 47,the inductive grammar and 47, history. Three of the female teachers have not the requisite qualifications. The salaries average from $£ 16$ to $£ 18$; the male teacher receives $£ 35$.

St. Marguerite-Contains 4 school districts, 2 of which only have schools in operation. This parish does not merit the praises which may with jastice be bestowed upon ils neighbour, St. Hénédine. Its inhabitants are for the most part upposed to education, foolishly fearing the taxes, or rather the disbursement of a trifling sum of money. There are, however, in this parish some well disposed individuals, among oihers M. Genest, President of the School Commissioners who continues to make the most praiseworthy exertions for the maintenance of the two schools which he has succeeded in establishing. The village school kept by Mr. Roy is undoubtedly one of the best in my district. It is attended by 56 or 60 scholars, who make remarkable progress; 17 study French grammar; 17, the inductive grammar; 17, geography; 2 are learning the simple rules; 22, the compound, $\mathbf{1 7}$ study history. Mr. Genest has purchased for the Corporation a good school house, on the most advantageous terms. He also performs the duties of Secretary Treasurer, not being able to find any person fit for the office.

St. Hénédine.-This new and quite small parish could not possibly be more zealous in every thing that concerns education. Like its neighbour, it contains 4 school districts, 3 of which are in operation. The schools are attended by 115 scholars, of whom, 33 read well; 36, fluently; 39 write; 36 understand the simple rules of arithmetic; 13, the compound rules;20 learn French grammar; 15, parsing; 15 , the inductive grammar and 10 , history.

These three schools are very good; that of the village does honor to the parish. The pecuniary affairs are in good order.

St. Isidore-Contains 10 schools, all in operation. The Commissioners obstinately refuse to cause a valuation of the property to be made, the poor suffer greally from this cause. I have for some time past been on the point of compelling the Commissioners to act, but seeing that they contibuted liberally enough for the maintenance of their 10 schools, I hought it better to wait in the hope of a favorable change. The 10 schools are generally speaking pretty good, 6 of them deserve special menion. The female teachers who conduct them are thorougly qualified. The total number of pupils is 336 , of whom 140 read well; 82 , fluently; 134 write; 75 understand the simple rules of arithmetic; 35, the compound, 56 learn French grammar; 46, spelling and 25 study history. Salaries average from £15 to $£ 18$.

St. Lambert-Is a parish quite recently erected. The Commissioners how-: ever, are very zealous for the voluntary support of their 5 schools. Two school houses, but not of sufficient size, have been erected.

The 5 schools in question, number 123 scholars, of whom 44 read well; 31, fluently; 55 write, 29 are learning the simple rules of arithmetic; 6 , the compound; 20 learn spelling; 6, geography; 35, French grammar; 20, the Inductive grammar and 6 study history. Three female teachers are sufficiently qualified, the two others are scarcely competent. The average of salaries is low, ranging only from $£ 10$ to $£ 12$. This parish however promises well for the future.

St. Bernard-Contains 6 School Districts, and 9 schools in operation. The ninth merits rather the title of Academy than of Common School. This institution owes its present high position to the liberality of the Rev. Mr. Moore, the Cure of the parish. The sacrifices which he makes for its maintenance are very great. The system of instruction pursued there, is the same, with some few exceptions, as that of our convents. The number of pupils who there receive an excellent education is between 45 and 50 . The eight other schools number 277 pupils, of whom 112 read well; 88, fluently ; 87, write; 71, understand the simple
rales of arithmetic and 61, the compound ; 50 learn parsing; 30, geography; 77, French grammar; 50, the inductive grammar, and 40 stady history. Four female teachers are qualified, the others scarcely so. The average of salaries here also is 100 low, amounting only to from $£ 13$ to $£ 15$.

The commissioners manage their affairs pretty well. We must not forget that it is only within a short time past, that this parish has submitted to the control of the law: having until lately obstinately refused even to appoint Commissioners.

St. Frederick-Is inhabited by settlers from St. Joseph de la Beauce. And here, as there the system of assessment is followed. The parish contains 6 school districts, all in operation.

Of these six schools two are good, the others are only passable. This parish is quite a new one; everything will improve in course of time. The school districts are badly divided; this I intend to remedy. The Secretary Treasurer is a competent person, and the accounts are well kept. Salaries range from $£ 14$ to $£ 16$.

The total number of scholars attending these schools is 219, of whom 90 read well, and 50, Auently, 90 write, 42 understand the simple rules of arithmetic; and 13, the componad, 20 learn parsing; 30, geography; 39, French grammar; 20, the induclive grammar, and 20 study history.

S/e. Marie,-Like St. Elzear, contains 17 large school districts.
In spite of the opposition made by the inhabitants of the concessions to the operation of the law, there are now 13 schools. This improvement is undoubtedly due to the indefatigable zeal of Mr. Elzear Duchesnay, aided by some friends.

This worthy gentleman began by establishing a good school in the village, and this awakened in the concessions the desire to establsh such another there. The voluntary system has been adopled; but at present there is so little inclination to contribute that Mr. Duchesnay is getting discouraged. He has been Commissioner for twelve years, twelve years of continued trouble and meritorious exertion Mr. Bilodeau, a merchant in the place, gives him his heartiest support.

The Rev. Mr. Proulx, the Curé, has founded an academy or college, which is to be placed under the direction of the Brothers of the Christian Doctrine, and las enlarged the convent.

The total number of scholars attending the schools is 317, of whom 133 read well; 73, fluently; 143 write, 98 understand the simple rules of arithmetic, and 52, the compound, 58 learn spelling; 17, geography; 122, French grammar; 59, inductive grammar; 51 , history. Of the 13 schools, 7 are good, 2 superior, and 4, only passable. Mr. Duchesnay also performs the duties of Secretary Treasurer. It is hoped that next year there will be an assessment

St. Elzear-Part of which was once included in St. Mary, is inhabited by young settlers whose fathers remain in the last mentioned parish, follows step by step the movements of the parent settlement. There are 9 schools, attended by 243 scholars, of whom 87 read well; 77, fuently, 66 write, 70 learn the simple rules of arithmetic ; 6 , the compound; 10, study geography; 20, French grammar; 6 , induclive grammar; 12, history.

The Commissioners of this parish are, to tell the truth, permanent. The whole burden of the duty falls on the Rev. Mr. Grenier, Curt of the place, by' his zeal and assaiduity he has succeeded in raising the sum required to obtain the Government grant, and supports with these funds 12 schools, which, though not all of the first order, still do a great deal of good. I bave thought it best to allow things to go on in this manner till they can be altered for the better. Mr. Grenier alone visits those schools, but he visits them frequently.

St. Joseph,-Divided into 3 municipalities in 1852, at present forms but one. The difficulties and discord which for such a length of time agitated this parish have completely disappeared.

St. Joseph is divided into 11 districts, in 8 of which schools are in operation. The totalnumber of scholars is 332 , of whom, 118 read well; 65 , fluently; 84 write; 37 learn the simple rules of arithmetic; 10 , the compound; 11 learn spelling; 7 , study geography; 54 French grammar; 11, inductive grammar and 15 history.

A good understanding subsists among the School Commissioners. The Secretary Treasurer, Mr. Arcand, Notary, with the aid of his colleague, Mr. Belanger, directs them well. The accounts are kept in perfect order. For a year back the system of assessment has been followed, and seems 10 give satisfaction.

St. Francois.-The inhabitants of this parish opposed for a long time the execution of the law. To disabuse them on this point was no easy matter; to lead them to consent to pay the $£ 150$ of debts contracted by the mal-administration of many of their School Commissioners was still more difficult; never'heless, I speak it to the credit of the mass, they have consented to throw the veil of oblivion over the past.

Affairs go on well. This good order is due in a great measure to the zeal of the Rev. Mr. Tessier, Curé of the place, who has spared no pains in bringing about a good understanding amongst all his parishioners.

The Commissioners follow exactly his advice, so that, with respect to school affairs, St. Francois may now be ranked amongst the best municipalities. Its inhabitants, after having witnessed the sale of the school-houses for the payment of their debts, being determined not to remain behind other parishes, have with astonishing ardour set about building, and completed others. They have also come to the conclusion that an assessment on lands is the method the most just and the most suitable to support their schools on a sure footing. I am also of opinion that it would now be more difficult to re-establish the voluntary system in this parish than it formerly was to introduce that of assessment.

The parish is divided into 12 school districts, in 10 of which sehools are in operation. The total number of scholars who attend those schools is 444, of whom 215 read well; 79 , fluently; 199 write, 96 learn the simple rules of arithmetic; 13, the compound ; 16, spelling ; 14 study geography ; 41 French grammar; 16, inductive grammar; 48, history. Of these; 10 schools, 6 , are good, 2 remarkably well kept; 2 , are merely passable. The salary is from $£ 16$ to $£ 25$.

St. George d'Aubert Gallion.-In this parish we reckon 6 school districts, in 5 of which schools are in operation. The schools there are but passable. Last July, however, Mr. Darveau, a person sufficiently qualified, although he has no diploma, opened a school. Total number of scholars, 142, 33 of whom read well ; 48, fluently ; 29, write ; 20, learn the simple rules of arithmetic; 11 study grammar; and 5, history.

## County of Lotbiniere.

St. Jean Deschaillons-Is not a rich parish, but, considering its means, educa: tion is making very rapid progress. In 1852 there were only 4 passable schools; at present they are 7 in number, and all pretty good. Unforlunately the most influential persons in the place, weary of the annoyances always attending the office of School Commissioner, now hold themselves aloof. It is, nowever, to be hoped that their patriotism will yet prevail on them to make new sacrifices.

The Secretary Treasurer complains of the length of time required to collect the assessments: in consequence of this delay the teachers suffer very much. Total number of pupils, 312, of whom 117 read well; 79, fluenlly, and 116 are
beginning; 61, can do the simple rules; 29, the compound rules ; 42 learn spelling ; 69, French grammar; 42, inductive grammar ; 2, geography and 53, history. There are 5 qualified, and 2 unqualified female teachers. Average amount of salaries, $£ 18$ to $£ 21$.

Lotbinierre.-This large and beautiful parish is divided into 15 school districts. There are also 15 schools in operation, of which 7 are well kept. The superior school for girls, taught by Miss Moreau, deserves to be specially noticed. The English and French languages are there taught simultaneously with great success. At Rivière-du-Chêne Miss Boisvert also keeps a school, which may be ranked in every respect with that of Miss Moreau. The cliildren make great progress both in English and French. I there saw a little boy about seven years of age answer with admirable accuracy my questions on the rules relating to the participle, and even solve some pretty difficult problems in arithmetic. Four schools of the description of those kept by these ladies would be sufficient for a parish.

In the parish of Grand St. Charles Mr. Bergeron also keeps a school which does honour to the place. The others do not deserve special mention; perhaps however, the names of the Misses Payé, who have thoroughly done their duty, ought not to be passed over in silence. Mr. Léon Vaudreuil, engaged in July last for the Village of St. Eustache, has also succeeded very well.

Mr. Faucher, the Curé of the place, being desirous of preparing the boys in his parish for following out a classical course in our colleges, has opened at his own expense a class entrusted to the assiduous superintendence of Mr. Bedard, Notary, whose capacity and talents are already well known. His pupils have done the work of two years in one; this says enough for the ability of the teacher. Greek and English have been successfully taught them by the Rev. Mr. M'Donald.

The house in which the classes are held belongs to the Curé. It is a large edifice. A superior school for girls is also kept there, the whole being under the control of Mr. Faucher, whose liberality equals his zeal.

A good understanding exists among the Commissioners. The Secretary Treasurer, Dr. Grenier, a highly educated man, always manages his affairs well. His accounts are kept in perfect order.

The total number of pupils is 537 ; out of this number 227 read well, 146 read fluently; 262 write; 106 can do the simple rules of arithmetic; 120, the compound; 155 learn spelling; 107, geography ; 23, English grammar; 240, French grammar; 153, the inductive grammar; 9 , epistolary composition; 12, vocal music and 149, history. I would here remark as an act of justice that Lotbinerie exceeds all the other parishes in the number of pupils instructed in all the different branches. All the teachers except one have diplomas. The average amount of salaries is from £20 to £35. I must not forget to say that there are 5 good school houses belonging to the corporation. The one built to serve as a model school, when completed, will be a beautiful edifice.

Ste. Croix-Is divided into 10 school districts, in 9 of which schools are in operation. The model school, kept by Mr. Maxime Boucher, does honor to this parish. This gentleman is a teacher of great merit ; his pupils make remarkable progress. The other schools kept by female teachers are for the most part good; among others that in the third school district; kept by Miss Laliberte. The Commissioners do their utmost to carry out the law. The Secretary Treasurer keeps his accounts correctly. Throughout almost the whole of the County of Lotbiniere the system of assessment is followed, and this is the reason of the great progress made, and the number of good schools which exist.

The Commissioners appear disposed at present to oblige the rate-payers to build school-houses. The municipality as yet possesses only 3 school houses.

On the other hand, to make up for this, the parish is inpossession of a convent, the erection of which it partly owes to the liberality of the former Curé, the late Mr. Potvin. This establishment has educated a large number of pupils, who at present are teaching with great success.

The total number of scholars attending the schools is 231, of whom 100 read well; 95, fluently ; 89, write; 55 , learn the simple rules of arithmetic ; 39 , the compound rules ; 40, geography ; 72, French grammar ; 40, inductive grammar ; 40, spelling; 10, vocal music and 40 study history. All the teachers except one are suticiently qualified. The average amount of salaries is from $£ 15$ to $£ 45$.

With respect to the age of teachers, the general average in both this parish and in all the others is from 18 to 20 years. Necessity obliges us sonnetimes to receive them under the age of 18 , and these latter, generally speaking, are by no means the least capable.

St. Flavien,-A new parish, contains 6 school districts, in 5 of which schools are in operation. Matters here progress slowly, but steadily. All is as yet new. Of the five schools two are good and three are only passable. They will in time succeed, the minds of the people being well disposed. The inhabitants of this parish are for the most part poor ; they have, nevertheless, made great sacrifices.

The number of scholars is 138 , of whom 64 read well; 23, read fluenily; 61 , write, 44 learn the simple rules of arithmetic; and 5 , the compound rules; 10 , learn spelling ; 12, geography; 28, learn French grammar ; 10, inductive grammar and 30 study history. The general amount of salaries is from $£ 16$ to $£ 17$.

St. Antoine-Contains 12 school districts and 14 schools in operation, attended by 472 scholars, of whom 210, read well; 140, fluently ; 246 write; 210 learn French grammar;135, spelling ; 135, induciive grammar; 95, geography; 154, the simple rules of arithmetic; 100 , the compound rules; 120 , history and 12 vocal music. The superior school for girls does great honor to the parish.

The model school, which had been closed fora year, was opened again in July last; it is under the direction of Mr. Télesphore Lefebvre, whose talents for instruction are well known. We have already had occasion several times to visit his school, and every time we have remarked continued and rapid progress. Four other schools, kept by well educated female teachers, deserve to be specially noticed; in these schools are taught almost all the branches of education prescribed for superior schools.

It is to be regretted that the parents in the concessions here, as well as elsewhere, are not more zealous in sending their children to school.

The Reverend Mr. Béland, the Curé of the place, makes great sacrifices for the encouragement of education. He often visits the schools, and superintends the moral part of the instruction with indefatigable zeal.

A very good understanding now exists among the School Commissioners. They are punctual in the performance of their duties and pay their schoolmaster very liberally. The Secretary Treasurer discharges his duty faithfully. The accounts are in good order.

In speaking of St. Antoine we include St. Apollinaire, which was detached from it only in July last. In this parish there are only three school houses belonging to the Corporation. Their means are deficient, and they defer building until the Legislature shall have voted them a grant for that purpose.

St. Sylvestre.-This extensive and mountainous parish contains 15 school districts, in 12 of which schools are in operation.

The population of this parish being mixed, it is rather difficult to establish schools which will satisfy the two races. Two-thirds almost of the population are Irish, and there are only two poor Canadian schools. The English schools are pretty good; three are kept on a very good footing. There are 13 school houses built; they are, however, almost all incomplete and too small.

One must possess zeal in order to visit them, on account of the difficulty there is in crossing the mountains, and travelling the roads.

The total number of pupils is 489 , of whom 225 road well ; 200, fluenily ; 225 can write, 120 learn the simple rules of arithmetic and 50 , the compound rules; 15, learn spelling; 10, geography; 20, English graminar ; \&, French grammar. In these schools they generally teach only writing and arithmetic.

St. Giles,-A poor parish, has at present only 2 schools, one of which, kept near the chapel, is under the direction of the Rev. Mr. Richardson, and is a good school. The other, at Black River, is entrusted to an aged teacher. The population of St. Giles is also a mixed one, and this presents great obstacles to the opening of new schools. These two schools are supported by the Curé and Mr. Dionne, with the help of a few others. The number of pupils is 89 , of whom 23 read well; 35 , fluently; 30 write 18 learn the simple rules of arithmetic ; 10 , the compound rules; 12, parsing ; 23, French grammar and 6, history.

Ste. Agathe-Is as poor a parish as its neighbour, the parish of St. Giles. It possesses 2 mixed schools, one of which, for the Irish, kept by Mr. Burton, is a good one, and the other, for Canadians, is only passable. The 1wo schools contain 168 pupils, of whom 24 can write, 30 learn the simple rules of arithmetic; 12, the compound rules; 15, geography and 15, English grammar.

Mr. Curé Richardson keeps in good order the accounts of the two parishes.
It is useless to repeat in this Report that four-fifths of the Commissioners can neither read nor write. It has already been admitted that three Commissioners would suffice, and that a literary qualification should be substituted, for the pecuniary.

I have now the honor humbly to submit the whole, and to subscribe myself, Honorable Sir,

Your obedient servant,
P. F. BELAND,
S.chool Inspector.

## Report of Inspector Boungeors.

## St. Gregoire, 19th December, 1855.

Mr. Superintendent,-I have the honor to transmit to you my Report of Inspection for the last six months of 1855 , together with the Statistics and my Gene al $R$ marks for the entire year.

As may be seen by the subjoined tables, the number of schools has considerably augınented this year, and has almost doubled that of last year. I may add that a similar ratio of increase appears in the number of children who have attended these schools during the last two years.

I have much pleasure in being able to state these facts, as they show that the cause is gaining ground, and that the carrying out of the law appears to be more and more general.

I cannot, however, say the same thing of the character of the schools; they do not all make satisfactory progress.

There are a great many difficulties to be overcome, in order to ameliorate the schools now in operation amongst us. First, we are in want of qualified masters and female teachers, furnished with diplomas. A large number of the schools are kept by female teachers who are only fit to teach reading and writing, and even these with very litle or no method. In the absence of any thing better, this may do for a few months, when the scholars are but beginners; after which it
is desirable and necessary that they should have more competent teachers. This, however, is not always practicable, on account of the as yet limited number of qualified teachers of both sexes, and especially on account of the scarcity of means to remunerate those well qualified in a competent manner.

In a great part of the municipalities of my district, the majority of the inhabitants, who are but new settlers, are possessed of very small means, and cou'd not, without subjecting themselves to great privations, furnish the sum necessary to remunerate a teacher competent to keep a school acco-ding to the provisions of the Act. This is the principal and insurmountable difficulty which prevents the carrying out of the Education Act in an efficient manner, especially during a year of penury and want, such as that which has just elapsed. I am in hopes that the wish that I expressed in my Report of the 28th September, 1854, will soon be realised, and that the Legislature, by increasing the annual grant, will come to the aid of the municipalities in distress, in the category of which are placed the greater part of those under my inspection. Nevertheless, I am far from alledging that there is cause to complain of a want of progress in all the schools in operation. On the contrary, a large number of them have been kept and conducted in a manner worthy of praise, and, generally speaking, in the municipalities that have competent means, the superiority of the schools of 1855 over those of 1854 shows itself in a very encouraging proportion.

I will now make a few remarks on each municipality in particular.
St. Guillaume-Contains 5 schools, all inferior at present, but which 1 hope will give greater satisfaction for the future, as 4 out of the 5 female tear:bers have been recenlly replaced by teachers more competent and better qualified.

The School Commissioners of this municipality seem to have taken but very little care of the schools in operation under their control this year. Far from superintending them as they should have done, they have not even visited them. I have on this subject inserted in their minute book some pretty severe remarks. I have also insisted that for the future there should be a public examination in each school at least once a year, and have fixed the period for such examination.

Grantham-Has 6 schools, 3 good, 2 midding, and one altogether inferior.
The village school, kept by Mr. Hughes, a teacher holding a diploma, deserves to be ranked in the first class, as well on account of the branches therein taught as on account of the rapid progress made by the scholars. I have never as yet visited this school, without coming away entirely satisfied. School No. 4, kept by two female teachers, (one for the French and the other for the English department,) deserves likewise special mention.

Wickham-Has 3 schools, which have just commenced, and promise very good results. I am afraid, however, that they cannot all be supported this year, on account of the poverty of the majority of the rate-payers. The School Commissiouers have built one school house, and have another in course of erection.

Acton-Contains 2 schools, one of which is middling; the other, which has been but recently established, promises fair. This municipality, poor as it is, has nevertheless since eighteen months found the means of building two beautiful school-houses, which were alrearly habitable at the time of my last visit, and it is with pleasure that I can testify to the zeal of the School Commissioners and the rate-payers of this municipality.

Aston-Has 3 schools, 2 inferior, and one which promises to give greater satisfaction for the future, as the former female teacher has been replaced by one better educated and more competent in every respect.

The amount placed at the disposal of the School Commissioners of this municipality is so very small that the salary of the teacher is almost nominal. I hope, however, that the 3 -schools will remain in operation, and for this I rely on the zeal and devotedness of the curé of the parish, the Reverend Mr. Marquis, who has proved the deep interest he takes in it by undertaking the duties of Secretary Treasurer to the Commissioners.

Warwick, Bulstrode and Horton.-This extensive school district has 3 schools in operation, with a population few in number, poor and widely scattered; so that a large number of the children live at too great a distance to be able to attend any of the three schools now open. Nevertheless it is utterly impossible to establish any more, and I fear that the three which are now in operation cannot all subsist long. There has been a system of voluntary rate-paying established, and it is the only one practicable under the present circumstances. School No. 1, which is situated near the chapel at Warwick, is conducted with energy and success, and I have always great pleasure and satisfaction in visiting it. I sincerely regret that the female teacher in charge of it is not better remunerated for the zeal and devotion she has invariably shewn ever since her appointment to the school of this district.

The female teachers of the two other schools, which have not been long in operation, are tolerably well qualified.

St. Norbert-Has 4 schools. That of the village, kept by an old man, is very crowded, and the children make but little progress. Un account of the position and number of scholars attending this school, I am of opinion that the Commissiouers should place a young man of energy and decision in charge of $i$.

The other schools in this municipality are going on in a satisfactory manner.
The School Commissioners of St. Norbert have 5 school houses, 3 of which are in a lamentable state of disrepair and almost in ruins, so that it would be dangerous to keep school in them during the winter season. I have, with respect to the School Commissioners and the rate-payers, taken the measures which I thought requisite to remedy this state of things, and I hope that they have paid attention to my suggestions.

Stanfold-Has 6 schools, one inferior and five good ones. Amongst the latter is a superior school for girls, kept with great success by Miss H. Trudelle, a zealous, highly educated and successful teacher. As this school, occupying a large two story house, has the advantages of ample accommodation, the Commissioners, assisted by the generous exertions of the parish Priest, are endeavouring to improve the course of study, with a view to enable it to rank as an academy for young ladies. I have done my best to encourage them in this noble enterprise, and it is to be hoped that in the estimates of next year the Legislature will allow a supplementary grant in favor of this institution. The want of an establishment of this nature is very much felt in this part of the Eastern Townships.

General Remaris.-In general the assessments and other taxes are badly paid. The School Commissioners have almost always shown great remissness in collecting the taxes they impose: the teachers suffer therefrom and often get discouraged. Besides, this accumulation of the arrears of several years makes the accounts of the Secretary Treasurer very difficult to examine, or even to understand. I foresee that means more directly compulsory must be resorted 10 in order to enforce the regular payment of the assessments and other school taxes during each year: By adopting this method affairs would go on better, and the rate payers would suffer noihing from it.

The examination of the School Commissioners' accounts is not always an easy task. Many of the Secretary Treasurers are uneducated men, and have no
method in their way of keeping accounts. It is not atways an easy matter in a newly settled country to find persons at once capable of acquitting themselves of this office with credit, and willing to accept it.

Nevertheless, I must say that in this, as in many other points, there has been visible progressmade in the course of the last hree years; and a considerable number of Corporations now have Secretary Treasurers who acquit themselves of their duties in a manner worthy of praise and above all criticism. Such are those of Graniham, Aston, St. Norbert and Stanfold. Some others are improving and will in course of time, by dint of application, become competent.

In summing up, I beg to say that, taking every thing into consideration, I am satisfied with the progress made during the year within the limits of my jurisdiction.

> I have the honor to be, Sir, Your most obedient servant,

# G. A. BOURGEOIS, 

School Inspector.

Honorable P. J. O. Chatureau, Superintendent of Education

For Lower Canada.

## Extracts from Inspector Bruce's Report for 1855.

Of the incompetency of school-masters and school-mistresses, the inefficiency of their teaching, and what the country by this has suffered and lost, about enough has been said and written. Let us now take another and rather differ ent view of the subject of teachers, (I mean the teachers of Canada East,) their relative position in society, and how by that society they have been treated and regarded. It is but fair, it is but right, that both sides of the question should be considered, that what is wrong in both may be discovered and corrected.

The difficulties of the teachers of our youth are neither few nor small; and yet by the mass, whose servants they are, and for the welfare of whose offspring they spend their strengit, sacrifice their health, bear the obloquy of the ignorant and undiscerning, and suffer from the contemptuous neglect of those by whom they should be respected and protected, suitably rewarded, and in old age and sickness provided for, they are, nevertheless, or appear as if they are; a despised and cast aside class, and in rank placed lower than the menial. What then are these difficulties? Let us see:

There are difficulties of office. The discharge of its duties gives rise to diffculties with scholars and difficulties, especially with parents, who criticise their words and judge their conduct and teaching, and with terms not very measured; difficulties with those who engage and supervise, and by whom they are checked and buffeted, maligned and slandered and often undeservedly-pronouncing as faults what merit praise, and toopurblindortooignorant to see what really deserves reproof or needs correction. The visits of Inspectors are also to many public sources of difficulties; and should the Inspector possess not sufficient intelligence and prudence, and a sufficient knowledge of teaching and teaching methods, and of the innumerable difficulties attending mental training, as these respect himself as well as the child and the parents, the more fertile will this source become. Though to the sincere and laborious teacher, earnestly desiring to do his duty and to improve himself and his schnol, how deficient soever both may be, the Inspector should be regarded as an experienced friend, who is or should be able
and willing 10 direct him in the right way. Whether difficulties of this source be real or fanciful, they not unfrequently have not the best effect. When the time of visiting draws near, many leachers become uneasy and concerned, and apparently troubled with a vexatious and confusing pressure, which continues till the visit is over. But the difficulties of teachers have not their limits in these things. They have diffiulties in the mater of society. Whatever be their talent or their worth, or their place as that respects their office, they stand too frequently alone. No doubt there are numerous cases where the teacher is hail fellow, well met, with nearly every neighbur, but this often 10 the cost of his principles or character, his usefulness or consistency. It is usually a rare thing to see the intelligent pious teacher with a companion, or to hear of his having any friend with him, except now and then from some far distant spot. It is almost an event of his life to be kindly asked out to dinner, or even invited to tea by any of his decent and well-to-do neighbours; and you do not find that he visits them, or that he is visited by them. And yet possibly he may have been for some years in his situation, be personally known to all the respectables of the place, and respected as an active, useful and efficient teacher by the neighbours generally, and still without one intimate acquaintance within miles from him. There can be no question about this being a sad and depressing state of things; but, however common it may be, there is no necessity for its long continuance. The difficuliies of our teachers, as these respect the future, are not few; they are many and serious. There is the decay of the mortal house which many see and feel. Nevertheless, each is busily occupied in his or her accustomed round of toil, and probably may be for many years to come. This has to be or should be borne patiently, as must also the decay of intellectual vigour. If he is able to do all that is required of him, though at greater cost, if nothing is neglected or shuffled over, if his employers are satisfied, and if they feel that what he has lost is adroitness and energy, he has more than gained in experience and piety; he may bave to-morrow to provide for his own, whilst he cheerfully and earnestly goes through the appinted tasks of the passing bour. As to the failure of resources, it most frequently appears that he has nothing at all to depend upon but his miserable pittance, 1 s . to 2 s . a day, and which is seldom or never paid when due. He may be told by way of friendly advice to enrol himself a member of some Insurance or Friendly Society ; but how can he even do this? His salary barely meets his expenses; as he may have, in spite of his economical prudence and forethought, run so far into debt that even his little credit is gone. He may be willing to take advantage of any annuity or superannuation allowance of Government ; but, behold, there is none. And will not these things create difficuties, and give existence to and feed corroding care? And are they not sufficient, indeed more than sufficient, to prevent young men and women from making teaching a profession? Many a teacher has confessed to myself that if he bad known, before he commenced teaching, the difficulties attending this, its cares, obloquy and penury, he would a hundred times have preferred following the plough or handling the shovel. The Reports of Inspectors have disclosed a relation betveen the imperfection of our schools and the condition of the schoolmaster, of the most painful character. Few efficient schools are found to exist. The most prominent of the causes to which these defects are attributable is the fact that the master of an elementary school is commonly in a position which, as has been stated, yields him neither honour nor emoluments. He has therefore a scanty knowledge of even the humble rudiments of learning, meagre ideas of the duties of his office, and as little skill in their performance. Indeed, there is little or nothing in the profession of an elementary schoolmaster, as yet, in this country, to invite a man having a respectable acquaintance with the elements of
even humble learning; to exchange the certainty of a respectable livelihood, in a subordinate condition in trade or commerce, for the mean drudgery of instructing in one of our elementary schools, as now supported and conducted. Much is said in and out of our Parliament just now about establishing Normal and Model Schools for training masters; but unless concurrently with arrangements made for training masters of superior acquirements and skill, efforts be also made to provide them with situations of decent comfort, and the prospect of suitable provision for sickness and old age, they will be driven by necessity to commercial or other more remunerative pursuits.

Our Government has wisely foreseen the impolicy and danger to education of making the schoolmaster dependent only on local sources of fluctuation and change, and have, therefore, by law, secured a small portion of his salary. But this is far from being sufficient. He should enjoy a house rent free, and, if possible, be provided with a garden and fuel. If then an estimaie be made of his salary on a scale equal to the position he ought to hold in society, one-third of his salary at least should be certain. The smallest sum which ought to be secured to the master, besides a comfortable dwelling, with garden and fuel, should be from $£ 20$ to $£ 30$, besides monthly fees; and to our first class teacher, an income of $£ 45$ to $£ 60$ per annum, not inclading fees.

No master can be deemed respectably provided for unless he has an income of from $£ 60$ to $£ 90$. In towns and cities his income should be about one-half more, with a dwelling.

It is very donbtiul if our Government and that part of our community qualified to judge, are aware of the very small amount of intelligence, scholarships and teaching skill, which our educators, male and female, possess. I have repeatedly examined schools whose teachers did not know the different powers of alphabetic characters. One teacher whose vocation for many years is keeping school, could not distinguish the difference between the sound of $i$ in pin and its dipthongal sound in fine; another did not know how to use a black-board for any pupose in teaching; and a third I found not able to question his scholars on the simplest lessons they were learning. Fully the half of the teachers under my supervision are not capable of questioning their scholars on what they read with much advantage. In teaching arithmetic, for instance, many cannot, with much profit, explain the processes, much less the principles of the simple rules. Finding this, I have had on many occasions to explain on a black-board, when I could get one, and on slates, when I could get none, the local and relative value of figures in the numeration table, to both teacher and scholar. Indeed I have found few teachers who can correctly explain the simple process of a substraction sum where borrowing is required. Even not a few schoolmasters with diplomas of the first and second class are unable to explain and exemplify the common technical terms of the branches they teach. At first these serious deficiencies of our teachers were to me matter of surprise; but now that I know more of how they received their education, the circumstances under which they are placed, and the difficulties with which they have to contend, my surprise has become much less. The wonder is that so many are able to do so much in educating our youth. How very disadvantageously placed are our teachers, compared with those of countries whose Government and the public at large have taken up the subject of education in earnest; and have followed up their measures writh untiring efforts and patriotic zeal! Not only is care taken that teachers be efficiently trained for their work, and respectably provided for, but means are used to advance their teaching skill, and add to their attainments: In Switzerland, the Board of Education for the Canton of Neuchatel has established annual meetings of masters, for the purpose of enabling the heads of
schools to communicate periodically on any change or improvement in system, studies, hooks, \&c., which their personal experience may suggest, as well as to compare their respective methods. A late conference was atended by upwards of seventy masters, who conferred together for three successive days, and discussed a variety of topies connected with the treatment and instruction of youth. This admirable plan has been carried still farther in some of the Swiss Cantons, where the masters have established "Reading Societies," for the purpose of circulating such periodicals and books among themselves as bear upon the subject of education. This admirable practice prevails also in many parts of Germany, Saxony and Prussia; and it is surely bigh time that it was extended to Canada East, where the public, it is hoped, are growing too wise any longer to estimate the quality of instruction by so sorry a guage as its quantum of cost. In England and in many parts of the United States much altention has of late years been paid to the improvement and comfort of teachers. In England there are yearly district meetings of teachers during the summer holidays, for mutual improvement and for receiving instruction and information, and associations of schoolmasters are numerous in almost every part of the island, many of which are countenanced by Government; and it is proposed to bring such meetings and associations under their immediate auspices. Her Majesty's Committee of Council on Education has done and is doing much to improve the condition and add to the respectability of schoolmasters and schoolmistresses, as the following extracts from the Official Correspondence of the Committee will show: "A teacher whoobtains Their Lordships' lowest certificate of merit, and the grant of augmentation annexed to it, will be in the roceipt of $£ 45$ per annum and a house rent free, or $£_{55}$ per annum if he is not provided with a house rent free. My Lords are of opinion that such a minimum is not fixed at too low a point. Their Lordships' measures have a tendency to bring salaries up to that minimum, because they hold out no encouragement of assistance till this minimum is attained. Their Lordships' annual grants are, in all cases, meant to be additional, not supplementary, to the sums previously expended upon the schools to which they are made. Their Lordships will grant as an augmentation to the salary of every schoolmaster and schoolmistress appointed to a school under their inspection annual sums varying from $£ 10$ to $£ 30$, according to specified conditions. The highest salaries, including the Government aug. mentation to male teachers of Common Schools are $£ 9010 \mathrm{~s}$. to $£ 100$ sterling; the lowest $£ 55$ to $£ 59$ 10s. sterling ; to schoolmistresses, higest $£ 60$ to $£ 66$, lowest $£ 36$ to $£ 39$." Therefore, the lowest salaries given to female teachers of schools under the inspection of Her Majesty's Committee of Council on Education are about equal to the highest salaries (currency) given to our best common school male teachers. The beneficial results of the Committee's continuous, well directed and regulated efforts are, that there are now in Great Britain not fewer than 13 training schools for masters, 8 solely for mistresses, and 8 for both male and female teachers; in all, 29 training schools, each of which has a complete aud yery efficient staff of teachers. The Home and Colonial Training School, for female teachers, has 19 officers, each of whom has a distinct department in the work of training. From the Reports of Inspectors, the methods of teaching pursued in these institutions are greatly improved, and their courses of study much extended.

Another act of Her Majesty's Committee of Council on Education is the establishing of a "Retiring Fund" for teachers."This Fund will greatly benefit both teachers and the country; for it will induce many to make teaching a profession, and encourage them to be at more pains in qualifying themselves for the office : were our Legislature to establish such a Fund, 1 am sure it would
greatly aid in advancing the cause of education, for hundreds would make teaching their profession, who, did not such a Fund exist, would never think of following the vocation of schoolmaster. A large number of our most active teachers are beginning to hesitate much about continuing to teach, and for the very reason that their paltry salaries make it impossible for them to make any provision for sickness or old age. Not a few have in disgust given up teaching and engaged in other pursuits to them more remunerative.

My Report of School Commissioners is, in some instances, not very favourable; duties are discharged by many negligently, by others never. A few are disqualified for dischargingany duly which the School Law imposes, especially in matters of teaching. How, cau he who never studied be a proper judge of studies, or report a scholar's progress in a thing about which he knows nothing? I supervise no Board of School Commissioners or Trustees, all whose members attend regularly to their duties. And this neglect on the part of some is discouraging to those who do attend, and it greatly increases their work. With the majority of such remonstrance is vain. They excuse themselves by saying: "It takes up 100 much of our time, and for our trouble and loss of time there is no remuneration. The work far excceds the profit."

I find that Commissioners generally discharge their duties rather to please the people than to come up to the requirements of the School Law; yet a large proportion of their constituents is nevertheless dissatisfied with their proceedings, not because they do not come up to the law, but because things are not managed so as to tally with their notions. He who tries to please every body, pleases no body. I lave, however, to report favorably of not a few ; they appear the earnest and not unintelligent friends of education, men who have no party purposes themselves, and who detest them in others. From their proceedings and conduct in school affairs, I have every reason to infer that they are guided by principle and not by party influence.

The books and papers of the Secretary Treasurers have all been examined since I made my l-st Report. Of twelve I am able to report very favourably. Receipts and disbursements are satisfactorily accounted for, and all accounts are kept in a business like manner. The Secretary Treasurer of the Trustees of the dissentients of Hinchinbrooke and of the parish of St. Auicet have neglected to bring up their books, and give full public statements of their receipts and disbursements, asthe 10 th seclion, $14 \& 15$ Vic., cap. 97 , requires. I think some notice should be taken of this by the Education Office, when they make the school returns.

The School Commissioners of the Townships of Godmanchester and Dundee need also some little inciting. Those of the latter have attended totheir duties rather remissly, since their allowance from the Common School Fund has been reduced. The Commissioners throw some blame for their negligence on their Secretary, and he again in some things blames them. I am beginning to suspect that the requirements of the 271 h section, 9 Vic., cap. 27, are not always attended to, neither by the Secretary Treasurer nor by Commissioners in making returns. The requirements of this section, in order to entitle any school to its allowance out of the general or local school Fund are seven, viz:

1st. It shall be requisite and sufficient that such school has been under the management of School Commissioners or Trustees appointed as the law requires.

2nd. That it has been in actual operation during at least eight calendar months.

3rd. That it has been attended by at least fifteen children (periods of epidemics excepted.

4th. That the returns have been certified to the School Commissioners or Trustees by the master, mistress or teacher, and at least two of the Commitsioners or Trustees.

5th. That a public examination of the schools has taken place.
6th. That a Report signed by the majority of the School Commissioners or Trustees, and by the master or mistress (I suppose also) has been transmitted to the Superintendent of Schools, according to the form prescribed by him for that parpose, every six months, that is to say, before the first day of July and the first day of January in each year.

7th. That a sum equal tothe allowance made by the Legislature for the municipality has been raised as hereinbefore provided.

If what some teachers assert be true, the 2nd, 3rd, 5th and 7th, are not always attended to.

Since the beginning of November last, till the end of March, the whole of my time has been occupied in examining schools and teachers, settling disputes. answering correspondence, and in inspecting the books and papers of School Commissioners, Trustees and Secretary Treasurers.

When in the rear of the county of Argenteuil, three days of successive storms so blocked up roads, that 1 found it impossible for a few days to proceed on my tour of inspection. My time, since the end of March, has been wholly taken up in writing my Report, filling tables and in examining schools which were not in operation when I visited their municipalities bcfore, or did not lie near my former route of travelling. Only two schools in operation have been missed: one is in the mountain fasinesses of Chatham, the other is in a remote corner of Lachute. No roads were opened up to their district, when I was in that part of the country, travelling being stopped on account of heavy falls of snow. Having, however, repeatedly examined the schools of the teachers of this district, I have a pretty correct idea of the state of their schools and of the results of their teaching. The statistics of their schools I received from their respective Secretary Treasurers.

I much regret having to report as unfavorably as heretofore of Grenville and Union. Not a school was in operation in either when I was there, in the end of February, except a small chance school in the village of Grenville. From repeated enquiries and conversations, I am convinced that a spirit of opposition, determined opposition to the School Law prevails in many districts. I have repeatedly stated in conversation and perbaps in writing, that the only way to make dissaffected and rebellious districts (when it is considered prudent not to use coërcion) come under the School Law, is to disallow Government aid to such, though there were but one in a municipality. It is injust to withhold aid from a whole municipality, because of the rebellious conduct of one or two districts. This is the opinion of the most intelligent and observant, not only in Grenville and Union, but in other parts of the country. They say, let those districts in any municipality that fully conform to the School Law receive the Government aid and disallow it to those that will not conform. Leave them to support their own schools. Thus left depending on their own rescources, they will soon be convinced of their inability to keep the school regularly in operation, and also of the advantage which their loyal neighbour districts have over them, being able with Government aid to keep their schools always in operation, and under efficient teachers.

## I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

## SHORT ABSTRACT OF THE RESULT OF EXAMINATIONS:

Godmanchester.-In Godmanchester, 5 schools were in operation when 1 visited the township. The examination of two of these was favorable, that of two others pretty favorable, and one not satisfactory. The teachers of Nos. 1 and 2 showed considerable intelligence and professional skill in their teaching; and their scholars when under examination distinguished themselves for readiness and correct answers. The teachers of Nos. 5 and 7 are willing and earnest; but they want more scholarship and teaching skill to make them successfull educators. The teachers of No. 10 and of the dissentient school are no more than qualified to take charge of a common school. The progress of their scholars consequently is, what might be expected, little.

Elgin.-All the schools in this township were in operation. I believe the majority of their teachers endeavour to discharge their duties to the best of their abilities ; but to be efficient teachers, higher qualifications are required, and greater degrees of teaching gifts. In one thing they, as well as most teachers, fail, viz: in giving simplicity and clearness to what they teach. The reading of a considerable number of their scholars was pretty correct. They had a tolerable apprehension of the sense of the lessons they read when examined, and gave correct answers to a very considerable number of text questions; their progress in other branches is tolerable. Taking age into account, the senior scholars in all the schools of Elgin are very far behind in their education.

St. Anicet.-Of 8 schools in operation in this parish, in three considerable justice is done to the education of the children. The examination of the pupils, exhibited considerable knowledge of the substance of their lessons; but in grammar, geography and arithmetic they showed rather less. The advancement of the scholars in the rest of the schools in operation was less satisfactory. The teachers appear not to have sufficient energy and animation in communicating: instruction ; irregular attendance and short engagement of teachers greatly hinder. the advancement of education here as well as in other municipalities.

Dundee.-Education in this township is very far behind-hand, more so than in any other part of the country, except the parish of St. Chrysosiôme. Only 2 , schools were in operation, when I last visited it. The qualifications of the teachers of these schools are very moderate. Their scholars, considering their, ages, are very backward. They read tolerably well, but their progress in gram-r mar, geography and counting, is little.

Huntingdon.-The Academy of Huntingdon is conducted to my entire satis-. faction. Every branch of education there taught, is taught with skill and intel. ligence. The principal is a young man of considerable attainments and professional skill. He teaches and examines with considerable ease and intelligence; nor does he, as is the case with many teachers, blindly follow the book, but puts very pertinent questions derived from other sources, and such as impart interest and additional instruction. The other teachers are also persons of much acquiret ments, and discharge their duties efficiently. The progress of their scholars in all the branches they study is over ordinary.

Hinchinbrooke. -7 schools in this township have teachers, and 3 are closed. Of two I have to report very favourably. The examination of the other three I have stated in my Table of Summaries as fair, and one as tolerable. Two of the greatest faults of teachers in Hinchinbrooke are that they do not throw into the subject they teach the whole man, and the children are hurried on. from one thing to another too rapidly, so that sufficient time is not given to ena. ble them to master every thing as they progress. The teacher of No. 2, however, is an honorable exception. In addressing scholars, at the close of examination,

I generally direct their attention to this: "Master everything as you advance." The progress of children in the majority of schools in this township is rather slow.

Parish of St. Jean Chrysostôme.-The state of education in this parish is lamentably slow. The great mass of youth is growing up ignorantly, or with an education scarcely deserving the name. Of only one district can I say that its children are receiving a tolerable education.

Hemmingford.-In Hemmingford, 10 schools were in operation when last visited. The results of the examinations of seven were satisfactory, and of three fair. One could not be examined, the teacher being sick. The teachers of this township are generally earnest and persevering. They appear to have a laudable desire to have their schools well organized, and their methods of teaching improved. This is particularly the case with the teachers of Nos. 5, 11 and 12. To encourage the teacher of No. 5 in his praiseworthy efforts, and his scholars in their studies, I sent about 40 books, selected with considerable care, to be given to the most deserving.

Ste. Malachie d'Ormstown.-In Ormstown, all the schools in operation, except one, are doing well. This municipality has some of the best teachers in the field of my supervision, and can produce some of the best scholars. Moral as well as professional earnestness characterises their teaching. The discipline of Iwo if not of three of its schools is in a state of high efficiency. In these every thing appears to be done in a thorough and masterly manner. The teacher of No. is, however, a marked exception. He wants natural aptitude, or, if he has it, he requires to have it largely developed. I was so much pleased with the progress of the scholars at No. that I spent some money in books for them. The teacher himself and some of the parents also handsomely contributed. It will be observed, in the Table of Summaries, that, with the exceplion of two schools, a large proportion of the scholars of this municipality study all the branches taught in our common schools. The same remark applies also to Hemmingford.

Parish of St. Andrews, County of Argenteuil.-2 schools in this parish are in a flourishing state. In every department, the discipline, tone and character of the instruction of these schools stand pretty high. I seldom had to wait for answers to text questions; answers appeared to flow spontaneously from the scholars. A spirit of earnest and cheerful exertion was observable in every class. The teaching of other schools is only of an ordinary character. It is bui justice, however, to state that there is an evident tendency towards improvement in both discipline and the art of teaching.

The attendance of the Academy of St. Andrews (dissentient) is much less than it was last winter. For want of funds, the Rev. Mr. Thibaudier has been able to engage this season but only one teacher. Under him, all the classes are advancing satisfactorily. I was much pleased, particularly with their improvements in writing. The discipline of this institution is excellent.

Lachûte.-The School Commissioners and other inhabitants of this parish are quite zealous for the advancement of education. Establishing lately an academy in the district of No. 1 is an evidence of this. I hope every encouragement will be given them. Without superior schools and academies, the genius of our youth can never be drawn out or developed. Just now few schools are in operation in Lachôte. The cause is scarcity of teachers; and they are getting scarce because of low salaries.

Two of the sehools in operation are doing well. The school of district No: 1 is flourishing. Over 100 scholars are on the school journal. Its teacher shows a good deal of professional energy and of aptitude and skill in training the ex-
panding mind. The teacher of No. 3 also deserves particular notice. Since I first examined her school, a very favorable change in both discipline and mental training is manifest. Considering her limited attainments and the few opportunities she had in acquainting herself with improvements in teaching, she deserves credit for her persevering and laudable efforis in advancing her scholars. Of the schools Nos. 5 and 6 I cannot speak less favorably than I did before. The children are learning a good deal, and the teachers are evidently throwing more intelligence into their teaching.

Chatham.-6 schools in this township, when visited, were without teachers, and 6 were in operation. Of those in operation 4 are conducted satisfactorily. The two best are those of No. 2 and 8 . That of No. 8 is very flourishing. The discipline is excellent, and the teaching favorably compares with that of any school within my jurisdiction. School No. 2 is also doing well. Of the 12 School Districts, into which Chatham is divided in 5 of these districts, can it be said that education is advancing very slowly. The people in the other districts are 100 poor to be able to keep their schools long in operation, and the teachers they engage are generally very inefficient.

Gore and Wentworth.-All the schools in these townships are in operation, except that of No. 1 Wentworth. I have reported of them all as being in a fair working state. Mr. McVicar is the only male teacher hey have. The advance of education in Gore and Wentworth is very slow. Reading, writing 'and counting are the only branches just now taught; and even in these, owing to irregular attendance, and the low attainments of the majority of their teachers, the children make no great progress. I am satisfied, however, that the present teachers are willing to discharge their duties to the best of their ability; and the children generally exhibit a corresponding desire to learn. The townships very much need an increase of Government aid for their schools.

Grenville and Union.-These townships have no schools of which to report. The disaffected are as hostile to the School Law as ever; but they appear to be now suffering for their opposition. They will accept no aid on the condition of law, and yet they are not able to keep their schools in operation without it.

## MONTREAL.

School No. 1, under School Commissioners.-Teacher, Mr. Thomas Allan, aged 48, and married; teacher by diploma for a model school. His engagement is a continuation of the first salary of $£ 75$ from Commissioners; amount of fees besides, about $£ 35$. Highest number of scholars on his school-roll since last examination, 115 ; boys 70 and girls 45 ; lowest, 60 , intime of cholera; reading classes 5 , and reading on cards, the same number; writers 50 ; cipherers, 60 ; in grammar 15, and in geography, 30. Time appropriated for reading, spelling, cathechetical exercises, 3 hours; writing, $\frac{1}{2}$ hour; grammar and geography, each alternate day 20 minutes; the rest of the time is appropriated to ciphering. Method of teach ing, principally the monitorial and the individual, occasionally the simultaneouse I observe in 'Mr. Allan's school at present a want of well qualified monitors. This is much against both Mr. Allan and the children. In his junior classes some of the least qualified monitors (I suppose) teach too much by rote. School well supplied with maps, prints and cards, \&c. The school has, besides a pair of globes, two black boards, a numeral frame, and Johnston's Maps and Illustrations of Natural Philosophy. School house in the same state in which it was when I last reported; ;idimensions, $43 \times 28$, including the passage. It is kept clean and pretty well ventilated. The construction of the windows admits not a proper ventilation. Furniture, $\mathbf{1 0}$ desks in parallel rows, facing the teacher's pulpit, and i19 forms; passage in the middle of the school room. Yard full of stagnant water, which must be exceedingly prejudicial to the children's health, and the teacher's
family, to the latter especially, as they reside in the upper story. There is a smali back-bouse for the children.

Examination.-The junior classes were first examined. Considering their ages and their very irregular altendance during the time of sickness last summer, their progress is fully as much as could be expected. Some of them read pretty distinctly, spelt correctly, and gave the meaning of a number of words in their lessons. A considerable time was spent examining his senior classes on the different branches which they stady. A very considerable number read with ease and expression, and the majority with considerable accuracy. The orthographical and cathechetical part of the examination was, upon the whole, satisfactory. All their copy books showed advancement in permanship, and care on the part of the teacher; hand and shape of letters good, and intervening spaces regular and uniform. I saw only two copy books which were a little blotted. Grammar classes not far advanced. Knowledge of the accidence considerable. Of geography they know more. Progress in the fundamental rules of arithmetic fair; some calculate with considerable quickness and accuracy. They are well exercised on arithmetical tables. Mental arithmetic is taught occasionally; perhaps it should be taught more to his junior classes. Order and discipline of the school good. The children appear to be properly graded, and the school is generally well conducted.

School No. 2.-Mr. H. Arnold still continues to teach this school, and with much credit. Salary, $£ 75$ and fees, which amount to about £12. Highest number of boys on his roll since I last examined his school, 59 ; lowest, 50 ; average, 55. Number of reading classes, 6 ; writers, 37 ; studying grammar, 22 ; juniors taught the elements. All are receiving instructions in geography, and in arithmetic nearly all; book-keeping, 1; 12 are receiving lessons in composition. Distribution of school time: about 3 hours are devoted to teaching reading, spelling, catechetical exercises and dictations; 20 minutes to grammar, and half an hour three days in the week to geography; to writing, daily half anhour, and to arithmetic one hour. Methods of teaching, the simultaneous, individual, and in preparing classes for the teacher, the mutual. The school house is in the same state in which it was when I last reported. Furniture sufficient, apparatus and wall maps, and number of cards and prints, and one practice board.

Examination.-Junior classes: the junior classes were first examined. These are taught very intelligently, and so as to engage the attention and interest of the scholar. Every lesson from the A B C is explained and made the subject of minute questioning; his method makes it impossible to learn anything by rote. Every one is explained, exemplified, and by repetition and questioning, the meaning is thoroughly worked into the mind. One mode of questioning them was to me rather new: by adding, taking away, and substituting letters, other words are formed in their lessons. They are made to tell these words, give their meanings and application, himself always explaining and exemplifying, so far as this may be required. This method tends much to sharpen the intellect and exercise the power of discrimination at the very outset of school training.

Writing.-All the copy books showed improvements, except perhaps one. or two. The improvement of some boys, considering their ages and the time they have been writing, is very satisfactory. Method of teaching writing good.

Senior Classes.-The second senior class read with considerable fuency and correctness. I found that much attention was paid to the pauses, emphasis and vocal flections, both in this and in his first senior class. The meaning of words separately and in composition were readily given. Their knowledge of orthography was tested both orally and in writing. Few words were spelt incorrectly.

His first or highest reading class read in a commanding tone of voice, and with considerable expression. A good deal of attention is paid to the principles of correct reading in this class. The orthoepy and orthography of words are particularly attended to.

Grammar.-He has two grammar classes, and the elements are taught to all the rest of the scholars generally conversationally.

Methods of Teaching.-The catechetical and illustrative. Only one boy has advanced as far as syntax; geography is taught generally, and all are advancing satisfactorily. Much practice is given both in mental and slate arithmetic. Their progress was variously tested; result satisfactory. This school suffered much from cholera last summer ; some of its classes were nearly broken up. It is just beginning to recruit. It would be much in favor of this school were it nearer the centre of the city.

School No. 3.-This school is still conducted by Mrs. Gaw. First engagement continued; salary, $£ 30$ and fees, which amount to only $£ 3$ in the year. This school is for girls, and in the same building as that of Mr. Arnold's; but in a part of it far from being favorable to the health of the teacher and children, the teacher especially, as her family occupies as a dwelling, part of the flat on which the school is, which is low and damp. Highest number on her roll, 40 ; lowest, 30 ; average, 36 ; reading classes, $4 ; 20$ write, and 25 cipher, 4 study grammar and 3 , geography; elements taught the rest. All are taught sowing, knitting, and a little fancy work. Distribution of school hours : for reading, $2 \frac{1}{2}$ hours; writing, $\frac{1}{2}$ hour ; ciphering, 1 hour ; grammar and geography, each $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. Dimensions of school-room, $16 \times 15$; confined and damp. Furniture $\cdot 4$ desks in parallel rows, and 5 or 6 forms. Apparatus : 1 practice board, 2 wall maps, and a chirographical chart.

Examination.-I spent considerable time examining this school, especially in exercising the children on the black board. I believe Mrs. Gaw is at considerable pains in teaching her scholars, but the small space in which her 35 or 40 scholars are crammed makes it almost impossible to establish good order and discipline, or keep the school room clean. With respect to the progress of her scholars, I would say that their progress, considering the disadvantages under which she labours, is as much as could well be expected.

## OTHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN MONTREAL.

Mr. Phillips' Academical Institution.-This excellent seminary has existed for several years. Its beginning was small, but it has steadily increased in scholars, efficiency and usefulness. We cannot have 100 many such schools as Mr. Phillips'. In it all those branches which constitute a liberal education are skilfully and intelligently taught. His method of teaching embraces the most improved principles of teaching. Present staff of teachers, 9 ; and the Principal, Mr. Phillips.

American Presbyterian Free School.-This school is now in a new building erected for it . It is of two stories and of brick. The school occupies the whole, or nearly the whole, of the lower flat. Dimensions of the part occupied by the boys, $30 \times 30$; of that by the girls, $30 \times 16$. Both school rooms are too small for their number of scholars. About 3210 children have been entered on the school roll since 1849 inclusive. Many who receive their education in this school are now in good situations, and not a few are doing business for themselves and prospering. Number at present on the roll; 70 boys and 64 girls. Highest number since my last visit, 160 boys and girls.

British and Canadian School.-This school continues to be well supported, and pretty well conducted. The boys' department has a new teacher, Mr. James Smith. He appears to have a pretty good idea of teaching, but has not had the
conduct of his school sufficiently long to enable me to say much respecting either his method of teaching or success as an educator. The discipline of his school appears to be pretty fair; but I observed marks of insufficient control over the scholars. Perhaps he devotes too little time to teaching the primary and essential branches of education, and too much in giving instruction in those which are only secondary. Number of seholars on his journal, about 200.

The girls department is conducted by the same teacher. Mrs. Merichal appears to be a zealous and watchful teacher. The school discipline appears to be good, and I think free of severity. Number of scholars, 128.

Both departments are pretty well supplied with books, slates and school apparatus. This institution from its commencement has generally been well conducted and regularly supervised by Directors distinguished for their zeal in the cause of education.

National School in connection with the Episcopal Church.-This school is of late better managed that it was formerly, aud much more is done now to increase its usefulness. It is watchfully superintended, and its general affairs are well managed. Teachers: for the boys' department, Mr. John Pope; for the girls, Miss D. Forsyth. Engagement, from year to year. Salaries: to Mr. Pope, $£ 85$ and children's pence, which may amount to $£ 25$; to Miss Forsyth, $£ 50$ and ditto, which amounts to about £30. The schools sources of support were mentioned in a former Report. Scholars: boys, 56 ; girls, 75. All the essential branches of a good practical education are here taught and of late pretty efficiently. The school is pretty well supplied with books and school apparatus.

High School of Montreal in connection with Mc Gill College.-This seminary is evidently increasing in efficiency and usefulness. Its present staff of teachers consists of gentlemen of high literary attainments, and, I am convinced, well qualified for efficiently conducting all its departments. I very much approve of the system of teaching pursued; it embraces many of the most improved principles of teaching, and this appears to be intelligently applied. The school course of studies embraces all those branches which are considered to constitute a liberal education. All the departments are ably conducted, those especially of the Reclor and first assistant master, T. A. Gibson, Esq.

Number of pupils, 170 ; of these, 25 study Greek; 140, Latin; 150, French; 10, German; and all English about 150 study history ; 170, English grammar and geography ; 40, geometry and algebra; 15 study the high branches of mathematics, and 40 receive lessons in natural philosophy. Number of writers, 170 ; number studying arithmetic, slate and mental, 170 ; book-keeping, 12; drawing, 25; and music, 20. About 110 are less or more exercised in composition:

Mc Gill College.-In McGill College every thing is nearly as it was when last reported. Number studying the arts, 10 ; number of medical students, 77 . For further particulars, see the annual announcement of the Medical Facilty for 1854-5, and a pamphlet giving the officers, professors, and course of study, for the same session. (Montreal, Hew Ramsay.)

## BENEYOLENT INSTITUTIONS HAYING SCHOOLS ATYACHED.

Ladies Benevolent Institution.-This institution deserves very favorable notice. It has for many years gained, and deservedly, the favorable opinion of the public. Institutions of this kind should be well supported. They become homes, homes of comfort, safety and instruction to numberless fellow creatures, who, had we not such, wrould be left to perish on our streets or public high ways. The school of the institution continues to prosper. It numbers 80 : boys; 37 ;girls, 43. All are taught the common branches of education, the girls also plain sowing, knitting and quiling; 80 read, write and cipher; 16 study grammar, and

37 geography ; 16 are taught plain sewing, and 26 knitting and quilting; they are taught singing, but only by ear. Funds low, needing much to be replenished.

Orphan Asylum.-This institution deserves the countenance and support of the Government and the public, as much as the preceding. 48 orphans are here clad, fed, protected and instructed. Number of boys, 25 ; of girls, 23. They are taught reading, writing, ciphering, grammar and geography, and the girls also receive instruction in all kinds of needle work and domestic economy; 48 are taught reading ; 38, writing; 25, arithmetic ; 25, grammar ; geography, no class just now. Funds of the institution very low.

House of Refuge for Widows and Orphan Children.-This institution has not long existed, but has, since opened, done considerable good. I feel conviuced that this institution, if properly conducted, and sufficiently supported, will prove itself one of the most useful benevolent institutions in the city. Number of widows living in the house, 12; number coming daily to work, 12; number of children, 15 boys, 96 girls. For these a school is 10 be opened so soon as circumstances will admit. The institution is to be also useful in affording refuge to emigrant girls who come to the country to engage as servants, till they get places. A number of such have already experienced its benevolent protection and the friendly services of its managers in geting them into service. Situations have been provided for 14, and only 2 are now in the house.

House of Industry.-This is another institution deserving notice. It has existed for nearly twelve years, and appears to be steadily increasing in usefulness. Its designation tells its object. The children attending it receive a common education, and are trained to habits of industry from early age. They are generally from the humbler classes of society. Present number, 60 , all girls, except 10 very young boys who attend to receive instruction in the mere elements of education. Ages of girls, 5 to 15. They are taught reading, writing, grammar, geography, arithmetic, and needle work. Instructions are also given in house-keeping. The institution is supported by subscriptions, the proceeds of the children's work, and their nominal fees. Two teachers are generally engaged ; but often for want of funds, they are able to engage only one. All the children read, nearly 30 write, and 15 study grammar, geography and arithmetic. All the girls are taught needle work.

The number of applications to these institutions (not a few of which they are obliged to refuse for want of funds) sufficiently indicates the general estimation in which they are held.

Of other independent schools in Montreal, supported by the Protestant population, I may remark generally that a very considerable number deserve the support they receive. Several schools conducted by ladies appear to be in a very efficient state: of these may be mentioned particularly Miss Malone's, Miss Lyman's and. Miss Renaud's, which are conducted on rather a large scale. Those of Misses Turner, Miss Lay, Miss Matchitt, Misses Abbott, Misses Radford and Huddell, and Mrs. Marshall, with a few others, are worthy of particular notice. Misses Grafton, Watson and Maxwell have good schools, and they appear to be well supported. These, with perhaps three or four others, may be classed with our superior schools. In the majority scholars receive a good practical education, and in a few the education given is rather liberal and extended. of the particular character of the method of teacling pursued 1 had no opportunity, except in two or three instances, of ascertaining. In the High School, Phillips Academical Institution, and the Model School of the Colonial School Society, the methods of teaching embrace most of those improved prineiples of school training so succesfully pursued in Switzerland, Germany, Russia and Great Britain for many years.

## GENERAL STATEMENTS AND OBSERVATIONS.

I have now gone over every part of my field of supervision where schools are in operation. Only two schools have not been examined. It was impossible to reach them, when near their localities, the roads leading to them being blocked up with snow.

Visits.-The length of my visits varies according to circumstances, being regulated by the number of scholars, the state of schools, and the number of branches taught. Owing to the low standard of education in most of our schools, the defects in methods of teaching, and consequently the difficulty of forming a correct judgment of the progress of pupils without minute and searching examinations, it is indispensable to devote very considerable time to each school. Since the commencement of my inspection I have therefore made my examinations as minute as possible, examining class after class, omitting no scholar from the abecedarian upwards. And to draw the scholar's attention as much as possible, test his progress in knowledge, and to ascertain the peculiar character of the training which the powers of the mind are receiving, I vary my modes of examining very frequently. At first Ifound in the majority of schools the work tedious and difficult, attributable principally to the very unintelligent way by which children were instructed, and partly no doubt to the newness of such examinations. In testing progress, I have still, in the majority of schools, both to answer and explain my own questions. Generally the greater part of my time is spent in showing how children should be taught, how everything should be so explained, and in language the most clear and simple, as to be understood, and how, by kind treatment, proper management, and interesting illustrations, the work of the school may be made both pieasant and interesting. This is the only way to make children feel at home in school, to make them feel happy at their work, take a pleasure in study, be earnest in improving, and learn for learning's sake. As yet, I cannot always extend my visits 10 two schools in one day, and seldom or never to three. Large schools take generally a day, and 1 have a few which take more. The improvement of some is so salisfactory that I bave to regret the insensible escape of time available for their inspection. In other schools Ifind so much to be corrected that I have often to regret my time is so circumscribed that I can scarcely spare so much as to do such the justice they require. To free methods of teaching from faults, and to improve school discipline, are two of the most important of the duties of School Inspectors. In these there is something so practically important that it must claim attention from all imbued with the true spirit of education, and no lack is so fatal to the work of education as the want of efficient methods of instruction and a comprehensive view of the true object of education.

Education is a life work, and it is this fact which invests the school with such tremendous import; of how much consequence, then, is it that our teachers be wise master builders, and that they be able to view the work of education in its entirety, and by an intelligent method of training be fully qualified to form the basement of the child's education so as to ensure its progressive advancement through the whole of life. How few of us recognise in the subjects taught our instruments for the cultivation of both intellect and heart, and then instead of setting out in hap-hazard way, sit down thoughtfully first to calculate their capacity and then to predicate the issues of this or that method in their adoption. Our procedure is ton commonly marked by a vagueness 10 indicate the presence of any thing like the well defined meihod, springing out of careful deliberation or the possession of broad views, of means and ends; and thence we jog and jolt in some pedagogic road, crooked or straight through quass or thorny dells, verifying that to follow foolish precedents and wink with both our eyes is easier than to think.

Whoever thinks that there is no art of instruction, and therefore no apprenticeship necessary, must think that a person who has once been instructed, in a good school or a poor school, will be able, when it is necessary for him to teach, to go at once into his school and arrange all his classes, the order and succession of the lessons, and the length of each, determine upon the principles and mode of discipline, and do all that is else necessary for the proper organisation of a school, as readily, as rapidly, and as well, without previous thought, as the teacher will who shall have before hand fully considered and studied out all these points, under the gaidance of a skilful and an experienced teacher; and he must be prepared to maintain also that any one who has ever considered a subject, however cursorily in a school, with whatever guidance, is as well prepared to present that subject to the mind of the learner as he who has made a careful and continued study of it, with the advantage of the having different views presented by other minds in pursuit of the same truth, and all of them siffed and tested by the discriminating scrutiny of an experienced and well informed educator.

There is enough of talk and enough of writing about teachers, the importance of their office, and the difficulties of their position. But men cannot be prepared for a difficult position, or fitted for any office by mere writing and talking, but by being very diligently and thoroughly taught whatever they are required to know, by having the difficulties they are sure to meet with carefully pointed out to them, and being made to feel rather than speak of their responsibilities.

If we are in earnest in getting good teachers, and through them draw out and thoroughly cultivate the genious of our youth, we have to consider well, and do much to accomplish this noble object. We see and read what is doing in other countries for encouraging and training teachers. Surely our country has not made up its mind to merely sit still and look on, to see training schools and training colleges rising up every where around, to mould and make the efficient teacher, to see works on education and periodicals almost without number issuing from the press and circulated for the benefit of the educator, and farther to mark and even laud teachers themselves doing so much, by periodical conferences, by associations, by libraries, by journals conducted by themselves, and by other means, and yei take no part in this onward and life giving movement. It is the schoolmaster that makes the school ; it is the school that makes society, that makes the nation. We may build school houses as so many practical protests against ignorance, yet unless occupied by men who will make good the protest, they will become protests against the builders, an evidence of their apathetic spirit in a cause the most important and noble.

Many, the great majority, indeed, of teachers under my inspection, have earnestly and repeatedly expressed a wish to have means of improvement within their reach, or be provided with suitable books to instruct and direct them in the discharge of their duty. I have endeavored, by conversations, by showing in their schools how profitably to instruct their classes, the necessity of making themselves masters of what they teach, and as a farther aid to such, have in every tour since my first given them short perusals of some of our best periodicalson education. But much more than this is necessary to do justice to our teacherg, or even to meet their own wishes. Our Government should encourage, nay, insist upon the forming of associations of teachers, and periodical conferences similar to those which exist in Prussia, Baden, France, Belgium and many other countries. The circulation of books and journals containing practical information on the management of schools, the principles of teaching, and the most improved systems or methods of elementary instruction, they should also encourage. Of these the following are a few : Dunn's Normal School Manual, Stow's Training System, Dawse's Suggestive Hints, Papers for he School Maste,

Young's Art of Questioning, Tate's Philosophy of Education, The Educational Expositor, Richard's Manual Method, Principles of Education by Hugo Reid, The Rational of Discipline by Pillaus, Jackson's Principles and Methods of Teach: ing; and for French teachers, such as the Manuel Général de l'Instruction Elémentaire, l'Echo des Ecoles Primaires, les douze Vertus d'un bon Maitre, \&c., \&c. Libraries for teachers should also be encouraged; indeed, every parish and township should have a library for teachers.

The many facts which are daily coming to my knowledge tell in a way which cannot be mistaken the great amuont of ignorance among our teachers, ignorance of the very elements of education, and in these totally incompetent 10 teach efficiently their scholars. The ability of teachers is a mater of prime, of vital, importance in every thing about schools. We may erect school houses in profusion, and make them everything which could be wished to fit them for their intended use, yet if filled with incompetent teacbers, if ignorance presides within and intelligence is banished from their precincts, it is but the awkward appearance, devoid of mind and soul ; we are spending money for that which is of litle value, and wasting the precious time of our youth.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Signed,) JOHN BRUCE, School Inspector.

## Extracts from another of Mr. Broce's Reports.

On my last 1our of inspection, not fewer than 45 schools were without teachers. This is nearly the number 1 find vacant at every round. These vacancies are caused by two things, viz: want of funds and want of teachers; probably a fourth is closed for want of competent teachers. The others are without teachers because their districts are too poor to bear the expense of keeping them continuously in operation. I am not far from the truth in stating that the majority of these have their schools in operation only one whole year in three, and even that not at any one time. The amount of education received by children in schools so frequently closed must indeed be small. If a child under ten years of age be absent from school two years in three, and for the remaining year attend irregu. larly, his loss in education is nearly equal to his gain.

Suppose a child begin to go to a school so seldom open at six years of age, and continue to attend it even regularly, while it continues in operation, till he is fourteen years of age, I do not think he receives, deducting holidays, \&c, over two years of continuous schooling; and small indeed must be the amount of training that a scholar's mind can receive, even in a good school, in two years.

Irregularity of attendance, as well as the frequent closing of schools, is an evil of such magnitude in schools that attention cannot be too often directed to it. By it, the scholar loses much, and it greatly discourages the teacher. It is a general complaint of teachers that owing to the frequent absence of a very large proportion of their scholars, their efforts to advance the education of such never shows. All they gain one week in school is nearly lost by the next week's absence. They form classes, but irregular attendance breaks them up. Scholars are promoted to higher classes, but with these, owing to the bad attendance, they cannot keep up. They fall back, and the teacher has either to instruct them individually or place them in their former classes. I am within the trith when I/ say that
this is the case with about one-fifth of the pupils in the school under my supervision. Any expedient by which it may be diminished would certainly be a great benefit to our school-going youth, and tend not a little to advance education. The following has been tried with marked success by one teacher:

At the end of every month he sends to the parents of each scholar in his school a small printed note, containing the time lost by irregularity; and once every quarter adds to this note the results of a complete examination in each subject of instruction, with appropriate remarks on the pupil's progress.

Of about 105 teachers, about 34 are really efficient, 16 conduct their schools pretty satisfactorily, 10 or 12 tolerably well, and the rest with not much advantage to their scholars. I am sorry to have to state that a number of our most incompetent teachers are those who have passed our Boards of Examination. Their greatest defects are in their methods of teaching, and in their want of animation, energy and perseverance in conducting their schools.

The School Commissioners' practice of engaging teachers is very disadvantageous to our schools. It is disadvantagenus both to the teacher and to the scholar. How little can a teacher do in teaching a new school, and how little can a child learn under a new teacher in a few months, and the engagements of the majority of our teachers are no more. Of about 105 teachers whose schools I lately examined, only 47 were engaged for 12 months, and the rest for only a few months: one for 2 , one for $2 \frac{1}{2}$, and two for only 3 months. No teacher, unless circmstances urgently requires it, should be engaged for a shorter period than three years. It takes nearly a year to bring a school into proper order and discipline, and to put classes in a fair way of intelligently and advantageously advancing in their studies. After this, two years more are short enough for training the scholars under any peculiar system, however excellent, so far as to enable them really to benefit by it, for a change of teachers is as yet, in most of our schools, a change of method of teaching.

Respecting the engagements of teachers, does the School Act not require some amendement?

Our schools, with very few exceptions, and these owing to the negligence of School Commissioners, have now all school registers ; but, excepting a very few, they are defective: they give only the children's names, ages and daily atten dance. They should embrace the following things, viz: names, ages, daily attendance, branches studied, progress, remarks on moral conduct, mental condition, or state of the child's education on entering school, and, compared with this, his advancement during any term. For the last, a distinct table should perhaps be kept.

A large number of our school houses are too small and ill constructed; they are neither commodious nor suitable for school purposes. They are generally sufficiently lighted; but no arrangement is made for safe and sufficient ventilation. The school furniture is, in a great number of school houses, of bad construction, and the disposition of forms, desks, \&c., is such as to leave too little room for class movement. No attention is paid to play grounds in the majority of districts. To these several things I have directed, and repeatedly, the attention of Trustees and School Commissioners, but as yet, in a few instances, not very succesfully.

In introducting better school books I have been more succesful. Few schools have not now a better and more uniform series of class books. The grammar used and some of the geographies and arithmetics are not the best.

Only in a few schools is there yet any apparatus, and in these it is yet very incomplete. I have succeeded in getting black boards introduced in the majority of schools under my supervision. In some it is beginning to assume its proper place, and its use is being appreciated. But in not a few I have to teach the
teacher its use. The paucity of apparatus is strikingly observable in all our schools. Without Government aid I fear our schools will never be sufficiently supplied with apparatus.

The organisation of schools, and which at first $I$ found to be very defective, is improving considerably. In few schools it is yet what it should be. The number of classes is generally too great, by which the teacher's time is too much divided.

On the subject of methods, I have had many opportunities of forming a judgment, and to this my intention in examining schools has uniformly been direcled. In few schools does the monitorial agency exist ; class and individual teaching prevails; the simultaneous method is less or more used in a considerable number. Collective or gallery teaching, and that of object lesson instruction, are as yet unknown. Any attempt to introduce these generally with our present staff of teachers would, in my opinion, be attended with litle success. The succesful working of these methods requires more intelligence, more professional skill and much more knowledge of mental training than nine-tenths of our present teachers possess. These different methods have been approaching during the last two or three years to our common method. Educational journals, hand books for directing teachers, \&c., are greatly needed. I have at my own expense imported and circulated a number of such works, but I find the expense is too much for an individual to bear; I consider the attention of Government should be directed to this subject.

The state and character of discipline vary greatly; in some schools, perfect order and quietness are maintained at little or no apparent trouble or thought to the teacher; in others, much valuable time is wasted, and exhaustion of the energies both of body and mind experienced, in continued and fruitless efforts for that purpose. Efficient discipline depends almost entirely on the teacher's own manner, character, mode of conducting his school, and teaching his scholars: the severe master seldom succeeds in establishing order and maintaining due control; the easy and yeilding again has never a well disciplined school.

The subject of reading is generally taught with efficiency in most schools. In a number it is easy, sensible, distinct and correct, with due observance of pauses. In others it is, in some measure, spoiled by the manner. In the schools of which I have reported unfavorably it bore all the symptoms of mere eye and tongue teaching; the words only not the sense were read. In some of the best schools, great pains is bestowed on the reading, places being lost for neglect of stops, mis-pronounciation of words, misplacing of emphasis, and for the use of improper tones.

In teaching spelling, there is much improvement in all the schools committed to my inspection. Writing from dictation is now pretiy generally practised, and in many schools with marked success. This is, without question, the most effcient way to teach the orthography of words.

In a considerable number of schools, the writing is neat, accurate and legible; and, in a few schools specimens of very fine penmanship were produced. In one school (No. 14, St. Malachie) very fine and excellent specimens were exhibited. The writing in that school is the best, and shows the most progress of any I have seen for many years. To excite emulation in other schools in teaching this useful art, I have carried with me, to exbibit in other schools, specimen leaves taken from the copy books of the scholars of said school, and I find these of much service in accomplishing my object. Teachers and scholars. consider them as a challenge, and some have taken up the challenge.

In many of the schools conducted by females a very objectionable practice prevails of confining the scholars to small-hand copies. Such a system should be done away with. Free and easy hand writing is most satisfactorily and safely taught by properly graduated steps. The most successful teachers adopt the following gradations, viz:
(1) Position of the body, and holding of the pen.
(2) Introductory strokes; curves, oval, \&c.
(3) Classified letters of the alphabet.
(4) Long words, with letters of easy formation, without capitals.
(5) Large hand lines without capitals.
(6) Round hand with capitals.
(7) Small hand of considerable size, with and without capitals.
(8) A round commercial hand.
(9) Running hand.

Some variety of hands may then be indulged in. A bad system prevails of allowing the children to buy their own writing materials. These are usually of the worst description. The best sets of copy books and copy lines are those of Foster, Mulhouser, McLoud, Swan, and Hernmax; Scout's are also good.

To the subject of arithmetic I have, in examining schools, paid particular attention. In about 30 to 35 it received the attention and care it deserves. The proportion of schools in which it is taught by a mere blind following of rules is, I find, not small. In such the business of teaching is merely mechanical.

In nearly all the schools under my inspection the number studying arithmetic has of late been very considerably increased.

In many schools arithmetical instruction is given entirely through books; rules are committed to memory without being explained; large numbers are added, substracted, multiplied and divided by those who cannot read them. In every school, teachers should be required to render every rule intelligent, by oral explanations to each individual child; and arithmetical questions should frequently be framed so as to have some practical bearing on the ordinary business. of life.

Though the study of grammar forms the principle constituent of education, I find its study altogether neglected in not a few schools; and in at least two: thirds of the schools in which some attention is paid to it the mode of teaching it is so defective, unintelligent and repulsive, that the time devoted to it is next to a waste of time, and often causes an utter aversion to its study. I have reason to believe that some teachers deny that they teach grammar, because they know either their own inability to teach it to any advantage to their pupils, or that they. cannot sustain the test of an examination. These imputations of total neglect or unprofitable teaching of this subject are not, however, to be charged upon all teachers. Not a few teach it intelligently and skilfully, yet I have to remark that in the schools of even such I found few classes far advanced.

Geography is very nearly as much neglected in our schools as grammar; and in a number of schools in which it is taught, children derive little benefit from it. The memory is burdened with names and technical terms without being accompanied by the understanding, or the eye aided by map exercises. Taught with such feeble methods, there cannot be but a poverty of results. It is true that in most schools a certain acquaintance with the superficial features of the globe, its territorial and political divisions, the local and relative situation of many countries, relative magnitude of rivers, mountains, \&c., isexhibited; but the whole science is too often degraded into the mere study of topography; and even of this the amount of instuction is very meagre. I attribute the imperfect
teaching of this interesting and useful subject of study partly to the incompetency of teachers, but principally to want of maps, of wall maps particularly.

History is professed in very few schools; what is taught is the mere outline contained in class books. This gives scholars but a very imperfect knowledge of it. It is, however, if properiy taught, better than none.

The elements of geometry, a good deal of practical mensuration, and algebra to simple equations, are taught in a small number of schools.

Latin and French are pretty well taught in a few schools. The French scholars examined by me showed considerable progress. Of seven schools in which the French is the medium of instruction, the reading, orthography and grammar of the language is tolerably well taught in six. The Greek language is as yet taught in none.
ln our common schools, needle work is entirely neglected. It forms no part of female instraction.

In closing this Report, I may be permitted to state that while I have refrained from interfering with, or even inquiring into the religious teaching of the individual schools of any class which fall under my inspection, I neglect not opportunities of calling attention to moral results, and encouraging teachers to aim at the acquisition of an influence resting upon some better foundation than force and fear. In addressing children, which is always done, often in the course, and always at the close, of every examination, I endeavor to impress upon them not merely diligence in acquiring knowledge and mastering every study in which they engage, as well as submitting to discipline, but to have their best feelings called forth, their noblest faculties exercised and their minds trained to an intelligent love of order, and an habitual practice of what is right, the blessing of the Most High to be asked both on the labours of the teacher and their own.

## READING.

The subject of reading generally covers too large a surface, and is wanting in depth, precision and reality. Much is read, but little is mastered; a large surface is gone over, but little of it is thoroughly explored; words are pronounced, but no meaning is often attached to them, and whole lessons are often read with considerable correctness, but on which the understanding is never exercised. No intelligent definition nor exemplification of words is given, nor dissecting of sentences, to give a knowledge of words to each other in sense and construction. In not a few schools lessons are merely read; in others teachers take parts of lessons for description, and endeavor to ascertain, by questioning, how much of what is read is recollected, and here and there explain a difficult word. In a few, and as yet only in a few, they do more: they explain and illustrate, and, taking the book as their guide, they enlarge upon particular parts of the description, and invite the pupils to express their ideas in language of their own. But our teachers should aim at something still better. They should make themselves so far masters of what is read as to be able to alter the plan of treatment in the brok, and bring out all the details in a vivì voce examination, taking care tha the whole examination is conducted in an animated, a judicious, simple, patient and graphic manner, and then make the scholars go over the same ground in the same vivà voce way. This method, however, supposes a well stored and a well trained mind. True teaching in reading consists in the healthy cultivation of the intellect, and the communication of knowledge with reference to its use and value, and the effective training of the voice, and exercising of it on every species of composition. Some of the most common faults in reading are hesitancy rapidity and indistinctness, bad articulation and slipping over words, marring the sense by improper pausing, slurring over and huddling syllables, sinking the voice
and giving it a singing tone at the end of every sentence, a too loud or too low tone of voice, and the practice, in some instances, of stopping at the end of lines without regard to the punctuation or to the thought. In not many schools do I find good reading made the subject of direct effort. Wherever 1 find the children understanding what they read, there, (if attention is paid to the training of the voice, ) reading is generally easy and expressive. Methods of teaching to read are improved most in orthoepy and pausing.

## WRITING.

The art of writing in the majority of schools is not sufficiently studied, and hence defects in methods of teaching writing. A few of the defects of method are want of proper system in teaching the elements, giving a small and scratchy character to figures, not joining the parts of letters, not all the letters of a word, a disregard to orthography, and mis-spelling left without correction, slovenly writing, and books dirty and defaced, inefficient superintendence during the time of writing, premature practice in writing without specimens before the hand is sufficiently formed. In many schools desks do not afford sufficient accommodation for writing, and in others both seats and desks are ill constructed to enable scholars to write with ease. But in several schools the writing is first rate, excellent in form, and very carefully executed. Wherever the teacher understands the principles and character of a good hand, where pupils are closely watched over when writing, made to compare and correct, and wherever care and punctuality are bestowed in often fixing the order of merit, I have found writing to be excellent.

## ARITHMETIC.

A much larger proportion of scholars is now receiving instruction in arithmetic than was at my first tour of inspection. In my first visits I met with very striking deficiencies in this department, and I find there are many yet. lattribute these to two things: first the powers of the mind are not sufficiently exercised, nor fully brought into action; second, the principles of calculation are not to a sufficient extent mastered and made familiar, nor is sufficient practice to make pupils accurate and expert in going through processes given in the majority of schools. There is in schools a failure in teaching the simple rules. In not a few, senior scholars do not understand the principles of numeration; an entire want of intellectual cultivation is found. The scholars are made mechanically to move in a certain track, but they have not been introduced to the rationale, and therefore do not know why the operations they perform will produce required results.

In the greater number of schools far too litle practice is given in the business rules of arithmetic; in others a lazy habit is indulged in referring too often to the multiplication table, and not to the memory; nor are scholars sufficiently checked for copying answers from each other: in this way they often copy each other's blunders. Giving promiscuous exercises in all the rules the pupils have gone over, is too much overlooked in all the schools. There is also too little of oral explanation and questioning upon the application of rules to business.

Mental arithmetic is only beginning to be taught in our schools; it is therefore premature to state anything respecting results.

But while I am compelled by a sense of duty to point out the foregoing sources of deficiencies, I have pleasure in alluding to favorable cases of arithmetical training. Both in simple and compound rules, hundreds of scholars explained the rationale with perfect clearness and accuracy. Skill in method and rapidity in operation were also exhibted. I have had accounts quickly and accurately wrought
by many pupils in all the higher as well as in the fundamental rules, and at once proved, when required. In a few schools, so versant are some senior scholars with the principles of calculation that they appeared to have little difficulty in casting up sums in any way they were required.

## GRAMMAR.

The proportion of scholars yet learning grammar is small. For this, teachers blame parents, and parents often blame teachers. I am convinced both are partly to blame. Neither know much of the advantage of a thorough practical knowledge of grammar, and hence their indifference about making it an essential branch of study, hence also the many defects in teaching it ; what is not well understood can never be efficiently taught. One great fault is that there is nothing in the method of communicating grammatical knowledge which habituates the scholar from the outset to connect grammar with spoken and written language, and to search for grammatical relations through the medium of the sense. In the majority of schools, owing to the incompetency of teachers, learning it is all rote work. The object of the teachers appears to be to cram into the heads of their scholars the words of the book, without any explanations, and, in answering questions, if they give the words exactly and correctly, as in the book, they are understood to know the meaning of the question and of its every word perfectly. I have often allowed teachers to go on questioning their classes and receiving answers in this way; then, take the class or classes, and interrogate them on the answers and definitions from their grammars which they gave, and I have found to my surprise that scarcely a single thing answered and repeated was understood. In this way, time is misspent and lost.

The etymology of grammar is very imperfectly taught in nine-tenths of our schools, and the derivation of words is seldom attended to. What is known is incidentally got, and is not the fruit of regular incessant training. Parsing and syntax are also very unintelligently and unprofitably taught. The matter which should flow spontaneously from the pupils requires to be extracted piece-meal, nothing being stated, how trifing soever, but in answer to a question, where, when they know the parsing, they cannot get on without leaning on the master, who puts a question for every answer however minute. I am not satisfied that scholars in general understand the rules of concord and government clearly. Few of them can explain the construction of complicated sentences. The reason is obvious: they are pushed on to syntax, and through syntax without understanding the rules of the language. The memory is exercised, but the understanding is not addressed. To the study of grammar and language far more attention should be given in our schools. Their study is peculiarly fitted for the youthful mind. It expands and refines the intellect, it aids and enriches the imagination, and strengthens the reasoning power. In a few schools, the subject of grammar is taught rationally, and the fruit of this was seen in the remarkable ease with which the scholars resolved various kinds of constructions. In one or two schools pupils are taught vivâ voce, in a clear, simple and instructive manner, beginning with the elementary poinis, and advancing gradually to higher matters.

## geography.

Far too few in our schools study geography. Its study is greatly hindered or limited for want of a sufficient number of wall-maps. The majority of schools have no maps. I am sure many of our teachers have not a sufficient knowledge of geography to teach it with advantage. I have met with several instances which I noted as symptomatic of superficial knowledge. Insufficiency is occasionally attributable to want of method, but generally to a defect of pains and application. I have often felt grieved to find pupils readily pointing out the four cardinal points on maps, and yet could not point to the east, west, north or south
part of the horizon. I have sometimes observed, when the simultaneous method was employed in examining, scholars often shelter thernselves under the knowledge of one or two clever pupils, but such, when tried in sections (rejecting the leaders) or individually made always, a poor and very unsatisfactory exhibition. The majority of teachers give little of geography to their scholars, besides details of names without the commonest information.

Table showing the Population of each Scholastic Municipality receiving instruction in the branches taught in Common Schools, decimally expressed.


Ratio of Children enrolled at the time of last examination, receiving instruction in Reading, Writing, Grammar, Geography and Arithmetic, to the population of the different Scholastic Municipalities, the number of Schools in operation being - 576 , of the total number of School Districts.


[^8]TABLE A.
Sfnopsis of Examinations, showing the Comparative State of Schools in the different Scholastic Municipilatities under my supervision.


## TABLE B.

Table giving a general view of the Engagements and Salaries of Teachers, School Roll Attendance, and of the number in each school studying the different branches generally taught in Common Schools.


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Grenville and Union, No Schools.

AGGREGATIONS OF TABLE B.

| Municipalitibs. |  |  |  |  | $\frac{e_{E}^{00}}{E}$ |  |  | \% |
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| Godmanchester.. | 385 | 255 | 138 | 139 | 178 | 244 | 55 |  |
| St. Anicet......... | 469 | 282 | 196 | 169 | 285 | 311 | 109 |  |
| Dundee.................................................................... | 243 | 185 | 96 | 119 | 138 | 125 | 48 | 2 |
| Huntingdon. | ${ }_{20}^{210}$ | 196 | 100 | 120 | 210 | 120 | 60 | 4 |
| Elgin. | 223 | 145 | 99 | 83 | 190 | 195 | 79 | - 8 |
| Stinchinbrooke | 443 652 | ${ }_{432}^{331}$ | 190 | 162 | ${ }^{287}$ | 299 | 128 |  |
| St. Jean Chrysoutome | 680 | 441 | 309 | 241 | 296 | 4270 | 116 | 12 |
| 1 Iommingford. | 848 | 624 | 385 | 339 | 508 | 531 | 269 | 20 |
| Montreal...................................................................... | 229 | 158 | 113 | 97 | 167 | 200 | 121 | 14 |
| St. Andrews... | 469 | 289 | 228 |  | 316 | 258 | 182 | 20 |
| Lachute ${ }_{\text {U }}$ We................................................................... | 363 | ${ }_{125}^{232}$ | 129 | 149 | 228 | 241 | 95 |  |
| Gore and Wentworth................................................................................................ | 269 600 | 135 | 8217 | 193 | 148 385 | 161 305 | 57 184 |  |
| Grenville...................................................................................................................... | No Sch |  | 217 | 199 | 335 | 305 | 184 |  |
|  | 5983 | 4078 | 2638 | 2149 | 3679 | 3888 | 1672 | 123 |

## TABLE C.

## Protestant Educational Institutions in the City of Montreal, receiving Government Grants.

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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Americain Presbyterian School....................... | 139 | 75 | 64 | 139 | 61 | 12 | 139 | 75 | 139 | 64 |  |
| British and Canadian School.............................. | 330 | 175 | 155 | 330 | 290 | 125 | 305 | 305 | 330 | 134 |  |
| Ladies Benevolent Society...................................... | 78 | 23 | 50 | 78 | 40 | - 26 | -26 | 30 | 78 | 51. |  |
| National School ( Church of England).............. | 154 | 70 | 84 | 154 | 80 | 65 | -80 | 130 | 155 | 84 | 20 |
| Model School, (Colonial Church Society).............. | 330 | 170 | 160 | 330 | 330 | 320 | 520 | 330 | 330 |  | 120 |
| Orphan Asylum School .................................... | 53 | 30 | 23 | 53 | 30 | 20 | 20 | 30 | 53 | 23 |  |
| School of Industry................................................... | 60 |  | 52 | 60 | 24 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 52 |  |
| Total.... | 1144 | 556 | 588 | 1144 | 855 | 623 | 950 | 970 | 1144 | 409 | 140 |

TABLE D.
Academies or High Schools.


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## TABLE E．

Protestant Superior Independent Schools，Montreal．


GRAND TOTALS OF TABLES B，C，D and E．

| TABLES． |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 空 } \\ & \text { 空 } \\ & \text { 蔹 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 导 } \\ & \text { 总 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 芯 } \\ \text { 品 } \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 号 } \\ & \text { 葡 } \\ & \text { 品 } \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ |  | 菭 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Table B．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 5983 | 5983 |  |  | 1235 | 3688 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Table C．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1144 | 7144 | 855 | 628 | 950 | 970 | 1144 |  |  |  |  | 400 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Table D．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 858 | 853 | 833 | 592 | 548 | 696 | 350 | 596 | 293 | 59 | 242 |  | 286 |  | 585 |  |  |  | 13 | 25 |
| Table E．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1424 | 1424. | 962 | 966 | 889 | 1044 | 123 | 401 | 118 | 234 | 290 | 280 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2020 |  |
| Totals．．． | 9404 | 9404 | 6329 | $3851$ | $3629$ | $2398$ | 1517 | 997 | 411 | 293 | 672 |  |  |  | 585 |  |  | $300$ | $620 \mid 20$ | 125 |

From the total of average school attendance，so far as I can ascertain， 1 in 7.2 of the rural population attend school， sad in Montreal，of the Protestant population，about 1 in 6.5 ．

## Exitract from the Report of Inspector Child.

I am glad, however, to be able to report a greater degree of activity in the academies and superior schools of my district; several new ones have been established, and received aid from the Legislature. Yet, the course of study pursued in them is far from being what the country needs, and I see but little prospect of improvement in it, as long as the law leaves the matter to be dealt with by the School Commissioners.

It has been exceedingly difficult to procure teachers for these schools, of superior instruction, without going to the States for them; and when we consider the impressions they are making upon the mind and character of our children, we ought to awake to renewed exertions to qualify them in our own institutions of learning, so as to give that education to the mass of our children which harmonizes : with the character of our country and its people.

In nearly all the municipalities in this district the people continue to be liberal in their contributions for schools and school houses. There are some of the best built, and most commodious of the latter, recently completed, which can be found in the land, and on which no incumbrances of debt remain. The school assessment is regularly laid and collected, almost without an exception, and the school funds are applied according to law, and not one case of delinquency has occurred out of the the twenty-five scholastical municipalities in my inspection district.

I am happy to say that wherever difficulties have unfortunately arisen, they have been successfully removed, and are being so ; and the angry feelings which too frequently attend them have been allayed, and harrnony and good will restored in due time.

It affords me the greatest pleasure to say that the confidence and good will of all parties to the schools in this district appears to continue toward me unabatedly, and those few individuals who were clamorous for some amendments in the School Acts seem to have become quiet about them, and I trust are deriving daily benefit therefrom, in educating their children under their own immediate guidance and control, and in accordance to their moral and religious views and belief.

Report of the Inspector of Model and Elementary Schools for the Counties of Saguenay and Tadousac.

To the Honorable P. J. O. Chauveau, Superintendent of Education For Lower Canada.

Sur,-I have the houor to transmit you my fifteenth Report on the condition of the elementary schools in my district.

Escoumains.-I visited the only school in this parish on the 24th of September last. The scholars are divided into four classes : in the first, reading (in which the pupils do pretty well) is taught; they also do a litte at writing, simple multiplication and grammar, those of the second class are beginning to read without spelling; in the third they spell, and in the fourth the children are at their alphabet. There are 35 pupils at the school, which is kept by a woman of about thirty. I observed by the journal that the school is without any rules, and that the scholars are very irregular in their attendance; no person visits the school.

Although the teacher has no diploma, I shall take the liberty of recommending her to you. This municipality, inhabited principally by poor labourers, has not the means of doing more than it does. The sum required to entite the school to a share of the grant is raised by voluntary contribution, a great part of which is subscribed (although he has no children) by the head of the commercial establishments which have formed the municipality. Were it not for the zeal of that gentleman, Escoumains would be without a school.

The pecuniary affairs of the municipality appeared to me to be in good order.
St. Fidele.-This municipality is divided into two school districts. The school of district No. 1 contains five classes: in the first the children read fluently, are beginning simple substraction, but understand little about it, and make the figures poorly, and know very little of their multiplication table; they also write a little; in the second they read fluently; in the third they spell and read tolerably well; in the fourth they spell a litte, and in the fifth are beginning syllables. A this school I found at the time of my visit 31 children present.

The school of district No. 2 is kept by a female teacher holding a diploma: in the first class the children read pretiy fluently; in the second they are begiming to read, in the third to spell and some of them to write. WhenI visited this school it was attended by 40 scholars.

Malbaic.-There are inthis municipality only four school districts in operation: they are Nos. 1, 2, 4 and 5. District No 1 has two schools, one for boys and one for girls: the boys school is kept by a young teacher holding a diploma, who divides his scholars into five classes: in the first class three pupils have gone through the greatest part of their grammar, three are learning to calculate interest, and the olhers compound addition; they have gone through the geography of North America, and are besides learning English and writing; in the second class the children read well, have got to the participles in grammar, and are learning writing; in the third and fourth classes they read passably, and in the fifih spell pretty well. At the time of my visit 35 boys attended this school.

The girls school is kept by a girl of twenty-1wo, a very apt teacher although she has no diploma. On visiting her school, 1 found 22 girls, divided into three classes : in the first, grammar, arithmetic and writing are successfully taught; in the second, reading and the multiplication table : in the third, spelling.

The teacher of school districf No. 2 divides his school into four classes. On my visit to this school, having found only 4 boys and 6 girls present, I was unable to make a regular examination; this state of things is the consequence of a difficulty between a large party of the rate-payers and the Commissioners, respecting the selection made by the latter of a lot for a new sclool house.

The school of district No. 4 is kept by a master. At the time of my visit, there were present only 9 boys and 6 girls, so I was unable to make a satisfactory examination; the number of pupils is 45. It is really lamentable to see a school so poorly attended in a district which contains a large number of children; I am informed by the teacher that there are never more than a third of the scholars present.

The school district No. 5 is kept by a master; his scholars are divided into three classes: in the first, arithmetic, granmar, geography, and writing are taught; in the second, spelling and reading ; and in the third spelling. There were pre selit, when I visited it, 24 children.
-The accounts and books seem to be in good order.
St. Agnes- - I am happy to retract what I said of St. Agnes in 1854. The way in which school affairs were then managed led me to think that there was not in the parish one friend to education; I am now obliged to acknowledge that was mistaken, for it now possesses two schools, and proposes, notw ithstanding present hard times, to establish another.

The two schoos now in operation are in districts Nos. 2 and 4. That of No. 2 is kept by a female teacher holding a diploma; she divides her scholars into three classes. The children of the first class read pretty well, write and do the simple rules of arithmetic; those of the second are beginning to read without spelling; and in the third they spell. At the time of my visit the school was attended by 37 children. I recommended for the third or fourth time that the space used as a school room should be separate from that occupied by the family of the teacher.

The school of district No. 4 is kept by a youth of sixteen who, appears able to teach an elementary school weil. His school is divided into four classes; in the first the children read fluently and do the simple rules. At the time of my visit, 22 boys and 20 girls were present.

St. Irénée.-There is still in this parish only one school; it is kept by a master. When I made my visit more than three-fourths of the children were absent, so that all the classes were in disorder. I examined those present, and found that there was not so much progress as in 1852 and 1853 : this is due to the irregularity of the attendance. While I was making my inspection, the scholars came in at all hours, and upon my noticing it to the teacher, he told me that the parents desired that this should be allowed!

Eboulements:-Since my last Report a fourth school district has been added to this municipality. I found all the schools in operation. No. 1 has two schools, one for boys and one for girls: that for boys is lepi by a teacher, who complains that, at least, the half of his pupils are constantly absent; I made those who were present read, parse, and cipher, all which they did pretty well; but with more assiduity might do better.

The girls school is kept by a female teacher, who also complained of the frequent absence of the children. Her scholars read and write pretty well, and are commencing grammar and arithmetic.

No. 3 is kepl by a teacher, who complains of the want of assiduity of his scholars and has good reason to do so; for, on visiting his school, I found only 9 children present.

Isle-aux-Coudres.-At the time of my visit, the four schools of this municipality were in operation.

In district No. 1 here are two schools, one called the School of the Church, and the other the School of the Parish. The Church School was attended at the time of my visit by 20 children; in the first class the children parsed a little, did sums in multiplication, and wrote copies; in the second they were beginning grammar and writing, and in the other classes they were learning reading and spelling.

Parish School : in the first class the children read in French and in Latin, have some knowledge of the map of the world, are learning writing and arithmetic as far as aliquot parts inclusively, in the second they learn reading, the multiplication table, and writing; the others learn reading and spelling,

No. 2: in this school the children parse tolerably, learn reading, arithmetic to aliquot parts inclusively, writing, spelling and geography; the childrentare frequently absent.

No: 3 : he children parse tolerably, do the simple rule of three, and learn reading, writing, and spelling; the children are also frequently absent., ,

I shall terminate my Report by informing you that I am happy to be able to say that there has been some progress made, and alibough it is not very remark. able, everybody admits that it is worth what it cosss he rate-payers. Ido not mean that we should stop at his, no Sir, we require model, chools in our county, and for this we need money. As the inhabitants here are too poor to bear the
expense, it is absolutely necessary that the Government should come to their aid, and give the people more money than is allowed at present. It is useless to repeat what I have said in all my preceding Reports; I only wish it to be understood that it should not be neglected to establish superior schools, at a time when a disposition is everywhere shown to second the efforts of the Legislature. The prejudices which were entertained against education exist no longer, and in all the municipalities there are schools, and the people are desirous of increasing their number. Does not the number of independent schools of itself show that it is time to have model schools, where French and English shall be taught?

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
C. CIMON,

School Inspector.

## Extract from the Report of Inspector Crepault.

## St. Valier, 25th October, 1856.

Sir,-You will see by my statistics that popular instruction has again this year made great progress in my district of inspection. The law works admirably. There is not one parish or one school district without a school. The people, far from being opposed to the Educational Law, regard it as a benefit accorded by a Legislature whose views are unceasingly directed to the advancement of the moral and the physical prosperity of the country. The enemies of the cause have disappeared, to give place to warm and zealous friends of education, whose earnest desire is the improvement and the happiness of the rising generation. The father of a family exults to see his children acquiring the knowledge essentially necessary for a citizen called to render service to the community. Deeply grieved at his own total want of it, he consoles himself by devoting a part of his property to the instruction of his children, in order that he may afterwards behold them acting that part in life which he himself was unqualified to take.

The number of masters and mistresses furnished with diplomas is much increased. I have not in my district of inspection ten schools entrusted to unskilful hands. The body of teachers offers at present strong guarantees and is fully equal to its position both in regard to devotedness and activity, and to the attainments required by the law. The salary of the teacher is augmented, and it would be well to have it now fixed by the law, in order that we may not have the mortification of seeing those who are well qualified displaced by the ignorant and useless, who, unable to gain anything else, engage for a miserable salary.

The master finds himself now better lodged than ever, for the number of school houses has greally increased. New ones are rising in all the municipalities, and these are so constructed as to give much additional comfort.

The School Commissioner, valuing bighly the advantages of education, makes no difficulty about setting aside his daily labours to visit his schools, in order that he may give a good account of what is going on there. He is punctual in his examinations, and the numbers who attend them evidently prove how much the people feel interested in the instruction of their children. Nevertheless I regret to have 10 say that in some localities, difficulties have arisen springing from the ignorance of the Commissioners, and this tells us clearly enough that it is absolutely necessary to require from them some literary qualification,

You will see by my statistics that the number of children attending the schools has greatly increased this year. The number of superior schools for girls
has also augmented. It is seldom we find a municipality withont either the one or the other. Bellechasse may well be proud of its schools, for besides several model and superior schools for girls, it boasts a handsome college, which is every year making rapid advances. Superintended by directors and professors worthy of the name, it already reckons a number of students. This establishment is provided with an English teacher, a music master, and four other professors. In my opinion the instruction given in this institution is well adapted to the wants of the country.

St. Michel, not satisfied with having founded this establishment, has just opened a reading room under the name of Institute, where mutual instruction may be given.

The friends of education and the people in general are in expectation not of a new law but of reforms and amendments in the present. We can no longer conceal from ourselves the fact that the Superintendent of Education and the Inspectors have need of more ample powers, that they may be enabled to cut short the difficulties which are constantly arising in the municipalities. Experience every day proves to us that they must be invested with a more complete control. Every one knows that the want of a normal school is a great obstacle to the advancement of education : from that want spring a host of disadvantages, such as the multiplicity of systems, the want of uniformity in books.

I have spoken at length in my last Report of the amendments indispensably necessary to be made in the present Law of Education, and to that I refer the reader.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
J. CREPAULT, School Inspector.

## Report of Inspector Consigny.

## Honorable P. J. O. Chauveau,

 Superintendent of Education, Montreal.Sir,-I regret sincerely that circumstances over which I had no control have prevented me from transmitting to you earlier the present Report, along with the statistical tables for the year 1855. Have the goodness to believe that I can well. appreciate the nature of that trouble which even the least delay in the transmission of Reports, \&cc., may cause you. Trust me, that for my part I would have been able in 1855 to accomplish that portion of my duties, if I had not been obliged to intermit my visits at the end of last November; but, owing to a very severe and serious attack of peripneumony contracted in making my visits, 1 was obliged to discontinue them.

I go on to some observations which ought to form the basis of this Report. Although they are not so circumstantial as I would have desired to present to you, still I think they are of a nature to show that the great cause of Education perceptibly gains ground.

In fact, at present, the absolute necessity of instruction attracts the attention of many. This may be said with truth, and I have great pleasure in being able to state that the punctuality of parents in sending their children to school becomes every year more and more evident. This fact is doubtless of happy augury, and gives vast room to hope for a prosperous future.

I have this year given special attention to the state of money matters, and must say that in the majority of the municipalities I found it satisfactory. The School Commissioners have certainly given more attention than usual to these affairs. There are, however, some municipalities where arrears to a considerable amount have been allowed to accumulate. I bave taken pains to make the Commissioners of these municipalities understand that even if there should have been received a sum sufficient to meet the expenses incurred during the year, still the surplus, if there is any, ought in justice to be collected. I have done my best to convince them of the necessity there is for their demanding payment regularly from the rate-payers, because those who, are solvent to-day may at a future period become insolvent.

I flater myself that I shall be able to say in my next Report that the advice and counsels I have thought it my duty to give have been adopted and exactly followed out.

In some municipalities I found too many school districts. I thought it right for the sake of the real progress of education, to call the attention of the Commigsioners of these municipalities to this subject which has its own share of importance, and to take the necessary measures for making whatever reduction shall be thought proper.

It is with pleasure I assure you that, generally speaking, education has for some years back made great progress in my circuit. The number of children attending the schools has not, it is true, much increased, but at least I am able to say that those who have regularly atlended the schools prove, by the readiness with which they reply to questions asked them, that they have profited by the lessons taught them.

These documents ought to have been transmitted to you a month ago, but for the reason already given, it was impossible for me to send them. I must own that there are some municipalities which I was not able to visit myself, but with respect to these I took the measures necessary to obtain the information wanted for my slatistical tables. It must be acknowledged that there is in them some blanks, which, however, I shall not fail to fill up iu my next Report.

I cannot better conclude than in soliciting anew the favor of your indulgence.
I have the honor to be,
With the highest consideration,
Your very humble obedient servant,

St. Cesaire, 7th February, 1856.

Report of Mr. Dorval, School Inspector for the Counties of Berthier and Leinster. Honorable P. J. O. Chauveau, Superintendent of Education, Lower Canada.

Sir,-I have the honor to transmit to you the first Report of my school visits. It is far from being all I conld wish it, for I have been obliged to omit a great number of details of which I had only taken notes for my own use, not supposing that I would have to send in my Report so soon. I thought it necessary to make. a preliminary visit, in order to prepare myself for the duties of an office which, like all others, and more than some others, requires a sort of apprenticeship. But the months of July, August, and part of September, are vacation; it was
therefore the 20th of September last before I was able to set out on my journey, which was often interrapted, as well on account of the bad roads as in order to attend to special business which you had entrusted to me.

So, in this visit, which I made, as it were, to form a system of inspection, and make myself acquainted with the people and the localities, I have not been able to collect notes of anything new or striking respecting the usual and principal object of these visits. With regard the statistics I have not even regularly followed the order prescribed in the General Order of the Department; I noted down only what struck me most. The statistical tables of the first thirteen municipalities which I went over have suffered from the hastiness of my visits; I hoped to be able to go over these municipalities again, but your requesting me last November to send in my Report has not allowed me time to do so; I therefore send it in as it is, sincerely boping that the general remarks which it contains wrill in some degree make up for its other deficiencies.

When I inspected the County of Berthier, several schools were not yet open, and a great number of the pupils of those which were opened were still working in the fields: this is what makes the number of scholars appear less than it really is, and ofien mach less than it was the year before.

The number of pupils of the three classes of reading ought to equal in my tables the total number of pupils of each school; but in general I have included in these three classes only the children present at school, and whom I have heard read; while to ascertain the total number of pupils I had recourse to the journal of the teacher, from which I took all the names inscribed, even of those not present at the time of my visits.

In fine, if the mission of the School Inspector be not so much to discover and suggest new theories as to assist in and superintend the carrying out of the present law, which will soon have the prestige of antiquity; if above all I may count on some of that indulgence which every debutant is entitled to expect, I will console myself for the want of piquantcy in my remarks; but I shall always regret their not being more complete and worthy of presentation to you.

I have the honor to be,

> Sir,

Your very_humble and obedient servant,

A. D. DORVAL, School Inspector.

L'Assomption, 2nd'January, 1856.

## GCFOOL HOUSES AND GROUNDS.

I have been surprised to see every where, with some rare exceptions, such small school houses. They are also almost all wanting in that elegance in the distribntion of the apartments and in the exterior and interior arrangements, which, however trivial it may appear, is nevertheless where it exists, a source of real enjoyment to the teacher, as its absence is a cause of disgust and ennui.

In general the school houses where I found these approaches to order and comfort, indicated the amount of the zeal and attention of the School Commis sioners in the cause of education; for the comfort of the teacher, who has in reality a home in the school, is a species of encouragement quite equal to many others. Were they better lodged and better paid, it would be more easy to find good teachers, who being pleased with their position would every day make new efforts to entitle themselves to retain it long. If I appear to estimate very high a long residence of ihe teacher in the district, it is because I think that there
must ensue from it relations and ties of friendship between him and those by whom he is surrounded, the results of which may be very advantageous for both parents and children. For all is not accomplished when the children have learnt to read, to write and to cipher, and are able to read their prayer books at Church, (porter leur livres à l'église; ) if after leaving school they throw aside books writing and all, what benefit will they have derived, from the fine and costly germ of instruction? But as there is nothing more instructive, or more calculated to excite the desire of knowledge, than daily intercourse with persons of education, if the former teacher, and actual friend, of the children, were near them, to keep alive by his evening conversations with them, their old habits of study, to inspire them with a taste for instructive reading, guide them in their choice of books and assit them by explanations and advice, the teacher, whom 1 suppose what he ought to be, that is to say moral and well educated, becomes the guide of all those who surround and listen to him ; his school is a school for adults, often an evening school : such will be the consequences of a prolonged residence in the same district.

My tables of statistics do not give the dimensions of the school houses or of the grounds; they are stated in the detailed Report of my predecessor, and as: they are the same still, I thought it would be useless repetition to insert them here. I shall only observe that the neighboring highway is generally the children's only play ground and that the lots are badly fenced, if enclosed at all.

1 know not if it be from want of means or from parsimony that the Commissioners have the greater part of their school houses without double sashes for the winter; however that may be, the single sashes at that season present such a surface: of jee, that it requires a violent heat of the stove to counteract its effect. From an ice house the school is in less than twenty minutes converted into a hot furnace; a change so sudden that the health of both children and teacher can hardly fail to suffer from it.

If under this heading I point out as obstacles to the progress of education some things which have no direct effect on the operation of the schools, it is because I consider as against education everything that is against the teacher.

- The teacher is a functionary whose position must be made agreeable to him, if we wish him to be worthy of his vocation; but when badly lodged, and badly paid, it happens with him, as it generally does with the functionary who dislikes his office, or who, from the smallness of his salary, is reduced to all sorts of expedients for a living, that he performs his duties badly.


## INTERNAL REGULATION OF SCHOOLS.

In general, the smallness of the school room prevents the classification of the children according to the subjects of their studies; it follows that, when the teacher calls a class, the going and coming of the children who have to take their places before him disturbs the others, and occasions loss of time or dissipation. I do not like the ordinary form of the desks, which are made in such away that the children seated at them are face to face, and look much more at one another than at their books; besides which petty quarrels for possession of half of the desk occasion loss of time, and trouble the harmony of the schools. I would like the desks to be made single and be occupied only by the pupils of the same class, who in that case would not have, in order to say their lessons, to move or disturb the others.

Of the 34 municipalities of my inspection district, I know only of three in which the Commissioners have made rules for the internal regulation of the schools ; as might be expected, both male and female teachers complain greatly of this; without fixed rules to guide them, and dependent as they are upon the

Commissioner, they are constantly uneasy and anxious. I have been frequently asked for rules; but I am waiting till another visit shall have made me better acquainted with the more essential points in the internal regulation of schools, to make rules of which the general bearing will be adapted to all schools; and I shall then have the honor, with your permission, of submitting them for your examination.

For my part I am yet unable to suggest any means of removing an obstacle 10 the progress of the children, the extent of which is much to be regretted. I allude to their irregular attendance at school. Besides the inevitable but exceptional cases of sickness, of want of clothes amongst the poor, of their parents requiring them at home, I have frequently discovered with pain that its most frequent cause isithe apathy of the parents.

SCHOOL BOOKS.
The great variety of books used is a serious impediment to the progress of public instruction. I found such a number of them that although I have been frequently requested, I have not been nor am I yet able, for want of time, to examine them all, to give my opinion on the selection which I could recommend: I have therefore left things as they were, hoping for the best.

The inconsiderate readiness to change books in the schools, and the want of uniformity in those which are used, arise in a great measure from the practice still more injurious of changing masters almost every year, the teacher has his favorite books, those which he has always used; he is no sooner established in a district than he wants to introduce them ; the parents, who find it difficult enough to replace worn out books, complain, and often with good reason, of being obliged to buy new books, while those last purchased are still good. It is very true that the selection of books is in the discretion of the Commissioners, and that by law. the teacher can do nothing in the matter. But in most cases the Commissioners pay very little attention to the subject, and even if they were to do so, the teacher having the advantage of education, would easily convince them of the superiority of the books which he prefers; the parents would complain, and the poor children be obliged in order to read their lessons, to pass from one to another the two or three volumes which they possess. I have always thought, and this is the proper place to say it, that, spelling excepted, for which special books are needed, books intended to be used in passing from spelling, to reading without spelling, are of no use; that in order to read the Duty of a Christian it is not necessary to go through the "Instruction de la Jeunesse," the "Testament;" in this I am supported by the experience of several teachers who have put their pupils from A B C at once to read the Duty of a Christian, and have succeeded well with this method.

I regret very much that some of our enterprising citizens do not undertake the publication of a map of the world, a map of Canada, and a general map of Europe and America, on a much larger scale than those now in use in our pri-: mary schools. The things which I would think most desirable in such maps would be strength of outline, clearness, and cheapness. The most of the maps which we get from Europe do not agreee with our geographies, and not being designed for us, Canada is barely sketched, and that on the smallest scale; in fine I would that the mural maps should be large enough to make any point indicated by a scholar visible to the whole school.

## MULTIPLICITY OF SUBJECTS TAUGHT.

The mulliplicity of branches which the teachers wish, in emulation of one another, to teach is another impediment to the progress of the
pupils; I here allude only to the elementary schools. I know a school which no sooner numbers a dozen children able to read without spelling, than the greatest haste is made to burden their memories with a little English, a little arithmetic, a little natural history, a little lineary drawing, a little sacred history, the utility of all which 1 am pleased to acknowledge; but to perfecting their scholars in their own language, in reading and writing, arithmetic necessary for tradesmen, or in commercial affairs, the geography and history of their own country, there is not sufficient attention paid, and it is too easily forgotten, that these things are essentially the foundation of the instruction of our children. Nevertheless it seems to me that each of these subjects, besides being of daily practical use, offers to the teacher desirous of developing the intellect of the most forward of his pupils, a field sufficiently vast and interesting. However useful the study of the English language may be, I think that its premature introduction into many schools is an abuse. I do not see the need that the son of a French Canadian farmer has of a language not his own, and which can never become so, unless he study it equally with his mother tongue, a language which he intends hardly ever to speak, and which he has still less need to read, a language which has not even the advantage, like the dead languages, of teaching him the etymology of his own; I do not, at all events, sec that his need of it is sufficiently pressing that we should incur the risk of neglecting necessary studies without after all succeeding in acquiring a satisfactory or even an appreciable knowledge of English.

With respect to the other branches, such as natural history, lineary drawing, \&c., if they were studied seriously, they would certainly be of some benefit to the more advanced pupils, by serving to develope their judgment ; but in all the elementary schools which I have visited, the study of these subjects is merely an affair of the memory. I will do my best to remedy the inconveniencies resulting from the great variety of school books, as well as those arising from the great number of branches which the teachers take upon themselves to teach. I shall, however, wait until you think proper to communicate to me your views upon this matter.

If a great many parents were less apathetic, their children would not be without books, paper, and everything else necessary for their education. They allege as an excuse the distance to the store, the loss of time necessary to go for them, or else the high price of the articles; these are doubtless bad reasons, but that does not prevent them from doing a great deal of harm. I would like that the books, so tospeak, should go to meet the children at school; for this nbject, if the Commissioners were to entrust every teacher with books chosen by the Inspector of the county from amongt those approved by the Board of Examiners to be sold at cost price to the children of his school district; if besides this they were to deposit at every school house a certain number of copies, of which poor children should be allowed the use gratis, and which would be sold to the other children, there would then be no reason for pupils being without articles so indispensable as books, paper and pens. The monthly fees are at present in general a merely nominal rate; let the law require the Commissioners to raise it a litte, and employ the surplus in the purchase of books. I know of no teacher who would not, for the benefit of his pupils, willingly lake the trouble of selling these articles. An arcount of these sales might be required every six months, and this the teacher could furnish to the Secretary Treasurer at the same time as his school journal.

MALE AND FEMALE TEACHERS.
Of the teachers whom I have seen very few practise their profession by choice or vocation; the greatest part of them are teachers by accident, and the reason
of this is quite natural ; teachers have been alwaysso little and so badly paid that no person would take the situation except for necessity. Those who, from necessity, devote themselves toteaching, are from the same cause constantly obliged to strain after a higher salary, and with this object to change from one municipality 10 another. The children change masters and change books, and lose an immense deal of tirne in accustoming themselves to the system of every new master; truly I see nothing more prejudicial to the general cause of public instruction, nothing which depreciates it more in the eyes of the people, than this migration (excuse the word) of teachers looking for a living and scarcely anywhere finding one.

1 know a school district where the Commissioners have changed masters three times in three years; as might be expected, there are there children brighteyed, with features full of intelligence, who have been at school from three to four years, and who yet could hardly read without hesitating. The greater part of the Commissioners call this a saving of money; the child loses his time, and the time and money of his parents, loses confilence in his own ability and intelligence, and becomes discouraged: the parents blame the teacher, who throws the fault upon his predecessor; then the Commissioners, to please the school district, change teachers again, and again, and always they save money. I would esteem myself happy if, by my exertions, my imporiunity even, I should bucceed in producing some change in this system of mistaken economy.

Our superior educational institutions, colleges, academies, and others, furnish every year a large number of peisons of education; let these be attracted to teaching by the prospect of reasonable and sufficient salaries, and we shall soon see a new generation of teachers replace the present incapable schoolmasters, and raise the profession of teaching from the abject condition to which. prejudices have caused it to fall. In a country like ours, the most useful calling ought to be the rnost honorable; let a short time pass, and why shall not the diploma of the well paid teacher, whose high mission it is to monld the heart and train the intellect, be considered as equal to the parchment which in our times in general gives (so to speak) to the professional man only the right of vegetating without advantage for himself, or utility to any one else, so much are the professions over-crowded.

In general the Commissioners are not sufficiently strict in exacting, before engaging them, a certificate of qualification from female teachers; the result is that the Inspector, to avoid making the children lose the rest of the year, is obliged to tolerate persons very poorly qualified.

I regret that I can say nothing about the model schools of my district; 1 count only three, and even these are noihing more (properly speaking) than good elementary schools, such as all our clementary schools ought to be. The 14 or 15 colleges, convents and academies, in my district, are all that they ought to be. In my next Report I will have occasion to speak of them at more length; let it suffice for the present to say, in passing, hat these fire and useful institutions are in no respect inferior to those with which I am acquainted in other parts of the country. I only regret that the number of establishments in which an academical course is followed is so limited. I have also to regret that I have been able to meet the Commissioners only in a few parishes, and that accidentally; for from want of time I was obliged to adopt a course of inspection so irregular that I could not give them timely notice of my visit. I, however, owe it to justice to say that I found the greater part of those whom I did see, if not always very enlightened, at least well disposed and sometimes even zealous; but I cannot say if their zeal was accompanied by steadiness of purpose. It has, it is true, been frequently said to me that, the Inspector once out of sight, his coansels are very soon forgotten; bat
if this be so, how can it be helped? Besides, what can the Inspector do more than give his advice?

In fine, Sir, if this, my first examination, has not enabled me to judge if public instruction is stationary or progressive in my district, it has sufficed, imperfect, hurried even as it has been, to justify me in saying that there is almost every where, I ought almost to say every where, a desire for instruction, that I have above all things found intelligence and honesty; some remaining prejudices, it is true, deteriorate these fine qualities; but with a little more patriotism or charity on the part of people of education, and with the help of God, time will soon do the rest.

> I have the honor to be,
> Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

A. D. DORVAL,<br>School Inspector.

## Extract from the Report of Mr. Germain, Inspector for the Counties of Laval. Terrebonne and Two Mountains.

Having lately had the honor of submitting to you the statistics of the schools which I have inspected, I now take the liberty of adding, to complete my Report, some remarks and observations upon the result of my visits during the year eighteen hundred and fifty-five.

I will restrict myself to showing, by facts and figures, that altbough the progress for that year in the number of pupils compared with the preceding year is not very striking, it is none the less evident that the schools in the counties of which I have the inspection are rapidly improving.

The numercus complaints which had been made against the local authorities charged with the excution of the law have frequently occasioned difficulties which threatened to destroy that good understanding so necessary to all progress. I have the satisfaction of saying that there remain few of these difficulties unsettled, and that I hope to see no new ones rise. Obvious as is the intellectual progress of the past year, apparent in the comparative sketch which follows these remarks, the astonishing efforts of several localities, in emulation of one another, in material improvements, prove beyond a doubt that their praiseworthy rivalry will soon place the counties under my control amongst those best provided with superior and classical educational institutions.

College of St. Thérèse de Blainville.-This establishment has already acquired a reputation which ranks it with the best clerical colleges of this country. The increasing number of its pupils speaks more strongly than I can of its efficiency.

The new Masson College at Terrebonne.-The old buildings bought for $£ 300$ by Madame Masson in the year 1847, heing insufficient to accommodate the inmates of the college, it was decided to erect a new building; and in the spring of 1855 , the foundation of a new college of the following dimensions: was laid

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The principal part of the building, which is of cut stone, has a frontispiece ornamented with the following inscription on white marble:
"Masson College, founded in 1847 by Mrs. Masson widow of the Honorable "Joseph Masson, and destined, under the patronage of St. Joseph, to agricultural, " commercial and industrial education. 1855."

Mrs. Masson has generously given $£ 1000$ towards the construction of the new building, and the contributions of the parishioners of Terrebonne now amount to $£ 500$; the grant from the Legislature may be estimated at an equal sum, so the building has been undertaken with a fund of $\mathcal{£} 2000$, and will require about as much more to complete it. There is reason to hope that the Institution will be as successful in the new building as heretofore, and that the Legislature and the friends of the establishment will be induced to furnish means of promptly and completely finishing the edifice. It accomodates 200 students, and is situated at the eastern extremity of Terrebonne on a height which overlooks the river and village.

In its general appearance the edifice may compare favorably with any other of the same sort in the country. For the regularity of its achitectural proportions, remarkable for elegance and simplicity of style, it is indebted to the Rev. J. B. Peltier, Priest and Principal of the institution, and Rev. Mr. Théberge, Curé of Terrebonne, who bas sacrificed both time and money in the direction of the works.

On the first of November, 1855, Masson College numbered within its walls 186 pupils, under the charge of 12 professors and the Principal. It does not, like the old colleges, follow what is called in this country a classical course: its special design is to give in both languages an education to its pupils which shall fit them for agricultural, commercial or industrial pursuits. This species of instruction has gained for it so large a share of the public patronage that the new building was an absolute necessity. As the greater part of the teachers are ecclesiastics, and the rules of the establishment require that this should be the case as far as possible, there is a course of instruction for the special purpose of preparing teachers in accordance with the rules of the house. This of itself sufficiently indicates that Masson College should not be classed amongst those establishments in which all the pupils without distinction are required go through a classical course.

This institution last year obtained from the Legislature a grant of $£ 400$, as well for annual aid as to assist in building. The erection of the new building, as well as the necessary improvements demanded by the progress and the increas ing number of students, would require a much larger appropriation.

The library, from want of funds to increase it, contains only 800 volumes. The elementary principles of agriculture are regularly taught in the classes; and it is the intention of the Directors, as soon as their rescources will permit, to join the practice to the theory.

Judging from appearances the new building will be open for the beginning of the classes in 1856, and will rival the finest specimens of the sort in this country.

Laval College.-The year 1855 also witnessed the erection, as it were by enchantment, of the new College of Laval, situated on one of the finest sites in Canada, on a plateau commanding the village of St. Vincent de Paul, six miles from Terrebonne and ten from Montreal. Having already in my Report of last year described the course of instruction pursued at that Institution, and how and by what means it was founded, I shall content myself with noticing the increase in the number of pupils,-an increase which would have been much greater if the new building had been completed, for the Superior found himself under the painful necessity of refusing boarders, for want of proper accommodation.

The administrative body consists of the Priests, Superior, Directorand Bursar; Professors, of whom two are Priests and two laymen, superintend the studies of the pupils according to the system laid down in the programme of the institution. 110 pupils are there taught in a manner which gives satisfaction as well to their own relations as to the friends of education in general. The
inhabitants of St. Vincent de Paul again distinguished themselves by their contributions towards the erection of the new building, and the Legislature has also come to their assistance by voting them $£ 300$. The progress of this Institution will render it necessary to have recourse to a loan to finish the building, in the hope of further assistance from the Legislature.

New Educational Establishment at St. Euslache.-A new educational establishment was also founded in the fine and flourishing village of St.Eustache, in 1855. The Brothers of St. Joseph, who conduct the establishment, have at their head a Priest Director, and two Brothers, Professors. The tuition embraces, reading, writing, grammar, arithmetic, the elements of ancient and modern. history, geography, book-keeping, lineary drawing, surveying; the rudiments of astronomy and of literature; the English and French languages are taught with equal care and attention. The branches included in the foregoing programme form a course of three years, exclusive of the preparatory class. To supply the requirements of the establishment, the School Commissioners have erected this year a fine brick house sixty feet in front by thirly-six in depth, two stories in height, with attics, and covered with sheet iron; this house presents an agreeable appearance, and is built on a lot of ground of about three acres in superficies, belonging to the vestry; the probable cost will not be less than $£ 1000$, of which £275 was raised by subscription to which the young Seignior of the place failed not to contribute his share ; the rest was raised by loan, in the hope of obtaining. a grant from Government. I have often expressed io the School Commissioners of St. Eustache, in my various communications with them, my desire to see them throws. aside that apathy and indifference which kept their village school, considering. the importance of the place, a mere nullity. But the satisfaction which must be felt by all those who visit the new establishment, the good conduct of the pupils, the clearness and unhesitating manner in which they answer the questions put to them, do honour to the parish of St. Eustache, and show more conclusively than ever what rapid progress can be made with union and perseverance.

I must now give the names of the persons entitled to the credit and bonour: of this undertaking: they are Julien Gatineau, Curé, Principal; Louis Ouimet, Jean Bte. Proulx, Jean Bte. Paquin, Edouard Lefèbrre.

General Statement of Statistics of the Counties of Laval, Terrebonne, and Lake of Two Mountaine.

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|  | St. Martin, | 8 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 3 | 7 | 541 |
|  | ( Terrebonne | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 4. | 362 |
|  | St. Anne,.... | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 185 |
|  | New Glasgow, | 1 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 198 |
|  | St. Jerome, | 2 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 7 | 3 | 446 |
|  | St. Janvier,.. | 3 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 187 |
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|  | St. Scholastique, | 3 | 12 | 9 | 11 | 5 | 10 | 623 |
|  | St. Joseph, | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 121 |
|  | St. Benoit, .. | 1 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 8 | 347 |
|  | St. Hermas, | 1 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 265 |
|  | St. Placide, . . . | 1 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 223 |
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Comparative Statement showing the Progress made during the year 1855.


The parish of St. Columban is without any school, as you may see by this table. It is true that this municipality is poor, but it is also ill disposed. The parish of St. Sauveur is not yet incorporated as a municipality, although it has a school: I have put it in my statistics amongst independent schools; I shall hereafter have occasion to request the erection of that parish into a municipality.

> I have the honor to be,
> Sir,

Your most humble and devoted servant, (Signed, CESAIRE GERMAIN, School Inspector.

Report of Mr. Hubert, Inspector of the School Municipalities of the Town of Three-Rivers and the Counties of St. Maurice and Champlain, in Lower Canada, for the first half year of 1855.

## Yamachiche, 7th July, 1855.

SIR,-I have the honor to transmit to you, with the present Report, the statistics of my school inspection for the first six months of the year 1855.

The hope cherished by the friends of public instruction, to see the general desire of a reform in the administrative system of schools realized, must for the present be relinguished. - Weighty reasons of expediency have without doubt led to this; nevertheless I cannot refrain from stating that the state of schools and the public interest demand the fusion of the existing laws into a code better adapted to present wants and circumstances.

That which seems to be the prominent defectinoursystem of public instruction, that which is the primary cause of the slow progress we make, is the inversion of the administrative powers of the department, too much discretionary power allowed to the School Commissioners, who find themselves, so to speak, overburdenned and paralysed by it, too little control over them on the part of the Chief of the Department and his deputies, the School Inspectors.

The varied information which the Legislature has collected from various sources is a strong assurance of its solicitude for an object difficult of attainment, and it is after all better to defer action for another year than to hurry through a defective measure. Let us, therefore, endeavour to do the best we can with the means now at our disposal.

It would be superfluous for me to repeat the details contained in the statistical tables; I shall therefore restrict myself to some general supplementary remarks, intended as a review of my three years of inspection.

In the month of January last I visited the school municipalities of Dumontier, (St. Léon) de Maskinongé, of River du Loup, of St. Didace, of St. Paulin and of St. Ursule; in the month of March I inspected those of the Banlieu of Three Rivers, of the fief St. Maurice, of Gatineau, (St. Barnabe,) of la Pointe du Lac, of St. Sévère, of the Town of Three Rivers, and of Yamachiche, in the County of St. Maurice ; in the month of May I went over those of Visitation, of Champlain, of St. Anne de Lapérade, of St. Francois Xavier de Batiscan, de St. Geneviève of Batiscan, of St. Mary de la Cape de la Madeleine, of St. Maurice, of St. Prospère, and St. Stanislas de la Rivière des Envies, in the County of Champlain.

Dividing my time in this way, I am enabled, without much injury to my health, to pay the proper attention to matters, and fulfil the duties of each half year.

At St. Leem, I found only one good school, that of the village, kept by Mr. Harman, an able teacher of about 52 years of age; he holds adiplomas, and deserves a higher salary, having, with 64 children under his charge, only $£ 45$ a year. The other schools could hardly be called satisfactory; one of them was kept by Mr. Paquin, who holds a diploma. Of the seven remaining female teachers, only one, Miss Dupaul, possesses the necessary qualification; the others, although of the lawful age, have not a thorough literary qualification. In this municipality the Commissioners show something of an egotistical and arbitrary spirit. Mr. George Caron, the Secretary Treasurer, keeps the accounts well.

At Maskinomge six schools out of eight were satisfactory; that kept by Mr. Henry, who holds a diploma, and is possessed of talents and energy suitable to his calling, was particularly so. I cannot say as much for those kept by Mr. Houde and Miss Lavergne, who both hold diplomas. In this parish the Commissioners have, by resolutions in open controvention of the law, aliowed each school district the amount of its own assessment, irrespective of the number of children between seven and fourteen residing in it, and have also allowed them to stop paying the monthly fees; nevertheless the school houses are in need of repairs, and the salaries of increase; yet the Commissioners are taking a method which will not furnish them means of providing for these objects. In order to put them on their guard they have been remonstrated with upon this subject. Mr. Lajoie, the Secretary Treasurer, keeps the accounts in very good order.

At Riviere du Loup I was very well satisfied with the schools of Messrs. Tétreau and Ringuette, and of Miss Berthe and Miss Allarie, who all hold diplomas, and are very able teachers. These are good schools, but those kept by Miss Coulombe and Miss Beland, teachers of very little ability, are only middling, and have very few scholars. Mr. Ringuette's salary, which is only £45, ought to be increased. At the village, the girls school, kept by Miss Bonnet, a competent teacher, was closed for the vacation, but I already knew ihis school to be one deserving of praise. This teacher also deserves more than her present salary of £2j. The Commissioners, however, seem to be active. I saw in the accounts of the previous Secretary Treasurer, whose place is now filled by Mr. Louis Bonnet, some notable errors, which I pointed out to the Commissioners, and told them to see to the matter promptly: I have since been informed that they had done so and it was settled; there is reason to hope that the books will in future be better kept.

At St. Didace, a new school municipality, there are two schools: one is pretty gond, the other only middling; the two female teachers have not as yet obtained diplomas, according to the statute. There is more goodwill than skill in the management of affairs; and a great deal would be left undone, were it not for the benevolent zeal of Commissioner Turgeon.

AtSt.Paulin there are three schools; two, one of which at the church is kept by Miss Lambert and the other at Hunterstown, by Miss Ayotte, both of whom are competent and commendable teachers, are pretty good; the third, at Waterloo, was below par, and was not to be continued longer than the year. The Commissioners, collect the monthly fees only in those school districts in which schools are held although I brought to their notice that in this respect they were not fully carrying out the law. The affairs of the office are more honestly than skilfully conducted.

Of the schools at St. Ursule I consider three, kept by Messrs. Lefèbvre, L'Ami and Béland, teachers holding diplomas, and of considerable ability, as pretty good ; I was, however, obliged to request Mr. Béland to teach every day the different branches required by law, which he was in the habit of teaching separately at too long intervals : this appeared distastful to him, but I insisted
upon it, as some of the parents had complained to me of the loss of time occasioned by such a method. The two other schools, kept, one by a mistress, of sufficient ability but too young, and the other by one who bas the requisite age but not the ability, I found only middling. Here also the Commissioners have discontinued the monihly fees, although they are well aware that such a course is contrary to law. The books and accounts are extremely well and carefully kept by Mr. J. P. Trudel, Pablic Notary, the Secretary Treasurer.

In the Banlicuc of Three Rivers there are no monthly fees levied; and I have not yet been able to bring the Commissioners to divide the monies between the school districts according to the number of children between seven and fourteen years of age, on this account I have threatened them several times, and with this exception they perform their duties well. The three schools of this municipality are very satisfactory, particularly that kept by Miss Lacerte, a competent, and worthy teacher. The two other female teachers are well qualified in all respects, except that one of them is only seventeen years old. The affairs of the office are passibly managed by Mr. Aubry, Secretary Treasurer.

In the Fitf St. Maurice a school is kept at the Forges by Miss Buisson: this must be classed amongst the good schools in my district, and the parents show their appreciation, by voluntarily contributing an amount larger than their share of the grant. This is a new municipality; there are in it a few persons of education, and its affairs are managed with little skill, but with honesty and sincerity. Besides this there are, at a place called La Poste des Gres two independent schools, one kept by Mr. Geoffroy, a Protestant and a native of Europe, the other by a young Canadian Catholic female teacher.

At St. Barnalye the four schools in operation were of small importance; Mr . Bellerive is the only teacher of sufficient ability, and furnished with a diploma, but he seems to have little energy; the three female teachers are not yualified according to law; one of them was only thirteen years old;-this is an abuse. The Commissioners have been warned of the consequences of trifling in such a manner with the law. Mr. Boncher, Notary Public, is Secretary Treasurer, and keeps his books and accounts well.

At La Pointe du Lac the Commissioners persist in their old mode of dividing the monies equally amongst all the municipalities, whatever be the number of ehildren, although I have several times pointed out to them the evident injustice and spoliation which it entailed upon the more populons municipalities, who in reality suffer from this system. I found the five schools pretty well kept, especially that of Miss Eléonore Décôteau, who takes a great deal of trouble, and deserves a higher salary, having only 220 , while her school numbers 80 scholars: she and two other teachers are competent; the rest have little instruction, and are under age.

At St. Sévère four schools are in operation: that kept by Miss Josephte Gélinas, a competent teacher, is well attended and very satisfactory; the other three are middling: one of the mistresses has a good deal of ability, the other two have little instruction. The business of the office is carried on pretty well; it is a new municipality and education is scarce.

The Corporation of the Town of Three Rivers is composed of men of education. They have in Abraham Désaulniér, Esq., Advocate, an able Secretary Treasurer, who is very active in the discharge of his duty. Both schools under control and independent schools are well kept and very popular. In the independent school of the Ursulines Convent there is an elementary course, and the higher branches are also laught in a manner which leaves nothing to be desired: of this the e:aminations gave ample proof.

The independent academy for boys, kept by Mr. Lawlor, successor to Mr. Lanegan, and attended by about 50 pupils, who do honor to the ability and zeal of their teacher, is a school of which Three Rivers has a right to be proud. It receives from the Legislature an annual grant of $£ 100$ currency.

In the Brothers School, divided into four classes, are taught French, English, the rudiments of the sciences, singing, instrumental music, and particularly the principles of religion and morality. In this school four hundred children, whose exemplary conduct is the subject of general admiration, receive instruction in the branches I bave mentioned. The society of Education has obtained from the Legislature, in aid of this institution, an annual allowance of $\mathfrak{L} 125$ currency, in addition to the grant to the Commissioners.

The mixed English and French school kept by Mr. Feannell, an elderly teacher of sound merit, who holds a diploma, and who counts amongst those who have received their education at his hands many of the most notable citizens, continues to be well attended: this is a useful school, and worthy of encouragement. The salary of the teacher is very small, only $£ 36$.

The elementary schonl for girls, kept by Miss Dupont, deserves honorable mention: not less than 69 little girls, residing on the outskirts of the town, far from other schools, have the means of acquiring instruction of a character satisfactory to their parents, placed within easy access.

The three last mentioned are the only ones under the control of the department.
There are besides in the town two other elementary English independent schools, kept by Miss Macdonald and Miss Thompson; at which from 50 to 60 children receive, I am told, a good education.

At Yamachiche, for such schools as they are, there are too many of them. The office business is well managed by Dr. Désauniers, their able and energetic Secretary Treasurer, but he is not supported by the Commissioners. It is disagreeable to me to speak thus of my own parish, but I am bound to tell you the whole truth. There are ten schools under control, of which eight are very middling; the two others are the elementary schools, kept by Mrs. Dufresne at Rivière-aux-Glaises, which, all things considered, is very satisfactory; and the fine model French and English school at the village, kept by the Brothers of the Christian Doctrine. Five toachers devote themselves to the instruction of two hundred children, beginning with primary tuition, and taking them past the preseribed limits of model school instruclion; religious education, good behavjour, knowledge, sacred and secular, vocal and instrumental music, are all imparted under the able superintendence of Brother Leo, the young Director of the establishment, who was one of the best and most brilliant pupils of the late much regretted Brother Gélisaire (first Director of this institution.) An annual allowance from the Legislature, of $\mathbf{f 5 0}$ currency, along with the grant to the Commissioners, and some other sums, serve to support it; but there is urgent need felt of assistance to complete the edifice which, for the accomodation of the numerous pupils, it had become necessary considerably to enlarge, and it is to be hoped that this assistance will be obtained either from the Government or from the Department : this school is about to be erected into an academy.

We also have an independent superior school for girls, kept by the Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame, who are equal to the Brothers in zeal, and pretty nearly so in success. There are not, however, so many pupils, the rates being a little higher. About a hundred girls are objects of the most assiduous care and indefatigable zeal of three good Sisters. The Legislature allows $\mathbf{5 5 0}$ a year in aid of this school, and it is not 100 much.

When the late Mr. Dumoulin after having, as Pastor, Curé, administered the parish for 29 years, told us some years before his death that before leaving
us he wished io leave us a monument, which would perpetuate his memory, he was alluuing to the founding of these two inestimable houses of education, with which, by his perseverance, energy and self-denial, he succeeded in endowing his much loved parish. From year to year these two fine institutions will keep alive his memory and our gratitude.

The buildings which they occupy are of brick, 80 feet long and two stories high, and are the ornaments of the village of Yamachiche.

I now pass on to the County of Champlain.
At the Visitation of Champlain, of four schools in operation, three were not very satisfactory, and the fourth very middling. The law is pretty well obeyed, and Mr. Lamotte, the Secretary Treasurer, manages the office business well, bat here, as in many other places, the Commissioners appear apathetic.

The teacher of the principal school holds a diploma, but does not appear to have much ability; two of the female teachers are competent, the other is very poorly qualified. The teacher's salary is only $£ 36$, which is not sufficient. I am convinced that with better Commissioners, the parish of Champlain would justify the good opinion which I have always entertained of it.

At St. Anne de Lapérade in eight school districts I found only six schools in operation: this number is sufficient for the whole parish, and I strongly advised the reunion of the school district of the Fief of St. Marie to the village, thus forming a district worthy in size and pupulation of the centre of the district. The schools of Mrs. Mayrand and Mrs. Maguire shew considerable progress; the three other schools in the concessions are badly kept : of the five female teachers who keep these schools, three only are competent.

But on returning to the fine village of St. Anne we hasten to enter the large school of Mr. St. Cyr, a young teacher holding a diploma and possessed of real talent, uniting to eminent ability for the duties he discharges, extensive erudition and indefatigable energy; success also, brilliant success, crowns the annual period of his course of instruction. His salary is $£ 90$ and, to complete that amount, I say it to the praise of the inhabitants of that village, they know so well how to appreciate the merit of their teacher, that they subscribe every year £24 or $£ 25$ over and above the assessments and the monthly fees, which of themselves form a large contribution. Mr. St. Cyr is usually at the head of a hundred pupils of both sexes, to whom he teaches with advantage, the French and English languages scientifically and practically, the elementary branches of education; and advances beyond the limits of those prescribed for model schools.

The Ladies of the Congregation so favorably known in the country, have recently taken possession of a fine two-story stone house in the village of St. Anne, the erection of which is principally due to the zeal and generosity of the late Cure, Mr. Brien. The School Commissioners, on their part, have taken measures to introduce here, the course prescribed for academies and followed in the school of Mr. St. Cyr; and thus, from a laudable rivalry between the 1 wo schools, great benefit may result not only to St. Anne but to the adjacent parishes.

The books and accounts are remarkably well kept by Mr. David Laflèche, a secretary treasurer, well qualified for the office. The School Commissioners seem to have sufficient respect for the law, but here, as elsewhere, they hesitate about puiting some of its requirements in execution.

At St. Francis Xavier de Batiscan two schools only were in operation, kept by female teachers sufficiently qualified; other two were on the eve of opening. Mr. Laurant Moreau, Secretary Treasurer keeps in good order the affairs of the office. The School Commissioners levy the monthly fees only in those districts where schools are in operation : this, however, is so much gained, for in preceding years they would not levy any.

At St. Geneviève de Batiscan the mixed school of Mr. Robertson, a teacher holding a diploma, a man of real merit, is the principal ornament of the village; for the tuition of at least one Lundred pupils Mr. Robertson has but $£ 50$ of salary; be deserves much more.

There are in the concessions of this parish two other teachers, Mr. Rosier and Mr. O'Donnell, both holding diplomas, both educated men, but not at all to be compared with respect to ability for teaching: the first succeeds well, the second very poorly; their salaries are but small. Besides these a fourth and a fifth school are kept by two young girls of sixteen and seventeen years of age, and not well qualified,

The School Commissioners always refuse to exact the monthly fees, notwithstanding the necessity for theirdoing so ; they do not appear to be equal to their duties. Mr. Robert Trudel, Notary, who is Secretary Treasurer, dischaeges well the duties of his office, and his advice would be of great service to the Commissioners, if they were disposed to follow it.

At St. Mary of Cape Madelaine only two schools were kept, by qualified female teachers; these schools, however, can be ranked but as middling. There, there is no payment of the monthly fees; the Commissioners have but little intelligence and little activity, and the affairs of the office are managed with more honesty than ability.

At St. Maurice the law works well enough at present; at the time of my visit there were five schools, which gave proofs of some progress; one school master holding a diploma, one competent school mistress and three others but poorly qualified. The salaries are low, but the means of the parish are so likewise; it is a new settlement. The affairs of the office are managed with strict honesty but with little skill.

St. Prosper.-Three schools of but middling rank are opened in this new parish : they are kept by female teachers, only one of whom is competent. Only a part of the monthly fees have been levied, but I have been informed that the Commissioners now intend to obey the law. The affairs of the office are but poorly though honestly managed.

At St. Stanislas de la Riviere des Envies, I found five schools on a better footing than ordinary, and their teachers competent, one of them, Miss Blais holds a diploma and is superior to the others. The two other schools are but tolerable : their teachers neither have the knowledge, nor are they of the age required, one being but seventeen and the other, fifteen. There were heavy arrears of assessments uncollected, the Commissioners have little activity, and the affairs of the office suffer in consequence; but it seems difficult to make any better arrangement for the present.

You see, Mr. Superintendent, that there is yet a great deal to be done everywhere, before the people can attain that amount of knowledge which the friends of education have in view and earnestly desire. All goes on slowly, as I have already remarked; although great obstacles have been surmounted and great difficulties overcome, we are still deficient in the means of attaining the ends we are striving for.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient and humble servant,

## Report of Mr. Hume, Inspector for the County, of Megantic, \&c.

Leeds, 24th October, 1855.
Sir,-1 have the honor to inform you that since I transmitted my Report in the month of February last, I have made two general visits of inspection in my district, one in the months of March and April, and the other in the months of July, August and September last. Of the firsi of these, I had so little additional information to convey, that I made no formal Report thereon.

On the present occasion I shall in the first place proceed to make a few observations upon the state of education in each municipality in my district, beginning with the County of Megantic :

Tring.-In this township there are three schools in operation:in one of these schools in particular the pupils have made very great progress. The teacher (a young female) is well qualified, and has devoted much skill and attention to her task; in the other two schools the progress of the scholars, although less than in the other, is satisfactory. The School Commissioners in this municipality attend to their duties with assiduity, and their affairs are in good order; a necessity, however, exists of establishing two more schools in this township which the Commissioners promise to do as soon as school houses in the localities in which they are required can be built.

Forsyth.-In this township there has been only one school during the last year, and as no school had been kept for some time previonsly, the children were but little advanced. Many of the inhabitants are also poor, and they are scarcely able to raise a sufficient sum to procure the services of good teachers; two good schools would suffice at present for the whole of this township.

Lambton.-In this ownship the schools, two in number, are in a very satisfactory state, and the pupils have made a very respectable progress. The children attend regularly, and the School Commissioners and Secretary Treasurer are attentive to the performance of their respective dutics.

Alymer.-Only one school has as yet been established in this township, although two more would be required. But as the inhabitants, few in number, are much scattered, and its being a new settlement, some of them are poor: they are not able to raise a sufficient sum to procure the services of the requisite number of teachers.

Broughton.-In this township also the inhabitants are much seattered, and one school only in the most thickly inhabited part of the township has been in operation for the last year.

Leeds.-Five schools have been in operation in this township during the last year, but two of these only during the winter months. The teachers are nearly all very well qualified, and the scholars have made pood progress.

Nelson.-In this township two schools have been kept; they were not, however, numerously nor regularly attended, and but comparatively little progress has been made. The inhabitants in this township are also much scattered, and many of then are poor.

Inverness.-In this township great progress has been made during the last year: seven schools have been in operation for the most part under good teachers, and the pupils have generally made very satisfactory progress.

St. Calixte de Somerset.-In this municipality also satisfactory progress has been made. There are three schools in operation; in two of them the teachers are well qualified. The school in the village is generally attended by more than one hundred scholars, and has two teachers.

St. Julie de Somerset.-There is as yet only one school in this municipality, which is numerously attended. The teacher is very well qualified, and the
scholars are making good progress. Two or more additional schools are required in this municipality.

Halifax.-Very little has been done in either of the school municipalities in this township: I have reason to hope, however, that a sufficient number of schools will shortly be established, at least in St. Ferdinand.

Ireland.-In this township also very little progress has been made: two schools were in operation during a part of the last year, but at present there are none.

Frampton, (County of Dorchester.) - In this township the progress of education is not very satisfactory ; one school is very numerously attended, and has a good teacher, but the others are neither very well attended nor do the teachers altogether possess the requisite qualifications; there is also a deficiency of schools in the township, the Commissioners having found it extremely difficult to procure good teachers. I trust that some improvement will soon be effected, as the Commissioners are very desirous to have a sufficient number of good schools established.

Standon, (County of Bellechasse.)-In this township although there are but few inhabitants, there had for a long time existed a difficulty amongst them with reference to the site of the school house. I am happy to say that this difficulty is now almost removed. The school has been placed in a more central part of the township, and more unauimity prevails amongst the inhabitants.

Having referred to each of the school municipalities separately, I will now offer a few general observations upon the state of education in my district of inspection : although I cannot say that there has been a very great improvement effected since the date of my last Report, yet there has still been a general progress. The majority of the schools had during the last year very good teachers, and many of the pupils had made a very creditable improvement; it will also be seen by the statistical tables which accompany this Report, that the number of children attending school during the last year is rather more than during the previous one.

There is, notwithstanding, still much room for improvement : more schonls and in some instances better qualified teachers are required.

I have already, in some of my previous Reports, referred to some of the causes: which I conceive retard the progress of education in this locality: the scattered state of the population in many of the townships (so different in that respect from the old parishes) is one great cause, and prevents a great number of children from .eceiving any education at all, as in many places there is not a sufficient number of children within a reasonable distance of each other to form a school.

It must also be acknowledged that a number of parents do not and will not take a sufficient interest in the education of their children : many of the settlers have been but indifferently educated themselves, and they do not consider it necessary that their children should in that respect be superior to themselves. It is, however, but justice to say that this indifference to education does not uniformly prevail amongst uneducated people; there are mary honorable exceptions to this rule.

I am of opinion that there will not be generally any very great improvement in education in many parts of Lower Canada, until a good municipal system. be in full operation, and that the whole of the amount required for school purposes, be raised as part of a general assessment.

In a former Report I stated that I conceived the feeling against taxation for local purposes was on the decline, and such certainly appeared to be the case at the time that Report was written.

I now regret extremely to have to say that since the passing of the Lower Canada Municipal Road Act, that feeling has been renewed and now exists in this
quarter more strongly than it did at any former period, nor is it confined to one nationality, a considerable portion of the Englisb population being perbaps more vehemently opposed to it than the French Canadians: so strong is this feeling that I am afraid it will in many places prevent or retard the beneficial working of that Act.

The most intelligent portion of the community of both classes are desirous of putling the law in operation, but as the majority of the people in most cases are opposed to it, a considerable time, I am afraid, will elapse before it will be generally and effectually adopted throughout the country.

I have always been of opinion that the school system would work more efficiently, and be productive of greater benefits, if the whole sum required for school purposes were raised by assessment, instead of by voluntary contribution; but I fear that the attempt to enforce this would occasion the schools in many of the municipalities to be closed.

I conceive therefore that it would be advisable to continue to permit for some time longer the substitution of voluntary coutributions in lieu of assessment, until the inhabitants of the country become more favorably disposed to the efficient operation of municipal institutions.

The difficulty of procuring good teachers has also prevented many schools from being in operation which might otherwise have been well attended, the rate of remuneration generally given to teachers not being sufficient to induce qualified persons to accept such situations, when almost any other employment is found to be more lucrative.

In the municipalities settled by French Canadians, this deficiency of teachers is perhaps less felt that in those which are settled by a population speaking the English language, as in the former places female teachers are generally employed, and at a lower salary than a well qualified male teacher would accept of.

I am happy to have it in my power to say that the greatest number of these female teachers devote the whole of their attention to the performance of their duties: many of them are well qualified as teachers, with the exception perbaps of not possessing a sufficient knowledge of arithmetic, and in this branch the pupils in the French schools are generally less advanced than those in the English schools. In the other branches, however, the pupils in the former schools appear to make fully as much progress under female teachers as they do in the latter, under even qualified male teachers. There are no teachers in my district having diplomas. The loss of time and expense consequent upon going to Quebec for the purpose of undergoing an examination has prevented many of them from seeking to obtain them. I have, however, no hesitation in saying that the majority of the teachers in my district are capable of sustaining in a creditable manner the required examination.

During the last year many of the settlers in this locality have labored under great difficulties. There had been a partial failure of the crops, and there were but few settlers who had not to purchase more or less provisions for their families. The high prices which they had to pay for these provisions taxed to the utmost extent their available means, and from this cause many of them were unable to pay, at the required period, their contributions for school purposes, which had the effect in some instances of delaying the transmission by the Commissioners of the School Reports beyond the usual time, and in a few instances in which the inhabitants were poor, the Commissioners were unable to raise a sum sufficient to equal the Government grant. I trust these difficulties will not be so much felt during the present year.

In concluding my Report it affords me much pleasure to say that the School Commissioners in every municipality within my jurisdiction have on all occasions
withont any exception been anxious to co-operate with me for the advancement of education, and have been always ready to listen to and act upon any suggestions I conceived it my duty to make.

I am also much indebted to many of the Clergy for the kindly feeling which they have manifested towards me, and for the assistance I have received from them in ihe performance of my duties.

I rransmit along with this Report the statistical tables, which I have endeavoured to fill up with as much care and attention as I was capable of bestowing upon them.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant, (Signed, JOHN HUME, School Inspector.

Hon. P. J. O. Chauveau, S. E.

Report of Mr. Lanctot, Inspector for the Counties of Laprairie, Napierville, Beauharnois, \&c.

Sir,-Those who have truly at heart the progress of education among the people, especially if they have been called to assist in the work, encounter a strong temptation when they have to give an account of the true state of matters. It is difficult for them to avoid taking more or less their wishes for realilies, and a sentiment in itself commendable inclines them to robe the picture in colours too brilliant.

For us, among whom popular education is still in the cradle, who are as yet in that vast enterprise, at the period of experiments and disappointments, it is of the utmost importance to be informed of the truth. This is the principle which has guided me in all my preceding Reports and which will guide me in this.

It must not be inferred from these observations that I co-incide in the opinion of those turbulent spirits who regard everything through the prism of their own ideas, and whom even perfection would not satisfy, unless they could attribute the merıt of it to themselves. Our system of common schools has, without doubt, produced great advantages. Under its auspices a considerable number of school houses have been built, and thousands of children have learned and are at present learning three things, the knowledge of which ought in this age to follow next to that of God and religion, I mean reading, writing and the rudiments of reckoning. Yet more, it has proved to the people that by a wise and well matured law, instruction may be procured for their children without any great expense. It has improved a system introduced with great difficulty, and which has now gained the support of enlightened men. In fine, it has verified the words of an ancient classic author: Dimidium facti habet qui incipit.

But, if it is no more than justice to acknowledge that our school system has been productive of considerable benefits, is it not equally just to deny that it has attained the degree of efficacy which we have a right to expect? I think that at present there is but one opinion on the subject amongst those who take a special interest in it, and what is more the remedy required seems to be as well known as the evil itself.

You, Sir, however, understand this better than any one else, for it is known that popular education was one of your principal studies long before you were called to occupy the high position to which the voice of the whole country so readily
acknowledges your title. If nevertheless you should desire to know my ideas in: this point, I shall tell or rather shall repeat to you what has already been oftensuggested, and of the necessity of which the experience of several years has clearly convinced me:

1st. We must have teachers far better qualified than are the greater part of those employed at present, and for this purpose we want two normal schouls, one at Montreal and the other at Quebec.

2nd. We must have at least onc'secondary school or academy in each county; and one model school in each parish. These schools, it is well understood, cannot support themselves without the aid of a special grant.

Besides the principal advantage of these superior schools, that of giving a better education than the elementary schools, a practical education which should only be excelled by that received in educational establistiments of the highest order, there would be the forming of qualified teachers, an advantage which would do away with the necessity of our having more than two normal schools.

3rd. We must have class books different from those which are at present generally in use in our schools, that is to say, such as the National School Books, or even those books translated. The books at present in use can only serve for an education purely religious.

4th. An augmentation which will at least double the present grant of the Legislature.

5th. A Council of Education, composed of the Superintendent and atleast some of the School Inspectors, having the right to make regulations for the goverument of schools, the choice of the books to be used, and of those to be given as rewards to the scholars at the public examinations; the keeping correctly the accounts of the municipalities, \&c., and with the necessary power to enforce these regulations.

6th. A more efficient superintendence of schools: 1, by means of Commissioners who have themselves lad the benefit of some instruction; 2, by means of School Inspectors sufficiently remunerated to permit them to devote themselves exclusively 10 this hard task.

7th. Many changes in the details of the law, that is to say : a prompt, easyl and inexpensive judicial process for the collection of rates and the ejectment of discharged teachers from houses belonging to the Board of Commissioners. Within the last few months two instances occurred of teachers who, though regularly discharged, persisted in retaining possession of the school houses in spite of the Commissioners, and thus occasioned a great deal of trouble in the locality.

I dwell, Sir, on these reforms, because they are the most important.
I have now a few words to say respecting the manuer in which, particularly in my district of inspection, the law is carried out.

Taking as a whole those schools the supervision of which has been entrusted to me, I must say that during the last year very little progress has been made. ${ }^{2}$ Moreover, I do not think that we can indulge the hope of greater, whatever may be the zeal of the other functionaries, unless we begin by having better teachers. The gradual diminution of the share of the Legislative grant coming to the ancient parishes, the difficulty of collecting the rates by a law which, in extorting five shillings or even less from a poor rate-payer, imposes on him costs. amounting to ten, puts it out of the power of the Commissioners to give sufficient salaries to teachers; many of them have already on that account given up teaching, and their places are filled by young girls. Thus we have no competent teachers of either sex, and parents have so little confidence in them that they manifest great indifference about sending their children to school.

Besides this the Inspector strives in vain to prescribe to the teachers a better method of managing their schools. Little heed is generally paid to his sugges-
tions or his advice. Too much is taught by rote, and the judgment not sufficiently called in1o exercise. The pupil is not brought to understand properly what is taught him, and no attempt is made to explain it to him in familiar language. The younger scholars are neglected, being merely called up to read four or five minutes in the forenoon and in the afternoon, and neither learning to write, to reckon, nor any other branch which at their age they might learn. In fine, there is still great neglect of the means which common sense might point out, to inspire the pupils with a love of school and of study.

Nevertheless I have made it a point that the best, or rather the least incompetent among teachers of both sexes should be employed. All have passed through an examination, either before the Board of Examiners or before myself; all possess a certain amount of knowledge; but it is the experience, the taste, or the skill in teaching which is generally wanting.

The schools are pretly well supplied with geographical maps: but they are still deficient in furniture, and the children are much in want of books, paper, and other necessary articles. I have every where endeavoured to induce the Commissioners to purchase these articles at the expense of the municipalties. The school houses generally are in bad order, owing to faults in their construction.

It is much to be desired that the Secretary Treasurers would adopt one uniform method of keeping their accounts, and that that method were simple and clear. There are many amongst them whose accounts it is difficult to understand, and their obscurity give rise to murmurs and distrust. I have succeeded in some parishes in getting a method adopted which is, it seems to me, of a nature to satisfy every one. But no method, not the best it is possible to find, will become universal till it be introduced by that authority which has a right to command its adoption.

There prevails every where great pecuniary difficulty, and not less than eight superior schools in my district would have fallen victims to it, had it not been, for the special aid afforded by the Legislature.

In some parishes literary societies which promised well have been establishied. that of Laprairie is regularly incorporated, and already possesses, thanks to the liberaiity of the Legislature, to the zeal of its members, and to the co-operation of the friends of education in this parish, a library composed of at least three hundred instructive volumes. The reading room is supplied with almost all the journals of the country, and is become a centre of reunion for the youth of the neighdourhood. Many public lectures have already been given under the auspices of this society, and on the day of its fourth anniversary a numerous audience assembled to hear some of its members demonstrate the inestimable advantages of education.

If the Legislature should think proper to vote a certain sum for the establish. ment of public libraries, there is no doubt that many would be formed throughout the country.

And now, Sir, I have but one sole observation to make: it is that everywhere there is an earnest desire for reform in our system of education; everywhere there is a desire for the diffusion of knowledge. But experience, has proved to us the inefficiency of the means till now employed. It is evident that the schools produce but a small proportion oi the good expected from them, and for that reason, better schools are demanded.

The people, impatient for enlightenment and reform, rely, Sir, doubtless with a well founded hope, on the great talent of the first officer of the educational law,
expecting that he will discover the defects of that law, and procure for them one which shall assure to them the object that they have so much at heart.

| Beleive me, |
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| Sir, |
| Your most and humble obedient servant, |
| (Signed,) |$\quad$| M. LANCTOT, |
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| School Inspector. |

## Extract from the Reports of Mr. Lesperance, Inspector for part of the County of Gaspé.

St. Anne des Monts and Cap Chat, in the County of Gaspé, are the only two municipalities under my superintendence. This year there has been only one school in operation. Others might have been opened, if the small pox had not, from the beginning of the month of November, made great ravages amongst the children in these places. The extreme poverty of the families setuled there, and their isolation from the populous parts of Lower Canada, are causes which will, for a long time yet, prevent the advantageous operation of our education laws.

The school above mentioned is attended by 32 children of both sexes, divided into three classes: the first contains 11 pupils, of whom 4 are boys and 7 girls, and who are studying all the branches comprised in the "Guide de $l$ 'Instituteur," "Reader," "Devoir du Chrétien," and manuscript exersices.

The second class also conains 11 pupils, 7 boys and 4 girls, who cannot yet read fluenily, and are only learning spelling and the elementary lessons of the "Guide de $l^{\prime}$ Instituteur," and are just beginning to write.

The third class is composed of 7 boys and 3 girls, all beginners. The syllabaire, spelling book, is used in this class.

## Extracts from the Reports of Inspector Maurault.

July, 1855.
The law has been satisfactorily carried out in all the municipalities of this district, except at St. Zephirin and St. Michel d'Yamaska. In the former municipality the recent election of Commissioners gives reason to hope that there will soon be several schools in operation. At St. Michel there will never be a school until the ex-Secretary Treasurer Fourquin be obliged to render his accounts.

It is very painful to see a parish like St. Michel, with a population of nearly 3000 souls, inferior to none other in its agricultural productions, its commerce and industry, where there is a fine and well built village, and all the elements of an agreeable and enlightened society, remain the last without a single educational institution, and without giving the least sign of intellectual life. Thanks to the Rev. Mr. Boucher, the Cure, and to Mr. Commeault, the Notary, the same thing cannot be said of the neighbouring parish of St. David.

In the whole of this inspection district, the Commissioners are now exerting themselves to obtain schoolmasters or schoolmistresses holding diplomas. There is progress in this respect; but there is very little in the selection of books, which onght to be settled once for all by the depariment.

On all sides the people are asking for parochial libraries, at the same time declaring that they are willing to subscribe as much as, or more if it be necessary, than the sum which might be obtained from Government. One of these
libraries, established at Gentilly, has already done much good; and, as there is now in every family some one able to read, there is hardly a house where the books do not circulate, always leaving a useful and agreeable trace of their passage.

December, 1855.
At your request, I transmit you the names of five persons, in my opinion, fit to be appointed School Commissioners for St. Miche! d'Yamaska.

Two new schools have just been established at St. David: these bring the number up to nine, which are all kept on an excellent footing. If anything could have an effect upon the inhabitants of St. Michel, it would be the example given them by their neighbours. It is proposed at St. David to build several gchool houses.

At St. Thomas de Pierreville there is improvement in the female teachers, but the school furniture is very poor: no geographical maps, and in some of them not even desks or benches.

The zeal of the Commissioners of Baie du Febvre does not flag, and in my presence, they have just decided, to buy a spacious brick house for the purpose of opening a model girls' school.

Since my last Report, there have not been less than five schools founded at St. Zephirin : those which I have been able 10 visit are well conducted. Mr. Crepault, nine of the Commissioners, and Mr. Nault, Secretary Treasurer, both deserve praise for their zeal and activity. It is proposed to levy a special rate for building school hnuses, in order to draw the £25 promised by Government.

There are several schools at St. Monique; but every thing must languish as long as the Commissioners trust to voluntary contributions.

Nicolet possesses, besides its college, a superior school for girls and a model school for boys; but the furniture of the other schools leaves still a great deal to be wished for.

The schools of St. Pierre les Becquets have made great progress; but it is surprising that in so large a parish there should be only three school houses. That in the village, which is occupied by a considerable number of children of both sexes, is far too small, and ill corresponds with the superb dwellings which surround it.

Report of Mr. Mengher, Inspector of Schnols for the Counlies of Bonaventure, and part of Gaspe.

Carleton, 20th March, 1855.
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I visited all the schools during the months of December, January, February and a part of the present month of March, and would beg leave to observe that much of my time was occupied in adjusting difficulties between the School Commissioners, Teachers, and Secretary Treasurer, as well as complaints made by the rate-payers. And before proceeding, I have also to state that I was unable to procure in sume of the municipalities all the information requisite to enable me to fill up the statistical tables which accompany this Report, so arcurately as I could have wished. These arose, in some instances, from the loose manner in which the registers and books of several of the Secretary Treasurers were kept, and in other instances from the want of school journals.

I regret to say that the state of education is very backward in this district, more particularly in the County of Gaspé. There are some schools in operation
and also some good teachers; but they are few, compared to the wants of the district ; great indifference being manifested by many of the inhabitants aboput the school law, and much opposition to the system of assessment. One great cause prejudicial to the interest of education in this district is the difficulty of procuring competent teachers, the poverty of the inhabitants and the great reluctancy 10 forced contributions, together with the difficulty in many of the municipalities of securing Commissioners who have the will or power to put the law in force, the Government grant being so small that, when apportioned among the school districts, the proportion would only be from $£ 5$ to $£ 10$ to each teacher, in money, and the balance of his salary he is obliged to take in farm produce at very high prices. In the County of Gaspé, however, the inhabitants are more hosile to the working of the school law than those in the County of Bonaventure. The schools that are in operation in the former are kept up by voluntary contributions, and receive their proportion of the Government grant.

I must admit that I was everywhere received with much respect and attention, and I have endeavored by my advice and counsel to better their position. Many of the School Commissioners and the leading gentlemen (friends of education) in the district have promised to assist me in forwarding the cause. I thereby anticipate, on my next inspection tour, to find the school law working well in those municipalities where I found it opposed.

The following is a statement of my visit to each municipality, shewing the state of education throughout, commencing at the western extremity of the

## County of Bonatenture.

1st. Tounships of Metapediac and Ristigouche (united.)-This municipality is divided into five school districts; only three schools were in operation at the time of my visit: they are kept by men who are paid by the inhabitants by voluntary subscription and with the Governmont grant, which is generally devided among the schools in operation. No registers have been kept, nor school journals, merely memorandums. The Commissioners have promised to put the assessment law in operation forthwith, and keep a register.

2nd. Township of Mann.-This municipality is divided into two school districts; no school in operation. They are now at work finishing a school house; and having been furnished with the property valuation, have advertised for the collection of the assessment. I was requested to attend a public meeting last month ; many persons who refused to pay were present. I read and explained the school law to them; they then appeared satisfied and willing to pay up their assessments. I am in hopes that one school will be in operation in May next.

There is a tribe of Micmac Indians in this municipality. The chiefs thereof invited me to a meeting in December last, where I was requested to write to Colonel Napier, Superintendent of Indian Affairs, praying for assistance to build a school house, and to which I have since been favored with a satisfactory reply. They intend commencing to build a school honse immediately. It is to be hoped that the Government will also assist them by granting a sum to enable them to support a teacher.

3rd. Townships of Nouvelle and Shoolbred (united.)-There are eight school districts in this municipality, but only one school is in operation; which was commenced in November last, and is kept by a female; the age of the teacher is fifty-six; number of pupils, 21, all beginners; consequently no progress could be ascertained. A male teacher was engaged in Decem. ber last by the Commissioners, but the inhabitants refused to send their chilh drea to school. The difficulty is not yet settled. In this municipality the greater part of the school rates has been collected; the School Commige
sioners having sued all the defaulters, much difficulty thereby has been created between the rate-payers, Commissioners and Secretary Treasurer. The matter, however, is settled, and two schools are now in operation, to be opened about the end of this month.

4th. Township of Carleton.-In this municipality there are three school districts; two schools in operation, Nos. 1 and 3, wherein both languages are taught, the children making great progress; examinations are satisfactory. There exists much difficulty in this township to get the people to pay up their assessments; a large amount of arrears is still due.

5th. Township of Maria.-There are five school districts in this municipality ; three schools in operation, one male and two female teachers. These schools are well attended; the children are making much progress, and are well provided with books, the Commissioners having imported a supply from Montreal last season; and the people pay their rates cheerfully.

6th. Township of New Richmond.-This municipaltiy is divided into six school districts; three schools are in operation, one male and two female teachers, Nos. 2, 5 and 6; Nos. 1, 3 and 4 are vacant. School No 5, kept by Miss Rachel Fallow, is well attended, and the children making rapid progress. No 6, kept by Mrs. Meekle, has not been longenoughinoperation, to judge of the improvement made by the pupils, they being all beginners. In No 2, kept by Mr. Andrew Clark, since last November, the pupils are beginning to make progress. Result of examinations, however, very satisfactory throughout. In school district No. 2 there is a dissentient school, but it has not been in operation for a year past. A number of dissentients are anxious to abandon the dissent and join the schools under the control of the Commissioners. I am to meet them and their Trustees shortly on the subject, and have no doubt the dissent will be abandoned.

7th. Tbwnship of Hamilton.-In this municipality there are five school districts ; three schools in operation. No. 2, kept by Genevieve Poirier, is an excellent school, and the children are improving rapidly. The funds of the corporation in this municipality are in a flourishing condition, as you will perceive by the table of monetary affairs: this is owing to the great interest taken in the cause of education by their worthy Curé, the Reverend J. L. Alain. All the teachers have certificates from the late Inspector.

8th. Township of Cox.-This municipality is divided into four school districts; three schools only, however, are in operation. Nos. 1 and 3 are good schools, and the children improving rapidly; the teachers are good; result of examinations very satisfactory. No. 2 having only been in operation for a short time, I could not judge of its merits. The teachers from Nos. 1 and 3 have cerlificates from the late Inspector.

9th. Township of Hope.-There are two school districts in this municipality; one school in operation in No. 2, kept by Mr. Wm. Leek for several years past; examination very satisfactory. No. 1 has been vacant for the want of a good teacher for a few months past ; but I understand that one is now engaged.

10th. Township of Port Daniel.-There are two school districts herein, and three schools in operation; result of examination satisfactory.

This finishes the County of Bonaventure. I then proceeded to the eastern extremity of the

## county of gaspe,

under my jurisdiction, and commenced with the municipality of
Fox and Griffin Cove.-It is divided into two School Districts, but no school in operation under the law. There is a person keeping school at Fox River for the winter, who has consented to receive the Government allocation for his pay-
ment. The inhabitants have resisted the school law, but have promised to put the schools in operation before my next visit.

Municipality of Cap des Rosicrs.-In this municipality there are three school districts; two schools in operation under the voluntary system, the teachers receiving the amount of the Government grant among themselves.

Municipality of North Gaspé and Sydenham.-There are wo school districts in this municipality; but one school in operation under the voluntary system, the teacher receiving the amount of the Government aid.

Municipality of South Gaspé.-In this municipality there are no schools in operation, nor do I know how many school districts liere are, owing to the late Secretary Treasurer, (to whom I applied for information,) refusing 10 give me the same.

Municipality of York and Haldimand.-This is but a new municipality, the Township of York laving been but lately detached from South Gaspé, and united to Haldimand: it is divided into two school districts; one school in operation. In York proper, the people are very desirous for a school, but state that the aid from Government being so small, and being in poor circumstances, it is impossible for them to support a teacber, unless they receive an additional aid from Government. The school at present in operation is kept by a very competent teacher; 32 scholars in attendance; result of examination good.

Municipality of Douglas-Is divided into two school districts; but no school in operation. I visited school house No. 1, and must say it is an excellent building $36 \times 24$ feet, divided into three apartments; the school room furnished with benches, black board, \&c. The school house in district No. 2 is parlly finished. The person who had been acting as Secretary Treasurer while the schools were in operation informed me that he had a balance of $£ 5$ in his hands for the finishing of No. 2. I expect before my next visit both schools will be opened and in operation.

Municipality of Malbay.-There are two school districts; one school in operation, kept by Nicholas Hubert, who resides in the school house, keeping an independent school for the last three years; has received no part of the Government grant; as he is a good teacher and highly recommended, he is entitled to the consideration of the department. Several gentlemen of this municipality called on me, who were very desirous that the schools should be put into immediate operation, and placed under the control of Commissioners; and since my return home I learn that Commissioners have been appointed, and the School Reports forwarded to you, at which I am highly pleased.

Municipality of Percy.-This municipality isdivided into three school districts; three schools in operation. At the time of my visit, it happened to be during the jubilee days; I therefore had no opportunity of examining schools Nos. 1 and 3 , the children being absent. The teacher of No. 1 informs me that he has a. diploma, and I am told he is an excellent teacher. I examined school No. 2, kept by Mr. Tilly, of Cape Cove, and found the pupils making great progress.

Municipality of Grand River.-There are two school districts; one school in operation. I visited school No. 1 : pupils, 33 in number; examination satisfactory. School No. 2 is to be put into operation in the spring of this year.

Municipality of Newport and Pabos.-No school in operation in this municipality; the inhabitants are anxious for schools, but are not able to support them, owing to their poor circumstances. School Commissioners were elented last July; and I flatter myself that schools will soon be established, there being a great anxiety on the part of the parents towards the well-being of their children.

The foregoing Report will, I have no doubt, be found defective in many respects, but I trust my next will be more satisfactory, and the statistical tables better
filled up, should care be taken to establish schools where there are none, and where they are required, and the children be made to attend them.

You will observe that all the schools in the County of Bonaventure, with the exception of those in the townships of Metapediac and Ristigouche, are supported by rates and assessment, which is not the case in the County of Gaspé.

During my visit to the different schools in operation, I found many of the children read very well, and understand the elements of grammar; some few of the teachers teach the branches prescribed for model schools, but, for want of a Board of Examiners in the County of Bonaventure, they (being teaching therein) are unable to obtain diplomas to keep such schools. As to the ages of the teachers, they are from 23 to 65 ; the females 18 to 30 ; the unmarried from 18 to 45 . All the school houses are in very good order. There is a great deficiency of books and stationary, which, however, cannot be easily procured in several parts of this district. I have advised the Commissioners to make an attempt to form a fund for the pupose of procuring the same, and I expect ere long that such will be the case.
I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Signed,) $\quad$ JOSEPH
MEAGHER,
School Inspector.

Recapitulation of the Statistical Tables accompanying the Report of Joseph Meagher, Esquire, School Inspector, for the District of Gaspé, 15th March, 1855.

Scholaires Municipalities.


School Districts.
Number of school districts in all the municipalies........................ 64
Schouls.
Number of schools in operation under control of the Commissioners.
Description of Schools.
Number of elementary schools kept by men ..... 24
" " " married women ..... 4
" " " " " " girls ..... 3
Teachers.
Number of teachers having certificates:
Male teachers. ..... 10
Female " ..... 2
12
Children.
Number of children between the ages of 5 and 16 years attending the schools,as taken from the School Journals and Lists kept by the teachers:
Boys567
494
Girls.1061
Of French origin ..... 501
Of British origin ..... 560
Total number of boys and girls under control of the School Com- missioners assembled at the time of the visit of the Inspector, ..... 1061
Number of children between the ages of 5 and 16 years not attending schools, as received from the different School Commissioners, ..... 4025
Attendance.
Ordinary term of attendance at the schools, for boys, 9 months.

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Salary.
Average rate of salary paid the teachers :
Males ..... £40 per annam.
Females ..... 25
Classes.
1st Class. ..... 372
2nd " ..... 228
3rd " ..... 229
4th " ..... 206
One school not classed ..... 26
Books used by the classes for reading, viz: French and English Alphabet, Universal Spelling Book, Devoir du Chrétien, Englişh Reader, Instruction de la Jeunesse, Irish National Class Books, Nouveau Testament Abrégé, English Bible, and New Testament, McCulloch's Elements of the English Langage, Guide de l'Instituteur.

## Arithnetic.

The Books used are Bonnycastle's, Walkingham's, Gray's, and the Tutor's Assistant.
Number of children in simple rules ..... 206
" ". compound rules ..... 96
" " : rule of three, and further ..... 61
Total in arithmetic ..... 363
Grammar.
Number of children learning the French ..... 17
", " " " English. ..... 26
" "
" " orthography ..... 14
Total ..... 57

## Examinations and Visits.

One public examination by the Commissioners in June and December, throughout the County of Bonaventure; in Gaspé, none.

Visits.-One by the Inspector during his late tour of Inspection; by friends of education, none.

## School Houses.

| Numb |  |  |  |  |  | 47 |
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Average dimensions of School Houses.-Four of 50 feet in length, 28 feet in breadth; the remainder $24 \times 30$ feet.

## Ground.

The extent of the school ground is in general from one half acre to one acre in superficies, for the use of the teacher.

## Monies.

Amount remaining in the Secretary Treasurer's hands. ... £328 $\boldsymbol{2}^{1} 11 \frac{1}{2}$
Amount due by the rate-payers or contributors........... 41210.6
Amount due by the School Commissioners................ 231 12 $0 \frac{1}{2}$
Amount of the Legislative Grant............................ 646196
Amount of local school contributions. ...................... 850165
(Signed, JOSEPH MEAGHER, School Inspector.

Honorable P. J. O. Chavvean,

> Superintendent of Education, Montreal.

Sik,-In compliance with the instructions addressed me by your predecessor, of date the 1st of June last, I have now the honor to transmit to you my second Report on the state of education within my jurisdiction, with an extract from the statistical information received during my tour of inspection, in duplicate. 1 com.
menced my operations in the month of June and finished in August, beginning at Fox and Griffin, the most eastern municipality therein. I would have commenced earlier, but was prevented doing so by particular instructions received by me from the late Superintendent at different times, in arranging difficulties between the School Commissioners, rate-payers and Secretary Treasurers of the united townships of Shoolbred and Nouvelle, Mann and New Richmond, all of which, I am happy to state, have been amicably adjusted, and the difficulties surmounted. I regrel to remark that at the time of my visits through the County of Gaspe I found but six schools in actual operation in twenty-one school districts, owing to the people being. at that time busily employed at the fishery, and the greater part of the children assisting their parents; and I likewise found a great difficulty in seeing any of the School Commissioners.

The following is a statement of my visits to the different municipalities, beginning with the

Municipality of Fox and : Frifin.-On my arrival at Griffin Cove, after having travelled on foot from Grande Greve (in the municipality of Cap des Rosiers,) over the mountains and along a rocky shore, there being no road I found, to my regret, no schools in operation, the inhabitants being in the height of their fishing business, and the children assisting their parents. There is one school house at Fox River, and a teacher engaged to commence so soon as the fishing business would permit. This school is supported by voluntary contribution at Griffin Cove;; the inhabitants are much opposed to the school law, and resist the assessment.

Municipality of Cap des Rosiers.-Found no school in operation; the teacher of the one in operation at the time of my first visit having accepted a situation in the Customs Department, had given up the school; at this season of the year the people are also busily engaged at the fishery, and requiring the assistance of their children, the schools are entirely neglected. I could not have an interview with the School Commissioners. I, however, met with the Secretary Treasurer, who gave me a reference to his books. The schools which have been in existence were supported by voluntary contribution.

Municipality of Gaspé Bay (North) and Synenham.-No schools in operation at the time of my visit.

Municipality of Gaspé Bay (South )—At the time of my visit the School Commissions had engaged a leacher, but finding him too young to have any control over children, he was discharged. I called on the Rev. Mr. Delemar, the President of the School Commissioners, who was very desirous to have schools in operation. I then called on Mr. Joseph Eden, the Secretary Treasurer, who gave me reference to the books of the Corporation, with a full statement of the school affairs from the year 1848. All old difficulties were amicably arranged, the Commissioners promising to do their endeavors to have the schools put into operation. Since iny return home I have been informed by them that one school had been opened, and the assessment law put in force.

Municipality of York and Haldimand.-Only one school in operation, kept by an elderly gentleman of over 60 years. I visited the school, accompanied by several gentlemen, and I foand it very superior, the teacher having an excellent system; those visitors and I were highly pleased to find the children making great advancement, and at the manner in which the school house is kept, as to cleauliness and good order: this school is supported by voluntary contribution.

Municipality of Douglas.-Ouly one schnol in operation, kept by an elderly lady, Mrs. Johnston, assisted by her grand-daughter. I visited this school in company with the Rev. Mr. Fafard, the Catholic Priest, and we were higbly pleased with the system of teaching adopled by Mrs. Johnston, and the good order of the school. The Commissioners were all absent on a fishing voyage.

Municipality of Malbay.-There are two schnol districts in this municipality; but one school in operation, kept by a man of over 60 years of age : the school is supported by voluntary contribution, Al the time of my visit I found only eight children, the elder being employed assisting their parents. The leacher, Mr: Hubert, is a person highly recommended, and well qualified to teach.

Municipality of Percé.-There are three school districts; two schools, however, only, in operation, but at the time of my visit a vacation bad been given, to allow the children to assist their parents at the fishing business. Several of the inhabitants of the Island of Bonaventure met me at Percé, and requarsted me to visit, the island and assist them if possible in establishing a school; they complained (winh reason) of never having received any benefit from the School Corporation of Percé. In accordance with their wishes I visited the island, where I was cordially received by the inhabitants, who were highly delighted at the prospect of having a school on the island. They immediately called a public meeting, whereat the sum of $£ 30$ was subscribed, and a teacher engaged forthwith, I having promised them to represent their wants to the Education Department, and to use my endeavors in recommending their circumstances to Government for assistance. The Island of Bonaventure being in a manner insolated from the municipality of Percé, it is impossible for the children, particularly in the winter season, to attend the schools at Percé, the distance from the island to the main land being over three miles. I would therefore recommend that the Island of Bonaventure be formed into a new and distinct municipality from Percé for school purposes; for so long as it remains united to Percé no benefit whatever will be derived from the Guvernment allocation.

Municipalily of Grand River.-There are two school districts therein; only one school at the time of my visit in operation, with a good teacher ; the examination thereof very satisfactory. Called on the Rev. Mr. Desjardins, the President of the School Commissioners, and examined the accounts of the Secretary, and found them kept very correctly.

Municinality of Newport and Pabos.-No schools in operation nor any school houses built, the inhabitants being ton poor to do so without an aid from Government. Several of the inhabitants called on me, and expressed a great desire to have schools established.

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Municipality of Port Daniel.-At the time of my visit there was but one school in operation, kept by Mr. Muir, who holds a diploma ; the examination of the school proved very satisfactory. The teacher, however, having finished his engagament with the School Commissioners, was about leaving the school; consequently it will be closed until another be provided. I examined the books of the Secretary Treasurer, and found them kept in a very orderly manner.

Municipality of Hope.-There are two school districts therein, and a school in operation in each. Examined the school No. 2, kept by Mr. Leek, which was well attended, 35 pupils being present ; the examination very satisfactory. The teacher complains he has not received his proportion of the Government grant for the last year and a-half, owing to the assessments not being collecled by the Commissioners in due time. Visited school No. 1, kept by Mr. St. Croix ; found a large altendance of scholars, say 68 ; the examination good.

Municipality of Cox.-There are three sehool districts; two schools at the time in operation. No. 1, kept by Mr. Decan, an excellent teacher, holding a diploma, and teaching both the French and English; 51 children were in atiendance, who on examination acquitted themselves to my satisfaction. No, 3, kept by Mr.

McCoubey, was attended by 47 pupils; the examination good ; the teacher having a certificate from the Inspector.

Municipality of Hamilton.-In this municipality there are five school districts; but only one school in operation at the time of my visit; (since my return home, however, another has been established.) School No. 1, kept by Madame Poirier, an elderly lady, is very superior ; the result of the examination good. Called on the Secretary Treasurer, and examined the books and accounts of the School Corporation: found the state of the school funds in a most flourishing condition, more so than any other school municipality in the district of Gaspé. The accounts exhibit a balance in hand of $£ 1113 \mathrm{~s}$.

Municipality of New Richmond-Is divided into six school districts; two schools in operation. No. 2, kept by Mr. Clark, was attended by 36 children, the Commissioners and several school visitors being present ; the children gave great satisfaction by their improvement. In this district (No. 2) a dissentient school had been founded some years ago, but not having been in operation for some time past, the majority of the shildren belonging to that class of dissentients are now attending the school kept by Mr. Clark. I have advised the dissentients to abandon the dissent, and join the Commissioners; several of them were very desirous of doing so; but others refusing. I understand lately that they have engaged a teacher, which I regret to say will be the means of breaking up both schools, the inhabitants being too poor to support two in one school district, the distance between school No. 2, and the dissentient school not being over four acres. I am to meet the Commissioners with the Trustees, and hope to be able to make such an arrangement as may be beneficial to both parties. I nexi visited school No. 4, kept by Mr. Morris; found a large attendance of children, say 72 ; his school, however, having only been opened but a few weeks ago, I could not judge the progress made by the scholars. I examined the accounts of the Secretary Treasurer, and found them correct and satisfactory.

Municipality of Maria.-No schools in operation, the Commissioners not being able to provide efficient teachers.

Municipality of Carleton.-This municipality is divided into three school districts; no schools in operation since the first day of May last, for the want of teachers; since August three schools have been in operation. Examined the accounts of the Secretary Treasurer, and found them satisfactory, but a large amount of arrears of assessments and school fees remaining due. I have urged upon the Commissioners to proceed against all rate-payers indebted for school rates forthwith.

Municipality of Nouvelle and Shoolbred.-No schools in operation at the time of my visit, there having been much difficulty existing between the Commissioners and rate-payers; as also complaints against the Secretary Treasurer, which complaints were forwarded to the late Superintendent, who returned them to me with instructions to investigate the whole matters of complaint; whereapon I had to attend several meetings, and after much trouble succeeded in adjusting the whole of these difficulties and complaints. The Township of Nouvelle being now separated from Shoolbred for school parposes, will for the future prevent any further clashing between the parties. I am happy to remark that within the last two months two schools have been put into operation.

Municipality of Mann.-No schools in operation nor school houses built; the inhabitants resist the assessment law. School Commissioners were, however, elected in July last, who are determined to bring those of the inhabitants most refractory before a Court of Justice in January next.

Municipalily of Ristigouche and Metapediac (uniled.)-There are three school districts in this municipality; two schools only in operation, under the volun-
tary system. I am sorry to remark that the result of the examinations of those schools was very indifferent.

All which is respectfully submitted.
(Signed,) JOSEPH MEAGHER, School Inspector.

## Extracts from the Report of Mr. Morin, Inspector of Schools for the County of Chicoutimi.

The visit which I have just terminated makes the fifth general one since the beginning of the year 1854, not including those made on special occasions.

The books in use are pretty nearly the same as those I have already mentioned to you; it is impossible to introduce books better adapted for teaching, on account of their scarcity here, and the want of means to purchase them.

I have always recommended the monitorial system of teaching, and that is the one which is followed wherever it is possible.

You may convince yourself, from the statistics of the independent schools, how much expense is incurred by some individuals for the education of a small number of children; expenses which might be avoided if the Commissioners had the means of employing teachers knowing both languages: this the Commissioners will not have the means of doing until they are allowed to tax the lands of the squatters of our townships.

Generally the Commissioners keep neither accounts nor books as vouchers of their transactions ; persons able to do so are very rare, and so they rely on the receipt from the teacher, to obtain the Government allowance.

I must, however, except the municipality of Chicoutimi, where the accounts are extremely well kept by the Secretary Treasurer.

I hope that in future you will see more punctuality on the part of the Commissioners, and of the receipts for the grants; at all events I have explained to them how much additional labor their negligence caused in your office.

## STATISTICS OF THE FIVE UNITED MUNICIPALITIES OF CHICOUTLM, ST. JOSEPH, BAGOT, BAGOTVILLI, AND LATERRIERE.

Number of school houses belonging to School Commissioners..... 7
" " schools under control........................................... 12
« « $_{6}$ pupils.................................................................. 342
« " boys. . $\because$............................................................. 155
". "girls. ..................................................................... 187
" leanning their letters......................................... 30
" " " spelling......................................... 86
" 4 to read without spelling......................... 76
" reading well.............................................. 121
" learning French Grammar............................... 28
4. " arithmetic.................................... 61
" $\quad$ writing.......................................... 182
Amount of local contributions....................... $£ 18100$
" for fire wood.............................. 2500
" for rent.................................. 200
Salary of teacher ..... 2500
" of female teacher ..... $0 \quad 0$
Age of teacher ..... 30 years.
Average age of female teachers ..... 28 "
STATISTICS OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS.
Number of schools ..... 3
" " English schools ..... 2
" " pupils in English schools ..... 18
" "pupils attending French Schools ..... 21
Total number at the three schools. ..... 39
" " of boys. ..... 20
" " of girls ..... 18
" " learning English spelling ..... 2
" " reading English well ..... 16
" " learning English grammar ..... 16
" " " French ..... 1
" " " arithmetic ..... 19
" " " geography ..... 16
" " " writing ..... 19
Salary of English teachers........ . . . . . . . . . . £50 to $£ 60$ 0 0Average age28 years.
Salary of female teacher. ..... $£ 180$ ..... Age 16 years.

## Extract from the Report of Mr. Painchaud, Inspector of Schools for the Magdalen Islands.

In this inspection district we number four schools regularly kept. The teachers who have charge of these schools discharge their duties punctually, and the Commissioners visit them from time to time, and appear very zealous.

The quarrels relative to the distribation of the share of the grant accruing to these islands have ceased since the present President of the Board of Commissioners has assumed the responsability. The accounts are in good order.

The school of district No. 1 is attended by 49 pupils. Spelling, reading, writing, arithmetic, grammar and calhechism are taught. The tuition is in French. The salary of the teacher is $£ 40$, besides fire wood furnished by the rate-payers, This master has an excellent system of teaching.

North Pond (Etang du Nord) District.—This school is attended by only 25 children, of whom 15 are boys and 10 girls. The same branches are taught here as in school No. 1.

District No. 5.-This school is better conducted than the two others. The master is well educated and fulfils his duties well. It counts 35 children, of whom 13 are girls. The progress of the children cannot, however, be very rapid, as they are all beginning.

The dissentient school of the district, the teacher of which has a salary of £40, is, notwithstanding the frequent visits of the Commissioners who have charge of it, not so good as might be expected. The number of children attending it is 46 , of whom 20 are girls.

Almost the whole of these pupils are the younger children, those whom the parents can spare from fishing, and in-door work. The elder boys always follow their fathers, and apply themselves to labours not very lucrative, but from their poverty absolutely necessary for their subsistence.

## Report of Mr. Parmelee, Inspector for the Counties of Iberville, Missisquoi and Shefford.

I have visited and thoroughly examined all the schools, with the exception of some few that were in vacation at the time of my visit, according to the best of my ability.

With the general character and management of them, especially on the part of the teachers I am well satisfied.

With one exception, the common schools are all denominated elementary, but in the majority of them, as the tables will show, all the branches of education prescribed by the law for model schools, with the single exception of lineary drawing, are thoroughly and efficiently taught.

I find it difficult in some cases, especially on account of the frequent change of teachers, to get rid of the system of teaching that consists in mere routine, and communicates mere verbal knowledge. I have endeavored especially to impress upon teachers the importance of educating the nnderstanding as well as the memory, and of teaching science as well as art.

I am happy to say my endeavors have been successful, though not seconded, as they should be, by an enlightened and zealous Board of Commissioners and school visitors.

As heretofore, I have toreport that the law, asregards visitors, or any useful visits on the part of School Commissioners, is a dead letter. This imputation, however, does not rest upon the Commissioners in the French municipalities: they generally discharge their duty according to the best of their ability. Butin the English municipalities, the duty of selecting teachers is generally delegated to the school managers, and the duty of visiting and examining the schouls is left to the Inspector.

The law certainly does not give satisfaction, though it meets with no opposition.

So far as the administration of it is concerned, I must say there is in many instances a culpable remissness on the part of the Commissioners, and great inconvenience, not to use a strouger expression, is felt, especially in these "hard times," in consequence of the delay, sometimes for months, in receiving the Government allowance, in several municipaities.

I have been careful to urge upon Commissioners the importance of being prompt in making their semi-annual returns, in order to obviate the necessity of such delay.

I am aware the "hard times," of which every one complains this year, may be pleaded by the Commissioners for delay in pressing their collections, but any lenity thus shown operates as a great injustice toward teachers.

The same reason may also have prevented the attendance of many scholars at school the past season, and also the continuing of some few schools.

I am satisfied, however, that the statistics furnished by the different Inspectors will prove incontestably that decided progress is made in education in Lower Canada, notwithstanding the sneers that are occasionally found in the public journals.

From personal knowledge of the state of education in the townships, for a period of about thirty years, I can confidently state that the schools are far more numerous, the branches taught in them more varied, and the general course of instruction much more thorough and efficient.

In this I rejoice, for, like food and air, common schools are of vital importance, and ought tocommand the special regard of an enlightened and liberal Government.

With these sentiments, I should like to see a much larger grant made by our Government in aid of common schools.

Without depreciating the importance of high schools or academies, or queetioning the utility of the grant made to them at the last session of Parliament, I cannot forbear the expression of the opinion that more public good would have resulted, had that amount been granted as an additional aid to the common school fund. It think one academy in each county, if properly endowed and conducted, would fully meet the wants of the public.

1 know that comparisons are odious; yet, to show the reasons of the above: opinion, I make a few extracts from the tables accompanying this Report.

From the tables it appears that the municipality of Shefford receives more Government aid for one academy attended during the past summer by 12 scholars than for 18 common schools attended during the same time by 407 scholars; Brome receives more for one attended by 23 scholars than for 18 attended by 486 scholars; the same fact is true of Farnham, with 28 scholars attending a high school, and 292 attending common schools; of Granby, with 22 attending the academy, and 337 attending common schools; of Dunham, with 83 attending high schools, and 533 attending common schools; and so of Clarenceville and Stanbridge. From these facts the public draw inferences.

I will now venture to repeat a few suggestions that I have made in previons Reports, respecting modifications needed in the school law, in order to meet the acknowledged wants of the townships.

The total abrogation of the scholar tax or the monthly fee seems to me one of the most important points. This is the source of much annoyance, and much injustice. I would therefore suggest that a better plan would be, to raise all the funds for the support of schools, beyond the amount granted from the public chest, by assessment, on the basis prescribed by the Lower Canada Municipal and Road Act, 1855. This, with a provision for the summary collection of all rates, as in 10th and 11th Vic., cap. 7, section 28, would be more just in principle, and would remove a fruitful source of complaint and inconvenience. And in connection with this, there should be a provision that rates especially for building purposes might be laid at any time when required, instead of being all laid at one particular time, as at present.

The next subject of vital importance to the interest of the schools, especially in the townships, is some modification as to the Boards of examiners to judge of the qualification of teachers. It is generally believed that there are persons in every township competent to judge whether teachers are qualified to teach reading, writing the elements of grammar and geography, and arithmetic as far as the rule of three inclusive; and our young men generally do not aspire to a profes: sion based on such requirements, and consequently will not be disposed to make a pilgrimage to Montreal in order to obtain legal permission to teach an elementary school.

Though there are plenty of young men amply qualified and willing to teach, this unwise provision of the law precludes them from doing so.

Instead of measuring the capacity of all teachers by one prescribed stañdard they should be qualified for the particular school over which they are to be placed respectively; and with a local Board of Examiners in each municipality, this desiz deratum could easily be attained. It must be remembered that in the townships generally the distinction of elementary and model schools exist only in name.

Again, estimating as I do the very great importance of common schools, 1 would from this suggest that their advantages should not be restricted to persons of any particular age, as is at present the case in our so called elementary schools but shonld be patent to all of every age, who choose to avail themselves of them.

And further, as these benefits, which should be equally attainable as far as practicable by all, are in reality mostly nullified, or at least greatly restricted in
case of the poor, for want of suitable books, it appears to be the plain duty of a paternal government, through some agency, to supply this want, either by directly appropriating funds for that purpose or else by providing that they be supplied by the several municipalities.

Again it is reasonable to suppose that every person is chiefly interested in having his children taught in their " mother tongue," and hence language as well as religious faith should be a ground of dissent, so that a person may send to either a French or an English school, as he may choose, without the liability to a double tax, which is another evil springing directly from the school tax, as at present by law imposed. So also the repartition of the public monies should be based upon the average attendance of the parties respectively, and not as at present upon attendance without regard to time. And I am unable to discover any good reason for requiring dissentients to make their returns under oath, and not require the same of the majority. It seems to be an invidious distinction.

These ameliorations, as they appear to me, I have suggested on the supposition that Parliament may be disposed to amend and continue the present law.

It appears to me, however, a better law might be framed, one more concise and simple.

But as my duty, according to instructions, extends only to reporting as to the adaptation and working of the present law, I must respectfully submit the above as the result of my observations, and subjoin in conclusion the following condensed statistics from the accompanying tables:
Number of municipalities in my circuit ..... 22
" " school districts ..... 265
" " school houses. ..... 226
66 " schools under control ..... 192
66 " " " Trustees ..... 15
$\mathfrak{6}$ " independent schools. ..... 7
" " high schools or academies ..... 10
66
66 " model schools ..... 1
66 " scholars attending school ..... 6456
66 " males ..... 3137
6 " females. ..... 3319
66 " British or otber origin. ..... 4732
"French origin ..... 1794
" Protestants ..... 4555
" Catholics. ..... 1901
learning alpbabet and spelling ..... 2074
reading fluently ..... 2361
" well ..... 2021
learning to write ..... 2313
" simple arithmetic ..... 1043
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". compound " ..... 887
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geography ..... 1071
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" French grammar. ..... 270
" ..... 66
English ..... 580
66 parsing ..... 850
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(6 drawirg ..... 14
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a instr nental music ..... 25

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66 algebra ..... 13
6 natural philosophy ..... 29


The statistics of two academies, one model school, and some few common schools are not included above, they being in vacation, or not having commenced at the time of my visit. There are also some branches of study not mentioned above, as I have not these precise statistics.

As some of the schools were visited at their commencement, when the fall number of scholars was not in attendance, the above numbers are only approximately correct, both as to scholars and their studies.

They represent the truth, but not the whole truth.
I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your very humble servant, (Signed,) ROTUS PARMELEE.
Waterloo, 15th November, 1855.

Report of Rev. R. G. Plees, Inspector of the Protestant Schools of the City of Quebec.

Quebec, 28th December, 1855.
On my appointment to the inspectorship, dated 28th September last, 1 lost no time in informing myself of the duties of my office, and have since paid frequent visits, without previous notice, to each of the schools placed under my supervision.

Their condition, I am happy in being able to state, is, on the whole, much more efficient and flourishing than I had hoped to find it. There is reason to believe that the teachers are of very respectable literary attainments, of irreproachable morals, and calculated to exercise a beneficial influence on their respective pupils, and through them on the community.

St. Louis district school No. 1, for the pupils of the male sex, is conducted by Mr. R. C. Geggie, a married man, fifty-1wo years of age, and of long experience in tuition.

His zeal and ability in imparting knowledge have been marked, I believe, by considerable success.

The numbers of pupils. present on the occasions of my visits ranged from 56 to 60. I have always found the teacher at his post, and exerting himself to the utmost for the advancement of the young persons committed to his charge.

Could the means be raised for the employment of an assistant, to teach the junior classes, it would, I think, be attended with much benefit to the school. The system of mutual instruction is, however, pursued to some extent.

The character of the studies may be inferred from the books used, which are as follow, viz:

The National School Series, the Old and New Testament, the Young Composer, Bonnycastle's and Chambers' Mesuration, Geometry and Trigonometry, Norie's Navigation, Morison's Bool-Keeping, the Tutor's Assistant, Smith's Mental Arithmetic, Maps, \&c.

Vocal music, chiefly sacred, is among the branches taught.
The ready answers of the pupils on the subjects in which I have examined them evinced the pains taken with them by their instructor. Upper. Town district school, conducted by Mrs. Christian Brown, assisted by her daughter, is attended almost exclusively by girls, the total number of pupils being 25 , of whom 3 only are boys, of tender age.

The following are the books used, viz: Murray's Primer, Introduction to the English Reader, abridged and larger Grammars and Spelling Book, Pinnock's Catechism of Geography, Carpenter's Spelling Assistant, Fourth and Fifth Books of the National School Series, Comstock's Natural Philosophy, Pinnock's English and Roman Histories, Geology by the same author, Olney's Geography and Atlas, Ancient History, the Tutor's Assistant, Bible in French and English. There are also on a large scale Maps of Canada and the World.

This school, though not large, is in other respects of a superior order, and I have observed with much satisfaction the correctness and promptitude with which my promiscuous questions, on the various branches taught, have been replied to.

St. Roch district school No. 1 is conducted by Mrs. McLean, with the assistance of her daughter, and attended by 22 boys and 20 girls, who appear to have much love and respect for their teachers.

I am in the habit of questioning the children of the schools I visit not only on the lessons of the days previous but also on the elements of each branch of instruction; I have been much gratified to find that the pupils of this school are familiar with the rudiments of grammar and geography and are well exercised in orthography. They are accustomed also to mental calculations, founded on the pence shillings and other arithmetical tables.

The following books are in use, viz: the National School Series, Lennie's Grammar, Murray's larger Grammar, Pinnock's and Morse's Geographies, Maps of the World and Canada, Goldsmith's History of England, Bible in French and English, Brewer's Natural Philosophy, and the Tutor's Assistant.

St. Louis district school No. 2, for pupils of the female sex, is conducted by Mrs. M. Evans, who was examined and approved by the Commissioners at the time of her appointment, last year. Her salary is £40, together with the monthly fees, and apartments free. The high prices for the necessaries of life, however, render an increase highly requisite, and it is in contemplation by the Commissioners to raise it accordingly.

The scholars attending this school number 42 , of whom about 31 , on the average, were present at the time of my visits. Discipline and good order prevailed among them, and I have reason to think the method pursued in their instruction such as must ensure a satisfactory progress.

The books used are: Carpenter's Spelling Assistant, the National School Series, Sullivan's Geography, the Holy Scriptures, Maps of Canada and the World, and Cards of the British and Foreign School Society.

St. Roch district school No. 2 is kept by Miss Parker in her father's house. The pupils of both sexes frequenting this school are 28 in number.

The examinations in geography have on the whole been satisfactory, and the children readily point out, as desired, the situations of considerable places on the map of the world: Their writing gave me the greatest satisfaction. I have recommended dictation as affording the most practical exercises in that important branch orthography.

Champlain district school, conducted by Mr. Lloyd, assisted by his wife and son, is attended by about 60 children of both sexes.

The branches taught are reading, wriling, orthography, grammar, and arithmetic.

The teachers are very much in earnest about the fulfilment of their duties, and I hope to see much improvement in the discipline and efficiency of the school. The salary is $£ 50$ with free apartments, fuel and the monthly fees.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obeient servant,

R. G. PLEES,<br>School Inspector.

## REMARES.

Quebec Young Men's Protestant Educational Union.-The object of this Society is the improvement of young men, as it regards their physical, intellectual, moral and religious interests; and by the agency of its members to aim at a similar improvement in the community at large.

During the past year, (the first of its existence,) in consequence of the advanced period of the winter when it commenced, 29th January, only three lectures were delivered, viz: two on Palestine and one on Light. They were attended, on the average, by about 250 persons.

The principal feature of the Society, the formation of classes for the study of various branches, was carried out with much success.

The following classes were formed and continued during the winter:

| Drawing class, composed of. | 35 members. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Reading and elocution, | 15 |
| Human physiology, | 12 |
| Evidences of natural and reve | 8 " |
| Geometry, | 6 " |
| French, | 30 |
| History and geography | 20 |

The subscription for a junior member is 7s. 6d. ; the subscription for an associate member is $£ 15 \mathrm{~s}$.

The members last year numbered 110.
The society is chiefly designed for the benefit of those who may have neglected their education in early youth, and who being now much engaged in business pursuits, are desirous to avail themselves of the comparative leisure enjoyed in the winter evenings, for their self improvement.

By furnishing them with the means and opportunity to study one or more of the useful branches of educaton, it is hoped to elevate their condition, and render them more useful in their respective spheres.

The Society may be considered to have taken a firm root, and if sufficient funds were at command, would doubtless form an important auxiliary to the cause of general education. The subscription must be kept low that its benefits may be within the reach of those who are most in need of them ; and withont some extraneous assistance, the Society cannot extend its operations as would be desired.

High School of Quebec (proprietary.)-The general course of instruction embraces (besides the ordinary routine of school work) the higher branches of a liberal education, viz: the study of the Greek and Latin languages, English and French composition, and the elements of mathematics:

The authors read by the fifth or highest class during the past year were in Latin, Cicero, Virgil, Horace, and Livy : and in Greek, the New Testament,

Xenophon, and Homer ; in mathematics the same class was reading the Sixth Book of Euclid andChambers' Algebra, and presented at the public examination elaborate essays on the physical and political geography of Canada.

Total number of pupils studying the following branches, viz:-
Construction of maps, 24; dead languages, 193; Italian. 4; use of the globe, 40; natural philosophy, 66 ; astronomy, 24 ; mental arithmetic, 105 ; English composition, 12.

## Ottawa, Aylmer, 1st January, 1856.

Sir,-In transmitting for the past year my yearly Report of the state of education in the District of Ottawa, I have to state that I have visited all the schools in operation in the district, with the exception of those in the municipalities of Portland and Maniwaki; the latter being in the Indian Territory at the River Desert, which, owing to its great distance, I have been unable to visit since last spring, and the former having only been in operation a few months.

I have much pleasure in reporing that a thorough change has taken place in this district since the year 1851: at that period the number of schools in operation under the control of the Commissioners was only about 20 ; they are now over 80 , besides 4 academies, conducted by eminent teachers, and although these institutions are only yet in their infancy, still it is manifest that much good will accrue from their being established in the district.

When there is a state education prudently and efficiently carried out, it is impossible to calculate its blessings, and the voluntary system has never been found in any country, even adequate to impart the mere elements of education to the whole community.

Without the machinery of state education, and to some extent gratuitous education, to the necessities of the entire population, a great majority of the children of the humbler classes must grow up in ignorance if not in vice. It ought therefore to be the care of a wise and paternal Government to aid the working man in the education of his children; without this aid two out of three parents, whether agriculturists or artisans, would not be able to command the means of educating them in private schools.

This is specially true in rising and thinly populated countries, where there are fair inducements for adventurous schoolmasters to settle.

By the passing of the Educational Bill of 1846, and the subsequent Bills of 1849 and 1851, this section of the Province has solved for herself the problem which has been agitating the public mind of Britain for so many years, and which is still at issue. By the provisions of these measures, the means of education are within the reach of every family, and even to some extent aid is given to the building and maintaining of the school house. Canada has in this respect taken the right direction in advance of the mother country, for it cannot be denied that in enlightened Britain, with its multitude of schools, maintained by private support, by charitable and ecclesiastical endowment, and state assistance, there is still a large section, if not the majority of her population, not only in her manufacturing and mining but also in her agricultural districis, perishing in ignorance and crime.

But it must be admitted that in legislation it rarely happens that any act for the general good can at once be framed on so perfect a model as to meet every exigency and to please all parties. It is only when applied and tested by experience that the merits and defects of anything new can be discovered.

The fate of the Bill in its reception by the public, so far as I had opportunities of observing and discriminating, has been more fortunate than could have been predicted or anticipated of a measure so comprehensive in is details, and which embraces so many conflicting interests.

Its success hitherto is a happy omen of the good it may accomplish when the normal school for the training of teachers in established, thus securing a higber rate of acquirements and by such a graduation of salaries as shall relain teachers. of competent abilities and attainments.

Before entering upon a recital of my inspection of the schools, allow me to make a few observations on the points above mentioned, as desiderata :

First.-The necessity of a normal school, for securing the training of teachers, and the introduction of a uniform system of education.

The term normal school, as you are well aware, involves the idea of teaching according to a certain rule or system; a normal training school for leachers is therefore an institution where the proposed teacher serves an appreuticeship to the art to which his life and energies are to be devoted. The training requires not only the precepts and example of a master, but the doing or the practice of the apprentice.

In all countrics where a desire for an improved and enlightened education has been awakened, and where the subject has taken hold of the public mind, the necessity of having trained teachers has speedily presented itself. Wherever the importance of true education has been fully appreliended and appreciated, the want has been supplied by the establishment of normal training schools.

Education in its true acceptation is physical, intellectual and moral training; and by moral training I include the religious element, for no system of education can be good that is not based on Religion.

Instruction on carrying a certain amount of information is but one part of education : its proper end is to set the whole intellectual machinery in motion, and to develope and exercise the conscience or moral discernment. In one word, the great aim of all teaching is to bring out and strengthen in the child the intellectual and moral life, that ine may be able to discriminate and choose that which is just and good, and true, in all that is presented to him, to inspire him with a love of knowledge to guide and direct, so far as man's efforts can, by example and precept, all the secret motives of human action. If such be the teacher, what manner of man ought he to be?

That the training of teachers is an essential element in the education of the people, approves itself to every mind possessed of common sense.. In all the arts of life, a series of years must be passed in apprenticeship before a man is considered competent to be entrusted with work on the responsibility of his own acquirements. No one would commit the making of a pair of shoes or a coat to a novice in the art of shoemaking or tailoring. If an untrained and therefore unskila ful hand would destroy a piece of cloth or leather, how preposterous then to sup. pose that to one to whom is entrusted the delicate organism of a child's mind could be capable of educating it, in the true sense of the word, without having first studied the art under masters who had themselves been trained to teach.

The art of communicating is a separate gift from intellectual ability and acquirements. The two are not always united. Many a man who is possessed of the highest amount of science and learning, and varied information, has not the facility of communicating to others the knowledge which he possesses, and would desire to impart to them. In short, the art of teaching is an art like all others, to be learned, to be studied and to be taught.

The establishment of normal training schools, which it is imperative for teachers to attend for a certain time, serves another most valuable end in guarding
the sacred office of the teacher from the intrusion of incompetent persons who have no natural fitness for the work.

I have extended my remarks on this head of my Report to what may seem to you an unnecessary length; but from the ignorance and mis-apprehension which I have every where found existing on the entire of this subject, some explanation and information I deemed requisite. A rrue, enlightened, and religious education is now universally recognised as the only engine by which a people can be carried forward in the march of improvement. The working of this machinery being in the teacher's hands, it is fom him that the minds of the rising generation will receive their mould and impress. If it be true, as Locke, one of the most enlightened men of his time, says, "that of all the men we meet, with nine out of ten, are what they are, good or evil, useful or not, by their education," how important is it that the man who is to be the educator, that is not on'y the imparter of head knowledge, but the trainer of the heart and the whole man, should be thoroughly qualified for the task! Nothing can be more erroneous than to suppose that amongst an ignorant population, where the standard of education is low, an unintelligent and illiterate schoolmaster is good enough for unenlightened, uninstructed children. This would be to assume that high motives, energy of character, a good understanding, and sound attainments would be hirown away on the instruction and training of those who most require to be taught; that an ignorant teacher is good enough for ignorant children, as though the more difficult task 10 be accomplished, and the greater result to be achieved, the less efficient should be the meanis employed. I regret to say that to some extent this impression prevails in this district, and it hithereto prevailed much more than at present.

It is preposterous to place the education of the children of this Province in the hands of beardless youths, and of uneducated and untrained men of every age and calibre. A mere knowledge of graminar, geography and arithmetic, with scarce the power, in many instances, to write a semeuce grammatically and orthographically correct, is a preposterous title to the office of a schoolmaster. It could not be expected that such men should have a high and conscientious estimate of the duties of their office, or an earnest zeal in the performance of them. They almost inevitably become dronish teachers, who content themselves with merely going through a mechanical routine of schoul duties, who,-

> "Machines themselves, and governed by a clock, Dismiss their cares when they dismiss their flock:"

If the people at all value a proper training for their children, and wish to secure for them what may emphatically be termed the blessings of education, their utmost endeavours will be directed to raising the standard of the teacher's qualifications. Until a normal school, therefore, is established in Lower Canada, and unil the management of the schools is in the hands of persons trained in this institution, for the work, the most laborious and conscientious inspection can accomplish but little towards their improvement. The Inspector's office is a corrollory of a normal institution. The two are parts of the same machinery and ought to work together. It is to be expected that the establishment of an institution for the training of efficient teachers, and the introduction of a uniform system of instruction in all the schools, would be attended with some difficulties, but these are by no means unsurmountable; they are only such as would be found to give way before energetic and unanimous exertions. There are a multitude of things in the educational provisions of Lower Canada worthy of great praise and admiration, but the status and qualifications of the teacher loudly call for reform and improvement, When these features have been introduced into the educational machinery, which will also, without any wholesale innovations, gradually
improve the school houses and school apparatus, the educational Bill of this section of the Province will be a model to the most advanced and enlightened countries.

Secondly.-The gradation of salaries. The constant changing of teachers has a most injurious effect on the schools. In the present state of matters, young men seldom choose the office of a teacher as a permanent profession; they only take it up as a stepping stone to a more lucrative appointment, and when that presents inself, it is very speedily abandoned. The whole interests of the community demand that something should be done to retain them. Any considerable and general augmentation of salary must be the work of time, but surely there might be a more judicious scale of salaries. It is manifestly unjust that boys of sixteen, and older novices, should be entitled to receive the same sum as men who have taught in the Province five, seven, or ten years; there ought to be some greater distinction than there is of experience and acquirements, and success in teaching. The same sum that is now spent in salaries might be so applied as to give more general satisfaction to the teacher, and to form some inducement to him to persevere zealously in his work. Let teachers of all ages, for the first two years afier entering upon their office bave say forty-five pounds per annum; at the end of the time, if their schools should give evidence of conscientious efficiency, and they themselves be prepared to undergo a certain examination, they should be entilled to receive fifty-five pounds per annum; at the end of three years, or after five years experience in their profession another advance of ten pounds might be made on the same conditions; that is that their schools on inspection, should exhibit superior management and organization, and that the teachers pass a more perfect and thorough examination, which shall test, not only the amount of their own information, but also their ability to impart that to their pupils. Under such a scale of graduation, instead of the teacher entering on his profession with the discouraging consciousness that whatever his exertions might be, he had little hope of distinction or preferment in it, every indacement would be held out to industry and self improvement. His work woald become a study to him, as the successive examinations would not only embrace a high standard of general information, but would also test or bring out the fruits of his experience and observation in his profession.

These suggestions respecting a scale of salaries, I would bring to your remembrance, are made to suit existing circumstances; when the Legislature can appropriate a larger sum for educational purposes, there should be a proportionate increase on the various classes; and if the teachers were trained in a normal school, the examination passed prior to their leaving that institution, and certificates a warded, should entitle them at once to second class salary, as already suggested.

Another point which calls for remedy is the age of teachers. No young man should be allowed to engage in such an important work until he has com. pleted his eighteenth year, and when the present urgent demand for teachers has passed away there should be no schoolmaster appointed under twenty-one years of age.

While on the subject of the importance of normal schools, I cannot but advert to the claims of the City of Ottawa, as a proper site for one. The valley of the Ottawa comprises no less than fourteen different constituencies. Its population amounts to about one fourth of that of the lower section of the Province, and is rapidly on the increase; it contributes more largely to the public revenue than any oiber section of the Province.

The City of Ottawa is in the centre of the valley; it is a Bishop's See, and the number of teachers must be very considerable, from these circum-
stances therefore its claims are paramount should the Legislature deem it expedient to establish a central normal school in the Province.

In visiting the various districts I have marked with pleasure an obvious distinction belween the old and the new school houses; those built of late years are larger and better fitted up than those of former years; but still the majority are too small, and many are most deplorably supplied with desks and seats. It is altogether a mistake to suppose that a small building, set down in the midst of a wood or in the open clearing, is more comfortable and warmer than a larger one. A small low-roofed school house would take more fuel to keep it warm in winter, and would be incomparably less comfortable in summer, than a larger building, with a lofy ceiling: it is therefore to be hoped that the parents will in future form a truer estimate of the importance of that part of the educational machinery which is more immediately placed in their hands, and will cheerfully and cordially unite in providing all the "means and appliances" which can facilitate the progress of their children and the efficiency of the school. The disputes and animosities with respect to the school sites, which I have repeatedly encountered, have a most injurious influence on the interests of education, while party strifes and the selfishness of petty interests separate the parents of a district. dividing those exertions which should be united; the children are sacrificed and made victims to their ignorance and prejudice.

I have delivered a course of lectures upon education in Aylmer and Buckingham, and intend continuing the same in several other municipalities throughout the district.

I have also nearly completed a map of the district of Ottawa, upon a scale of two miles to one inch, and it is my intention to exhibit upon this map the position of every school house in the entire district.

I will now give a recapitulation of all the statistical tables which accompany this Reporl, adding thereto a few remarks:

Petite Nation.-It will be perceived that in this Seigniory tbere are ten schools in operation, and I have much gratification in stating that in no municipality in the entire district is the law more strictly complied with than in this, the only Seigniory in the entire district. The population is almost entirely French Canadian. Were a model school established here, it would be productive of much good, and I would most respectfully recommend that some aid be granted towards that object.

Lochaber.-The schools in this municipalily are also well conducted. A model school is much wanted in the village of Thurso; I would also recommend that some aid be given towards the establishment of such an institution, not only in this township, but also in every other one of note in the entire district.

Buckingham.-Education is progressing rapidly in this municipality; the academy has already 27 pupils in daily atiendance, and the dissentient schools, as well as those under the control of the Commissioners, are in a flourishing state.

Templeton.-There is not that vigor existing bere that there ought to be; but I trust to be able to speal more favorably in my next Report.

Hull.-Education is progressing favorably bere, and all ascerbities have ceased to exist; the number of schools in operation is sufficient for the wants of the population.

Alymer.-This municipality contains more schools, in proportion to the population, than any other in the entire district; in fact, I think I would be warranted in saying that it contains more than any in the whole Province; the number in actual attendance is, to the entire population, as one is to five. The female schools, some of which are of the first class, are all conducted by ladies of great experience and ability, and the inhabitants are bighly grateful to the Government for the liberal aid extended towards these institutions.

Wakefield.-There are iwo good schools in operation here, being a number quite commensurate with the wants of the population.

Masham.-There are two tolerably good schools in operation here, viz: one for the French section of population, and the other for the English.

Low.-There is much apathy existing here, there being only an independent school in operation. I will endeavour, during the course of the piesent winter, to have one established under the control of the Commissioners.

Eardly.-There is only one school in operation in this municipality; another is much wanted, but difficulty is experienced in procuring a suitable teacher.

Onslow.- Education is advancing rapidly in this municipality; there are four good schools in operation, two of which are under the control of the Commissioners.

Bristol.-There are five schools in operation here, one of which is a dissentient one; the teachers' qualifications are good.

Clarendon.-The academy is progressing very favorably here, and the other schools in the township continue to improve.

Litchfeld.-This little municipality is not surpassed by any other in the district. The Portage da Fort and Central Litchfield schools are conducted by teachers of consummmate ability and experience.

Callumet.-There is much improvement here since my last Report; the number of pupils in actual attendance has more than doubled.

Mansfield and Waltham.-There are two schools on a pretty good footing in operation here.

Chichester and Sheen.-There are three good schools in operation bere; one of which is conducted by a teacher of much ability and experience.

Allumettes.-Under the superintendence of the Rev. Mr. Lynch, education has much improved here. There is an excellent select classical school, and the elementary schools are numerously attended and well conducted.

Waterloo.-There is an excellent school in this municipality ; the majority of the pupils are of French origin.

Maniwaki.-This being the Indian reserve, the pupils are nearly all Indian. The attendance in summer is much more numerous than in winter montbs. 4 would most respectfully request that this municipality be not required to comply with the provisions of the Act 12 Vic., cap. 50, but that it be treated as an indigent municipality. The Reverend Fathers of the Order of Oblats are assiduous in their attention to the wants of the Indian population here; they have erected at their own expense a large and commodious church, the basement of which is of stone, besides saw and grist mills; and through their exertions this section of the: country is settling fast.

Portland.-There is one school in operation in this municipality, which has only been established very recently.

## RECAPITULATION.

The following result will appear upon perusal of the statistical table :
Population of the districts, about. ..... 29,000
School municipalities. ..... 23
Dissentient ..... 3
Number of school houses ..... 68
" " " districts. ..... 90
" " educational institutions ..... 85
Elementary schools ..... 82
Number of scholars ..... 2412
6: " academies ..... 5
" " scholars at do. ..... 121


It is with much gratification I have to report that there is nearly a uniformity of books used in the different schools in this district. In the English schools the Irish National School Books are in all but universal use, and in the French schools the books used by the Christian Brothers are general.

One great desideratum is the want of good maps, without which it is almost impossible to teach geography so as io make the science intelligible to the young student.

It will thus be seen that during the past year one fourth has been added to the number of pupils in actual attendance at schools in this district.

When we contrast this with the former state of things, it is certainly consoling ; on the hypothesis that the population of this district is 29,000 , the number of pupils attending school is to entire population in the ratio of about 1 to $10 \frac{3}{4}$; decided improvement upon former years, and a ratio equivalent to many of the enlightened states of Europe.

I cannot close this Report without bearing testimony to the aid I have upon every occasion received from the Clergy of every denomination throughout the entire district. My thanks are especially due to the Revds. Messrs. Mignault, Brady, Hughes and Lynch, Catholic Clergymen, and also to the Revds. Messrs. Morris, Johnston, and Sykes, Episcopalian Clergymen.

> I have the honor to be, Sir,
> Your obedient humble servant,

## J. J. RONEY, School Inspector.

The Hon. P. J. O. Chauveau, Superintendent of Education.

## Report of Mr. Tanguay, Inspector of Schools for the Counties of Kamouraska, Temiscouata and Rimouski.

Sin, - have the honor to transmit to you my third Report on the working of the Law of Education in the District of Kamouraska.

I am happy to be able, Mr. Superintendent, to inform you that at the ontset the educational law has worked in a very satisfactory manner in this district, during the year which has just expired, making allowance for its numerons defects, and the poverty which has pressed more heavily on this district than on any other. You will notice with pleasure that there has been a considerable
increase in the number of schools, more regular attendance, longer duration of the scholastic year, a slight extension in the branches of study previously pursued, an increase in the salaries of the teachers, and especially the sign of a brighter future in the founding of several houses of education of a more exalted character, on different points of this greal and important district.

We have now no longer to struggle against a systematic opposition to the working of the educational law. Every one admits the principle of coercive taxation almost without a murmur. People also are convinced of the great advantages of education, and that the method for supporting the public schools, adopted by our statutes is the least expensive and best adapted to the great majority of the population. Nevertheless, after having overcome these great difficulties, there is still a greater one to surmount,-the indifference in several places on the part of the parents of the pupils and the rate-payers to everything relating to education. This indifference, in my opinion, is caused by the too extensive powers conferred by law on Commissioners, more than two-thirds of whom are absolutely illiterate men, and very often opposed to education. These Cominissioners have for a long tine abused their despotic authority by appointing mere semblances of teachers engaged at the lowest possible rates. These teachers, as might be expected, have merely made a pretence of teaching, which has had but little or no result upon the social condition of the people. The latter soon found out that this show of education was not worth the sum paid by them for it. Hence their indifference, even now, notwithstanding the counterbalance of the School Inspectors, to whom the people accord more power than even the law, which appoints them, the Commissioners in several municipalities do but follow the letter of the law without at all entering into its spirit. To make the local tax as light as possible, to engage teachers at the lowest possible salary, to exact from them the number of days of school stipulated in the act of agreement, to make a rapid visit to the schools at the end of every six months. These are what the School Commissioners of several municipalities look upon as embracing all the duties imposed on them by law. Must this be set down to them as a crime? Why should they visit these schools? What use would it be? Have they themselves the necessary acquirements to give the teachers and scholars that stimulus, that encouragement, that advice and counsel, without which the teacher often becomes remiss, and his courage fails him before the thousand little annoyances which trouble bim daily.

On account of such a state of things our schools have lost and are every year losing masters who, had their services been remunerated sufficiently and their fatiguing and ungrateful duties better appreciated, would have continued in their career, in which they would have distinguished themselves more and more. Who have we for teachers in all those municipalities where that class of persons does not receive the remuneration and encouragement they have a right to expect? Men who merely follow that profession as a last rescource, a temporary means of earning their bread, to be abandoned the very instant chance offers them other means of existence. But, I will ask, are such men capable of the sacrifices which the duty of teacher requires? What means have they of keeping up their drooping spirits, of relief from the tedium and disgust, the sure consequence of the annoyances of ignorant and egotistical Commissioners, who weigh the work of intellect in the same scale as they do their beef or the wages of their servants, against the vexations interference of parents who idolise their children? Can they find consolation in the consideration and esteem in which they are held by society? These, however, are too generally refused them, especially in the municipalities referred to? Can they draw encouragement from the hope of providing for their families or of amassing for their old age means sufficient to save them from
want? The situation of teacher, especially since the commencement of our great Provincial works, the circulation of foreign capital and the consequent high price of labor and provisions, affords him scarcely the means of purchasing his daily bread and places him in a far inferior condition in this respect to that of the poore. mechanic.

There are, however, some honorable exceptions, and I am happy to be able to say that year after year the conviction of the futility of cheap schools is becoming more and more general. Several municipalities have offered from £75 to $£ 100$ to secure the services of qualified teachers.

A measure of Parliament which would determine the minimum salary to be granted to each teacher, male and female, holding a diploma, according to its class, is in my opinion an improvement desired by all those who take an interest in the education of the people.

Without any further remarks, allow me, Sir, to give you a summary statement of education in each separate municipality:

St. Anne de Lapocatière.-This municipality contains 11 schools, six of which are pretty good, four are passable; the other is only tolerated on account of the children being only beginners. This parish has made evident progress since last year, and I consider it my duty to mention this to its praise.

The accounts of the Corporation are in a satisfactory state; the Secretary Treasurer, who is every where the pivot of the educational system, is zealous and intelligent, and the majority of the School Commissioners are well disposed. These good results are owing in a great measure to the establishment of the system of coërcive taxation, and to the judicious choice of School Commissioners made by the Execulive.

Ixworth.-This new municipality, which dates but from last year, has had two primary schools, where reading, writing, and the catechism are taught. It has been impossible to do more with the means at its disposal. The two female teachers who have taken charge of these little schools are not qualified according to the terms of the law, but are nevertheless able to teach what was required of them.

Rivière-Ouelle-Has had four schools in operation during the former and five during the latter part of the year, exclusive of the Convent of the Ladies of the Congregation, which is attended by 80 pupils. The education given in this institution leaves nothing to be wished for either of the useful or the ornamental. It is to be regretted that the want of space in their building does not permit these excellent teachers to accede to all the applications made to them for admission. Every year they are compelled, from want of room, to refuse admission to a large number of pupils. The school of Mr. C. Tanguay, which ranks next to the convent, has been well attended, and the progress made by the pupils has fully justified the confidence which the parents have placed in this worthy teacher. The other schools, especially that kept by Mr. Gagnon, which has been open since the last period of the scholastic year has been kept on a good footing.

The system of voluntary subscriptions is still tolerated in this municipality, as the good will of a certain number of people makes up for the insufficiency of this mode of supply. The School Commissioners are educated men and pretty well informed on the subject of public education.

St. Denis-Contains six schools of which three are good, two passable and one hardly that. This municipality shews a very great zeal and interest for everyithing relating to the education of children; indeed, I can say that education has attained a more than ordinary degree of advancement. This parish supplies teachers to many other larger parishes, and from the knowledge and intelligence of its inhabitants takes the lead of them. Ont of a population of about 1650 souls

350 children attend the local schools, or one ont of $45 \cdot 7$ of the total population, including those attending the colleges, convents and other houses of superior education. Need I add that J. C. Chapais, Esq., Member for Kamouraska, has contributed in no small degree to bring about this happy result. The accounts of the Corporation are not kept in a satisfactory manner. This is the only subject of serious complaint that I met in my visits to this parish.

Notre Dame du Mont Carmrl.-This pnor municipality, separated from St. Denis by a chain of mountains, which make it as picturesque as it is wild, contains 1wo small schools, in which are taught reading; writing, the elements of arithmelic and the catechism. The establishment of these two schools is without doubt very little, and yet it is a great benefit to these people who are for the most part without any other means of religious instruction. I met with a child of distinguished talent; he has been taken from his native mountains; a generous protector has undertaken to develope talents of no common order: he enters this autumn into the College of St. Anne. We have but $£ 40$ to defray the expenses of these two schools, including rent, firewood, and percentage of the Secretary Treasurer.

Kamouraska-Contains seven schools, one model school under the direction of the Brothers of the Christian Doctrine, one superior school for girls, a third which is a good school, two that are tolerably good, although far behind the first and second two, and two passable, besides an independent school. The three first bave given great satisfaction and the four others but little. Education is progressing in this municipality, but yet not in as great a degree as might be expected, amongst a population so rich and intelligent, and one which numbers so many educated men amongst its inhabitants. The school of the Brothers, and the convent, the classes of which will open in the course of next month, are two splendid edifices which reflect credit on the taste and talent of those who superintended the building of them.

The finances, thanks to the liberality of the Legislature, are in a flourishing condition.

St. Pacome-Has five schools, of which two are good, two tolerably so; and one inferior. This new municipality is doing as well as can be expected, considering the means at the disposal of the School Corporation. Ifeel bound to mention with gratitude the name of the Reverend Mr. Bégin, the parish Curé, as being the soul of all the progress made in that parish.

The accounts are regularly kept, and all payments are made punctually.
St. Paschal-Has nine schools, all kept by female teachers, even that of the Fabrique; three of these schools are pretty well hept; three of them are passably so, and three more are poorly kept. There is no opposition made to the school law here, but neither isthere muchzeal shown in carrying it out. A litle more activity on the part of the educated portion of the School Commissioners would dispel the apathy of a certain number of the popilation, and extend education beyond the narrow circle in which it has languished for nearly ten years with little profit to society. There are, however, school districts which it would not be fair to include in this unfavorable estimate. This parish has benefitted for several years by the services of Mr. and Mrs. Derochers, at present at St• Joseph de la Point Levy. They have been replaced by the Misses Ansbrew, whose zeal, activity and acquirements are a real advantage to St. Paschal.

The finances are in a satisfactory state, although slightly in arrears on account of the death of the former Secretary Treasurer, Mr. Ed. Parent. The building of a school house was commenced some years ago, but the work was suspended on account of want of means.

St. Helene-Conains five schools, all very inferior but tolerated because it has been found impossible to procure better qualified female teachers for the paltry salary offered. This municipality is one of those in which the progress of education is least felt. The reason of this state of things is the incompetence of the School Commissioners, the want of means sufficient to remunerate good teachers, and especially the want of persons able to place themselves at the head of a movement to reform. The accounts are well kept.

St. Alexander-Contains five schools, of which one is very good, two tolerably good and two inferior, tolerated on account of the backwardness of the pupils and the limited means at the disposal of the School Commissioners. 1 can foretell good results in this new municipality. The first mentioned school, conducted by young ladies, has given the greatest satisfaction.

There are, however, some difficulties to overcome in collecting the school taxes. Relying upon the hope of a grant from the Legislature a school bouse was erected, the building of which falls heavily on the school district obliged to bear the expense, and has caused some dissatisfaction.

St. André-Contains ten schools, all kept by female teachers : one of these may perhaps be called a model school; five of the schools are sufficiently good the other four are inferior. The majority of the School Commissioners evince great indifference. All the burthen of the work falls upon the chairman, the Rev. N. Doucet. The unfortunate disagreement relative to the changing of the school house of section No. 5 had not yet been finally settled at the time of my visit to this municipality; I used fresh exertions to prevent the offering for sale of this school house : it would be a shame.

The accounts, although in arrear, are regularly kept. A considerable sum is due for assessments of back years.

St. Patrick de la Rivière du Loup-Contains six schools, all inferior ; five of these are kept by fernale teachers and one by a male teacher holding a diploma. The present state of things, although deficient in more respects than one, is still a nolable improvement upon past years. The accounts have been regulated, and the former grounds of complaint have disappeared. The Cure of he parish is a person devoted to everything that can advance the interests of education, and I rely a good deal upon his influence.

St. George de Kakouna-Contains four schools, kept under the vigilant and paternal eye of the Curé and active School Commissioners. Purely elementary instruction is general here, and I do not know of any municipality where more interest is shewn for the cause of education. The accounts are well kept, and the finances are in a prosperous condition. A model school is much wanted here, and the people were thinking seriously on the subject at the time of my visit.

A building destined for the Ladies of the Congregation is in process of erection, and will be ready in the course of next summer. A portion of the funds requisite was furnished by B. Dionne, Esq., member for Temiscouata; the Legislature has given them a grant, and generous persons will be found to come forward and assist the founders.

The beauty and famed salubrity of this parish, and the concourse of strangers during the fine season, will cause this house to be a sort of refuge where the scholars of other houses and the good Sisters themselves may cone to recruit their wasted strength.

St. Arsene-Contains five schools, one of which may be termed a model school; three are good, and one passable. This parish, next to that of St. Denis, has the greatest number of children attending sehool, in proportion to its popala:ion, the average being 1 out of 6 .

There is besides in this parish a remarkably benevolent man, and one who is a friend to his country: this gentleman has imposed upon himself the noble task of being protector to the children of remarkable talents in his parish. Several of the most clever young men in the Seminary of Quebec are indebted to him for the benefits of their education and the development of their talents, which, were it not for his active aid, would have remained unknown and lost to society. Why should not the Government have a fund to do on a greater scale over the whole country what one single individual has done here?

Two female teachers have particularly distinguished themselves: I allude to Misses Clarisse Roy and Elize Blanchet.

Isle-Verte-Has ten schools: one model schcol which is well kept ; one superior school for girls, and two others that are tolerably good; the remainder are inferior, and badly furnished. The salaries of the female teachers are exceedingly small. Two of the latter are about to be discharged, as having been declared incompetent. In this municipality it has been found necessary to establish a great number of school districts in order to provide as well as possible for the wants of a population scattered over so large an extent of land. Education has made but little progress in the six schools I have mentioned as being inferior ones. The Commissioners for the most part are neglectful, and only do as much as is requisite to shield themselves from the penalies imposed by law. A splendid house, destined for a convent, is in course of erection, and will be opened during the course of next year.

St. Eloi-Has two tolerable schools and two which are absolutely inferior. The Cornmissioners are neglectful, and the teachers are badly paid, and are not superintended or encouraged.

Trois-Pistoles-Coutained nine schools during the first part of the year, and eight during the latter, as one of the teachers has been discharged; there are two good, four tolerable, and two very inferior schools; they have been regularly attended, and the teachers, who are all female, have shewn great assiduity in discharging their duties, and the scholars equal them in attention to their studies. Two of them are very young, being scarcely fifteen. The accounts are well kept. There is a house in course of erection which is intended for an academy for girls.

St. Simon.-This municipality has, during the scholastic year just clapsed, been a source of constant trouble to me. I have had continually to struggle against the malevolent spirit of the majority of the School Commissioners, who seemed to have made it their business, under cover of their legal omnipotence, to commit as much injustice as possible. Two female teachers were engaged for the same school district by the majority of the Commissioners, one of whom afterwards disavowed the engagement, and sided with the minority, which, thus changed into a majority, rescinded the first resolutions; the two teachers continued their schools, one with 12 and the other 34 children. Several of these ill disposed persons have now been replaced by men animated by a better spirit.

Of seven schools two may be considered good, three middling, and two inadequate. I have no hesitation in saying that part of the funds destined for the support of schools in this municipality have been utterly thrown away.

The accounts are in pretty good order.
St. Fabien.-There are here three schools, of which one is good, one passable, and the third below mediocrity. It would require two more to supply the wants of the population of this municipality, scattered over a large space; but those already in existence are supported with great difficulty.

Everything is done with considerable regularity, and the Registers are carefully kept.

Bic.-There are three schools, of which one is a model school and the 1 wo others are good elementary schools. This is one of the municipalities in which education is making the most steady progress. The teacher unites in a high degree the talents for teaching with the acquirements necessary to make a good preceptor. The Commissioners do their duty well.

Rimouski.-There are eleven schools, of which one is a model school for boys, one a superior school for girls, four are good elementary schools, and the five others are passable. Education is here encouraged by all the people of note and respectability in the place.

The convent is to open its classes next month. An industrial college is in process of construction. In the mean time there is a model school under the charge of an excellent teacher. This parish has just shown its readiness to adopt anything calculated to disseminate knowledge amongst its children, by founding an institute where persons of education come every week to debate or lecture on some historical, philosophical, or mechanical subject, before an audience which is always pretty numerous.

Mr. Taché, the member for Rimouski, has given proof of a liberality rarely equalled, by presenting the institute with 700 volumes out of his own library, amongst which are several valuable manuscripts.

The institute subscribes to eight or ten home and foreign journals.
The schools are attended by over 500 pupils, exclusive of those attending colleges, couvents, \&c., whose number is comparatively great.

Lessard.-There are seven schools, two good, one which may be considered a model school, and four middling. Attendance is satisfactory, the finances prospering, and the Commissioners are both zealous and intelligent. Upon the whole, this municipality is progressing since assessment has been carried out.

Lepage.-There are five schools, of which one is good and four only middling; two are well attended and the three others are almost deserted. The Rev. Mr. Duguay, the Curé, is zealous and active, but is poorly supported by the majority of the Commissioners. This municipality, though not doing as much as I could wish; has, however, within the last two years made considerable progress. The principle of assessment has been adopted, and is carried out without opposition.

The books are regularly kept, and I hope that the next scholastic year will sec further improvement.

The schools are badly provided with furniture.
Métis.-Three inferior schools were in operation during six months only; these schools were supporied by voluntary contributions from the Scotch inhabitants, who alone used them. Difference of faith and of origin prevented the French Canadians from sending their children to these schools, which besides were a great distance from them. A new parish formed in most part of the 3rd and 4th ranges of Metis and of the township of McNider, has just been erected canonically; a pretty chapel has also been built. I thought it best to await this occasion to constitute a new municipality under the name of St. Octave.

Matane.-There are four schools, all only middling, but still good enough for the first year. In this locality, thanks to the energy, activity, and zeal of the Rev. Mr. Boucher, the Curé, the progress is rapid. It is at present behind no other in the same local circumstances, since the inhabitants have given up lumbering and fishing to attend to the cultivation of their fine lands. Their isolation from the neighbouring settlements contributed greally for a long time to keep them in a state of inferiority. 1 am happy to add that education is there as much appreciated as in other places of more importance.

A powerful auxiliary to the cause of education and the dissemination of useful knowledge is the establishment of public libraries in this district, of which we have eleven, forming altogether about 6000 volumes of an interesting and useful character; being continually in circulation amongst the youth, they maintain and add to the knowledge acquired at school.

## Extract from the Second Report of Mr. Inspector Tanguay.

If I were called upon to give an account of the progress of education in my district, I should do it in the following manner, and say that there are:
137 elementary schools, attended by...... .......... . .. ......... 5040 pupils.
9 schools which cannot be considered as such, attended by..... 467
7 superior sehools for girls, attended by........................ 410 "
48 school houses built and in use.
7 " " in course of construction.
1 college, attended by
200 pupils.
2 convent schools, attended by 120 "
1 independent sehool. 32 "

Total
6269 pupils.
Besides all those of the district who attend institutions of education, such as colleges, convents, academies, without the limits of the district.

The progress of the children is shown in the following statistics:
Pupils reading from A B C to fluent reading................... 2479
: reading fluently............................................. 1716
" " well.................................................. 2076
" writing..................................................... 4118
" having learnt the four simple rules......................... 1126
" " " compound rules................................ 695
" studying book-keeping...................................... 23
" "، orthography, by spelling......................... 2722
" "، geography............................................... 563
" "، French grammar................................. 1467
" " parsing........................................... 1000
" " English grammar................................ 197
" " history............................................. 365
Expenses in the district of Kamouraska, for primary schools, during the current year, including the monthly rate, voluntary subscriptions, firewood, furnishing of books, \&c., £4894, more or less. This sum, divided among the 6266 pupils who have attended the different schools and educational institutions in the district of Kamouraska, gives $15 \mathrm{~s} .4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. as the mean cost for the education of each child.

The following is a brief summary of the principle obstacles to the carrying out of the educational law in the disitict of Kamouraska, viz: the incompetency of the present School Commissioners in more than half of the municipalities, incapacity on the part of the teachers, and want of articles requisite for scliools, want of an adequate remuneration to induce persons to teach who might distinguish themselves in that line, want of control on the part of the Inspector, too much powet vested by the law in the School Commissioners, who in many instances abuse it.

When schools are carried on well, it is generally owing to a good Secretary Treasurer, and also to an active President of the Board, who is most frequently the

Cure of the parish; there is no necessity then of having five persons to do what is in fact accomplished by two.

I have the honor to be, Mr. Superintendent, With the most profound respect, Your obedient servant, GEORGE TANGUAY, School Inspector.

## Extracts from the Report of F. X. Valade, Esq., Inspector of Schools.

City of Montreal.-Model school kept by Mr. Doran : pupils reading well, 30; a still greater number write beaulifully, and are learning arithmetic and geography. The pupils also learn English grammar, mental arithmetic, book keeping, drawing, literal English and French translation. Mr. Pierre Garnot is French teacher. The result of the examination was entirely satisfactory.

Mr. and Mrs. M'Quillan's School : the instruction is what is prescribed for elementary schools.

Mrs. Byrne's school : several pupils answered in a very salisfactory manner questions in parsing and geography.

Miss Gougeon's school : eight pupils out of thirty-four, read well, write passably, and recite the multiplication table.

Miss Godere's school : twenty-six out of fifty pupils write ; reading in French and English is taught.

There has been progress made in the schools of the Misses Poitras and Dubord, as also in the orphans school of La Providence, and in that of the Convent of the Good Shepherd:

The schools of the Congregation of Notre Dame are attended by 180 pupils; the French and English languages are successfully studied.

School Municipality of Hochelaga.-Miss Girouard's school is attended by 50 scholars on the highway of progress. That kept by Mr. Ploughman is a good school, and is attended by many pupils of high talent. The Secretary Treasurer's accounts are well kept.

Long Point.-Miss Irving's Protestant school is very interesting, from the progress and application of her pupils : spelling, reading, writing, geography and mental arithmetic, are carefully and skilfully taught.

Here are also more Sisters of the Providence Convent; new as is this establishment the progress of ihe pupils is highly satisfactory : they learn reading, etymology, mental arithmetic, \&c. Instruction is also given to young deaf and dumb girls; several of them express their thoughts in a very lively manner in both French and English, the letters are well made and the construction of the sentence is grammatical.

There is besides in this municipality a school under the condact of Mr. Pigeon, which is well worthy of attention.

Rivière des Prairies.-The boy's school is attended by about 50 pupils, of whom 30 read and spell extremely well; 15 write dictation easily; 7 are parsing, and some study English. Mental arithemetic and geography are taught.

In the girls school several pupils read well. Although inferior to the boys school this is also improving.

St. Henry, (the Tanneries.)-The school under the control of the dissentient Trustees is well kept and making progress. A great part of the pupils of this school spell, read, write and cypher extremely well.

Lachine.-The dissentient school numbers 70 pupils, of whom 50 read , spell and write well, 40 are advancing in arithmetic, 40 parse the parts of speech with
tact and inteliigence; 20 are learning geography; and a great many drawing. The resuit of the examination is very satisfactory.

Petite Cule.-The Protestant school under control of the Commissioners is attended by 50 pupils, of whom 20 read, spell and write from dictation; 12 understand grammar and parsing. Mental arithmetic is taught, as also is geography.
isle Perrot.-There are two schools, one altended by boys and the other by girls; the progress of the scholars is not very satisfactory.

Rigaud, (Village.)-The instruction given by the Clerks of St. Viateur at the College of Rigand is excellent ; the institution is conducted with the geatest zeal and assiduity. The course pursued is the ordinary classical.

The school kept by Miss Methot is a good one; her method of teaching is exceilent.

Rigaut, (Parish.)-The schools kept by Mrs. Landriau and Miss O'Callaghan are good. The last mentioned teacher is extremely active. The schools of Upper la Chute and of Pctit Brulé are also pretty successful.

Vaudreuil-Possesses a convent, at which girls receive a good sound education.

Mr. Moffat's school upon the whole is well kept.
The school at Quinchien is newly established; it is kept by a female teacher equal to all her doties.

The school of " La Cote des Francais" is very well kept. The progress made by the pupils of the schools of La Petite Cote, la Cote St. Louis and la Grand Cote, is not altogether satisfactory ; the state of the accounts is far from being so.

St. Marthe.-Mr. Chartrand's school is kept with strict discipline, and is very successful. Oat of about 30 scholars, 15 spell and read well, learn mental arithmetic, and write correctly from dictation.

Of the three oher schools under control, one is good, the other passable, and the last is shut up on account of the sickness of the mistress.

The dissentient school is excellent.
St. Polycarpe-Has eight schools, of which three are kept in a satisfactory manner; those of Messrs. Chartrand and Kennedy are successfully conducted, the three others are middling.

St. Clet-Possesses four schools. In that kept by Miss Valois 25 pupils out of 50 read well; 30 recite the multiplication table readily; 20 do the simple rules, and 10 the compound; 15 write from dictation and learn orthography; 8 are learning the conjugations of the verb, the rules of the participle, and parsing.

Miss Quierrier's school is pretty good: out of 30 pupils, 20 read passably; 15 learn mental arithmetic; 9 do the simples rules, 3 the compound; 8 write from dictation ; 2 conjugate the tenses of the verb and participles, and parse. The two other schools are middling.

The Cedars.-There are in this municipality four schools and one convent. The school kept by Mr. Joassim is excellent : out of 43 pupils attending it, 30 read well, write on paper, and practise mental arithmetic ; 20 write from dictation; 10 do the compound rules, and know the rules of the participle, the formation of the verb, and are learning analysis. This is one of the best schools of the county of Vaudreuil.

The boys school at St. Dominique is middling : out of 30 pupils attending it, 15 read well, 4 spell correctly, 5 do the simple rules; as many write from dictation, and 15 from copies. The girl's schools of that place gives about the same statistics and for similar branches.

At the convent, reading, writing from dictation, the rules of the participle parsing, and reckoning, are taught. This institution renders the parish great service

St. Zotique-Has three schools. The first, Mr. Beaudry's, is conducted with order, discipline and activity : out of about 50 pupils attending it, 25 read well, the same number say the multiplication table with ease, 20 learn simple arithmetic, 10 do the compound rules, learn the formation of the verbs, parsing and the rules of the participle, and from 20 to 30 write from copies.

The second, under the charge of Mr. Manseau, numbers 10 pupils, who read well, 20 who can say the multiplication table, 10 who can do the simple rules, and 5 who write from dictation.

Lastly the third, conducted by Mr. Scanlan, is numerously attended; it is rather an English than a French school. Reading and writing are both good, and arithmetic is successfully taught.

Rivière- $\grave{c}$-Delisle.-The dissentient school of this place is extremely well conducted: reading, spelling and arithmetic are successfully taught; out of 56 scholars at present attending it, 40 read and write well, 14 learn simple arithmetic, and 10 compound.

Cóleau Landing.-The examination of the dissentient school of Côteau Landing was satisfactory. I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your obedient servant,
F. X. VALADE, School Inspector.

Statistical Table showing the Number of pupils in Mr. Valade's Inspection District, attending school regularly, and studying the branches required by the Provincial Statutes, 9 Vic., chp. 27, and 12 Vic., chp. 50.


Statistical Table showing Number of Pupils, \&c.-(Continued.)


Parish of Montreal, including Hochelaga, St. Henry, St. Pierre, Côte des Neiges, St. Louis and Cote Visitation; Pupils attending regularly, 623.


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## Statistical Table showing number of Pupils attending in, \&c.-(Continued.)



## REOAPITULATION.


In this total is not included the number of Pupils attending the independent schools, nor yet the Pupils who are enregistered on the roll of the Commissioners, but who attend school only irregularly, or not at all. which numbers, added to the 4822 before mentioned would make the total amount nearly equal to that given by the Report in the month of July, 1854.

## NOTE RESPECTING THE REPORTS OF THE INSPECTORS.

The Superintendent does not consider himself responsible for all the remarks contained in the preceding extracts from Reports. On the contrary, it is easily seen that there are to be found in them, several suggestions in direct opposition to those which the Superintendent has taken the liberty of making.

While suppressing everything calculated to wound seriously the feelings of individuals, and striking out repititions, he has considered it his duty scrupulously to give the views of the Inspectors. In fact, the actual state of the question of Public Instruction requires that the Government, the people, and the representatives of the people, should be fully aware of the opinions of all those entrusted with the supervision of schools, upon the subject.

It is unnecessary to add that several of these reports give proof of much zeal and considerable powers of observation, and that altogether they form an impartial, nay, a severe criticism upon the present state of affairs

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Page 78-Bishop's College, at Lennoxville, placed in the second section of the division of the Superior Schools, ought to have been placed in the first section, with the other Universities. It has, by ite charter, the power of conferring degrees in the four Faculties. That power has been exercised with regard to the Faculties of Theology and of Arts. The Faculties of Law and Medicine are not yet organized. The Professors are not all Clergymen; three of them are Laymen. Its library numbers above 1500 volumes, instead of 1000 .
Page 78-2nd line-for "education" read "educational."
Page 91-lst line-for "Appendice" read "Appendix."
Page 129-3rd line-for "slow" read "low."
Page 129—33rd line-for "text" read "test."
Page 130-13th line-instead of "Of the 12 the school districts into which Chatham is divided, in 5 of these districts, can it be said that education is advancing very slowly," read "in five school districts only can it be said that education is advancing in this township."
Page 133-34th line-instead of "and all English about" read "and all English. About."
Page 135-2nd line from bottom-instead of "road" read "rut."
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Page 137-3rd line-instead of "rational" read "rationale," and 1oth line, instead of "awkward" read "outward."
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Of the Normal, Model, Grammar, and Common Schools, in Upper Canada, for the year 1855, with an Appendix : by the Chief Superintendent of Education.

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## EDUCATION OFFICE,

Toronto, 31st May, 18 ă6.
SIR,
I have the honor to transmit herewith, to be laid before His Excellency the Governor General, my Report of the State of the Normal, Model, Grammar and Common Schools of Upper Canada, during the year 1855, including a statistical statement of other Educational Institutions, as far as I hare been able to obtain information respecting them. To my Report I have added an Appendix which contains copious extracts from Local Reports, and various Documents and Papers illustrative of the means which have been employed to promote the improvement and extension of the Grammar and Common Schools, and the establishment of Public Libraries, throughout-Upper Canada.

> I have the honor to be, Sir,
> Your obedient servant, E. RYERSON.

The Honorable
T. Lee Terrile,

Secretary of the Province.
Toronto.

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PART I.-GENERAL REPORT.

## TO HIS EXCELLENCY SIR EDMUND WALKER HEAD, BARONET, governor general of canada, de. de. de.

## May it please Your Excellency,

In presenting to your Excellency my Report of the Normal, Model, Grammar and Common Schools of Upper Canada, for the year 1855, I am happy to be able to state that there is no abatement in the progress of our system of Public Instruction, but a larger increase in the number of pupils attending the schools and in the amount of moneys provided for their support by local self-imposed zates on the part of the people, than has been reported during any preceding year.

Hitherto. from motives of economy in printing the reports, I have reported the statistics of Townships only once in five years-limiting myself during the four years out of five to the statistical returns from Counties. The last being the fifth year since I included Townships in my returns, my present report contains the school statistics of 359 Townships, as well as those from 42 Counties, 5 Cities, 16 Towns, 5 Towns with Municipalities only, and 20 incorporated Villages of Upper Canada. The copious extracts which I have given (Appendix A.) from the Reports of Local Superintendents, present, with intelligent and anxious faithfulness, the darker as well as lighter shades in regard to the provisions and operations of our whole school system. The same remark applies to the first Reports of the Inspectors of Grammar Schools in Appendix B.

The examination of the Statistical Tables and extracts of local Reports is the best means of learning, or forming a correct and enlightened opinion of the principles and working of the system of Public Instruction, its obstacles, its progress, its success, its defects, and excellencies. It may, however, be proper for me to make a few references and remarks.

## 1. Common School Moneys-Table A.

This iable shows that while the Legisla!ive Grant apportioned to Municipalities last year, amounted to $£ 24,474$, the local Municipal assessment for School purposes amounted to $£ 45,123$, nearly twice the amount of the Legislative Grant, and being an increase of $£ 12,126$ on the Municipal assessment of the preceding year.

The aggregate amount of the local Truslees' School assessments last year, was $£ 109,711$, being (after deducting the equivalents not charged against it last year, amounting to $£ 41,682$,) an increase over that of the preceding of £16,045.

The amount of rate-bills on children and subscriptions lasi year, was $£ 30,807$-a decrease of $£ 5,092$ on that of the precceding year.

The amount cxpended for Maps and other School Apparatus, was $£ 2,064-$ an increase on the preceding year of $£ 169$.

The amount expended on School Sites and Buildings, was $£ 34,272$-an increase on the preceding year of $£ 12,115$.

The amount expended in the payment of Teacher's Salaries, was £170,027 -being an intrease on the preceding year of $£ 25,309$, or more than one hundred thousand doliur:! The increase in the sums for the payment of Teachers' salaries, and the erection of school-houses, is the truest and most practical test of the progress of a school system; and under both these heads the returns are most satisfactory and encouraging.

The total anouni expended for Common School purposes last year was £224,818-bcing (after deducting 12,533 , not before charged, an increase on the expenditure of the preceding year of $£ 23,700$; -the largest increase which has ever taken place in one year in this branch of public instruction.

## 2 Schom, Lopulation ani) Common Schoog. Pupils-Table B.

According to this table, the sehwo population between the ages of 5 and 16 years, was 297.623 , being an increase mit the preceding ycar of 19,711

The number of children betwem tir,se ages attending the schools was 211,629 --increase on the preceding year of 18,292 . The number of pupils of other ages was $16,285-a n$ increase of 5,404 . The whole number of children attending the schools was 227, $564^{*}$-being an increase on the preceding year of 23,696 .

The number of boys attending the schools was 125,678, an increase of 12,793; the number of girls attending the schools was 102,186, an inctease of 10,903 .

The number of indigent children reperted as attending the schools was 3,059 , being a decrease of sos.

This table extibits also the ciassification of pupils, and shows a very gratifying increase in the more adranced classes of reading, aid in the higher subjects of Common School education, such as grammar, history, book-keeping, mensuration, algeb-a, geometry, elements of natural philosophy, vocal music and drawing.

## 3. Number of Common Schools, and when Established-Table C.

It appears from this table that there were $\mathbf{3 , 5 2 5}$. School Sections, being an inerease of 113 ; that there were 3,325 schools opened, being anincrease of 81. There

[^10]were, therefore, 200 School Sections in which there were no schools, or from which no reports were received.

This table also shews that the number of Free Schoels was 121: an increaseof 34 . The number of schocls, partly free, was 1665 , an increase of 496 . Of these 544 were schools in which the rate-bills were less than one shilling and three pence per month for each pupil Thus 1755 out of the 3325 schools reported, were more iree than the law requires; showing the result of experience and the tendency of the public mind in favor of free schools.

This table likewise contains all the information which I have been able to collect as to the number of schools which have been established in each Municipality during each year since 1816 .

## 4. 'iext Bouks and Apparatus used in the Common Scholls-Tarle D.

Of the 3,325 schools reforted, the national series of text books are used in 3126. Thus this excellent series of hooks may be considered as the school text books of Upper Canada-printed in the country, approved and used by the country, as well as recommended by public authority. The books not recommended or sanctioned according to law are fast disappearing from the schools.

There were maps in 1728 schools-increase 150: and blackboards in 2399 schools-increase, 32.

The number of schools which were opened and closed with prayer was 1003increase 520; and the number in which the Bible and Testiment were read was 1963-increase, 152.
5. Common Scho r Teachers. their Religiods Fatre, 广aiaries, \&c.-Table E.

The whole number of teachers employed during the year was 3565 , of whom 2568 were males-ncrease, 5 ; and 997 females-decrease, 34. Members of the Church of England, 716-increase, 14. Roman Catholics, 306-decrease 25. Presbyterians, 998-increase, 18. Methodists, 957-decrease, 52. Baptists, 183decrease, 44. Congregationalists, 57-decrease. 5. \&r. The highest sahary of a teacher in a city, $£ 350$; in ia town, $£ 200$; in a village, $£ 130$; in a county, £ 160 . For variations of salaries, see the table.
6. Schoon Houses, Sihoor Visits, Lectures, Time of Kepping the chools Open-Table F.

The returns of school houses for 1854 or 1855 , or for both years, scem to be very imperfect, as there are several discrepancies between them. According to this table the number of school-houses built during the last year was 195, of which 31 were of brick, 10 of stone, 49 frame, $49 \log , 59$ not reported. The whole number of school houses reported, was 3362 .

The whole numioer of visits to schools made during the year was 40,704increase, 986. Of these visits 6916 were made by Local Superintendents-increase, 50 ; by Clergymen, 3335 -increâse, 305 ; by Municipal Councillors, 1396-decrease, 13 ; by Magistrates, 1399 -increase, 34 ; by Judges and Members of Parliament, 365-increase, 192 ; by Trustees, 15,899- increase, 362 ; by other persons, 11,394-increase, 56. Total, 40,704.

The number of school lectures on education delivered by Lucal Superintendents during the year was 2082-decrease, 71 ; and not more than two-thirds as many lectures as there were schools opened, or as the law required. Lectures by other persons, or voluntary lectures, 260-increase, 185.

The average time during which the schools were kept open was 9 months and 20 days-increase, 4 days.

## 7. Grammar Schools-Tables H. I. and K.

These tables contain the statistical returns as to the receipts and expenditures of moneys in support of the Grammar Schools, the whole number of pupils in them, and the number of pupils studying each of the several branches taught, the text books used, \&c.

The amount apportioned from the Grammar School Fund last year was $£ 6549$, heing an increase on the preceding year of $£ 1064$. The amount received from fees was £5122-increase £748. The amount of Municipal aid was only £1630; from other local sources, $£ 1625$; balance from the preceding year, $£ 559$, being an increase under these heads of $£ 910$. The whole amount received from all sources was $£ 15,486$, being an increase on the receipts of the preceding year of £2,722. Of this sum $£ 11,563$ were expended' in paying the salaries of masters-increase, £691; and the balance in the building, rent, repairs and furnishing of school-houses.

The whole number of pupils in the schools during the year was 3726 , being a decrease of 561 , arising from the introduction of the new programme of studies and new regulations which do not permit the admission or continuance of A B C pupils in the schools, but which require an entrance examination in the elements of Common School instruction.

Of the 3726 pupils in the Grammar Schools, the number reported as studying Latin was 1039 ; Greek, 235 ; French, 365. It will thus be seen that a very small proportion of the pupils in the Grammar Schools are pursuing the studies which constitute the distinguishing characteristic of those schools.

In my last report a minute analysis of the statistical returns was made to show the actual state of the Grammar Schools before the new regulations; or rather system came into force ; but as these regulations only took effect in July last, it is too soon to institute a comparison between the state of the Grammar Schools under the old and new regime.

In regard to the general state of the Grammar Schools the last year, and on the introduction of the present regulations and programme of studies, I need add nothing to the very excellent reports of the two Inspectors who were appointed last year, and from whose annual inspection of the schools I anticipate the most salutary results. For their reports see Appendix B.

From these reports it will be seen how great is the need in many places of better buildings for the Grammar Schools, with proper furniture and apparatus, and how inadequate the law for these purposes is to enable Boards of Grammar School Trustees to erect and furnish good buildings, as well as to provide for the certain and adequate remuneration of masters and teachers.

## 8. Normal and Model Schools-Table L.

The table shewrs attendance at the Normal School during the last year to be in advance of that of the preceding year. In regard to the Model School-the echool of practice for students in the Normal School-the number of pupils in each of the two (male and female) branches, is limited to 210 pupils- 420 in all. Though there are hundreds of applications on the books, that number cannot be exceeded, and new applicants are admitted in the order of their application, unless they are from without the City of Toronto.

The desks and chairs, which have been in constant use during four years by children from 5 to 16 years of age, are without blots or matks, showing the practicability, under a government strict, mild and parental, to inculcate upon children order, neatness and care as to the objects of their daily use. The whole system of organization, government and teaching, together with the maps, charts and other apparatus, is such as exemplifies what a Common School should be, and such as has elicited the unqualified admiration of great numbers of visitors from various countries. Student-teachers witnessing such models, and employing a portion of each week, during their attendance at the Normal School, in teaching in such Model Schools; cannot fail to possess peculiar adrantages in going out as instructors of youth. In the Normal School they attend lectures and perform severe exercises in the whole course of instruction; in the Mode! Schools they reduce to practice the knowledge thus acquired and matured.

The efficiency of the Normal School has, in every respect, been maintained, and in some respects, I think, improved. The practical and thorough character of the mode of teaching, as far as the limited period of attendance on the part of student-teachers generally admits, favorably compares with that which I have witnessed in any other country; as also the energy and zeal of the able masters. The demand for teachers from the ormal School, and the remuneration offered them, have increased in proportion as they have become known, and much more rapidly than it is possible to train them. Indeed, but a small proportion of the schools can as yet be provided with teachers from the Normal School; but the influence of the methods of organization, instruction and government inculcated and illustrated in the Normal and Model Schools, is felt throughout Upper Canada, and has already produced a most beneficial change in the character of school teaching and government, and a much higher standard of character and qualification on the part of teachers, and of comfort and convenience in regard to school-houses, furniture and apparatus. The school-houses in the majority of the cities and towns and in many country places, are built and furnished after the plan of the Provincial Model School ; and some of them are more spacious and elegant. When the appreciation of the education of the youth of the country is such that the school-house shall be the ornament of the neighborhood, village or town, and not its disgrace, and when the schools shall become objects of attraction to visitors, as well as matters of lively interest to both parents and children, then may we hope to see our country ap proaching its high destination in its sources of productiveness and the elevation and advancement of its population.

## 9. Tie Free Public Libraries.-Table M.

In my last report, an explanation was giten of the steps which had been taken for the establishment of a system of Public Libraries in Upper Canada, and the objections which have heen made to the establishment of such a system were sufficiently answered. The year 1854 presented the results of three years' preparation; of a personal visit to the various counties, and an appeal to them on the subject; of the first applications for a supply of books from all the municipal and scheol corporations th it were prepared to establish libraries on the favorable conditions proposed. In most cases, there was more or less opposition to the i : position of a new tax upon the people, and that opposition was generally in proportion to the largeness of the sum proposed to be expended in the purchase of books. In several instances, the councillors and trustees who tock the noble responsibility of taxing their municipalities for the establishment of hbraries were rejected for such alleged extravagance, by a majority of their constituents at the eusuing elections. Some time was necessary to allay this opposition and to produce a bealthful reaction by the circulation of the books purchased, and the pleasure and profit experienced in their perusal.

Under these circumstances, it coull not be expected that the following year would witness the applications tor many additional books. It is, however, gratifying to observe that 16,598 volumes have been purchased and put into circulation curing the year. The whole number ot volumes sent out by this Depart ment is 116,762 , on the following subjects: History, 20,169 volumes; Zoology, 9,220; Botany, 1,430 ; Natural Phenomena, 3,615; Physical Science, 2,555; Geology and Mineralogy, 1,074; Natural Philosophy, 1,843; Chemistry 976; Agricultural Chemistry, 591; Practical Agriculture, 5,507; Manufactures, 5,653; Ancient Literature, 705; Modern Literature, 10,975; Voyages, \&c. 8,367; Biegraphy, 12,274; Tates, Sketches, \&c., 30,379; Teachers' Library, 1,222 . It canmot be expected that the operations of the libraries would be equally stuccessitul in all cases. But the Extracts from the Reports of Local Superintendents, (see Appendix A), show that, with few exceptions, the books are highly appreciated and largely read. No language can overrate the importance of rendering accessible to the inhabitants, both old and young of all classes, in each municipality and section the companin?ship (through their biographies and works) of the wise and good of all ages and nations;-:o the students of science and literat ture, works on every branch and subject of their favorite pursuits;-to the students of history, the lives of nations and individual: ;-io farmers, manufacturers, and mechanies, practical works on agriculture, manufactures and trades; -to heads and members of families, worls on practical life; to the lovers of travel, of nature, of the marvellous, voyages, natural history, natural phenomena ; to the old, books specially written and selected for their entertainment and consolation; to the young, counscls, biographies, histories, tales, sketches, \&c., for their amusement and instruction. It has been my object in providing for the establishment of these libraries, to render accessible to the remotest township and school section in Upper Canada the choicest treasures of human knowledge. The circulation already of so large a number of volumes on so great a variety of useful and entertaining subjects, must be productive of salutary effects. Yet, only 179 municipal libraries,
embracing about 509 school sections divisions of them have been established; leaving more than 2,500 school section libraries, or sections if libraries, to be established. 'ihis great work has but commenced. It wit be bie special object of my next tour of the province, $t$ call pubic attention in the serious municipalities to this vast interest, as I did oir the eve of commencing ilie operations of 1854.

## 10. School Maps, Globes, and otíer Apparatus.-Table N.

It was not until the middle of the year that legal provision was made so aid trustees to furnish their schouls with maps. gloles, and ather apparatus upor the same terms as thos on which they were provided in regarit to supplying then with libraries-namely, by apportioning one bundred per cent up, whatever sums they might advance for these requisites oi school instruction. The collection of these requisites in the Depository of this Department is the most exteasive and complete that I have ever seen. Illustrations the the eve in all pussible cases render the attainment of knowledge easy and aureeable, and facilitutes its eommunication. Under this new arrangement, schools have been provided with maps, \&e., to the amount ol $\$ 4,655$-comprising 1304 maps, 48 globes, and several hundred articles of other school apparatus and requisites. The number of schools whose trustees have availed themsalves of these facilities. is 159 -namely, 148 common schools, 3 grammar schoois, 4 union gramnar aud common schools, and 4 separate schools.

## 11. Superannuaten Teqcuers and Fund for their Relaff-Table O.

In 1853 , a legislative grant of $£ 500$ per annum was made "towards forming a fund for the support of superannuated or worn-out common school teachers, in Upper Canada, under such regulations as ray be adopled, from time to time, by the Council of Public Tistruction, and apprived of hy the Governor in Council: Provided always, that bo teacher shall be permited to share in said fund, who shall not contribute to i, at lease the the of one pound per annme, for the period of teaching school, or receiving aid fron said lund, and who shall not furnish to the Council of Public Instruction, satisfactory proof of inability, from age, or l-ss of health in teaching, to pursue that profession any longer : Provided also, that no allowance to any supernnuated or worn-out teacher shallexeed the rate of one pound ten shilligs for each year that sach teacher stall have taugh a common school in Upper Canada."

In pursuance of these benerolent provisions of tae aw, the Council of Public Instruction proceeded to adopt regulatio s and forms according to which applications would be received and jensons grented. In 185t, the grantwas increased to £1,000 per annum., The number of wom-rut teachers who have riceived aid trom this fund is 85 ; of whom 7are deceased. Two of the first of the worn-sut teacher aded from this fund died the day the cheque for the first istalinent rathed their Post Office. The joungest pensiorer upon the fund is 44 yats of rige the oldest is 83 ; the averuge age of the pensioners is 6n. Eighty-hve applie tions have been made since January 1856. No pains have been spare: in the intestigation of the cases of applicants, in order that the liberatity of the legislature might be beneficially

[^11]applied. To meet the circumstances of those worn-out teachers, to whom pensions have been granted, the amount of subscriptions required by law has been deducted from the pension granted them, instead of requiring them to advance it. Thus, if a pension were granted for forty years service-the subscriptions payable, as required by law, would be $£ 40$, or rather $£ 41$, including the first year of receiving the pension, while the highest sum permitted by law to be paid him, would be $£ 60$-leaving a balance of $£ 19$ payable to him for the first year. During each subsequent year, one pound only would be deducted from his pension. The sums thus deducted, are credited as subscriptions paid.

From the limited amount of the fund and the large number of claimants, the sum annually payable to each is small, and must diminish as the number of claimants increases. Yet, small as this grant is, it has relieved and is now relieving a considerable number of men, poorly remunerated in their day, for their useful labours, and affords no small encouragement to meritorious teachers who are devoting their health, strength and lives to the noble work of forming the minds and, to a large extent, the future character of the youth of the land.

It is honorable to Upper Canada to be the first Province or State in America in which any public provision whatever is made in aid of the support of common school teachers, when they shall have become worn-out in the service of their country.
12. Legislative School Grants and Local Assessments.-Table P.

This table exhibits the distribution of the Grammar and Common School Funds to the various Counties and Cities of Upper Canada, and the extent to which each has participated in them. The principle of distribution in regard to the grants for libraries, maps, and school apparatus to all the municipalities, and the principle of redistribution of the Common School grants in all the Municipalities, is according to the sum raised or work performed in each. The principle of developing and rewarding local effort, but in no case superseding it, is proved by all past experience to be the most, and indeed the only effectual means of instructing and advancing a free people. The business of the State is not so much to educate the people, but to aid them to educate themselves; and it will have performed its duty just in proportion as it adopts the best means by diffusing information and providing machinery for promting, encouraging, assisting, and calling forth enlightened local effort for the instruction and education of the young, and the spread of useful knowledge amongst all classes.

## 13. Colleges, Academies and Private Schools.-Table Q.

According to this table, the statistics of which are very imperfect, there were 10 colleges ( 4 with University powers), teaching 1,100 students and pupils. The amount of public aid received by them was $£ 22,833$,-increase, $£ 6,412$. The number of private academies was, 29-increase, 10. The number of pupils attending them was, 1,053 -increase, 187. There were also private schools, 278-in. crease, 92. The number of pupils attending them was, 6,581 -increase, 1,924 .
14. General Educational Summary for the Year-Thble R.

This table exhibits a complete summary of the educational work of Upper Canada during last year. According to it there were 3710 educational institutions, teaching 240,817 pupils, for which the people of Upper Canada expended
the large sum of $£ 258,998$ 13s. 8 d. , or nearly one million one hundred and fiftysix thousand dollars.

## 15. Journal of Education.

About 5,000 copies of this publication are issued monthly, and furnished gratuitously to the Trustees of each of the Grammar, Common, and Separate Schools, and each of the local superintendents throughout Upper Canada. Apart from original articles and official instructions, notices, \&c., it is made the repository of a careful selection of the best articles and passages which appear in the educational works and periodicals of Europe and America, embracing every branch and almost every topic of the vast science and art of educating the young; also, a digested summary of literary, scientific, and educational intelligence, at home and abroad, with occasional illustrative engravings of public institutions, school-houses, and apparatus for instruction. Great and varied benefits have resulted from the monthly issue of this periodical during the last eight years.

## 16. Models and Objects of Art.

A commencement has been made during the past year towatds adding to this Department a collection of school apparatus, objects of art, and models of agricultural implements, \&c., \&c. But as only few of these objects have yet arrived, and no arrangement of them has yet been made in the educational museum of this Department, 1 will defer all remarks on the subject until next jear.

## 17. General Oxeravations.

The law requires me, in presenting my Annual Report, to make "such "statements and suggestions for improving the Common Schools, and the Com" mon School Laws, and promoting education generally, as I may deem useful "and expedient;" and as unprecedented efforts have been and are being mado to destroy the character, and uproot the foundations of our system of public instruction, I think it expedient to explain and vindicate its principles at some length in regard to the attacks made upon it, and pretensions put forth by advocates of Separate Schools, and in reference to the question of Religious Instruction.

## I. Separate Schools.

1. While the general success of the school system during the year has been an increase over that of preceding years, the people of Upper Canada have evinced an unprecedeated unanimity and determination to maintain it in all its integrity. It secures to all what all have a right to claim-equal and impartial protection. It provides equally for all classes of the community. No example of proselytism under its operations has ever occurred ; and no charge of partiality in its administration has ever been substantiated. No less than 396 Roman Catholic teachers are employrd in teaching the public schools, and a corresponding or larger proportion of the superannuated teachers to whom pensions have been granted, are Roman Catholics.
2. A system of public instruction being founded upon the principle, that it is the duty of the State to provide for the school instruction of all its citizens, it follows, that nore should be excepted from its advantages or obligations. If all do not need it, or do not desire to arail themselves of it, they are not the less obliged to support
it, the same as all are required to contribute to provide court houses and the payment of the salaries of Judges, althouig many may never enter a court house nor seek the decision of a Judge.
3. In such a system, where there are diversities of religious opinion, the method is to have combined secular instruction, and separate religious instruction,the State providing the former, and leaving the latter to the respective parents and religious persuasions of the pupils. In most cases, especially in America, the religious instruction (when given at ali) is given at home, in Sunday schools, and in Churches. In other cases, religious instruction is also given in the school houses or elsewhere by the clergy or catechist of each persuasion at appointed times, such as will not interfere with the ordinary exercises of the school. This last is the national system in Ireland, and it is, for the mest part, the system in Upper Canada; and will probably be so altogether. In such a system there is no interference with the religious convictions of any pupils in the schools, and therefore no reasonable pretext for separate schools. If public schools are founded at public expense and for the pubic grood, no citizens can be separated from them without injury-injury in some degree to the public schools on the ground of support-but much greater injury to the parties separated, as being deprived of the advantages of the public schools and compelled to support other schools at greater expense and generally less efficient, and with the additional disadvantage of being severed and alienated from other classes of the community with whom their interests, position and future prospects are largeiy associated. It is orly, therefore, for very grave causes that the State can be justified in allowing any portion of the prpulation to be isolated from a system of public instruction. But where this is clained with the avowed view to the interests of a religious persuasion, the answer is, "the State has nothing to do with the peculiar interests of sects, but has everything to do with the school education of its youth." The State equally tolerates and protects the former, but it largely provides for the latter. As, therefore, a system of public schools i: based upon public interests, the members of no sect or religious pursuasion can claim on constitutional or public grounds, that any of such sch ols should be wade sectarian, or that publie funds should be expended for the support of sectarian schools at allmuch less that such schenls should be placed upen the same footing as public schools. The sole cbj.ct of public sechoois is secular education; the leading object of sectarian schools is sectarian interests-with which the state does not interfere where there is "no semblance of union between Church and Staite." If, therefore, the State does so far departs from the prisciple of a national system of instruction; as to permit ary members of a religious persuasion to separate themselves from it, and to even give them public aid for a sectatian school, it is a favor granted them on the ground of induigence, but upon no ground of constitutional right ; since no sect has a constitutional claim to more than equal and impartial protection in the enjoyment of access to the public institutions of the country. If was on the ground of toieration or indulgence that separate schouls were first sanctioned by law both in Upper and Lower Canalla; but with this differesee, however, that in Canada East, where the union of Church and State exists, the schools of the majurity are for the most part denuminational schools, while those of the minority are non-denominational-the reverse of what exists in Upper Canada.
4. It is only since 1850 that any persons pretended to demand separate schools as a right, and not as a favor. But when corporate powers and privileges are once granted to persons. they then acquire legal rights which cannot and ought not to be lightly taken from them, however unadvised and to be regretted may have been the act of conferring them in the first place. And it is upon this ground that I have stated in former reports, and repeat here, that I think the clauses of the school law providing for separate schools ought to be allowed to remain on the statute book. I found clauses in the school law for that purpose when I assumed the charge of the department in 1845 ; I have since successively submitted the re-enactmeut and extension of them, as far as I could consistertly with the efficiency of the public school system, and the rights of individuals and Municipalities, and so as to place the parties supporting separate or "dissentient" schools in both Upper and Lower Canada on perfectly equal footing; but the separate school clauses of the law as prepared and recommended hy me were complained against by some leading advocates of separate schools, and a bill was prepared on their part, and brought into the Legislature in 1854, without any knowledge respecting what I had done, and substituting, for my clauses, the provisions of the Separate School Act now in force. But though I have had nothing to do in preparing the provisions of this Act, and though I doubt whether they are as beneficial to the parties of separate schools as the provisions for which they have been substituted; yet I think they should be allowed to remain undisturbed. They were prepared and acceptcd by the complaining parties themselves as a settlement of the question; they have not affected, nor do I think they will affect, the general working and efficiency of our school system; they leave not the shadow of pretext for the complaint that Roman Catholics in Upper Canada are less liberally treated than Protestants in Lower Canada, and especially since providing in a Lower Canada School Act during the recent session of the Legislature that Protestants in Lower Canada must levy and collect themselves whatever sums they may require for school purposes, and taking away from the Municipal Councils even the power to levy and collect any rates for "dissentieni" schools.*
5. But if the parties for whom separate schools are allowed, and aided out of the Legislative School Grants, according to the average attendance of pupils (which is the principle of distributing the school grants among the common schools in all the townships of Upper Canada) shall renew agitation upon the subject, and assail and seek to sulbert the public school system, as they have done. and endeavor to force legislation upon that subject against the roice and rights of the people oî Upper Canada, by votes from Lower Canada, and the highest terrors of ecclesiastical authority, then I submit that the true and only alternative will be, to abolish the separate school law altogether, and substitute the provisions of the national system in Ireland in relation to united secular and separate religious instruction, and extend it to Lower as well as Upper Canada. Tu the principles of that system in relation to national schools no party can object. It has been in suscessful operation

[^12]in Ireland for more than twenty years, and has been recentlyre-affirmed after the fullest discussion, by the unanimous vote of the British House of Commons. It is too much that the people of Upper Canada, like the Israelites in their worl of rebailding, as mentioned in the 4th chapter of Nehemiah, should be compelied to stand constantly on guard for the protection of their school system, to labour at the erection and completion of their educational edifice " every one his sword girded by his side," and "he that soundeth the trumpet by him." There can be little doubt as to the result of an attempt, by means of external votes, at systematic legislation against the voice of the great majority of the people of Upper Canada and their representatives, on the vital question of public instruction. No such attempts have been madeto repeal and change school laws in Lower Canada by bills brought in by Upper Canada members of the legislature, and carried by votes of an Upper Canada majority against the voice and remonstrances of a majority of Lower Canada members. Ibelieve the leading membersof the legislature from both sections of UnitedCanada, are satisfied that the clauses of the laws in regard to separate schools in Upper Canada are, upon the whole, more favorable to their supporters than are the corresponding clauses of the laws in regard to dissentient schools in Lower Canada.
6. It is true there are difficulties attending the establishment and support of separate schools in Upper Canada that are not experienced in establishing and supporting dissentient schools in Lower Canada. But that difference arises from social causes, and not from partiality in legislation. In Lower Canada what are legally the national schools, are, as a general rule, church schools, the ceremonies and religious teachings being such as are directed by the authorities of the Roman Catholic Church. Where this is the case, there can be little difference or reluctance on the part of the Protestant minority to establish and support a dissentient school. But in Upper Canada the national schools are non-denominational ; the religious convictions of all classes are equally protected,-as much so as in the mixed schools in Ireland; they are equally open to all classes-are altogether or nearly free; and in cities and towns are, for the most part in good buildings, well furnished taught by able teachers.
7. Under such circumstances, it is extremely difficult to compel or persuade any considerable number, much less the whole, of any class of religionists to separate themselves from such schools, and erect separate ones at greater expense and less efficient ; and that upon the ground, not that the public schools interfere with their faith or attempt to proselyte them, but that Roman Catholics associate with Protestants and acquire personal feelings of respect and affection, which precludes the opportunity of constantly inculcating, and blunts the edge of the teaching, that Protestantism is a species of infidelity, that Protestants are a species of infidels, and should be loved, and pitied and prayed for, not even as nominal Christians, bat as heretics and infidels, - that any other feeling in regard to either Protestantism or Protestants, is a dangerous "indifferentism," only a shade better than infidelity itselfthat, therefore, the public schools supported by Protestants are infidel schools, and the whole school system, created under the auspices of successive administrations and parliaments, and developed and sustained by the people of Upper Canada with onparalleled unanimity and liberality, is an infidel system! We have onic to read, episcopal circulars and their newspaper organs, to see that I have fallen far below
the reality in thus epitomizing this foreign element which has been imported intoUpper Canada since 1850, and which is as foreign to the spirit and feelings that Roman Catholics have in all past times cultivated and cherished, and which the great majority of them still cherish, in regard to their fellow subjects and the educational institutions of their country, as it is alien to the spirit of truth, and the progress of Canadian civilization. I have reason to believe that it is by extreme exertions of ecclesiastical suthority that many Roman Catholics can be made to endorse such teaching against the character and cherished institutions of the great majority of the people in Upper Canada, and assume or continue the support of separate schools. Hence the efforts to deprive them of their exercise of choice, by not leaving it to them to express their individual wishes from year to year, but endeavouring to include them as a body, placing the power of exemption from the public schools in the hands of trustees. Hence also the efforts to make municipal councils the imposers and collectors or rates for the support of separate schools, on account of the reluctance of many of the rate payers concerned to pay the rates for the support of such schools, and in order to avoid the contact of church authority with them. Hence likewise the efforts to get apportionments for the support of separate schools, not according to average attendance (which is the principle of apportionment adopted in regard to all the public schools) but according to the population of a whole religious persuasion. It therefore becomes every friend of general education and knowledge to protect our system of public instruction against these open and covert attempts to weaken and subvert it ; and it becomes every friend of religious and civil liberty to aid in protecting individuals from all abridgement or invasion of their right of choice and action-an invasion which has assailed the highest personages in the legislature for the parliamentary exercise of their judgment and for the discharge of their duties as the responsible advisers of government for the whole people-an invasion which would prostrate the government and legislation of the country at the feet of bierarchical assumptions.
8. As it is the duty of the state to provide for the education of all the youth of the country, it ought not to permit the legal exclusion of any portion of them from the fullest advantages of that provision without their having the benefit of teachers equally well qualified to teach as the teachers of the public schools, and schools and instruction equally efficient. But while teachers of the public schools have to be examined and licensed by a county board according to a programme prepared by the council of public instruction, the teachers of separate schools are subject to no such test of their qualifications, but are licensed by e ech set of trustees that employ them; and from the inferior qualifications of some of the teachers employed in them, and which must be the case more and more from their inadequate remuneration, and from their exemption from the examinations required of other teachers, it is to be feared that many children, set off and assigned to the separate school suffer serious disadvantages in comparison with other children residing in the same neighbourhoods;-apart from the disadvantage of their isolation, the salutary influence of the emulation and energy which arises from pursuing the same studies in connection with the youth of other classes in the community, and with whom they are to act and associate in future life. I think that adequate protection and security are not provided for the school education of the youth separated from the public schools without any choice or responsibility of their own: and
it may yet be the duty of the legislature to look carefully into this subject. In the mean time, I believe there are some separate schools in which fall justice is done to the secular branches of the education of the pupils.
9. The provision permitting the establishment of these schools in the School Act of 1841, was doubtless dictated by liberal and benevolent intentions; and from 1841 to 1850, it was attended with no discord and little or no evil, but was scarcely ever acted upon except in neighbourhoods where the imported feelings of transatlantic religious hostility prevented Protestants and Roman Catholics from availing themselves of the same schools. But since 1850 , what was before requested as a favor and acted upon as an exception, has been demanded as a right and insisted upon as a system; aud though the provisions of the law in regard to Separate Schools have been extended since 1850, every concession has been follow. ed by a new demand, and every demand has been accompanied by a proposed measure, essentially different from the demand on which it was professedly founded, and which would, if acceded to, (as I have shown in my printed reports and correspondence of past years,) bave subverted our whole system of common school instruction. Had even the present separate school Act introduced near the end of the session at Quebec in 1855, been passed as it had been prepared, our public school system would now be broken up. Nor would the consequences be less fatal were the short Bill introduced into the Legislative Assembly this session, and entilled, " $\Lambda \mathrm{n}$ $\Lambda \mathrm{ct}$ to amend the Upper Canada Separate School Act of the year 1855," to become a law. This bill is still pending; and it is authoritatively stated that the ecclesiastical authorities under whose auspices it was prepared and introduced, persist in demanding the passing of it under pain of the highest penalties they can inflict. Under such circumstances, it becomes my duty to notice this bill, that all parties may be aware of its character and tendency before the next session of the legislature. This bill consists of two sections, the first of which repeals the twelffh section of the Separate School Act ;-the section which contains the conditions on which supporters of separate schools are exempled from the payment of municipal school rates,-conditions which both Protestant and Roman Catholic members of two successive administrations, felt to be the most easy and just on which any persons could be allowed exemption from what is common to all classes of their fellow subjects. This twelfih section of the Separate School Act is as it was prepared and introduced by the Roman catholic section of the administratioa, and was accepted by the parties concerned without the slightest objection or hesitation ; but within a few months past episcopal commands have been issued for its repeal! The second and principal section of the bill required to be passed by the legislature, (and for not voting for which this session, episcopal denunciations have been officially pronounced against several members of the legislature, is as as follows :
"II. Notwithstanding any thing in the above named [Separate School] Act, or in any School Act or Acts to the countary, every person paying rates, whether as a proprietor or tenant, who, when required to pay his school taxes or rates, shall present to the collector a certificate in duplicate from the secretary-treasurer of the trustees, or any board of trustees of any Roman catholic separate school or schools, that he has paid all school rates or taxes required by such trustees or board for the
then current year, shall be exempted from the payment of all rates or taxes imposed for the building or support of common schools, or common school libraries; for the same year; and it shall be the duty of such collector to retain one of the above named certificates, and sign his name to the other to be returned by him to the rate payer."
10. This section so imperiously demanded, bat so wholly inadmissible in principle and detail, contains extraordinary provisions.

- (1.) It relieves trusteas oiseparate schools from imposing school rates themselves for their schools, imposes upon the municipality the obligation of levying rates for separate schools, the same as for public schools-an obligation which is imposed exclusively upon the trustees of "dissentient" schools in Lower Canada,-so much so that even the power (were it disjosed in exercise it) to levy rates for the support of dissentient schools in Lower Canada sis taken from the municipality.
(2.) It invests the secretary -ireasurer of any separate school corporation with the enormous and unheard of power of interposing between a municipal council, and the collection of all school rates levied by it, and of exempting every rate-payer of every religious persuasion from payment of school iates; and this he can do by a variety of means, and throughout all Upper Canada, and that without the slightest restriction, the slightest liability to any penalty whatever, but with absolute impunity. Too one rate-payer he can say, "if you will pay two thirds, or one half, or one quarter as much to support the separatis school or schools, as the municipal council has taxed you to support the public schools, I will give you a duplicate certilicate of exemption." In this way a bribe may be held out to every rate-payer to support separate schools. But to those who would nct accept of this bribe, one of another kind could be offered. The secretary-treasurer, or his agent, might say to each rate-payer, who might refuse on any terms to support a soparate school - if you do not wish to pay any rate to support the public schools, I will give you, a certificate that you have paid all the rates that the Roman catholic trustees require you to pay for the support of the separate school for the current year." In this way might a bribe be held out to every rate-payer, not to support the public schiools.
(3.) But apart from the preceding considerations; such a provision would put it out of the power of any municipal council, to levy any rate for the erection or payment of school premises or buildings, or for the support of public schools, without levying such sum for separate schools as the trustees of such schools may succeed in divering from those purposes, by the power ofecclesiastical authority and by a twoffld system of bribery. Nór could any trustees of public schools levy and collect any rate whatever, Jor the support of their sehools, from persons who might be furnished with the said Roman catholic trustee certificate of exemption. Nor would it be possible for any municipal council to know how much per pound it would be necessary to levy in order to raise any sum or sums that might be tequired for the support of public schools, as it could not tell what amount.might be obtained by trustees of separate schools; nor could trustees of public schools in any section, or town, or school division, know on whom to levy school rates, as they would have no means of knowing who had obtained, or who might obtain a certificate of exemption from the adverse trustees of a Roman catholic separate school.
(4.) It is perfectly clear, that should such a Bill become law, there would soon be an end of both free schools and public schools, and the Trustees of Roman Catholic separate schools would possess a direct and indirect power in each Municipality far greater than that of the Municipal Council and Trustees of public schools together. Yet such a Bill intact is demanded, under the pretext of placing the supporters of separate schools in Upper Canada upon the same footing with the supporters of dissentient schools in Lower Canada! The most vigorous attempts are made to force such a Bill upon Upper Canada against the almost unanimous voice of its representatives and their constituents; and eccle-. siastical penalties are inflicted upon Members from Lower Canada who will not vote for this gross outrage upon the public school system, and the Municipal, and Protestant and individual Rights of the paople of Upper Canada!

11. The passing of this Bill is demanded at the next session of the Legislature. The same influence which has been brought to bear upon Members of the Legislature, is exerted over each elector in each County, Riding and Municipality. The issue of the question is before the Country ; it is imposed upon it by the authorities of one religious persuasion. It cannot be evaded. It is, therefore, with a view to this issue that I have felt it my duty thus to defend our school law and system from the attacks made upon it, and from the efforts to destroy it-efforts unprecedented in the annals of Canadian history. In the eventful issue of this question, it remains to be seen whether the people of Upper Canada are to be under the rule of episcopal circulars and mandates, or continue to be a free people-whether their own voice is to control legislation for themselves, or whether legislation is to be forced upon them from without-whether their school system which has been established and thus far matured with so much unanimity and at so large an expenditure of their labour and money, and which equally protects and consults the just rights and interests, of all sects and parties, is to be subverted or perpetuated-whether the principle of equal rights and privileges is to be maintained among all classes and denominations, and "all "semblance of Church and State union discontinued," or whether that union in one of its worst forms is to be esfablished, placing each Municipal Council, each corporation of public schools, each rate-payer of every religious persuasion, and each public school and library, in a maimed and humiliated position before the ecclesiastical and corporate authorities of separate schools.
12. I shall continue, as I have done, to give to separate schools all that the more than just, the indulgent provisions of the law, and the most liberal constraction of it, will sanction; but I should be unfaithful to the trust reposed in me, and to the obligations of patriotic duty, not to maintain and defend the system of national schools against all attempts to weaken and destroy it:

## II. Question of Religious Inslruction.

1. It now remains for me to make some remarks on the question of Religions Instruction. In the mind of every enlightened philantropist and Christian, there can be but one opinion as to the necessity and importance of religious instruction as a part of education,-indeed that there is no education, properly speaking, without religion, any more than that there is a man without a sonl, or a
world without an atmosphere, or day without a sun. Religion is the soul of education, as it is the life of the soul of man, the atmosphere in which he inhales the breath of immortality-the sun-light in which he beholds the face of the glory of God. The promises of Christianity are to children as well as to their parents; and to neglect the religious instruction of children, is to deprive them of their divine birth-right-is to send them forth morally maimed and diseased anong their fellow-men-is to inflict upon them the direst calamities, and make them a curse, instead of a blessing to others.
2. The question is not, therefore, whether children are to be religiously instructed and trained, but, who are thus to instruct and train them, and how it is to be done? In each of my preceding reports, during the last three years, I have shown from the Holy Scriptures, and the Canons, Formularies and Disciplinary Regulations of religious persuasions, that the training up of children "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord," clearly devolves upon parents and the professed teachers of religion, and not upon civil government; that all countries where these laws of nature and religion have been violated, by transferring to the Government teacher of the day school what belongs to parents and pastors, have been characterised by both vice and ignorance ; that, while it is the duty of the State to make provision for the instruction of each child in those branches of knowledge that are necessary for him to know in order to enter upon his duties as a citizen, it is the duty of each church or religious persuasion to provide for the religious instruction of its own; that the State is not to ignore the Churches of the land in its school system, any more than it is to be their servant, to teach their commands or collect their taxes to pay for teaching them. In countries where, by virtue of charch and state union, the state is a tool of the church, or the church is a creature of the state, or both, the question of a system of public instruction is essentially a church question, and the consequences of it are apparent-ignorance of the masses, or the absence of constitutional liberty, or both. But in Upper Canada, no political union of church and state is acknowledged; and, therefore, the claim of any church to state support for its teaching, whether of the young or the old, is inconsistent with the avowed constitution of our government, and incompatible with the principles of equal rights and privileges amongst all religious persuasions and classes. This principle is now acknowledged and avowed by all Protestant denominations in Upper Canada, without exception. The few members of the Church of England that have hitherto demanded separate schools for themselves, supported by public funds and taxes, have at length acquisced in the sentiments and views of the great body of the members of that church and of the country at large. So that all attempts to seize upon supposed differences of opinion among Protestants, and to promote them as much as possible, in order to break down or weaken the public school system, have thus far failed. As the system has become developed, public opinion in its support has gained in strength and energy ; and the last year has witnessed a stronger and more united expression of it in Upper Canada, than during any former year.
3. Assumning that our system of public schools shail not only be maintained but maintained in all its integrity, and that it is the duty of the parents and pastors
of each religious persuasion to provide for the religious instruction of their own children, it only remains to be considered how far facilities shall be afforded for that purpose in the public schools. As the state has no right to give religious instruction itself; so it has no right to compel religious instruction or exercises of any kind. All it can do is to recommend and provide facilities for such instruction and exercises. What is common to ail, is recommended and provided for the adoption of all. But in this, there can be no compulsion upon trustees; nor are they permitted to compel the atten lance of any pupil at any religious exercises or instructions whatever against the wishes of his parents or guardians. The text books and the whole teaching and government of the school are required to be based upon and in harmony with christian principles, but the teaching any pupil to recite his catechism ani' his religious instruction (if desired at all at the school), must be matter of private voluntary arrangement between the parents and teacher, and must not interfere with the ordinary exercises of the school in regard to other pupils. The spirit of our school system is precisely that which the British House of Commons unanimously approved in the following words, as late as the 23rd of June, 1856, in regard to the system of National Schools in Ireland: "That this House has observed with satisfaction the progress made in the instruction of the poorer classes of Her Majesty's Irish subjects, under the direction of the Commissioners of National Education; and is of opinion that in the administration of that system, or in any modification of its rules, there should be maintained a strict and undeviating adherence to its fundamental principles, securing parental authority and the rights of conscience to pupils of all denominations, by excluding all compulsory religious teaching, this House being convinced that no plan for the education of the Irish poor, however wisely and unexceptionably conceived in other respects, can be carried into effectual operation, unless it is explicitly avowed and clearly understood, as its leading principle, that no attempt shall be made to influence or disturb the peculiar religious tenets of any sect or denomination."
4. The principal rule of the Irish National Commissioners, in regard to religious instruction is as follows: "Religious instruction must be so arranged that each school shall be opened to children of ail communions; that due regard be had to parental right and authority; that accordingly, no child be compelled to receive, or to be present at any religious instruction of which his parents or guardians disapprove; and that the time for giving it be so fixed that no child shall be thereby, in effect, excluded, directly or indirectly, from the other advantages which the school affords." Where the patrons (the same as the majority of electors or trustees of a school section in Upper Canada), are Roman Catholics, then the public religious exercises of the school are more or less of that character ; but Protestant children are not required to attend them; and vice versâ.
5. The mover and seconder of the resolution above quoted, made some references and statements in their speeches on the occasion which I may cite in this place. In alluding to the evidence of the Rev. Dr. Cooke, (Presbyterian), of Belfast, given before a recent Committee of the House of Lords, the seconder of the resolution (Mr. Kirk) remarked: "Dr. Cook stated that he was not in favor of any system of compulsion with regard to religious instruction, and he added, in answer to questions putby the Bishepersory [theacing leader of theopposition to the National Schools]
that it would be a very dangerous principle, to say the least, to make the reading of the Scriptures obligatury upon children, because he held as a Protestant-that no one ought to force religion upon another contrary to his conscience. The Presbyterians in their negotiations with the National Board, had always shown an anxiety to maintain their own rights and to extend the same liberty which they enjoyed to other denominations. They were not less desirous that the Scriptures should be read than the members of the Church of England; but they did not wish that others should be compelled to think as they did. He (Dr. Cooke) held that the Bible would be rendered distasteful to children by being pressed upon them against their wish as well as by being altogether kept from them. A similar opinion [continues Mr . Kirk] was expressed by Dr. Chalmers in his evidence before the Committee upon the Irish Poor Law. Dr. Chalmers said that he would have no part of education made compulsory; that a child ought no more to be compelled to attend a Bible class than a reading or arithmetic class, and that compulsion tended to limit and prevent the spread of Scriptural education, and to establish in the minds of the people a most hurtful association with the Scriptures. He entirely concurred in these opinions, clearly sanctioned the principles now embodied in the rules of the National Board. With regard to the results of mixed educati.n, although it had not succeeded to the extent once hoped, this he thorght must be attributed to the opposition of the Church Education Society. The Rev. Mr. Woodward, for sometime Secretary to the Church Education Society, had published a pamphlet in which he stated, that in the first report of the Society, he had advocated opposition to the National Buard upon two main ground--first, that the rules of the commissioners 'forbade the Church to instruct her children in her own holy faith;' and, secondly, 'that they withhold the Word of God from a class of our countrymen.' But the Rev. Mr. Woodward, in a manly and candid manner, proceeded to retract these charges ; he said-' plain truth compels me to declare that I regard these two main objections as having been founded on assumption utterly unsupported by facts. Personal observation of Scriptural and Church instruction, actually given in schools connected with the Board, showed me that there was a discrepancy between my pre-conceived notions and the reality of the casc. I was led to examine for myself. I found that I had wholly misconceived the truth. It seemed to me, as it now does, clearer than day, that the board is wholly guiltess of either of the charges upon which I founded my original opposition.' "
6. Similar opposition and upon similar grounds bas in past years been made to the systern of public schools in Upper Canada; but it has latterly been abandoned, the assumptions on which it was founded having been shown to be utterly unsupported by facts. Mr. Fortescue, the mover of the resolution, concluded his speech in the following words:
"The great body of the Roman Catholics and Presbyterians of Ireland were satisfied with the working of the present system; the only class which wns discontented with it being a portion, and merely a portion of the adherents of the Established Church. He wished to know on what grounds an alteration in the present system was demanded? It seemed to be pretty generally avowed that the change was sought for (making the reading of the scriptures and instruction from them compulsory on all the children attending the schools) not with reference to
the religious education of children belonging to the established church, but with the view of :uffording religious instruction to children who did not belong to that communion. They were told that many of the clergy and members of the established church in Ireland could not conscientiously give secular education to any children unless, at the same time, they were permitted to impart religious instruction; and as they objected to any system from which the reading of the Scriptures were excluded, they disapproved the rules of the National Board. He believed the assertion that the Scriptures were excluded from the national schools in Ireland was altogether unfounded, for the Scriptures might be used in every national school in that country, provided their study was not enforced as a necessary condition of admission. In his opinion the opposition of clergy of the established church in Ireland to the national system of education was from false pride an: from a feeling of annoyance at finding themselves placed, under that system, upon a footing of fair equality with clergymen of other denominations. That opposition arose from a sincere, but, as he thought, from a mistaken sense of duty, which led clergy of the establishment to refuse their countenance to any system of education which did not enable them to instruct the children in the doctrines of their own church. It could not be supposed that the great presbyterian body of lreland, who almost equalled in numbers the established church, entertained less reverence for the Scriptures than any other body of protestants; yet they had fully and frankly accepted the national system of education. He had heard it said that special advantages had been afforded to presbyterians in orirr to secure their adherence to the system; but they possessed no privileges which were not equally extended to all other religious denominaticns. As soon as the presbyterians were satisfied that, under the rules of the Board, they could give full religious instruction to children of their own communion, tijey at once adopted the national system. He did not think, however, that the conduct of clergy and members of the established church had arisen from such conscientious scruples as that house would be disposed to regard, but rather from the false position in which the established church was placed, and from the unfounded claims to religious supremacy which were put forward on its behalf. He hoped, therefore, that the house, while it would be disposed to pay the utmost respect to conscientious scruples, would not listen to the claim urged on behalf of a portion of the clergy and laity of the Irish church by the right honorable gentleman opposite (Mr. Walpole.) He believed if there ever was a body of men who were able to make some sacrifices for their conscientious convictions, and to endure some privations on account of their religious scruples, it was the established church of Ireland which numbered among its supporters a large proportion of the landed proprietors, and enjoyed the whole of the ecclesiastical revenues of the country. He trusted the day would come when the clergy of the established church in Ireland would change their minds and co-operate in making the national system in Ireland a still greater blessing than it ever was. The house would see that the proposal made by the right honorable gentleman ( Mr . Walpole) the other night, was a direct reversal of those fundamental principles which had been the salvation and essence of the national system of education in Ireland. Believing that those principles were incompatible with the proposition of the right honorable gentleman (Mr. Walpole), and that they would in effect exclude the adoption of his resolution, when he would, at all events, have the effect of quieting the mind of
the people of Ireland, he trusted that his (Mr. Fortescue's) motion would receive the support of the house, being assured that, as long as that house and the government acted upon the principles contained in his resolution. there would be no fear of the stability of that great system of educatiou which had conferred such incalculable blessings upon Ireland. (Cheers.)"

The honorable gentleman concluded by moving the resolution above quoted, and which, after an elaborate discussion, was adopted by the House of Commons without a division,-thus approving in the strongest manner, by the vole of both the Protestant and Roman Catholic members of parliament, and after an experience of twenty-three years, the system of national schouls in Ireland, and refusing any essential modification of it.
7. I have made these quotations in reference to the principles on which the national schools are conducted in Ireland, because they are the same as those on which the public schouls in Upper Canada are conducted, with this difference that the hour or hours for denominational religious instruction for each week is not stated or provided for in the Canadian schools. In Ireland it is left to the local patrons to fix the time each week, either "during school hours or otherwise." This can be easily provided for in our system by the Council of Public Instruction; but the practical utility of it is doubtful, as few clergy would be able to meet the children of their religious persuasion each week in each school, and the catechetical and other religious instruction which the clergy would thus give to the children of their persuasion in each school is, for the most part, otherwise provided to be given them in Sunday schools or in connection with Sunday services. In Ireland, the national schools are for the poor; in Canada they are for the whole population, and the patrons or trustees of Canadian schools are elected by all the landholders or resident householders. The clergy of all religious persuasions are visitors of the schools, and can visit them at their convenience. The teachers are examined and licensed by county boards, and must furnish satisfactory proof of good moral character. This is a better test than that of their merely being of particular religious persuasions, since they may be such, and yet not be either temperate or moral, much less otherwise qualified to teach; but if they are of good moral character, they will doubtless belong to some religious persuasion. The moral test is, therefore, better than that of sect, especially as one of the proofs required of a c..ndidate for the teaching is the certificate of some clergyman, not that the candidate is of a particular sect but that he is a good moral character. Again, it is the feeling and interest of the members of all religious persuasions (who constitute the large majority of every neighbourhood) that the moral character of the teacher be good, and the moral influences of the school, healthful. These feelings and interests of all religious persuasions combined on the single points of christian morals and efficient teaching, are stronger than those of any one persuasion developed in a separate school, where the peculiarities and partizanship of sect are the predominant object and interest. The people of Upper Canada, of all persuasions, have therefore the lest guaranfee possible, in the circunstances of the country, of sound morality, intellectual qualifications, and effective instruction in the public schools.
8. In a day school, the general christian character and spirit of the bioks, the teaching, the government, the social influences of the school, are of much greater
importance than any catechetical religious instruction that can be given to each papil. To provide for sucin denominational instruction is the duty of each religious denomination and of each parent, in his denominational capacity; and does not devolve upon the public school fund to pay for, or the public teacher, as such, to impart. It is the undoubted business of each religious persuasion and its members to provide for the teaching of their own catechism and peculiar dogmas; and all attempts to weaken church and parental obligations by trans!erring to the day school what belongs to the church and the fireside, mast have a demoralizing influence upon churches and parents, and divert the day school from its legitimate and appropriate objects of teaching reading, writing, arithmetic, grammar, geography, etc. The education of a child consists of all the habits of thought and feeling, of all the knowledge ard views he has acquired, the manners be has cultivated, and the character be has formed from infancy to manhowd. But a very small part of this education can be acquired during the few years, or parts of years, that a child is in a day school from 9 o'coock in the morning until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, during five days and a half of each week. The whole of Suntay, and two thirds of each week-day, and the whole of several weeks or months in the year, each pupil spends in the family, in the charch, or in promiscuous society ; and these are the chief educators of youth as to both morals and manners. Erery child brings to the school a character formed under these influences -a character which they will probably maintain and develop, notwithstanding any cflorts of the teacher of the day school. The teacher of the day school can do much to corrupt and demoralize by his example, and spirit, and teaching; and by the same means he can contribute much to elevate the moral feelings and taste, and improve the moral character of his pupils, especially if he is continued in charge of them a length of time; but this is done by the devout and consistent recognition of the Divine Being and authority, and the spirit and character of his whole deparment and teaching, based upon the Commandments of God, rather by his hearing recitations of a Catechism once a week -the latter being the special and appropriate duty of the parent, the Sundayschool teacher, and the pastor. One-seventh of the time (besides mornings and evenings) of children is, by Divine authority and appointment, at the disposal of pastors, parents and children, for the religious instruction of the latter, and other sacred purposes; and if the religious part of their education is neglected, the guilt lies with the parent and the pastor, and not with the teacher employed for the secular part of their education. Combined literary and separate religious education, is the true and only principle on which free, equal, and universal education can be provided for a people of various forms of religious faith. The state, or body politic, provides the former; pastors and parents individually impart the latter. The former is the peculiar work of the day school; the latter is the peculiar work of the cilurch and the home fire-side. The former is imparted during one-third of five or six days out of seven; the latter should be imparted during some part of the two-thirds of six days out of seven, and the whole of the seventh day. Let not that be confounded which is distinct in the order of Providence and the nature of things, in any system of public instruction. Least of all, let not the teachings and influences and obligations of religious persuasions
which determine the moral character of a people, and form that of their offspring, be ignored or left out of the account. And I may be permitted to add, that every grown-up person is a moral educator of the young, as far as his example, sentiments and doings may influence them. No individual in a commanity is an isolated unit ; he is linked to the community of individuals around him by laws of dependence and influence as sacred and imperative as those which mutually bind and control each member of the community of worlds. "No man can live or die to himself" only. As every child is being educated by all that he sees and hears and learns, so is every adult person an educator by all he does and says, and counsels. Yet, specially and preëminently, parents and pastors are the divinely authorised and appointed teachers of religious education, while teachers, licensed and appointed under the authority of state laws, and paid out of state funds and public taxes, are employed to impart to youth their secular education.

## 18. Concluding Remarks.

The fundamental principles of the school system, and the organic provisions of the school law, may be regarded as settled. Experience and the progress of the system have suggested, and may from time to time continue to suggest improvements and additional provisions in perfecting the details of the law. But very much remains to be done in reducing to practice and in bringing up to a proper standard of operation, all parts of the system in all the municipalities of Upper Canada This is, at least, the task of a quarter of a century. But we have the strongest grounds of encouragement when we look at what has been accomplished during the ten years which have elapsed since, in 1846, the "Report on a System of Public Elementary Instruction for Upper Canada," was prepared and submitted to the government and the country; and when we compare what is already doing in Upper Canada with what is doing in neighbouring States, whose school systems date back to the commencement, or before the commencement, of the present century. During the last ten years, while the aggregate population of Upper Canada has increased about !hree-tenths, the actual attendance of pupils at the public schools, and the amount raised for the salaries of teachers, has considerably more than doubled; and a corresponding improvement has taken place in the character and qualifications of teachers, the methods of teaching, the character and condition of school-houses, and efficiency of the schools, besides the introduction of an uniform series of text books, maps, apparatus, and libraries. And when it is recollected that there is no state school tax in Upper Canada; that the school tax is imposed by each municipality for itself, and at its own option, under the infuence of no other compulsion than that of public duty, and legislative aid to a limited amount is offered, it is most gratifying to know that this system of national organization, combined with voluntary local municipal action and co-operation, is successful beyond comparison-so much so, that the amount raised by local self-imposed taxation on the part of the people of Upper Canada for the salaries of school teachers, is larger, in proportion to population, than that raised for the same purpose in the older and larger State of New York, and the average time of keeping our schools open during each year, is one month more than that of keeping the public schools open in the

State of New York, and two months longer than the average time, each year, of keeping the public schools open in the State of Massachusetts.

From the organization and success which our school system has attained during the last ten years, from the enlightened spirit of enterprize and progress which is stirring to its depths the public mind of the country and developing its amazing resources, I anticipate a progress in education and knowledge during the next ten years beyond any thing we have yet witnessed or conceived. In the working of our admirable municipal system, on which the school system is engrafted, the inhabitants of Upper Canada are not only acquiring a practical knowledge of the principles of self-government, but are learning how much their united resources and action will enable them easily to accomplish in regard both to the education of their children and their various local improvements. When the conviction becomes universal and strong, and the feeling of enjoyment becomes identical with the con-viction,-that one great earthiy object for which a people, as well as individual parents, exist, is to impart to those who follow them the qualities of happiness, usefulness and greatness, and provide the largest facilities and widest possible field for their development and exercise,-then will our country stand out in proud comparison with other countries, as the home of a most happy, intelligent, free, and prosperous people. The erection of every new school-house, the education of every addition:l child, and the circulation of every useful book, is a contribution to this noble consummation of individual and national hope.

> I have the honor to be, Your Excellency's
> Must obedient and humble servant,
E. RYERSON.

Education Office,
Toronto, July, 1856.

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Thale D.-Books, apparatus, and Relighous Instrection, in the Common Schools.
Tarle E.-Teachsrg-The Number; Bifligious Denominations, Certificateb, and Sanabies of the Common School Teachers.
Table F.-School Hocses; School Visits; Lecteres; and Time the Coymon Schoons Have bege Kept Ofet. Table G.-The Roman Catholic Separate Schools,

THE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS OF UPPER CANADA:
Table H.-Moneys-Amounts Received and Expended for the Support of Grambar Schoons; Names op Head. Masters.

Table I.-Pupies; and Number in the Different Brayceres of Gramiar Sciroon Education. Table K-Railgiocs Ingtbuction, and Text Boors, in the Grammar Schools.

## THE NORMAL SCHOOL FOR UPPER CANADA:

Table L-Students-Their Certificates, Residences, and Religious Denominations. Receifts and Expenditures for the Year.

THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES OF UPPER CANADA:
Table M.-Monbys; Nuxber of Volcmes and Miscellangots Information. Omirr Librabies,

## THE GRAMAIAR AND COMMON SCHOOLS OF UPPER CANADA:

Table N.-Maps and Apparatus Supplied by tife Educatiox Departmem.
THE SUPERANUATED COMMON SCHOOL TEACHERS OF UPPER CANADA:
Table O.-Names of Teacmers, Pensions, and Abstract of Cases.
THE LEGISLATIVE SCHOOL GRANTS AND LOCAL ASSESSMENTS IN UPPER CANADA:
Table P.-Distribution of School Grants by the Edecation Departmbert, and Statement of Local Equivaiemth, and other Mongys raised for the Gramanar and Common sciolis.

THE OTHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS OF UPPRR CANADA:
Table Q-Conlrezs, academies, and Private Schools; their Pupils and Mombys.
THE EDUCATIONAI SUMIMARY FOR UPPER CANADA, FOR TIIE YEAR 1855:
Table Ru-Number of Scrioozs and Pupins, and Howeys Expended for Educational Purposes.

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Table 8.-Statistical abstract of the Educational Progress of Uppre Caxada, from 1842 to 1855.
Table T.-The Granis to Grammar, Coveron and Poor Schools in Upper Canada.
Table U.-Summary of the Aocounts of the Enccition Departmesty for the Year.

Part II-Ttable A.

## RECEIPTS.

| TOWNSHIPS. | $\begin{gathered} \text { From } \\ \text { Legislative grants. } \end{gathered}$ |  | Fiom locat sources. |  |  |  | Total <br> Receipts for <br> Common <br> Schools, 1855. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | For <br> Teachers' <br> Salaries. | For Maps and Apparatus. (See Table N.) | Municipal <br> School <br> Assessment | Trustecs' <br> School <br> Assessment. | Trustees' <br> Rate-bill on children. | Balances <br> and <br> other sources |  |
| Glengarry. Charlottenburgh | $\begin{array}{rrr} 2 & \text { s. } & d \\ 125 & 0 & 9 \\ 109 & 9 & 3 \\ 99 & 5 & 5 \\ 6 & 14 & 5 \\ 125 & 4 & 6 \\ 16 & 9 & 4 \end{array}$ | \& s. d ... ... .. <br>  ** ** -.e -0. ** |  |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text { £ } & \text { s. } & d \\ 68 & \\ 68 & 3 & 4 \\ 173 & 10 & 9 \\ 131 & 10 & 11 \\ 73 & \cdots & . \\ 30 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{L} & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 54 & 0 & 7 \\ 54 . & 7 . \\ \hdashline \dddot{6} & \cdots & \cdots \\ 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 8 & 6 & 8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \varepsilon & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 537 & 9 & 11 \\ 532 & 9 & 10 \\ 392 & 10 & 0 \\ 74 & 21 \\ 74 & 14 & 7 \\ 275 & 2 & 7 \\ 55 & 6 & 0 \end{array}$ |
| Kenyon............. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lancaster.............................. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Separate School............ ${ }^{\text {S }}$ S |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Separate Schooi.............. $\}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 481310 | ... ... .. | 47600 | 407610 | 41650 | 125104 | 190660 |
| Stormont. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cornwall ............. |  |  | 199100 $\begin{array}{rrr}121 & 5 & 0 \\ 61 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{rrr} 147 & 2 & 7 \\ 79 & 3 & 3 \\ 342 & 9 & 6 \\ 87 & 2 & 3 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} 163 & 8 & 7 \\ 41 & 16 & 5 \\ 141 & 10 & 9 \\ 41 & 2 & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} 56 & 4 & 4 \\ \dddot{13} & \cdots & 7 \\ 9 & 7 \\ 9 & 17 & 1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} 62515 & 6 \\ 783 & 18 \\ 7839 & 10 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Finch..... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Osnabruck |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 34319 | ... ... .. | 343139 | 655177 | 3571711 | 7950 | 1809160 |
| Dundas. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Matilda.... |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 11315 \\ 7416 \\ 107 \\ 107 \\ 89 \\ 89 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} 659 & 7 & 10 \\ 3017 & 9 & 8 \\ 227 & 5 & 5 \\ 105 & 4 & 1 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{rr} 7 & 15 \\ \begin{array}{rl} 75 \\ \hline 898 & 9 \\ 169 & 7 \\ 0 & 4 \end{array} \\ 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}916 & 8 & 7 \\ 576 & 3 & 8 \\ 742 & 7 & 1\end{array}$ |
| Mountain........................ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Winchester...... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 355140 |  | 385163 | 134267 | 216182 | 27478 | 260528 |
| Prescott. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Alfred ..... |  |  | $\begin{array}{cccc}39 & 0 & 0 \\ 58 & 0 & 0 \\ 86 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 6 & 5 \\ 94 & 0 & 0 \\ 70 & 0 & 0 \\ 45 & 0 & 0 \\ 17 & 11 & 6\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} 11 & 12 & 4 \\ 15 & 4 & 0 \\ 357 & 14 & 1 \\ 14 & 10 & 6 \\ 8 . & 2 & 4 \\ 117 & 1 & 4 \\ 28 & 11 & 11 \\ 45 & 13 & \end{array}$ |  |  |  |
| Caledonia...... |  |  |  |  |  | 20 4 0 <br> $\cdots .$. ..  <br>    |  |
| $\underset{\text { Hawkesbury East............. }}{\text { Separate }}$ School |  |  |  |  |  | $\because \dddot{5}$ | 119 <br> 15 <br> 45 <br> 9 |
| Hawkestury West ............. |  |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{288}^{23} 1$ |
| Iongueuil |  |  |  |  |  |  | 23615 |
| Plautagenet North .. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - |  |  |  |  |  | 11188 | 995 |
|  | 28350 | 2100 | 4001711 | 67295 | ${ }^{96} 22$ | 144 | 16121810 |
| Russell. <br> Cambridge and Russell ....... <br> Clarence <br> Cumberland ..................................... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{array}{ccc}18 & 12 \\ 11 \\ 11 & 0 & 9 \\ 42 & 1 & 9\end{array}$ | ... .... ... | $\begin{array}{llll}55 & 0 & 0 \\ 30 & 0 & 0 \\ 42 & 1 & 9\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}106 & 9 & 5 \\ 72 & 1 & 6\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}6 & 0 & 0 \\ 10 & 2 & 1 \\ 5 & 0 & 3\end{array}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $\text { 15 } 19 \dddot{3}$$1088$ | $\begin{array}{lll}18 & 2 \\ 139 & 3 \\ 271 \\ 271 & 2\end{array}$ |
|  |  |  |  | 17138 |  |  |  |
|  | 7115 | .. ... | 12719 | 34914 7 | $\begin{array}{llll}21 & 8 & 4\end{array}$ | 26711 | 5967 |
| Carleton. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fitzroy..... | $\begin{array}{cccc}61 & 3 & 4 \\ 83 & 1 & 8 \\ 75 & 3 & 5 \\ 39 & 5 & 0 \\ 62 & 10 & 6 \\ 11 & 11 & 8 \\ 60 & 1 & 8 \\ 97 & 5 & 8 \\ 04 & 18 & 3 \\ 13 & 15 & 0\end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{llll}61 & 3 & 4 \\ 83 & 1 & 7 \\ 75 & 3 & \\ 39 & 1 & 8 \\ 662 & 10 & 6 \\ 11 & 11 & 8 \\ 60 & 1 & 8 \\ 97 & 5 & 0 \\ 89 & 13 & 4 \\ 13 & 15 & 0\end{array}$ | 228 4 1 <br> 593 15 6 <br> 4051610 <br> 118910 <br>  <br> $421 \quad 6 \quad 2$ <br> 150 |  | 51109870 |  |
| Gloucester. |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8101111 |
| Goulbourn |  |  |  |  |  |  | 290150 |
| Gower North |  |  |  |  |  | 75108 |  |
| Muntley ... |  |  |  |  |  | 3315464 | 27813 |
| Marlborough |  |  |  |  |  |  | 475180 |
| Nepean. |  |  |  |  |  |  | 755106 |
| Osgoode |  |  |  |  |  | 21 4 亿 | 87512 |
| Torbolton |  |  |  |  |  |  | 56 |
|  | 598156 | 300 | 593 c 8 | 24291910 | 74544 | 18672 | 4556136 |

of Upper Cainada, 1855.
Part II-Table A.

EXPENDITURES.


Part II.-Table A.-(Continued.) $^{\text {. }}$
The Common Schools

RECEIPTS.

| TOWNSUIPS. | legislative grants. |  | goy hocal source |  |  |  | Total <br> Receipts for <br> Common <br> Schools, 1855. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | For Teachers' Salaries. | For Maps and Apparatus. (See Table N.) | Mrnicipal Sclool Ascessment. | Trustees' School Ascessment. | Trustees' Rate-bill on children. | Balances and other sources |  |
| Grentilue. <br> Augusta <br> Gwardsburyh $\qquad$ $\qquad$ <br> Oxford $\qquad$ <br> Wolford $\qquad$ <br> Total $\qquad$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{rrr\|} \hline \boldsymbol{c} & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 115 & 6 \\ 119 & 4 & 9 \\ 192 & 8 & 6 \\ 147 & 8 & 0 \\ 188 & 0 & 0 \\ \cdots & 12 & \ldots \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 49273 |  |  | 1648 |  | 174 | 3202 |
| Leeds. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| sastard and Bu |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Crosby, South |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Eminsley, South |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kitley |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Leeds and |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yonge and Escott fr |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yonge and Escottr |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 692123 | 311 |  | 195313 | 745 | 567183 |  |
| Lanar |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| thurst .... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Burgess, N |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{\text {Dalhousie an }}$ Daring..... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Drummond |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Slimsley, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Montaxue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Packenham |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sheribrook |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sherbrook |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 146 | 4 | 6320 | 200377 | 6737 | 18 | 4341 |
| Renfrew. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ast |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brougham |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MceNab |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{\text {Pembroke and }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Westme |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2122 | ... ... ... | 24546 | 13811811 | 18617 | 2243 | 81 |
| Fron |  |  | 30 0 0 <br> 180   <br> 50 0 0 <br> 100 0 0 <br> 75 0 0 <br> 75 0 0 <br> 55 0  <br> 75 0 0 <br> 7 0 0 <br> $\cdots$ $\ldots$  |  |  |  |  |
| digrston |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Inoughborough |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pitsourgh \& Hove Is |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Storrington |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Woife Isand Stande Schools |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 456147 | 50 | 5150 | 12281 | 54310 | 354 | 31034 |

of Upper Canada, 1855.
Pabt II.-Table A.-(Continued.)

EXPENDITURES.

|  | Paid for Maps and Apparatus. (See Table N.) | Paid for Sites <br> and <br> Building <br> School-houses. | Paid for Rents <br> and <br> Repairs of <br> School-houses. | Paia for School Books, Stationery, Fuel, and other expenses. | Total Expenditure for Common Schools, 1855. | Balances. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \& в. d. <br> $\dddot{3} 0 \%$ <br> ... ... ... <br> ㅍiz $\dddot{6}$ | s s. d. <br> 115160 <br> 196797 <br> … ... .... | $\begin{array}{ccc} \boldsymbol{E} & \mathrm{s} . & \mathrm{d} . \\ 26 & \\ 20 & 19 & 7 \\ 0 & 15 & 4 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 27 & 12 & 1 \\ 3 & 13 & 8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} f & \text { s. } & d . \\ 25 & 10 & 4 \\ 8 & 9 & 4 \\ \hdashline & 9 & 3 \\ \hdashline 1 & \cdots & 9 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 \end{array}$ |  | \& s. d. <br> 3913 45 4 <br> $\dddot{36} \dddot{y}$ <br> 50179 <br> 13110 |
| 2703152 | 4126 | 312157 | 5958 | 3884 | 3116178 | 185100 |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{rrrr}107 & 7 & 0 \\ 29 & 6 & 0 \\ 132 & \cdots & \cdots \\ 12\end{array}$ |  | 2   <br> 1 10 5 <br> 10 2 5 <br> 12 13 6 <br> 0 4 3 <br> 1 18 9 <br> 10 19 7 <br> 3 10 2 <br> 4 4 5 <br> 5 0 1 <br> $\cdots .$. $\ldots$ $\ldots$ |  |  |
| 37896 | 22199 | 503133 | 971010 | 5137 | 4468011 | 187117 |
|  |  | 4698 $\qquad$ <br> $2 \ddot{4}$ is 0 <br> … ... ... <br> $\dddot{2} \dddot{2} \dddot{4}$ <br> $\begin{array}{rrrr}2006 & 0 & 0 \\ 15 & 0 & 0 \\ & 0\end{array}$ <br> iic $\because \ddot{5}$ |  |  |  | ii $15 \dddot{i}$ <br> $\begin{array}{lll}\dddot{4} 9 \\ 30 & 3 \\ 30 & 3\end{array}$ <br> is 1910 1897 $\qquad$ <br> " 2 \%iii |
| 3824196 | 16177 | 310125 | 53169 | 53136 | 4259198 | 81102 |
| $\begin{array}{llll}148 & 0 & 0 \\ 114 & 1 & 5 \\ 290 & 19 & 3 \\ 115 & 0 & 0 \\ 109 & 0 & 0 \\ 266 & 6 & 8 \\ 313 & 0 & 0 \\ 290 & 0 & 0 \\ 191 & 9 & 0 \\ 191 & 9 & 2\end{array}$ |  |  |  | 0100 <br> $\dddot{2} 10 \%$ <br> 12510 <br>  |  | 112' 2范 73 $22 \dddot{2}$ $145 \quad 0 \quad 3$ |
| 167360 | 01110 | 20817 | 110173 | 35106 | 202937 | 2178 |
|  |  |  | $\begin{array}{rrr}412 & 1 \\ 118 & 2 \\ 7 & 2 & 6 \\ 13 & 19 & 8 \\ 12 & 8 & 1 \\ 4 & 7 & 7 \\ 8 & 1 & 3\end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{rrr} 92 & 7 & 7 \\ 713 & 16 & 8 \\ 269 & 0 & 8 \\ 817 & 2 & 1 \\ 379 & 7 & 6 \\ 279 & 7 & 1 \\ 390 & 17 & 10 \\ 76 & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 2610170 | 1000 | 170110 | 52.9 | 114101 | 29587 | 14417 5 |

## RECEIPTS.

| TOWNSHIPS. | $\begin{gathered} \text { FROM } \\ \text { Legislative grants. } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  | Total <br> Receipts for <br> Common <br> Schools, 1855. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | For <br> Teachers' <br> Salaries. | For Maps and Apparatus. (See Table N.) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Addington. | $\begin{array}{ccc} ء & \text { s. } & d \\ 17 & 8 & 3 \\ 190 & 11 & 6 \\ 108 & 11 & 3 \\ 61 & 15 & 6 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \boldsymbol{s} & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ \ldots & \ldots & . \\ \ldots & \ldots & \ldots \\ \ldots & . . & . . \\ \hline . . & . . . \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \varepsilon & \text { s. } & d . \\ 410 & 0 & 0 \\ 209 & 0 & 0 \\ 209 & 0 & 0 \\ 60 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \boldsymbol{x} & \text { s. } & \text { u. } \\ 1866 & 9 & 4 \\ 549 & 2 & 4 \\ 411 & 11 & 5 \\ 161 & 4 & 1 \end{array}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{rrr} \varepsilon & \text { s. } & d \\ 16 & 16 & 0 \\ 309 & 1 & 5 \\ 272 & 12 & 10 \\ 255 & 17 & 4 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} \text { \& } & \text { s. } & \text { d, } \\ 4 & 3 & 5 \\ 33 & 11 & 5 \\ 189 & 10 & 3 \\ 12 & 14 & 1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} 2 & \text { s. } & d \\ 264 & 17 & 0 \\ 1282 & 6 & 4 \\ 1107 & 5 & 11 \\ 321 & 11 & 0 \end{array}$ |
| Amherst Issand. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ernestown |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sheffield |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tot | 378 6 6 | ... ... ... | $4{ }^{4} 300$ | 130870 | 62478 | 239192 | 2976 |
|  | $\begin{array}{ccc} 14 & 1 & 9 \\ 59 & 18 & 3 \\ 78 & 4 & 6 \end{array}$ | 5 <br> 5 <br> 15 <br> 10 <br> 10 | $\begin{array}{rrr\|} 40 & 0 & 0 \\ 109 & 0 & 0 \\ 75 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} 42 & 15 & 0 \\ 260 \\ 200 & 2 & 7 \\ 209 & 14 & 7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} 23 & 1 & 3 \\ .76 & 17 \\ 41 \\ 41 & 14 & 6 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rl} 211 & 9 \\ 12110 & 1 \\ 7014 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} 122 & 9 & 9 \\ 626 & 4 & 4 \\ 476 & 18 & 3 \end{array}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 1524 | 75 | 2150 | 514122 | 141138 | 194163 | 1225124 |
| Prince Edeard. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Athol........ | $\begin{array}{ll} 71 & 15 \\ 45 & 0 \\ 45 & 18 \\ 6 & 15 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{lll} 10 & 0 & 0 \\ 600 & 0 & 0 \\ 120 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} 553 & 14 & 0 \\ 137 & 10 & 3 \\ 371 & 15 & 8 \\ 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 611 & 8 & 9 \\ 330 & 0 & 4 \\ 487 & 8 & 11 \end{array}$ | 170159 <br> 69 0 <br>  <br> 1769 <br> 1635 8 | $\begin{array}{rrr} 307 & 7 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 39 & 11 & 10 \end{array}$ | 1203127 31212 10 |
| Hallowell. .................. $\}$ |  | ... ... |  |  |  |  | 748 <br> 88 <br> 8 <br> 18 |
| Hillier ........................... | $\begin{array}{rrrr}\dddot{7} & 13 & \cdots \\ 100 \\ 109 & 3 & 6 \\ 63 & 8 & 9\end{array}$ |  | 100 $\cdots$ 0 <br> 105 0 0 <br> 100 0 0 <br> 100 0 0 |  |  | 13819 | 128 114 10 10 |
| Marysburgh |  |  |  |  |  | 917 | 632148 |
| Sophiasburyh |  |  |  |  |  | 652 | 8796 |
| Total | 437150 | ... ... ... | 35300 | 250218 5, 835 102 |  | 5611 | 49225 |
| Hastings. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Madoc, Elzevir and Tudor... | $\begin{array}{cccc}68 & 6 & 9 \\ 96 & 5 & 0 \\ 51 & 5 & 6 \\ 19 & 8 & 6 \\ 91 & 6 & 3 \\ 102 & 4 & 0 \\ 120 & 4 & 0 \\ 145 & 6 & 6\end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{ccc}68 & 6 \\ 96 & 9 \\ 96 & 5 & 0 \\ 61 & 5 & 6 \\ 19 & 8 & 6 \\ 91 & 19 & 3 \\ 102 \\ 126 & 4 & 0 \\ 145 & 15 & 9\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}405 & 11 & 8 \\ 319 & 5 \\ 262 & 12 & 9 \\ 140 & 1 & 2 \\ 391 & 7 \\ 534 & 8 & 4 \\ 685 & 1 & 4 \\ 643 & 16 & 3\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} 127 & 16 & 0 \\ 60 & 17 & 7 \\ 33 & 2 & 5 \\ 33 & 14 & 11 \\ 109 & 0 & 7 \\ 189 & 12 & 9 \\ 90 & 6 & 3 \\ 162 & 19 & 5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrrr}59 & 11 & 6 \\ 015 & 8 \\ 7 & 1 & 5\end{array}$ | 22212 S |
| Hungerford... |  |  |  |  |  |  | 60411.8 |
| Huntingdon |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4057 |
| Marmora .... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rawdon . |  |  |  |  |  | 32.11 | 719 <br> 928 <br> 10 |
| Sidney ..... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tyendinasa |  |  |  |  |  | 196 | 12918 |
|  | 701119 | 522 | 701116 | 31220 | S07 911 | 2861.48 | 5917119 |
| Northumberland. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Alnwick. | $\begin{array}{rrrr}14 & 12 & 3 \\ 105 & 7 & 0 \\ 94 & 4 & 9 \\ 100 & 7 & 3 \\ 120 & 19 & 3 \\ 31 & 15 & 3 \\ 76 & 2 & 6 \\ 76 & 9 & 6 \\ 79 & 9 & 6 \\ 59 & 2 & 3\end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{rrrr}1412 & 3 \\ 105 & 7 & 3 \\ 91 & 4 & 9 \\ 100 & 7 & 9 \\ 120 & 19 & 3 \\ 31 & 15 & 3 \\ 76 & 2 & 6 \\ 76 & 9 & 6 \\ 50 & 9 & 6 \\ 50 & 2 & 3\end{array}$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{rrrr}7 & 3 & 5 \\ 29 & 6 & 8 \\ 6 & 10 & 6 \\ 20 & 11 & 10 \\ 7 & 1 & 7 \\ 20 & 19 & 3 \\ 109 & 17 & 3 \\ 59 & 14 & 1 \\ 3 & 7 & 8\end{array}$ |  |
| Prighton. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cramahe |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Haldimand |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hamilton. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Monaghan South |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Murray.... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Percy..... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Seymour |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 67900 | 1316 | 67900 | 302688 | 9061511 | 264123 | 55671210 |
| Durham.Cartwright i........ | $\begin{array}{rrr} 42 & 17 & 0 \\ 99 & 8 & 0 \\ 169 & 4 & 0 \\ 155 & 4 & 6 \\ 114 & 19 & 6 \\ 80 & 1 & 6 \end{array}$ |  |  | 232 3 1 <br> 480 11 3 <br> 1409 17 4 <br> 905 0  <br> 64   <br> 64 17 10 <br> 374 7 6 | 59 7 7 <br> 280 7 5 <br> 237 6 8 <br> 52 12 2 <br> 153 6 1 <br> 42 1 5 |  |  |
|  |  |  | $4{ }^{4} 220$ |  |  |  |  |
| Cavan |  | 41180 | 9980 |  |  |  |  |
| Darlington |  | 1098 | 1554 |  |  |  |  |
| Hope......... |  | 301 | 114196 |  |  |  |  |
| Manvers |  | 1113 | 801 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 661149 | 20150 | $\mathrm{f}^{66219} 3$ | 400017 | 103014 | 108 811 | 6499175 |

Appendix (No. 16.)
A. 1856.
of Upper Canada, 1855
Part II.-Table A.-(Continued.)
EXPENDITURES

| Paid <br> Teachers' <br> Salaries. | Paid for Maps and Apparatus. (See Table N.) | Paid for Sites and Building <br> School-houses. | Paid for Rents <br> and <br> Repairs of <br> School-houses. | Paid for School Books, Stationery, Fuel, and other expenses. | Total <br> Expenditure for Common Schools, 1855. | Balances. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \& s. d. $\qquad$ <br> $\dddot{3} \dddot{7} \dddot{4}$ |  | $\begin{array}{rrr} £ & \mathrm{~s} & \mathrm{~d} . \\ 15 & 0 & 5 \\ 6 & 1 & 4 \\ 9 & 17 & 8 \\ 5 & 2 & 2 \end{array}$ | \& s. $d$. <br> $\ddot{15} 770$ <br> $\begin{array}{rrr}41 & 9 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} \text { \& } & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 232 & 3 & 0 \\ 1282 & 6 & 4 \\ 1107 & 5 & 11 \\ 321 & 11 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} £ & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 32 & 14 & 0 \\ \ldots . . & . . . & . . \end{array}$ |
| 2237175 | 31 | 6071410 | 3617 | 58111 | 294363 | 3214 |
| $\begin{array}{lll} 105 & 2 & 6 \\ 593 & 9 & 4 \\ 427 & 9 & 4 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{cccc}\cdots \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 70 & \cdots \\ 16 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 811 811 6110 1690 | $\begin{gathered} 816 \\ 1411 \\ 14 \\ 13 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}122 & 9 & 9 \\ 626 & 4 & 4 \\ 476 & 18 & 3\end{array}$ | ... ... ... |
| 1126 109 | 141311 | 1600 | 31120 | 36158 | 122512 | ... ... |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{rrr} 642 & 15 & 8 \\ 5 & 10 & 6 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \end{array}$ <br> 487 18 1 <br> $326 \dddot{14} \quad 7$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \dddot{4} & \dddot{10} & \dddot{8} \\ 43 & 18 & 3 \\ \dddot{9} & \underset{4}{4} & \ddot{i i} \\ 9 & 14 & 9 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |
| 309075 | 953 | 1469310 | 6786 | 115510 | 47511010 | 170147 |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{rrrr}420 & 10 & 10 \\ 40 & 9 & 5 \\ 152 & 11 & 0 \\ 32 & 6 & 0 \\ \ldots 180 & 0 & \cdots \\ 85 & 15 & 6 \\ 299 & 7 & 6\end{array}$ | 9 16 2 <br> 3 1 7 <br> 7 0 8 <br> 2 3 8 <br> 17 10 11 <br> 2 13 3 <br> 23 10 1 <br> 34 1 5 | $\begin{array}{rrrr}2 & 7 & 3 \\ 15 & 8 & 0 \\ 8 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 12 & 6 \\ 20 & 7 & 9 \\ 8 & 6 & 9 \\ 36 & 17 & 4 \\ 33 & 211\end{array}$ |  |  |
| 415481 | $\begin{array}{lll}31 & 8 & 1\end{array}$ | 121703 | 99172 | 12736 | 5633171 | 28314 |
|  | 1 0 0 <br> 10 12 2 <br> 4 4 0 <br> 8 8 9 <br> 7 5 0 <br> 8 12 0 <br> 2 0 0 <br> 7 0 0 <br> 2 6 0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 478. 187 | 44711 | 179103 | 88169 | 18313 | 5280149 | 286181 |
| $\begin{array}{rrr} 406 & 0 & 0 \\ 871 & 17 \\ 1310 & 6 \\ 1346 & 8 \\ 1893 & 8 \\ 893 & 8 \\ 577 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}2 & 10 & 0 \\ 1111 & 2 \\ 16 & 1 & 0 \\ 20 & 88 \\ 15 & 8 & 0 \\ 3 & 7 & 0\end{array}$ | 637197 <br> 1400 | $\begin{array}{rrr} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 10 & 18 & 10 \\ 9 & 16 & 0 \\ 33 & 4 & 1 \\ 44 & 5 & 7 \end{array}$ |  | 409100 93315.6 20714.8 14004 96617 588 58 | $\begin{array}{rrr} \dddot{30} 11 \\ 0 & 11 & 0 \\ 86 & 10 \\ 86 & 12 & 3 \\ 32 & 2 & 8 \end{array}$ |
| 54011710 | 69124 | 651197 | 9946 | 124153 | 635098 | 14979 |

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|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { FROM } \\ \text { Legishative grants. } \end{gathered}$ |  | From local souroes. |  |  |  | Total <br> Receipts for <br> Common <br> Schools, 1855 |
|  | For <br> Teachers' <br> Salarics. | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { For Maps } \\ \text { and } \\ \text { Apparatus. } \\ \text { (See Table } \\ \text { N.) } \end{array}\right\|$ | Municipal <br> School <br> Assessment | Trustees' <br> School <br> Assessment. | Trustees' Rate-bill on children. | Balances <br> and <br> other sources. |  |
| Peterlorough. | \& s. d. <br> 48110 <br> 60110 <br> ${ }_{23} 12$ <br> 111149 <br> 3259 |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} & \mathrm{s} . & \mathrm{d} . \\ 60 & 0 & \\ 20 & 0 & 0 \\ 20 & 0 & 0 \\ 70 & 0 & 0 \\ 55 & 0 & 0 \\ 25 & 0 & 0 \\ 25 & 0 & 0 \\ 125 & 0 & 0 \\ 70 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{rrr} £ & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 317 & 10 & 11 \\ 58 & 4 & 2 \\ 209 & 0 & 2 \\ 195 & 0 & 6 \\ 71 & 4 & 6 \\ 70 & 2 & 6 \\ 505 & 17 & 2 \\ 350 & 12 & 8 \\ 249 & 18 & 11 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \& & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 15 & 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 19 & 0 \\ 29 & 16 & 0 \\ \cdots & \cdots . & \cdots \\ \dddot{72} & \cdots & \cdots \\ 140 & 3 & 5 \\ 100 & 3 & 0 \end{array}$ | s s. d. 7001310 ї $\dddot{8} 8$ $\ddot{10} 72 \dddot{4}$11 <br> 89 |  |
| Belmont and Metinen |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Douro -....e.t......il |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dummer and Burleigh . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Monaghan North. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Otonabee |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Smith and Harvey |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total ....... | $\begin{array}{llll}356 & 1 & 3\end{array}$ | 3144 | 4500 | 15851010 | 3601511 | 8300 | 3586 |
| Iictoria. Eldon | 34 2 6 <br> 92 6  <br> 13 7 8 <br> 109 9  <br> 70 0 6 <br> 15 1 9 <br> 15 1 0 | $\left.\begin{array}{ccc} \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ \cdots & \cdots \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ 9 & 1 & \cdots \\ 9 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\left.\begin{array}{rrr} 45 & 0 & 0 \\ 100 & 0 & 0 \\ 25 & 0 & 0 \\ 112 & 10 & 0 \\ 25 & 0 & 0 \\ 20 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}122 & 3 & 0 \\ 394 & 7 & 1 \\ 124 & 19 & 8 \\ 290 \\ 403 & 7 & 6 \\ 413 & 41 \\ 130 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} 54 & 8 & 8 \\ 30 & 16 & 6 \\ 71 & 1 & 0 \\ 73 & 7 & 9 \\ 10 & 5 & 10 \\ \ldots & \ldots & \ldots \end{array}$ |  | ${ }_{6} 235140$ <br> 2348.5 <br> 517136 <br> 1651 : |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fenelon |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mariposa... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ops......... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| verulam |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 333199 | 1019 l | 327100 | $1465 \quad 2$ | 239191 | 33170 | 2708171 |
| Ont | $\begin{array}{rrrr}100 & 16 & 9 \\ 31 & 17 & 0 \\ 177 & 17 & 8 \\ 109 & 14 & 6 \\ 28 & 14 & 6 \\ 7 & 19 & 3 \\ 31 & 6 & 6 \\ 45 & 4 & 9 \\ 203 & 19 & 4\end{array}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{rrr} 19 & 6 & 9 \\ 9 & 16 & 3 \\ 343 & 18 \\ 159 & 3 & 2 \\ 150 & 30 \\ 10 & 10 & 8 \\ 10 & 8 & 7 \\ 57 & 15 & 2 \\ 67 & 19 & 6 \\ 250 & 7 & 4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} 215 & 7 & 9 \\ 0 & 5 & 2 \\ 29 & 10 & 5 \\ \hdashline 1 & \cdots & \cdots \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 20 & 11 & \cdots \\ 5 & 15 & 7 \\ 258 & 19 & 3 \end{array}$ |  |
| Brock |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mickering....... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reach ..... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Scott ...... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Scugor island |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thorah ... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Uxbridge ..... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Whitby........ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 74398 | 241011 | 762159 | $4515 \quad 3 \quad 2$ | 92263 | 536144 | 74950 |
| York. | $\begin{array}{ccc} 71 & 11 & 9 \\ 12 & 10 & 0 \\ 29 & 6 & 3 \\ 31 & 1 & 3 \\ 83 & 14 & 9 \\ 160 & 9 & 9 \\ 150 & 4 & 6 \\ 109 & 4 & 0 \\ 185 & 17 & 9 \\ 132 & 16 & 0 \\ 217 & 0 & 6 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  | 644137 |
| Etobicoke..................... $\}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{lll}383 & 2\end{array}$ | 1169 |  |  |
| Separate School............ $\}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2541 |
| Georgina .........in |  |  |  | 16439 | 253 |  |  |
| Gwillimbury North. |  |  |  | 4910 - | ${ }^{55} 12$ | 2965 | 190120 |
| Gwillimbury East.. |  |  |  | 441115 | 2258 | 1.46 | 835139 |
| King Markam |  |  |  | 813108 | ${ }^{316} 16$ | 20030 | 165178 |
| Scarborough |  |  |  | 1020 <br> 474 <br> 4 <br> 14 | 30910 <br> 209 <br> 1 | 1534 | ${ }^{1790} 5$ |
| Vaughan ..... |  |  |  | 82401 | 4012 | 811.1 | 167281 |
| Whitchurch |  |  |  | 8495 | 16715 | 1351011 | 1427, 3 |
| York ....... |  |  |  | 114414 | 23412 | 019.1 | 182615 |
|  | 1184150 | 46183 | 1172108 | 616222 | $\begin{array}{lllll}2154 & 5 & 8\end{array}$ | 55646 | 12761510 |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} 6 & 10 & 0 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ \cdots & 0 & 7 \\ \cdots & \ldots & \cdots \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} 114 & 17 & 10 \\ 102 & 12 & 9 \\ 197 & 15 & 0 \\ 37 & 12 & 3 \\ 174 & 14 & 10 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} 477 & 14 & 6 \\ 490 & 11 & 11 \\ 1003 & 5 & 1 \\ 77 & 8 & 9 \\ 1003 & 1 & 4 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} 169 & 17 & 0 \\ 82 & 13 & 10 \\ 337 & 17 & 7 \\ 75 & 12 & 5 \\ 402 & 11 & 4 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 88768 \\ & 7851910 \\ & 1877199 \\ & 1791911 \\ & 175528 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Total | 623176 | 13167 | 627128 | $305217$ | 1068122 | 20076 | 558680 |

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| townships. | RECEIPTS. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | $\underset{\text { LRGISLATITE GRANTS. }}{\text { Lest }}$ |  | from local sourcrs. |  |  |  | Total Iseccipts for Common Schooks, 1855. |
|  | For Teschers' Silaries. | For Maps and Apparatus (See Tablo N.) | Municipa1 School Assessment | Trustees' School Assessment. | Trustees' Rate-bill ou children. | Balances and other sourc |  |
| Simcoe. |  | \& s. | e s.a. | 2 s. d. | $\begin{array}{lll} 5 & \text { s. } & d \\ 53 & 9 & 1 \end{array}$ | \& s. d. |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 53 \\ & 54 \\ & 54 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 12 \\ 19 \\ 19 \\ 17 \\ 18 \end{array}$ | 330100 |
| ${ }_{\text {Ylos }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{\text {In }}^{\text {Ginisfil }}$ |  | ־i ī | $\begin{array}{cc} 130 & 10 \\ 139 & 0 \\ 59 & 0 \\ 52 & 0 \\ 22 & 0 \end{array}$ |  |  |  | ${ }_{129} 96$ |
| Mredonte. |  | $\cdots \cdots$ | (1) |  | $\begin{aligned} & 143 \\ & 1917 \\ & 17 \\ & 5 \end{aligned}$ | $1411^{0} 3_{4}^{211}$ | 12989.9. |
| Mulmin |  | … ... ... | (ers |  | [40 |  |  |
| Orillia and statch |  | ${ }_{21}^{14} 8^{7} 9$ |  |  |  |  | 46911 <br> 3 <br> 37 |
| Oro |  |  |  | 302 <br> 164 <br> 16 <br> 85 <br> 18 |  | 11.5 |  |
| Tay and King |  | ... ... ... |  |  | (erser | - $23 \times 2$ |  |
| Tecumsecth. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tossorontio. |  | 317 | 10 20 28 0 |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 7161711 |  | 83187 | 4103106 | 67010 of | 37210 | 671917 |
| Ifatom. |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{rr} 1610 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 \\ 9 & 0 \\ 41 & 8 \\ 4 & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| ${ }^{1 / 4}$ |  | $\begin{array}{lll} 17 & 10 \\ \hdashline 1 & 0 \\ 30 & 10 \\ 20 & 10 \\ 20 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nelsoni.... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Triffilgar |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 4* 15 : | 400 | 5341211 | 245579 | 1038010 | 27225 | 482805 |
| Wentworth. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{\text {Ancaster }}^{\text {B }}$... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Heverly. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Binbrooke |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ylauhbrough Mast |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Glanford ..... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| sallicet |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tota | 508.150 | 26144 | 233 150 | \$251 14 | ${ }^{337} 1810$ | ${ }_{6} 1973$ | 603149 |
| Brant. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Prantrord.. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{\text {Burford., }}^{\text {Dumfries Sout }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oakland |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Onoudaga |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | ${ }^{3} 31$ | 87 | 4433 | 270945 | 91411 | 10562 | 4811 ¢ 3 |
| Lincoln. |  |  | 65 0 6 <br> 88 0 10 <br> 98 10  <br> 250 0 0 <br> 800 0 0 <br> 80 0 0 <br> 75 0 0 <br> 75 0 0 |  |  |  <br> $\ddot{7} \ddot{2} \ddot{z}$ |  |
| Caistor ...... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gailusborough |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gralithan |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{\text {Grimsby }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Niagma.: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 43823 | 2150 | 715010 | 2555126 | s04 191 | 26092 | 4777101 |

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Part II.-Mable A.-(Continued.)
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Appendix (No. 16.)
of Upper Canada, 18:ju.
Part II.-Table A.-(Continued.)

EXPENDITURES.

| Paid <br> Teachers' <br> Salaries. | Paid for Mapa and A pparatus. (See Table N.) | Paid for Sites and Building School-houscs. | Faid for Rents and Repairs of School houses. | Paid for School Books, Stationery: Fuel, and other expenses. | Total Expenditure for Common Schools, 1835. | Balances. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| £ s. d. | E x.d. | \& s. d. | $\pm$ s.d. | f s.d. | 8. d. | c s.d. |
| 6 675 1910 | 545 | ... ... ... | 1861 | 371011 | 729 ${ }^{18}$ | ... |
| 40964 | ... ... | ... ... | $\begin{array}{llll}9 & 6 & 1 \\ 9 & 3 & 10\end{array}$ | 23 <br> 3 <br> 3 <br> 18 | 4381610 413 | si $\because 7 \mathrm{il}$ |
|  | ${ }_{0} 11710$ | 1 $10 \%$ | 9 <br> 15 <br> 15 |  | 413 8 <br> 606 8 |  |
| 715 | 1105 | 53176 | 5165 | 4474 | 888150 | 116113 |
| $644{ }^{4} 8$ | 10. 510 | 210510 | $\begin{array}{lll}15 & 11 \\ 12 \\ 12\end{array}$ | \%* 1111 |  | 152 134 130 |
| $\begin{array}{lll}334 & 3 & 1 \\ 212 & 811\end{array}$ | 1100 |  | 1267 112 | 418198 | 337 <br> 20 <br> 20 <br> 189 | $\begin{array}{r}134 \\ 4517 \\ \hline 18\end{array}$ |
| 3312211 | 2971 | 205134 | 13518 : | 22149 | 4561166 | 527177 |
| 253136 |  | 7610 | 05 | 41. | 337 | 417 |
| 51; 59 | 642 | 16415 | 8411 | 9615 |  |  |
| 13; 32 | … | 11907 | 31 <br> 18 | 911 | 257 <br> 254 <br> 16 <br> 16 |  |
| 310 | 100 | ... ... ... | 34 3 3 4 4 | 9 <br> 7 <br> 12 <br> 18 |  | ${ }_{54}^{54} 107$ |
| 351 7515 76 70 |  | … ... ... |  | $1 \pm 175$ | 8975 |  |
| 399150 | 3144 | 23995 | 19 |  |  | 15 11 8 <br> 3 6 7 |
|  | 6185 |  | $\begin{array}{rlll}8 & 6 & 11 \\ & 1 & 4\end{array}$ | 26 9 3 <br> 10 5  |  |  |
| 30315198 <br> 105 | 1 7 \% 0 | ${ }_{40}{ }_{40} 50$ | 1301 | 40110 | 809 0 | \#8 73 |
| 8887161 | 28145 | 107218 : | 10644 | 1841111 | 52785 | 1674 |
| 65968 |  |  | $9019 \%$ | 11311 | $6 \mathrm{Cf1} 99$ | ... ... ... |
| $40510 \quad 3$ | 298 | ${ }_{30}^{23} 510$ | \% 16 | 3610 |  | $\ldots$ |
| 411148 | ... ... | - | 4916 | 4470 | 14315 | \% 7 \% |
| 1076109 885 | .... ... |  | 971711 | 0110 | 9915 | 82.1 |
| $\begin{array}{r}8051 \\ 6008 \\ \hline 10\end{array}$ | \% $\quad 3 \%$ | 2400 | 6151 | 16131 | 659611 | 0 <br>  |
| 575128 | 4160 | 29150 | 385 | 131110 | 627311 | 73311 |
| 4.143110 | 995 | 394 1410 | 254172 | \$1 1 | 5231410 | 190 O 11 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 2191911 | 1418 |
| ${ }_{0935} 1511$ | 0 610 | 8i $\dddot{14} 9$ | 59191 | 6it 12 | 115034 | 0811 |
|  | $5{ }_{5} 5$ | 15000 | 2669 | 75140 | 11978 |  |
| 41417 G | 176 |  | 23109 | 12184 | 45314 | 12426 |
| 11998 | 15113 | 2763 | 13158 | 32  <br> 1 4 | 12581811 28218 | 120 ${ }^{1811}$ |
| 975 80 | $\cdots$ | 3थ̈4 $\dddot{8}$ | 68 <br> 14 <br> 8 |  | 28218 <br> 803 <br> 80 | ${ }_{25}^{26} 11$ |
| 4818 480 | \% ${ }_{0}$ | 324 $\cdots$ $\cdots$ | 9118 | ${ }^{20} 52$ | 4778 | 1189 |
| 6921510 | 2115 | 750 | 9719 | $2{ }^{2} 55$ | 752 8005 18 | 7105 |
| 3091410 | 61610 | 39100 | 4554 | 5011 |  | ... ... ... |
| 6134114 | 3907 | 6971811 | 23335 | 2091511 | 7354 10 | 833 103 |
| 32803 | 1818 | ${ }^{334} 181$ | 618 40 40 9 | 95 8 <br> 103 12 |  | ${ }_{85}^{85}{ }_{0}^{13} 11$ |
| 1377187 | 19160 | $\begin{array}{r}76113 \\ \hline 288 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}40 & 9 & 1 \\ 27 & 4 & 0\end{array}$ | 103128 4188 | 123183 1202 129 |  |
| $\begin{array}{r}1099 \\ 18 \\ 18 \\ \hline 8 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 616 |  |  |  | 1202 18 |  |
| 673 68 | $\because \dddot{3} \dddot{0}$ |  | $13 \% 7$ | 0  <br> 0 4 <br> 1 7 <br> 15  | 70910 39 89 |  |
| $\begin{array}{r}3710 \\ 628 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ |  | $22210 \%$ | 21147 | 1159 23149 | 39 90317 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 \\ \text { s0 } & 11 & 5 \\ 3\end{array}$ |
| 4692 139 | 5700 | 1360199 | 10013 | 26611 | 6356100 | 3128 2 |

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|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { from } \\ \text { leginlative graits. } \end{gathered}$ |  | FHO | 3 LOCa | L SOURCEB. |  | Total <br> Receipts for <br> Common <br> scluools, 1855 |
|  | For <br> Teachers <br> Salaries. | Por Maps <br> a:d Apparatus. (Sce Table N.) | Municipal <br> School <br> 1sesssment | 'Trustees' <br> School <br> sussment | Trustees' <br> astc-bill ou <br> children. | Balances <br> and <br> other sources. |  |
| Wellington. | $4 \times 4$ |  | ds. d | E s.d. | iscred | 4. s. d. | $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \text { s. d. }$ |
| Amarnth | $\begin{array}{ccc} 7 & 19 & 4 \\ \hdashline \\ \hdashline 1 & 13 & 5 \end{array}$ |  |  | fi 00 | 1511 | 4310 | 9784 |
|  |  |  |  | 7\% 1515 |  | $\begin{array}{r}43 \\ \hline 23 \\ \hline 178 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 154179 |
| Eramosi .......................... | 6itios | 1013 | \% $\%$ | 273140 | 1.3010 | 12100 | 57416 |
| Erin | 1910 15 |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{lll}54 & 14 \\ 51 \\ 514 & 14 \\ 10\end{array}$ | ... ... ... | 683 <br> 886 <br> 8 |
| Gararrasa | \% | 4 4 | Stre | 3208 | 56 | $2{ }_{20} 710$ | ${ }_{831} 0$ |
| Blarylorough |  |  | +0 000 | 4293 | $\geq 0$ | 6846 | 15218 |
| Nicliol ....... | 4189 |  | 10000 | 20438 | 48 |  | 520 |
| scparate school......... $\}$ | S1540 |  |  | $\underline{24} 105$ | 1780 | 58160 | 6512 |
|  | \%010: |  |  | 190\% |  |  |  |
| Pilkinyton | crar | $815 \%$ |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{cccc}51 & 3 & 4 \\ 129 & 11 & 8\end{array}$ | 501 <br> 79410 <br> 10 |
| Pusimit Total | $59141$ | $2411:$ | 82000 | 2131182 | 6ith 14 5 | 440111 | 4873711 |
| Grey. $\mid$ \| |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Artemesia | \% |  | 40 | $22518:$ | +314 ${ }_{0} 18$ | $\begin{array}{cccc}3 & 7 & 10 \\ 33 & 9 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 8\end{array}$ |  |
| Bentinch ... | (11) 29 |  | 5500 | 216174 |  |  | 35511 |
| Collingwoul | 1400 |  | 160 | 50 |  |  | 80 |
| Egremoat.... | 46.50 | 184 | 300 | 18118 | 80 |  |  |
| Guphrasia | $161 /$ |  | ${ }_{25} 16$ | 1098 |  | 10 | 1078 |
| Holland | 23.20 |  | 50 | Is 182 | 9 is 13 |  | 23914 |
| Melancthon and Proton. | 14193 |  | 1919 |  | 8160 |  | 1106 |
| Sornianly | ${ }_{6}{ }^{4}$ |  | 10.0 | ${ }_{60} 815$ |  | 29311 | 128 |
| Osprey ... | 12 | 119 | 150 | $62{ }^{6}$ | 77 |  |  |
| Sullivan | 1017 |  | 150 | ${ }^{8} 516$ | 1212 | 2 | ${ }_{125}$ |
| Derby and Syc | $70 \quad 3 \mathrm{fl}$ | $\cdots 3$ | 70 | 356 | 339 | 1839 | 71614 |
|  | 254 169 | 477 | 35996 | $2105: 010$ | 103131 | 261172 | 32.11411 |
| Prrih. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Blauchard | $\begin{array}{lll}3317 & 9 \\ 8 i 5 & 19 & 6\end{array}$ 4i: 8嫁 78 $\begin{array}{lll}12 & 5 & 11 \\ 23 & 0 & 5 \\ & 5 & 10\end{array}$ 8116 | $\cdots 17$ |  | 672108 | 4315104942 |  |  |
| Downio.... |  |  |  | 273120 |  |  | 4578 |
| Eastliope South. |  |  |  |  | 42178 |  |  |
| Ensthope North |  | ... ... | 3t 5 | ${ }^{3516} 7$ | 71. | 110 | 5708 |
| Fullice.... |  |  |  | 3938810 | 11 88 8 |  | 284 |
| Hilib bert . |  |  | 1950 | ${ }^{99} 50$ | 0150 | 12630 | 2510 |
| Lokan. |  |  | \% ${ }^{3} 80$ | 1478 |  | $129+11$ | 322 |
| Hornington |  |  | 8116 | 223 3 |  | 6927 | 309 |
|  | 31510 ¢ | 151 | 348 109 | 2 2hio 151 | $233 \pm 3$ | 492154 | 388418 |
| IIuron. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aslitield ... | $\begin{array}{llll}19 & 5 & 3 \\ 47 & 3 & 3\end{array}$ | ... ... ... |  |  | ${ }^{4}$4 <br> 29 <br> 18 <br> 18 | $\begin{array}{rrr}2310 \\ 7 & 16 \\ 8\end{array}$ | 28919.6 |
| Bildulph.. |  |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{886} 811$ |
| Colborne. | 73.0 | ... ... ... |  |  | 1788 <br> 3817 <br> 8 | -3712 <br> 10 <br> 10 <br> 11 | 330 578 17 |
|  | 20 1 6 <br> 21 19 8 <br> 8   | $\cdots$ |  | ${ }^{383} 198$ | 3817 3 | 1818 | 616111 |
| Hullett. |  |  | 20 <br> 21 <br> 219 <br> 10 | 277 <br> 15 <br> 17 | 19 0 <br> 19 0 | 2813 | 316 1 <br> 392 811 <br> 98  |
| McGillivay | 36 13 3 <br> 605   <br> 605 13 6 |  | 30108 |  |  |  |  |
| McKillop. |  | $\dddot{7} \%$ | 671010 37179 | ${ }_{245}^{125} 173$ | 1251 | ${ }^{23} 311$ | 295107 |
| Stanley .... | 37 17 <br> 24 10 <br> 20  |  | 3717 <br> 24 <br> 10 | $\begin{array}{lll}285 & 5 \\ 210 & 12 & 1\end{array}$ | 6975 | 1718 |  |
| Tuckersmith | 45 <br> 47 <br> 27 <br> 8 |  | 4566 | 221111 | 苂 $\ddot{16}$ | 617 | 39784 |
| Usiborne |  | $\cdots$ | 2740408 | 349 14 <br> 161 0 <br> 16  | … ... ... | 210471947 | 4189 |
| Wawanosh | 485 |  |  |  |  |  | 30320 |
| Tot | 465196 | 3150 | 501181 | 312156 | $270113_{1} 20221$ |  | 403121 |

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RECEIPTS.

| TOWNSHIPS. | RECEIPTS. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | FROM <br> legislativg grants. |  | yrom locat sources. |  |  |  | Total <br> Receipts for <br> Common <br> Schools, 1855. |
|  | For <br> Teachers' <br> Salarics. | For Maps and Apparatus. (See Table N.) | Municipal <br> School <br> Assessment. | Trustees' <br> School <br> Assessment. | Trustees' Rate-bill on children. | Balances <br> and <br> other sources |  |
| Lruce. |  |  | \& s. d. 46100 … ... ... … ... <br> 1610 11310 $\qquad$ | \& s. d. <br> $142 \dddot{8} \dddot{6}$ <br> … ... ... <br> $\begin{array}{lll}193 & 8 & 3\end{array}$ <br> 2571210 <br> $\begin{array}{rrr}50 & 0 & 0 \\ 248 & 12 & 4\end{array}$ | $\boldsymbol{s}$ s. d. | \& s. d. | s s. d. |
| Arran. |  |  |  |  | 10 | ....... | 21415 |
| Bruce. |  |  |  |  |  | ... .... | 3124 |
| Carrick an |  |  |  |  |  | ... | 31210 |
| Greenock. |  |  |  |  |  | $\ddot{3} \mathbf{7 \%}$ |  |
| Huron |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{2} 50$ | 6 <br> 68 <br> 88 <br> 88 | $\begin{array}{r}66 \\ \hline 68 \\ 439 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ |
| Kincardi... |  |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{5} 562$ |
| Saugeen |  |  |  |  | ii 0 | $2810 \%$ | 30194 |
| Total................... |  |  | 6414 | 877111 | 528 | 16616 | 121917 |
| Middlesex. |  |  |  | 20910 19 | $\begin{array}{llll}42 & 18 & 3 \\ 38 & 6 & 3\end{array}$ |  |  |
| Adelaide Caradoc | $\begin{array}{lll}63 & 5 \\ 79 & 10 & 3 \\ 9\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  | 213 818 | 274 603 9 |
| Delaware | 28178 |  |  | 24324 | 1600 | 547 | 3314 |
| Dorchester Nort | 51196 | ... ... ... | 530 | 36809 | 118 | 688 | ${ }^{6} 59918{ }^{2}$ |
| Ekfrid | ${ }^{54} 198$ | ... | ${ }^{54} 193$ | 147 8 8 <br> 397 0  | ${ }^{92} 11184$ | 51197  <br> 1 14 | 4011710 |
| London | 13312 | ... ... | 20000 | 12768 | 250310 | 11015 | 19851910 |
| Metcalio | 230 | ... ... ... | 2300 | 264105 | 246 | 4917 | 394139 |
| Mosa.. | 6133 |  | $62{ }^{0} 0$ | 26364 | 1496 | 1415 | 55011 |
| Nissouri West................. | 53126 | ... | 5812 | 635127 | 6114 | 69 | 8371 |
| Westminster ............... $\}$ | 12.148 |  | 124143 | 1007185 | 22010 | 93 | 148718 |
| Weparate School........... ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  | ... ... |  |  |  |  |  |
| Williams El..................: | 4812 <br> 788 <br> 8 |  | 6292 | $\begin{array}{rr} 340 & 10 \\ 1210 & 9 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{cccc}41 & 13 & 3 \\ 12 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ | 6108 | $\begin{array}{r}506107 \\ 385 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ |
| Total............... | 821143 | 2100 | 8891711 | 5670109 | 1183127 | 393158 | 8962 |
| Elgin. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aldbornugh. | 2815 |  | $330 n$ | 200156 | 5117 | $13 \quad 310$ | 345128 |
| Rayham...... | 90.43 | 550 | $5{ }^{7} 51$ | 67514 | 12015 | 371117 | 1346158 |
| Dorehester South | 3.150 |  | 30 |  |  |  | 2758 |
| Dunwich... | $\begin{array}{r}5912 \\ 109129 \\ \hline 80\end{array}$ | $37 \%$ | 59 <br> 95 <br> 95 <br> 50 | ${ }_{831}^{332} 12118$ | $\begin{array}{r}8 \pm \\ 38 \\ 38 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}3 \\ 3 \\ 104 \\ \hline 10\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} 636 & 11 & 5 \\ 1663 \\ \hline 7 & 10 \end{array}$ |
| Southwold | 125100 | 5120 | 1150 | 795 0 <br> 18  | 2190 | 740 | 1387100 |
| Yarmouth | 133123 | 4150 | 159 | $17+2$ 4 | 23612 | si3 89 | 2539121 |
|  | $\begin{array}{llll}584 & 8 & 3\end{array}$ | 1982 | 59530 | 4821125 | 1101198 | 97238 | 8098 173 |
| Kent. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cainden and Zone | $\begin{array}{rrr}45 & 8 & 0 \\ 45 & 8 & 0 \\ 39 & 19 & 9 \\ 60 & 12 & 9 \\ 80 & 5 & 0 \\ 40 & 13 & 8 \\ 78 & 15 & 0 \\ 12 & 8 & 6 \\ 9 & 17 & 8\end{array}$ | $\cdots$ | 45 |  | 361511 | 511011 | $\begin{array}{llll}683 & 0 & 6 \\ \\ 605 & 8 \\ 3 & 8\end{array}$ |
| Chatham . |  |  |  |  | $0^{910} 0$ |  |  |
| Dover. |  | ... ... ... | 49 49 60 19 | 322108 |  |  | 415 ${ }^{4} 8$ |
| Harwich |  | 250 | 80 <br> 40 <br> 40 | $\begin{array}{llll}514 & 16 \\ 124 & 12 \\ 12\end{array}$ | 123148 |  | [1585 |
| Oxford |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ra'eigh.. |  | … ... ... | 78150 | 749138 | 20616 <br> 16 <br> 16 <br> 16 | $\dddot{\%} \dddot{1}$ | 1114 1 <br> 195 1 <br> 8  |
| Romney |  |  | 12 <br> 23 <br> 3 <br> 17 | 149  <br> 161 18 |  |  |  |
| Tilbury East |  | 650 | $43389_{1}^{1}$ | $381346$ | $59211 \quad 0$ | $156167$ |  |
|  | $41096$ |  |  |  |  |  | 5421154 |

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Part II.-Table A.-(Continued.)

EXPENDITURES

|  | Paid for Maps and Apparatus. (See Table N.) | Paid for Sites and Building School-houses. | Paid for Rents and Repairs of School-bouses. | Paid for School Bcoks, Stationery, Fuel, and other expenses. | Total <br> Expenditure for Common Schools, 1855. | malarces. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \& s. d. | £ s. d. | ¢ s. d. | £ s.d. | $\boldsymbol{E}$ s. d. | £ s. d. | c s. d. |
| 127 10 $\cdots$ $\cdots$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| .... ... ... | … ... .... | .... ... ... | ... ... ... | $\cdots$ | ... | ... ... ... |
| \% $30 \%$ | .... .... .... | $90 \%$ | .. .. ... | $717 \%$ | 136150 |  |
| 33 430 10 | … $\cdots \cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 1 8  <br> 7 10 9 <br>    | 118 <br> 218 <br> 18 | 46 427 17 | 1148 |
| 1801010 550 | 350 | 233138 | 7100 | $\begin{array}{r}218 \\ \times 340 \\ \hline 0 \%\end{array}$ | 550 | 0 O 8 |
| 55 <br> 197 <br> 10 | \% 00 | \% | ... ... ... | $\dddot{34} 90$ | 30194 |  |
| 581210 | 9100 | 195102 | 18170 | 58171 | 116314 | 6630 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 2012 : |
| ${ }_{504} 1648$ | 5. 80 |  | 1218 2378 | $\begin{array}{lll}315 & 6 \\ 15 & 8\end{array}$ | 60399 |  |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{r}3918 \\ 42 \\ \hline 18\end{array}$ | ${ }^{2} 0179$ | 1915 | 3714 | ... ... ... |
| ${ }_{595} 13 \mathrm{~F}$ | 10 $\dddot{5}_{5}^{0}$ | 70 | 37174 | 15 <br> 189 <br> 3 <br> 18 | ${ }_{4011710}^{659} 12$ | … ... ... |
| 323167 |  | 7110  <br> 93 0 <br> 17  | $\begin{array}{r}2811 \\ 2817 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ | 13883 | 4285 | 29810 |
| 4600 1609 159 | \% $12 \%$ | $\begin{array}{r}93178 \\ 20715 \\ \hline 15\end{array}$ | 28 4158 | 64103 | 19451910 | ... ... ... |
| $\begin{array}{r}1609159 \\ 234 \\ \hline 196\end{array}$ | 7 7 4 4 | 14188 | ${ }^{31} 73$ | ${ }^{7} 1310$ | 394139 | 171 |
| 4658 | 150 | 5911 09319 | 6   <br> 7   <br> 7 11 11 | 10 16 <br> 15 11 |  | 49510 |
| $\begin{array}{r}537 \\ \hline 1239 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\cdots$ | 239123 7300 | 7 <br> 1712 <br> 18 | 99 is 6 | 1495 159 | 01510 |
| 1238 <br> 710 <br> 10 |  | 730 |  | $\cdots$ | 7100 | $77 \%$ |
|  |  |  | 159140 | 304127 | 877017 | 182197 |
| 7211 1910 | 30171 | 1041106 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 3391112 | 604 |
| 307 <br> 724 <br> 13 <br> 18 | 39103 | 81977 | 50184 | \%3929 | 1341 <br> 239 <br> 2385 | $4{ }_{4} 9$ |
| 32708 | . ... ... | . |  |  | 498118 | 371011 |
| 493116 111815 | $\dddot{9} 9$ | $9 \dddot{40 \%}$ | $9{ }_{20} 96$ |  | 1863710 |  |
| 111815 <br> 1103 <br> 158 | 9 5 <br> 27 5 <br> 15  | $\begin{array}{r}4489 \\ 93 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 1904 | 3867 | 1211125 988818 | 1\% 177 |
| 1103 <br> 1317 |  | 1136 | 8787 | 3400 | 2589181 | ... ... ... |
| 3296 18 G | 71312 | 2173124 | 163111 | 17702 | 78811610 | 213 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 49811 |  | ${ }^{236} 100$ | ${ }^{2} 21098$ | ${ }_{27}^{27} 1158$ | 690177 | ${ }_{5}^{51} 1$ |
| \%41318 |  | 195 35 | ${ }^{2} 104$ | 17121 | 383149 | 2988 <br> 79 <br> 9 <br> 14 |
| 902 $1: 10$ | 6150 | 192   <br> 37 19 5 <br> 14   | ${ }^{0} 1200$ |  | 914 734 178 | ${ }_{90} 9818$ |
| Cis8 14. | 576 | 37145 | 4 4 2 3 |  | 3199184 | 921211 |
| 307 <br> 807 <br> 80 <br> 10 | ... | $11712{ }^{6}$ | 2417 | \% 310 | 10191910 |  |
| 135 193 10 10 3 | .... | $\begin{array}{r}281610 \\ \hline 8819\end{array}$ | 4 <br> 819 | ${ }_{1}^{10} 4$ | $2+1173$ | 535 |
|  |  |  | 70164 | 15913 | 5067 | 354148 |
| 392182 | 25310 | 8851 |  | 1591 | , |  |

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| Townshirs. | For <br> Tcachers <br> Salaries. | $\begin{gathered} \text { OM } \\ \text { TR GRIWrs } \\ \hline \text { For Maps } \\ \text { and } \\ \text { Apparatus. } \\ \text { (See Table } \\ \text { N.) } \end{gathered}$ | Municinal <br> School <br> Assessment. | CEIP <br> M toca <br> Trusteas' <br> School <br> Assessment. | TS. <br> 1 \& $\mathrm{O}_{1}$ <br> Trustees' <br> Rate-bill on <br> children. | Balances and other sources. | 'Cotal <br> Receipts for <br> Common <br> Schools, 1855. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Samblon. Bosanquet ........ | $\begin{array}{lll} 5 & 8 & d \\ 36 & 4 & s_{1} \end{array}$ | $\mathcal{L} \text { s. d.: }$ | $\begin{array}{lll\|} \hline & s & d \\ 34 & 4 & 3 \end{array}$ | $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \text { s. d. }$ <br> 316120 | $\text { e s. } \mathrm{d}$ | $\pm \mathrm{s} . \mathrm{d} .$ $\text { as } 15:$ | 2. s. d . ass 1811 |
| Brooke ... | ${ }_{6} 111$ |  | 9 11 <br> 1  | 7411 ? | 2 |  | ${ }_{93} 1618$ |
| Dawn.. | 1250 | .. . ... | 12.0 | 285150 | ... ... | 5 5 | 25118 |
| Rnniskillen | 330 | ... ... | ${ }^{8} 30$ | 2168 | $\ldots$ | 57910 | 85.29 |
| Euphomia | 39 <br> 4 <br> 4 <br> 4 |  | 39 9 3 <br> 44 7 8 | 488 <br> 26117 <br> 16 | 8150 <br> . .61 | 4970 | 576107 817118 |
| Plymptor | 50116 | 400 | 50116 | 360154 | 534 | 20432 |  |
| Sarnia | 3626 |  |  | 433171 |  | 4260 |  |
| Sombra... | $3_{3} 3{ }^{3} 10$ | 300 | 3830 | 29650 | $0{ }_{0} 0$ | 105159 | 4817 |
| Warwiok | 5210 | .. ... ... | 61108 | 633109 | 6071 |  | 80718 |
| Total | 31573 | 7001 | 3271510 | 301668 | 174 83 | 93017 | 492115 |
| Essox. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Anderdon........................... <br> Colchester | 11 <br> 40 <br> 40 <br> 189 |  | 35 2 3 <br> 67 0 0 | 88 4 <br> 165 4 | 37 <br> 80 <br> 65 | $\begin{array}{r}313 \\ 122 \\ 7 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 161131 <br> 455 <br> 15 |
| Gasfleld ... | 4970 | ... ... ... | 6554 | 276430 | 40193 | ... ... ... | 43114 |
| Maidstone .. | 4318 |  | 2918 | 1141911 | 60.710 |  | 3354 |
| Malden ..................... $\}$ Seprate |  | ... ... | $\begin{array}{r}31 \\ \hline 148 \\ \hline 10\end{array}$ | 2710 40 40 |  | 31 is 3 | 11814 <br> 103 <br> 14 <br> 18 |
| Mersea ........................... | \%i 71 |  | ${ }^{4} 4153$ | 19927 | $8{ }^{5} 50$ | 68 <br> 8 |  |
| Rochester | 2s 70 |  | 3000 | 11071 |  | 3 \% 4 | 170150 |
| Sandwich. | 1109 |  | 14261 | 39481 | \%299 | $\pm 105$ |  |
| Tilbury West................... | 16109 | 150 | 1212 | 50 | 30130 | 21 is 1 | 1321810 |
| Tot | 3571111 | 150 | 4311 | 18581410 | 319162 | 20:3 13 | 2902 |
| The Cities. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Toronto....................... $\}$ |  | 1 | 15018 |  |  | $\begin{array}{ccc}140217 \\ 43 & 17 \\ 10 \\ 10\end{array}$ | 6157 10.310 |
| Beparate schools .........) |  |  |  | ... | $\begin{array}{\|cc\|}300 & 10 \\ 402 \\ 50\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}433 \\ 321010 \\ 3 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}1024 & 1 & \\ 5575 & 5 & \\ 50\end{array}$ |
| Kingxton ............................ | 26110 of |  | 18000 |  |  |  | 1861.100 |
| Separate Schools ......... | $109{ }^{108}$ |  |  | 2750 | 500 | 10) 0 | 3934 |
| London | 200100 | 311011 | 17000 |  | 5150 |  | 19371511 |
| Otama | 210 |  | 760810 |  | 2145 | 10010 | 12855 |
| Tot | 19565 | 8913 b | 97236 | 2750 | 977167 | 520716 | 18220 |

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Part Il.-Table A.-(Continued.)

| EXPENDITURES. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Paid <br> Teachers' <br> Salarien. | Paid for Maps and Apnaratus. (See Table N.) | Paid for Sites and Building School-houses. | Paid for Lients and Repairs of School-housce. | Paid for School Bonks. Stationery, Fuel, and other expenses. | Total Expenditure for Common schools. 185\%. | Malaners |
| 2 s. d. | E s. a. | \& s.c. | $\boldsymbol{L}$ s. d. | L s. d. | $\pm$ s. d. | , 2 s. L |
| $\begin{array}{ccc}283 & 7 \\ 57 \\ 57 & 0 \\ 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 0100 | 2717 3 | 3 811 <br> 2 17 | 25 29 2 213 | $\begin{array}{r}34013 \\ 6210 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}48 & 5 & 6 \\ 81 & 5 & 7\end{array}$ |
| 15900 | $010 \%$ | 7 7 9 | 050 | 2000 | 251150 | 3169 |
|  | $\cdots$ | 202 76 | 0 2 6 <br> 3 5 7 | $\ddot{3} \dddot{\square} \because$ | 85 2 <br> 805  <br> 20  | 7178 |
| 847118 | $\cdots$ | …… ... | 3.5 | 342 | 847118 |  |
| 43990 |  | 4900 | 12147 | 35 9 8 <br> 45   <br> 18   | $547 \% 8$ |  |
| 28615 <br> 888 <br> 808 | 7 7 <br> 6 3 | $\dddot{32} \dddot{0} \dddot{0}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}29 & 0 & 7 \\ 33 & 0 & 3\end{array}$ | 45 41 4150 | 368 11 <br> 481  <br> 181  | $\begin{array}{rl} 188 & 2 \\ \ldots & 3 \\ \ldots . . \end{array}$ |
| 483187 | 6 3 | 1391911 | $\begin{array}{llll}10 & 3 & 8\end{array}$ | 171711 | 7117 | 90970 |
| 327365 | 53128 | 573140 | 100188 | 210160 | 420179 | 62073 |
| 161181 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 397811 | … ... .... | \% 900 | … .... ... | $10 \% 0$ | 454138 |  |
| 384190 | ... ... ... | ... ... ... | 4080 | ... ... ... | 424199 | ${ }^{6} 148$ |
| 19012 | ... ... ... | ... ... ... | 23178 | ... ... ... | 213190 | 2159 |
| 100120 6810 | … .... ... | … … ... | $\cdots \mathrm{is} 9$ | 4100 | 100120 | 16 <br> 34 <br> 19 |
| $9_{022} 139$ | .... ... ... | $47 \%$ | ${ }_{0} 1.13$ | 1204 | 882410 | ... ... ... |
| 18184 | $\because 0.70$ | ... ... ... | 6 6 <br> 1 8 |  | 170150 | \% |
| 7527 <br> 1217 | 0150 $\mathbf{2} 10$ | ... ... ... | 110 0 <br> 689  | 24119 9 | 779 1321810 | ¢ 74 |
| 255500 | 350 | 9576 | 8011 | 5683 | 279013 s | 17194 |
| 2347185 | 10585 |  | 11717 |  | 6147610 | ... ... ... |
| 4800 | 1800 | 30000 | ${ }^{97} 140$ | 12878 | 102412 | ... ... |
| 2485118 | 243154 | 175698 | 158124 <br> 188 <br> 10 | 7501610 | 5575 510 | 513 2 |
| 11610 | … .... ... | … ... ... | $18810{ }^{124}$ | 248175 | 1388 2008 78 | 91371612 |
| 113628 | $\dddot{6200}$ | …… $\because \cdots$ |  | 35117 | 154439 | 383129 |
| 127815 |  | 300 | 3100 |  | 12855 |  |
| 6755123 | 60930 | 205988 | 69001 | 50806 | 17194180 | 1034114 |

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RECEIPTS.

| тоw: | asta | e grants. |  | Fron local sotiges. |  |  | Total <br> Receipts for <br> Common <br> Schools, 1855 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| vildages. | For Teachers' Salaries. | $\begin{gathered} \text { For Maps } \\ \text { aud } \\ \text { Apparatus. } \\ \text { (See Table } \\ \text { N.) } \end{gathered}$ | Municipal School Asscssment. | Trustess' School Assessment. | Trustee Rate-bill childre | Balances <br> and <br> other sources |  |
| Touns. |  |  |  | c 8. d. | \& \%. | s.d. | s.s.d. |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { pille. } \\ & \text { narate } \end{aligned}$ | \% 37 | ... ... ... |  |  | 4 19 6 <br> 23 $\cdots$ 6 <br> 23 3 3 <br> 30 0 0 <br> 30 0 0 <br> 27 17 0 |  | 127160 |
| Brantiori.. | Stor | $\because 8 \%$ | $4{ }_{40} 90 \%$ |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 14510 \\ 10995 \\ 1058 \\ 95 \end{array}$ |
| Srockrarate |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chatham |  | ... ... | 1883 iз 30 | is |  |  |  |
| Scparate | - |  | зї0 $\% 0$ | 30.9.0 |  | $\begin{array}{r}123 \\ 123 \\ 48 \\ \hline\end{array} 150$ | ${ }^{535} 589$ |
| Cobourg | ${ }^{9} 9011818$ | Oi it io |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dundas | \% |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Niagara |  |  |  | ... ... |  |  | S1510 |
| Peparate |  |  | (ex |  |  | $\cdots$ | - |
| Scparate | 0 al |  |  | … ... ... | $\begin{array}{llll}51 & 1 & 3\end{array}$ |  | ${ }^{4304} 88{ }^{9} 11$ |
| Peterboro |  |  |  | ... .. | $163 \%$ | 899818 |  |
| Picton | - 319196 | $\cdots$ | 200 |  | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |
| Port Hope |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} 7 & 70 \\ 30 & 10 \\ 3 & 6 \end{array}$ | 183030030020 0 |  | 6742 | \%9\% | ${ }_{73}{ }_{7} 1210{ }^{10} 6$ |
| ${ }_{P r e s c o t}$ |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{8}^{14}$ |  |
| Separat |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { St.Cather } \\ & \text { Whitiy... } \end{aligned}$ |  | 210 | 600 665 0 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1096 | 5711 | 7495 | 6812 | 17299 | 17915 | 122388 |
| The Town A/unicipalities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amhersthurgh ............. |  |  | 150 0 0 <br> 17 $\cdots$ $\cdots$ <br> 316 $\cdots$  <br> 48 8 6 <br> 24 9 0 <br> 275 0 0 <br> 665 1 6 |  |  |  |  |
| Barpie. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sepmarato |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Woodstock |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 19 | 178 | 168713 | ... ... ... | 40086 | 8016 | 9379104 |
| The Vil | $\begin{array}{ll}31 \\ 47 & 1 \\ 4 & 8\end{array}$ <br>  2918 , ${ }_{36} 13$ <br> 30  <br> 30 1 <br> 3 1 <br>  915029 6 <br> 27 3 <br> 1 0 34 is $\%$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{\text {Bramin }}^{\text {Bramma }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Roumman |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Caledonia |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{rl}29 & 311 \\ 3080\end{array}$ |
| Gaippera |  | $9 \%$ is $\%$ |  |  |  | 2514 |  |
| Ingersoll |  | $\cdots \cdots$ |  |  | (190 | ${ }_{0} 1$ |  |
| Osliama. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | \% is \% |  |  |  |  |  |
| St.Marys. |  | … ... |  |  |  |  |  |
| St. 'Tho Smith's sin |  |  |  |  | (errer |  |  |
| Stratiord |  | … ... .... |  | ... ... ... |  | $1100 \%$ \% 7 |  |
| Thorold |  | … ... ... |  | \% $14 \%$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} 53 & 8 & 8 \\ \text { an } \\ 150 & 0 & 0 \\ 104 & 10 \end{array}$ |  |  |
| Prenton |  |  |  |  |  |  | 俍 |
| dso |  | $\begin{array}{cccc} 3 & 10 \\ \hdashline & 10 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} 195 & 0 & 0 \\ 188 & 7 & 0 \\ 1006 & 7 & n \end{array}$ | … ... ... |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} 41 & 18 & 9 \\ 9038 & 8 & 11 \\ 10 & 10 & 10 \end{array}$ |  |
| Yorkville ... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 584140 | 20.54 | 3518911 | 1400 | 7856 | 49165 | 08391 |

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Part II.-'Table A.-(Continued.)
EXPENDITURES.

| Paid Teachers' Salaries. | Paid for Maps <br> and <br> Apparatus. <br> (See Tablo N.) | Paid for Sites <br> and <br> Building <br> School-houscs. | Paid for Rents <br> and <br> Repairs of <br> School-houses, | Paid for School Books, Stationery, Fuel, and other cxpenses. | Total Expenditure for Common Schools, 1855. | Halances. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \& s. d. | \& s. d. |  | s. d. | s. d. | css d. |
|  |  |  | 2612 80 80 | 178  <br> 1 1 <br> 0 4 <br> 0 0 | 785 010 | 408 40 12 10 10 |
|  |  | 159 i |  | 106711 |  | i0\% 0 |
|  | ... ... ... | $2437{ }^{12} 9$ | 1000 | \%siin ${ }^{\text {\% }}$ | ${ }^{20338}$ |  |
|  | $\because$ | … ... ... | 10 $19 \%$ | 32 in \% | 80 <br> s00 <br> 0 <br> 9 | 2210a |
|  | ... ... ... | $\ldots$ | 10 4 4 40 4 1 | \%9\% 9 |  |  |
|  | 429 | … ... ... | ${ }^{4} 163$ | 33931 | 801178 |  |
|  | ... ... ... | i79 7 |  | - 401911 |  | : |
|  | ... | - | 3500 | $\begin{array}{\|cc\|}3 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 3 \\ 310\end{array}$ |  |  |
| 328 3 80 8 | $4 \%$ | ... ... ... | 17\% 13 | 103611 | $4{ }^{433} 9$ | ... ... ... |
| $\begin{array}{r}850 \\ 300 \\ \hline 80 \\ \hline 80\end{array}$ | if $73 \%$ | ... ... ... | ${ }^{5} 5754$ |  |  | 48 |
| $2 \times 87$ | $\cdots$ | ... | $87 \%$ | $13 \%$ | 81210 |  |
| 6if 100 |  | $\cdots$ | 7 1 6 <br> 2 1 3 | 1 <br> 3 <br> 3 | ${ }_{70}^{70} 11$ | \% 30 |
|  | -2315 ${ }^{2} 9$ | $8{ }^{87} 4$ | 213 | 12 14.8 |  |  |
| 1010 717 710 10 0 | $\cdots$ |  | 15 68 68 5 | 9719595090 | 124125 <br> 882 |  |
| O6f 00 | 50 |  | ${ }^{62} 587$ | 97 54 9 9 | 859 89 89 | 2681711 |
| 6.1218 | 1305 | 2957118 | 35517 | U38 12 1 | 105955 | 15433 |
| 160 320 30 0 | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 0\end{array}$ |  | $24 \cdot 1$ | 210 | 4 | ${ }^{2} 80{ }^{4} 8$ |
| 1330 |  | 3070 | 1000 | \%2io 10 io | 193710 | 1612 |
| 317 137 180 10 | .... ... |  |  |  |  | 47\% 1815 |
|  | 26 <br> 9 <br> 6 |  | 133 | $\begin{array}{r}10 \\ 1617 \\ 16 \\ \hline 18 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  | 18159 |
| 320 00 | 606 <br> 60 | 110 "i io | 24100 | 11128 | 772106 | 3s 0 |
| 153213 | 36143 | 2878 | $111+7$ | 179195 | 3 1304 | 2310 |
| 188810 | ... ... |  |  |  | 23412 | 9298 |
| (ex | ... ... ... | $374 \%$ | - 274 | 18 <br> 20 <br> 26 |  |  |
|  | \% $70.7 \%$ | $\cdots$ |  | \% |  | 17410 |
| ${ }^{443} 9$ |  | ...' ... ... |  | \% ${ }_{3}$ | 53385 | $41 \%$ ii |
|  | ... ... ... | . |  |  |  | i4\% 7 |
| 2000 | $\because 370 \%$ | iii $\%$ \% | 1178 | 19.9 | 8391710 | ... ... ... |
| - | 13.27 <br> . .1 .7. <br> 1. | \%0\% 3 | 1901 | 361812 17149 | ${ }^{374} 484$ | ... .... |
| 140 | … ... ... |  | i0.00 | 1838 | 1778 |  |
| (1ill | ... | 1075710 |  |  |  | 200 |
| 113, $10: 38$ | $\stackrel{\text {... }}{\text {... }}$ |  |  |  | (1742 |  |
| 471110 | ... .... |  |  |  | ${ }^{1059} 9$ | 10 |
| cisior | 7\% 7 | ... | - 50 | ${ }^{3}$ | 9113 ${ }^{197} 9$ | ... ${ }^{\text {.. }}$. 0. |
|  | ii | $9.7310{ }^{10} 9$ | \%\% \% |  |  | … ... ... |
| se6il 13 | 5+123 | $40 ; 5111$ | 292 10 2 | Gin 06 | 9456 1 | 38308 |



+ This sum includes a large amount of Debentures issued for the building of new school housen during the year.
of Uppeq Canada, $185 \pi$.

EXPENDITURES.


[^13]Part II．－Table E．
The Common Schools

| Towaships． |  | PUPILS ATTENDING THE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 官 | special． |  |  | number in tits |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\dot{\square}$ | 立 | 兗 | Reading． |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Glengarry． |  |  |  |  |  | 3480 |  |  |  |  | 135 | $\begin{aligned} & 149 \\ & 172 \end{aligned}$ | 15 | 10886 |
| Chariottenburgh ．．． | 1518 | 70 | 43 | 753 | 405 |  | 14 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lancaster．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 3 | 1207 | 730 | 32 | 762 | 346 | 366 | 10 |  | 1 | 126 | 124！ | 190 | 180 | 86155 |
| Separate Scilool．．．．．．．．．．．．$\}$ |  | 33 | 1 | 34 | 16 | 18 |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r}19 \\ 215 \\ \hline 10\end{array}$ | 34 |  |  |  |
| Lochiel ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．$\}$ | 1557 | 827 | 63 | 890 | 473 | 417 | 12 |  |  |  | 183 | 16920 | 18527 | $\begin{array}{r}190 \\ 44 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Scparate School．．．．．．．．．．．${ }^{\text {S }}$ |  |  | 43 | 116 | 116 |  |  |  |  |  | 15 |  |  |  |
| Total | 5641 | 2975 | 247 | 32：2 | 1793 | 1429 | 36 | ．．．．．．． | 1 | 576 | 580 | 671 | 690 | 585 |
| Stormont． | 149383149743743 | $\begin{gathered} 1004 \\ 2070 \\ 105 \\ 453 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 94 \\ & 34 \\ & 77 \\ & 38 \end{aligned}$ | ！ |  |  | 17 |  | 5 | $\begin{gathered} 198 \\ 75 \\ \hline 41 \\ 113 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 162 \\ & 7 \\ & 205 \\ & 2: 20 \\ & 1: 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 195 \\ & 90 \\ & 9711 \\ & 111 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 192 \\ 46 \\ 323 \\ 93 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r}15 \\ \hline 9 \\ 13 \\ 5 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Cornwall ．．．． |  |  |  | 1093 | 599 | 499 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Osnabruck |  |  |  | 1311 | ${ }_{615}^{151}$ | 153 | $\begin{gathered} 31 \\ 21 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Roxborough ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  | 491 | 276 | 21. |  | …．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ＇Sotal | 4077 | 2785 | 243 | 302， | 1644 | 1384 | 50 |  | 5 | 627 | 613 | 673 | 563 | ${ }^{363}$ |
| Dundas， |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| atilda． | 2223 | $\begin{gathered} 900 \\ 807 \end{gathered}$ | 54 | ${ }_{8} 937$ | ${ }_{443}^{484}$ | 470434 | 16 |  |  | ${ }_{161}^{253}$ | 227 | 1818 | 171 | 90122 |
| Mountain |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Winchester．．．．． | 1353： | $\begin{gathered} 959 \\ 980 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 70 \\ & 64 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1029 \\ 847 \end{array}$ | 541 | 488 | 16 |  |  | 178 | 185 | $\stackrel{2 \cdot 5}{174}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 167 \\ & 2266 \end{aligned}$ | 145 113 |
| Total ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 45.5 | 3449 | 2－s | 370 | 1914 | 1793 | 21 |  |  | 750 | 740 | 795 | 758 | 470 |
| Prescott． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Alfred ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 300 | 80$7 \times 0$ | 111 | $\begin{array}{r} 84 \\ 194 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 42 \\ 104 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 48 |  | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | $\begin{array}{r} 17 \\ 36 \\ 148 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 13 \\ 40 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 22 \\ 50 \\ 50 \end{array}$ | $\stackrel{25}{36}$ | $\begin{array}{r}7 \\ 28 \\ \hline 183\end{array}$ |
| Hawkeshary East．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 980 |  |  |  |  | 34.9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| separate school. |  | 6ss |  | 718． | $\begin{array}{r}369 \\ 14 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 148 \\ 127 \\ 7 \end{gathered}$ | 174 |  | 188 |  |
| Hawkesbury West ．．．．．．．．．．．． | ${ }^{7} 515$ | 514 | 7 | 578 | 35014 | 228 | 7 |  |  |  | 105 | 100 | （14 | ${ }^{2125}$ |
| Ponguetail |  | 28： | 9 <br> 3 | 317 | 164 |  |  |  |  | 12310167 | 64 | 56 | 43 | 59 |
| Plantatanet North ．．．．．．．．．． | ${ }_{292} 531$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.91 \\ & 139 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ |  | 14204 | 180 | ${ }^{120}$ |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{14} 1$ | 41 | 36 | $\begin{array}{r}14 \\ 8 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Dantagatict South ．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 3613 2159 |  | 205 | 236. | 1290 | 1067 | 18 | ．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 515 | 470 | $5 \cdot 16$ | 458 | 40. |
| Russell． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Canbridye and Russcll．．．． | 500 <br> 149 <br> 54 <br> 11 | $\begin{gathered} 206 \\ 3 \\ 314 \\ 314 \end{gathered}$ | 15 <br> 12 <br> 15 | $\begin{aligned} & 221 \\ & 108 \\ & 329 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 104 \\ & 33 \\ & \hline 35 S_{1} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | 11 |  |  | 301966 | 84 <br> 14 | 59 | 81218 | 40444 |
| Clarence ．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cumberiand |  |  |  |  |  | 171 |  |  |  | 66 | 65 | 67 | 78 |  |
| Total | 1196 | 616 | 42 | 658 |  | 343 | 11 |  |  | 115 | 160 | 13： | 180 | 111 |
| Carleton． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pitzroy | 73： | 54．2 |  | 599 | 323 | 266 |  |  |  | 85 | 129 | 116 | 87 | 59 |
| Glomeester | 1035 | 83. | 44 | 87 | 4 SL | 39. |  | 1 |  | 18．2 | 172 | 177 | 161 | 93 |
| Gower Xortio | ${ }_{56} 9$ |  | 近 | 5 | － 210 | 184 279 |  |  |  | 8 | 60， | ${ }_{120}^{81}$ | ${ }_{75}^{65}$ | ＋56 |
| Huntley | 70 | 415 | 23 | 44， 5 | 241 | 202 | 7 |  |  | 72 | 89 | 1＋4 | 72 | 55 |
| Mareh | 14： | 990 |  | 91 | 57. | 34 | 1 |  |  | 2 | 10 | 79 | 19 |  |
| ${ }^{\text {Marthorourlz }}$ | 76 | 408 | 11 | 418 | $21: 3$ | 2015 |  |  |  | 119 | 81 | 97 | 49 | 23 |
| Nepean | 1211 | 4 tay |  | cane | 3102 | 301 |  |  |  | 59 | 10. | 115 | 185 | 31 |
| Torbolton | 12：314 | 913 <br> 4 <br> 4 | $\stackrel{33}{5}$ | ${ }^{9,29} 4$ |  | 40 | 16 |  |  | 163） | ${ }^{206}$ | 216 7 | 22939 | 106 8 |
| Tota | 76： | \％ 707 | 195 | 910． | 2609 | 220：3 |  | 1 |  | 770 | 957 | 1138. | 929 | 515 |

of Upper Cañada， 1855.
Part II．－Table B．


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of Upper Carada, 1855.
Part II.-Table B.-(Continued.)


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Appendix (No. 16.)
A. 1856

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forper Canada, 1855.



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Appendix (No. 16.)
A. 1856 .

Pory Canada, 1855. Part II.-Table B.-(Continued.)
of Upper Cafada, 1855.



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The Cozaron Schoole

of Upper Canada, 1855.


The Common Schoois

PUPILS ATTENDING THE

of Upper Canada， 1855.
Part II．－Table B．－（Continued．）
COMMON SCHOOLS．

| different brancies of education． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 曾 总 号 |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 晋 } \\ & \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  | 帘 突 릉 0 |  |  | OTHER INFORMATION




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Appendix (No. 16.)
A. 1856 .
of Upper Canada, 1855.
Part II.-Table B.-(Continued.)


Part II．－Table E．－（Continued．）
The Common Sohools

| TOWNSHIPS． |  | PUPILS ATTENDING THE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | 若 | 离 | special． |  |  | numberin the |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 馬 | 烒 | Reading． |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Eㅡㅇ } \\ & \text { ed } \\ & \text { O } \\ & 0 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 导家 |  |  |
| Bruce． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arran．．．．．． | 5015 | 161 | 9 | 170 | S1 | 87 |  |  |  | 30 | 33 | 22 | 14 | 8 |
| Bruce．．． | 250269 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carrick ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | ．．．．．． | ．．．．．． | ．．．．． |  |  | ．．．．．． | ．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Culross |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Eldersiie | 233 | 119 | 9 | 128 | 60 | 68 |  |  |  | 49 | 36 | 21 | 10 | 12 |
| Huron | 234 | 56 | 7 | 63 | 38 | 25 |  |  |  | 17 | 24 | 17 |  |  |
| Kincardine | 540 | 271 | 18 | 239 | 159 | 130 |  |  |  | 70 | 62 | 70 | 60 | 30 |
| Kinloss． | 236 | 29 | 4 | ${ }^{33}$ | 16 | 17 |  |  |  | 8 | ${ }^{6}$ | 10 | ${ }^{9}$ | 2 |
| Saugeen ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．Total．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 290 | 198 | 1 | 199 | 120 | 79 |  |  |  |  |  | 50 |  | 23 |
|  | 2787 | 834 | 43 | 883 | 474 | 408 |  |  |  | 223 | 206 | 190 | 134 | 75 |
| Midalesex． | 822 | ${ }_{595}^{541}$ | 4352 | ${ }_{647}^{534}$ | 318 | 266300 | 2 |  |  | 829858 | 112 | 128 | 118 |  |
| Adelaide |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carradoc | 320 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Delaware ．．．．．．． |  | ${ }_{742}$ | 20 80 | 822 822 | ${ }_{4} 163$ | ${ }_{369}^{164}$ | 12 |  |  | 119 | 139 | 154 | 138 | 133 |
| Ekfrid | ${ }^{787}$ | 377 | 34 | 411 | 935 | 176 | 4 |  |  | 61 | 60 | 60 | 89 | 88 |
| Lobo | ${ }^{897}$ | 701 | 53 | 754 | 407 | 347 |  |  | 1 | 118 | 127 | 131 | 124 | 181 |
| London． | $\begin{array}{r}2337 \\ 3 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 1648 | 154 | 1802 | 958 | 844 | 18 |  | 26 | 235 | 301 | 429 | 305 | 481 |
| Metcalfe | 315. | 308 | 51 | 353 | 196 | 163 | 1 |  |  | 78 | 79 | 81 | 72 | 50 |
| Mosa ．．．．．．．．． | 694762 | 542 | 31 | 573 | 332 | 241 | 3 |  |  | 108 | 107 | 119 |  | 115 |
| Nissouri，West ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | $\begin{array}{r} 625 \\ 1120 \end{array}$ | $\stackrel{25}{81}$ |  | 723 |  | 2021 |  | 20 | 1676 | 2328 | ${ }^{294} 8$ | 28914 | 27530 |
| Septmarate School．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 63 <br> 542 | 3331 | 120166573 | $\begin{aligned} & 723 \\ & 34 \\ & 303 \end{aligned}$ | 47373270 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Williams ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．？ | 624 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  | 65 | 69 | 81 | 90 | 151 |
| parat |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ， | ， |  |  |
|  |  | S109 | 060 | 8769 | 4798 | 3971 | 69 |  | 47 | 1295 | 1545 | 1794 | 1577 | 17 |
| Elgin． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aldborough．．． | 379 |  | 29 | ${ }^{273}$ | 151 | 122 |  |  |  | ${ }_{186}^{38}$ | 52 186 | 63180 | 54212 | 56 |
| Bayliam ．．．．．．． | ${ }_{405}^{1231}$ | ${ }_{315}^{943}$ | 110 | 1053 | ${ }_{215}^{551}$ | 197 |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{186}$ |  |  | 188 |
| Dorchester Sout | ${ }_{6}^{405}$ | ${ }_{455}^{316}$ | 338 | ${ }_{507}^{334}$ | ${ }_{297}^{215}$ | 169 | ．．．．．． | ．．． | 15 6 | 97 57 | ${ }_{93}^{65}$ | ${ }_{91}^{68}$ | ${ }_{92}^{119}$ | 131 |
| Malahide | 1153 | 1237 | 160 | 1403 | 752 | 851 |  |  | 17 | 254 | 204 | 285 | 274 | 322 |
| Southwold | 1633 | 1427 | 122 | 1349 | 851 | 693 |  |  | 22 | 247 | 249 | 269 | 299 | 204 |
| Yarmouth ． | 1562 | 1199 | 80 | 1379 | 561 | 518 | ．．．．．．． |  | 7 | 182 | 241 | 307 | 281 | 290 |
| Total． | 7043 | 5854 | 69： | 6348 | 3683 | 2865 | ．．．．．．．． | ．．．．．．．． | 80 | 1061 | 1098 | 1263 | 1331 | 1287 |
| Kent． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Camden and Zone．， | 669 | 480 | 50 | ${ }_{429}^{530}$ | 296 | 193 | 3 |  |  | 727178 | 10970 | 88 | 118 <br> 18 <br> 49 | 7 |
| Chatham． | 555 | 338596 | 17 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 108170 |
| Dover．．． |  |  | 26 | 364 648 | ${ }_{344}^{184}$ | 180301 | 10 |  | ${ }^{6}$ | 109 | 70 105 | 71. |  |  |
| Harwich | 1011 | ${ }_{7}^{776}$ | 55 | ${ }_{8}^{831}$ | 435 |  | $\begin{array}{r} 6 \\ 4 \end{array}$ |  |  |  | $153$ | 153 | 13972 | 131104 |
| Ofoward |  |  |  |  |  | 396 189 |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 128 \\ 56 \\ 56 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Raleigh．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 900170 | $\begin{array}{r}629 \\ 84 \\ \hline 81 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 40 | $\begin{aligned} & 669 \\ & 84 \\ & \hline 8 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 216 \\ 426 \\ 86 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 189 \\ 243 \\ 28 \\ 84 \end{array}$ | 40 |  | 110 | 108 | 1102033 | $\begin{gathered} 198 \\ 28 \\ 38 \end{gathered}$ | 1691130 | 971018 |
| Romney |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tilbury Last ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 270 | 181 | 8 | 189 |  |  |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 5391 | 3843 | 308 | 4149 | 2299 | 1850 | 73 |  | 128 | 679 | 725 | 850 | 769 | 782 |

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Part II．－Table B．－（Continued．）

| COMMON SCHOOLS． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | OTH | ER IN | FORM | TION． |
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| dipperext brancies of education． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Cause or Prevalent Disease． |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 药 } \\ & \text { 品 } \\ & \text { 世 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { B } \\ & \text { 害 } \\ & \text { 总 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 曾 } \\ & \dot{\#} \\ & \dot{y} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\cdots$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 50 | 9 | 22 | 8 | 51 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | ．．．．． | 10 | No． |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $\ldots$ | ． | ， | ．．．．． |  | ．．．．．． | －．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | －．．．．．．．． |  |  |  | ．．． |  |  | ．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | …． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | －．．．．． | ．．．．．．． |  | ．．．． |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 20 \\ & 13 \end{aligned}$ | 8 | 17 6 | ．．．．．．．．． | 47 28 | ．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  | ． |  |  |  | 12 | No． |  |
|  |  | 88 | ．．．．．．．．．． | 140 | 7 | ．．．．．．． | ．．．．．．． |  |  | 18 |  | 2 |  |  |  | － 115 | ．．． |  |
| 9 | $\bigcirc 1$ | 1 | ．．．．．．．． | 14 | 8 | $\cdots$ | ．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ．．．． 10 | ．．．． |  |
| 78 | ${ }^{45}$ | 50 |  | 82 | ．．．．． |  |  |  | ．．．．． | 14 |  |  |  | － 5 | 3 | ${ }^{\text {．．．．．．．}} 15$ | ．．． |  |
| 290 | 94 | 134 | 8 | 362 | 7 |  |  |  | ．．．．． | 32 | ．．．．． | －2 | 1 | 6 | $s$ | － 7 － 13 | 4 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 206 | 88 | 104 | 18 | 194 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 212 | No |  |
| 272 | 74 50 | 187 | 30 | 263 |  |  |  |  | 240 | 19 | ．．．．．． | 10 |  |  |  | 18 | ${ }^{6}$ | Drsentery． |
| ${ }_{359}^{132}$ | 111 | 75 159 | 113 | 135 358 |  | $\cdots$ | 2 | ．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  | 10 |  | －．．．．${ }^{6}$ | ${ }^{\text {No }}$ |  |
| 908 | 84 | 167 | 118 | ${ }_{234}$ |  |  |  | ．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{2}$ | No | Bl＇s．Peve |
| $\stackrel{331}{ } 1072$ | 114 | ${ }_{686}^{203}$ | 200 | ${ }_{091}^{383}$ | 5 |  | 13 | 10 | － |  |  |  |  |  | 7 | 5.5 | No | Brs．Fev |
| 1072 178 | ${ }_{80}^{413}$ | ${ }_{126}^{686}$ | 200 3 | ${ }_{155}^{991}$ | 75 | 59 |  | 1 | 64 | 50 | 34 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 231 | 85 | ${ }_{112}^{86}$ | 5 | 274 | 11 | 2 | 3 |  | 20 | 110 | ．．．．．． | ．．．．．． |  | 2 |  | －1 <br> ... | 5 | Fever \＆Ague． Dysentery． |
| ${ }_{655}^{240}$ | $\begin{array}{r}66 \\ 396 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 112 | ${ }_{99}^{17}$ | 261 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | No | S．Fever |
| ${ }_{88}^{655}$ | 396 11 | 403 30 | 99 | 715 40 | ${ }_{4} 3$ | 15. | 41 | 15 | 24 | 109 | 5 | 5 |  | 99 | 1 | 19 | No |  |
| 250 | 125 | 172 | 1 | 272 | 15 | \％ | 16 |  | 28 | 20 | ． | $\ldots$ | ．．．．．． |  | 2 | 110 | No |  |
| ．．．．． |  | ． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | － | ．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4172 | 1697 | 2413 | 545 | 4275 | 182 | 98 | 139 | 66 | 222 | 313 | 39 | 30 |  | 158 | 12 | 12 11 | 20 |  |
| 14s | 52 | 33 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 395 | 130 | 193 | 126 | 436 |  |  |  |  |  | 78 |  |  |  |  |  | － 10 | No |  |
| 182 | ${ }_{93}^{35}$ | ${ }_{113}^{88}$ | 18 | 176 |  |  |  | ．．．．．． |  | 51 |  |  | ．．．． | 1 | 1 | － 11 | No |  |
| ${ }_{837}^{186}$ | ＋93 | 113 | 34 203 | 192 | 88 | 47 |  | 11 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | No |  |
| 686 | 256 | 488 | ${ }_{134}^{203}$ | ${ }_{764} 1$ | ${ }^{86}$ | 47 | 27 |  | 77 89 | 268 |  | ．．．．．． |  |  |  |  | No |  |
| 887 | 228 | 600 | 124 | 832 | 15 | 10 | 21 | 10 | 16 | 40 |  |  |  | 1 | 2 | 3 | No |  |
| 3216 | 1081 | 2089 | 640 | 3326 | 124 | 76 | 136 |  | 221 | 750 |  | 106 |  | 12 | 12 | 59 | No |  |
| 163 | 57 | 93 |  | 204 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 11 | 57 | 200 |  |  |  |  |
| 203 129 | ${ }_{11}^{69}$ | $\stackrel{58}{36}$ | 22 | 837 |  | 10 | ．．．．． | ．．．． | ．．．．． | 42 | ．．．． |  |  | 94 |  |  | No |  |
| ${ }_{324}^{129}$ | 11 140 | $\begin{array}{r}36 \\ 176 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  | 159 <br> 366 | $\stackrel{2}{9}$ | 1. | ． |  |  |  |  | ．．．．． | ．．．． | ${ }^{54}$ |  | 748 | No |  |
| 375 | 135 | ${ }_{190}^{176}$ | 32 | 366 399 | 11 | $\cdots$ |  |  |  | 102 |  |  |  | 125 |  |  | No |  |
| 270 | 62 | 77 | 11 | 277 | 6 |  |  |  |  |  | ．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  | No |  |
| 448 | 122 | 333 | 17 | 440 | 7 |  |  |  | 2 | 9 | 8 | 4 | ．．．． | 291 |  | 10 | No |  |
| 43 <br> 54 | 2 | 6 |  | 55 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | － 15 | No |  |
| 54 | 18 | 41 |  | S1 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 17 |  | 10 | No |  |
| 3012 | 614 | 1011 | 159 | 2118 | 4.9 |  | 31 |  | 54 | 165 | 8 | 31 | 35 | 788 | 5 | 78 | No |  |


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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lambton. |  | 364 |  | 421 | 232 | 189 | 1 |  |  | 81 | 117 | ${ }_{23} 91$ | 75 | ${ }_{8}^{8}$ |
| Bosanquet .. | 476 |  | 57 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brooke ........................... | 204 | 164 | 19 | -92 | 46 99 | 88 |  |  |  | 3 <br> 36 <br> 6 | 35 | 293 | 20 21 | 36 |
| Ennistilien. | 561 | 243943903 | 61 | $\stackrel{25}{25}$ | 229 22 | 188 |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 12 \\ 99 \\ 101 \end{array}$ |  | $102{ }^{2} \times 1$. |  |
| Euphemia |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 95 <br> 93 <br> 8 | ${ }^{93}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Moore ...... | 587 | 350 | 10 | 455 360 | $\stackrel{229}{205}$ | 355 209 | ........ |  |  | 82 <br> 85 <br> 68 <br> 6 | $\begin{array}{r} 88 \\ 98 \\ 54 \\ 78 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 102 \\ & 102 \end{aligned}$ | 60 34 <br> 85 65 |  |
| Plympton... | 460 | ${ }_{284}$ | 158888 | 450 292 | 241 | 135 | .... |  |  |  |  |  | 77 | 29 |
| Sombra... | 534 | 284 380 | 3970 | $\begin{aligned} & 419 \\ & 581 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 218 \\ & 297 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | 12549 | 98. |  |
| Warwick ...... | 913 | 511 |  |  |  | ${ }_{284}^{201}$ | 3 |  |  | 104 | 138 |  | 77 | 78 |
| Total | 4684 | 2979 | 300 | 3279 | 1730 | 1543 | 4 |  | 613 |  | 713 | 726 | 606 | 376 |
| Essas. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Anderdon... | 340 529 | 37 43 48 | 50 | 543 | ${ }_{23}^{23}$ | 230 | 21 |  | 43112 | 8280 | ${ }^{91} 9$ | 116 | 131 | 12 |
| Gostield.... | ${ }_{348}^{576}$ | 520 <br> 290 |  | 595 |  | 275 | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maidstone ... |  |  | 5 | 295 | 181 | 11440 | 4 | 1 |  | 9 <br> 9 | 88 | 65 |  | 41 |
| Malden .............................. $\}$ | 659 | 179 | 8 | 187 | 147 |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{22}$ | 27 | 7 |  |
| Separato School........... $\}$ | 410 |  | 1 | 46 | 32 | 14. |  |  |  | 13 |  | 11 |  |  |  |
| Mersea ... |  | 251199 | 311 | 200 | 102 | ${ }^{127}$ |  |  |  | 47 83 8 | \% ${ }_{7}^{60}$ | 36 | 7 |  |
| Rochester... | 416 |  |  |  |  |  | $25$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 206 \\ 45 \end{array}$ |  |  | 112 | ${ }^{18}$ |
| Sandwrich...ie | $\begin{gathered} 1403 \\ 207 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 711 \\ 131 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 49 \\ 6 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 760 \\ 137 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 436 \\ 88 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 32 A \\ 54 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 157 \\ 40 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 208 \\ 48 \end{array}$ |  |  |
| Tota | 4894 | 2727 | 231 | 2958 | 1708 | 1250 | 65 | .... ... | 156 | 667 | 693 | 787 | 56 |  |
| The Cities. |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 4087 \\ 3026 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Toronto... | $\left\|\begin{array}{r} 11000 \\ 4880 \\ 3800 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4058 \\ & 3003 \end{aligned}$ | 2929 |  | 2239. | 1848 | 16 |  | 89 | 1877 <br> 838 <br> 29 | 876973 | 850616 | $\begin{array}{lll}487 \\ 478 & 296 \\ 126\end{array}$ |  |
| Hamilton........................ |  |  |  |  | 1879 | 1147 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Separate School..................... |  | ${ }^{1865}$ | ${ }_{5}$ | 670 | 430 | 4 | 350 |  |  | 119 | 100 | 105 | ${ }_{96}^{2 \mu}$ |  |
| London........................... | 3600 | 1795 | 28 | 1823 | 1104 | 719 |  |  |  | 479 | 382 | 403 | 223 |  |
| Ottawa .......................... | 2800 | 1067 | 24 | 1091 | 648 | 449 |  |  |  | 208 | 190 | 270 | 212 | 0 |
| Total | 26000 | 11739 | 220 | 11959 | 7060 | 4898 | 586 |  | 89 | 2585 | 2475 | 2203 | 1569 | 1072 |



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| COMMON SCHOOLS. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | OTH | ER INF | ORMA | TION. |
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| dipprient branceis op uducation. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Cause or Prevalent Disease. |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 官 } \\ & \text { 菭 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1491 | 640 | 550 | 301 | 1823 | 54 | 14 | 20 | 27 | 17 | 73 | 34 | 2 | 11 | 12 |  | o |  |
| 1137 | 304 | 403 |  | ${ }^{1824}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 18 | 17 |  | No |  |
|  | ${ }_{561}^{566}$ | ${ }_{378}^{631}$ | 124 | 1024 | 65 | 15 | 24 | 8889. |  | 3 |  |  | , |  | 438 | No |  |
| 269 | 151 | 162 | 64 | 314 | 13 | 12 |  |  | 40 |  |  |  |  |  | 1.8 | No |  |
| 1384 | 550 | 1078 | 111 | 2153 | 54 | 23 | 22 | 17.71 |  |  | 25 | 8 | 3 | 8 | ${ }_{3}{ }^{23}$ | No |  |
| 1816 | 636 | ${ }^{689}$ | ${ }^{1 \leq 23}$ | ${ }_{3517}^{2172}$ | 5 | 12 | 19 |  | $\stackrel{2}{27}$ |  |  |  |  | 12 | $10{ }^{17}$ | 18 | Scarlet Fever. |
| 8775 | ${ }_{918}^{88}$ | ${ }_{991}^{1143}$ | 1423 | ${ }_{2977}^{3517}$ | 73 | ${ }^{8}$ | ${ }_{36}^{13}$ | $\begin{array}{ll}1.5 & 48 \\ 28 & 58\end{array}$ | ${ }^{27} 12$ |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{12}$ | 10.10 | 18 |  |
| $\begin{array}{r}2491 \\ 804 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | ${ }_{989}^{918}$ | ${ }_{280}^{991}$ | ${ }^{142} 5$ | ${ }_{1003}^{2974}$ | 941 | 23 | 1 |  | 141 |  |  |  |  | 2 | 230 | Ho |  |
| 1557 | 577 | 55 | 147 | 1626 | 24. | 3 | 18 | ${ }^{14} 437$ | ${ }^{66}$ |  | 2 | 13 | 52 | ${ }^{18}$ | 7 15 <br> 3 8 | 2 | Scarlet Fever. <br> S. F. and Measles. |
| 1718 | 729 | 763 | 1233 | ${ }_{857}^{1683}$ | 71 50 | 15 | 11 | 38 96 <br> 11 93 <br>   | 14 |  | 31 |  | ${ }_{5}$ | 5 |   <br> 21 21 | No |  |
| 771 2495 | ${ }_{907}^{400}$ | ${ }^{1777}$ | 198 | ${ }_{2637}^{85}$ | ${ }_{160}$ | 69 | 118 |  | 356 | . 5 | 29 | 27 | 10 | 15 | ${ }_{6}{ }^{4} 7$ | No |  |
| 2939 | 127 | 1663 | 577 | 2783 | 107 | 19 | 81 | 31351 | 780 | 10 | 38 | 276 | 7 |  | 4. 15 | No |  |
| 3154 | 706 | 1511 | 128 | ${ }^{3234}$ | 80 | 10 | 17 |  | 470 |  | ${ }^{3}$ | 4 | 12 | 13 | ${ }^{1+4} 15$ | No |  |
| ${ }^{2322} 2$ | 937 | ${ }_{4}^{1156}$ | 209 | ${ }^{2857}$ | ${ }_{42} 10$ | 20 | 32 | ${ }_{10} 101$ | ${ }_{96}$ | 10 | 30 |  | 6 | - 6 | ${ }_{5} 16$ | No |  |
| 1038 | 270 | 311 | 508 | 1115 | 10 | 8 | 1. | 550 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | No |  |
| 3187 | 1060 | 1695 | 451 | S290 | 113 | 44. | 109 | ${ }^{65} 225$ | 377 | 73 | 101 | 203 | 18 | 14 | ${ }^{3} 18$ | No |  |
| 5746 | 2252 | 34199 | 912 | 5931 | 172 | 114 | ${ }^{135}$ | ${ }_{29}^{99}{ }^{265}$ | ${ }_{5}^{52}$ | 46 | ${ }_{11}^{99}$ |  | 193 | ${ }_{9}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}2 . & 15 \\ 5\end{array}$ | 12 | S, F. \& Typhus. |
| 2612 | 868 | 1351 <br> 88 | ${ }_{198}^{164}$ | 2960 | 149 | 65 11 | ${ }_{25}^{93}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}25 & 53 \\ 10 & 36\end{array}$ | 322 | 3 | 26 | . ${ }^{2}$ | 106 | , | 6.26 | No |  |
| 2264 | 1011 | 1476 | 372 | 245 | 109 | 50 | 80 | 30.200 | 377 | 38 | 1 |  | 61 |  |  | No |  |
| 2337 | 900 | 1158 | 188 | 2635 | 94 | 3 | 31 | ${ }_{3}^{9} 118$ | 201 |  | 11 |  | ${ }_{77}^{92}$ | 1 |  | $\mathrm{NO}^{2}$ | Scarlet Fever. |
| 2187 | 941 | ${ }_{1129}^{1341}$ | ${ }_{23}^{330}$ | $\underline{2989}$ | 87 |  | 48 | ${ }^{32}{ }^{24} 107$ | 474 | ${ }_{85}^{62}$ | 36 |  | 147 | 14 |  | No |  |
| 2 | ${ }_{1009}^{688}$ | 1420 | 284 | 2372 | 101 | 88 | 90 | 47138 | 382 | 158 | 137 |  | 241 | 1 |  | No |  |
| 1940 | 778 | 850 | 103 | 1845 | 23 | 8 | 34. | 11.71 | 129 | 9 |  |  | 139 |  |  | No |  |
| 2434 | 912 | 1330 | 847 | 2555 | 107 | 30 | ${ }^{69}$ | ${ }_{13}^{13} 183$ | ${ }_{793}^{167}$ | 77 | $8{ }^{8}$ | 15 | 86 | 6 |  | ${ }_{8}$ | Dys \& Small Pox. |
| 3843 | 1323 | 2334. | ${ }^{355}$ | 4090 | ${ }^{131}$ | ${ }_{32} 9$ | 2 | ${ }^{16}$ | 878 |  | 229 |  | ${ }_{27}$ | 7 |  | 8 | Scarlet Fever. |
| 23124 | 1124 | ${ }_{1}^{1346}$ | 178 489 | 347, | 5 | 32 | 32 | 16.255 | 55 | 39 | 11 | ${ }_{4}$ | 135 |  |  | 5 | H. C. \& S. Fever. |
| 1094: | 427 | 392 | ${ }^{64}$ | 1431 | 13 | 5 | , | $3{ }^{3} 8$ | 20 |  |  |  | 237 | 10 |  | 3 | $\}$ Dysentery. |
| 1497 | 497 | ${ }^{605}$ | 153 | 1678 | 23 | 15 | 8 <br> 8 | 18 <br> 185 |  |  | . 5 |  |  |  | 618 |  |  |
| 2290 | ${ }^{596}$ | ${ }_{134} 13$ | 109 | 2458 |  | 15 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{1} 1213$ | H. C. |  |
| 4172 | 1697 | 2413 | 545 | 4275 | 182 | 98 | 139 | 6622 | 313 | 39 | 30 | - | 153 | 3.12 | 1211 | 20 | Dys', B. F.\& S. F. |
| 3216 | 1081 | 2089 | 640 | 3326 | 124 | 76 | 136 | 34 8.21 <br> 8  | 150 | 22 |  |  | 12 | 2 | 5.9 | N0 |  |
| $\underline{2012}$ | 614 | 1011 534 | 159 | ${ }_{1551}^{221}$ | ${ }^{4} 29$ | ${ }^{25}$ |  | 8  <br> 5 54 | 1818 |  |  |  | 177 | 7 | 311 | . |  |
| 1232 | 447 | 545 | 107 | 1431 | 31 | . |  | 8 | 143 | 17 | 52 |  | 01044 |  |  | No |  |
| 38535 | 32352 | 44956 | 255 | 05512 |  | 29 | 1803 | 8654092 | 145 |  | 1092 | 823 | 33994 | 4336 | 214 10 | 104 |  |
| 103866 | 40660 | 58291 | 13960 | 111179 |  | 1810 | ${ }^{2639}$ | ${ }^{12898} 1818195$ | 18243 |  | 4981 | 831 | 17035 | 5355 | 22213 | 116 |  |
| 87301 | 34631 | 50623 | 11260 | 95992 | 3363 | 1502 | 2277 | 12685136 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16585 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\left.\begin{gathered} 11 \\ \ldots . . \\ \hline \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ |  |  | $4 \mid 2878$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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Part II.-Table D.
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| TOWNSHIPS. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Glengarry. <br> Charlottenburgh $\qquad$ <br> Kenyon <br> Lancaster $\qquad$ <br> Lochiel $\qquad$ <br> Total $\qquad$ | 15 13 13 14 14 55 | 11 14 4 2 23 | 7 <br> 4 <br> 4 <br> 16 | 15 13 12 14 54 |  | $\ldots$ | 6 <br> 13 <br> 10 <br> 14 <br> 43 | 1 | 2 <br> $\cdots$ <br> $\cdots$ <br> $\cdots$ <br> $\cdots$ <br> 2. | 12 $\times 3$ 1 10 10 | 2 3 1 1 | 11 9 9 12 |  | ..... | 1 <br> 4 <br> 2 <br> 3 <br> 1 |  |
|  | $\begin{array}{c\|} \hline 22 \\ 6 \\ \hline 2.3 \\ 10 \\ \hline 61 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \\ 1 \\ \hline 19 \end{array}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{r\|} 6 \\ 6 \\ 13 \\ 5 \\ \hline 30 \\ \hline \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\begin{gathered} 21 \\ \mathbf{6} \\ \mathbf{6}, \\ \mathbf{2 3} \\ \mathbf{9} \\ \hline 59 \end{gathered} .$ | $\begin{array}{r\|} \because 3 \\ \ldots \\ \cdots \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|r} 1 \\ \cdots \\ \cdots \\ \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 20 \\ 26 \\ 23 \\ 95 \\ \hline 58 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 1 . \\ & 2 \\ & \hline \end{aligned} .$ | $\frac{\cdots}{\cdots} \cdot$ | $2 \mid$ | $\begin{array}{r} 6 \\ \hdashline 3 \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline 10 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5 \\ \mathbf{8}_{1}^{7} \\ \hline \mathbf{2 9} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\left.\begin{gathered} 11 \\ \cdots \\ \hline 15 \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ |  |  | 2 28 81 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 21 \\ & 15 \\ & 17 \\ & 13 \\ & \hline 60 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 7 \\ 3 \\ 8 \\ \hline 20 \end{array}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{r\|} 17! \\ 6 \\ 4 \\ 8 \\ \hline 29 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\begin{gathered} 21 \\ 15 \\ 15 \\ 13 \\ 13 \\ \hline 64 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \cdots \\ & \cdots \\ & \cdots \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | 21 <br> 8 <br> 15 <br> 13 <br> 54 |  | ...... |  | $\begin{array}{r}1 \\ 2 \\ -\ldots . . \\ \hline 3\end{array}$ | 4 <br> 13 <br> 28 | $\begin{array}{r}6 \\ 9 \\ \hline \\ \hline\end{array}$ | ....... |  | 39 <br> 15 <br> 16 <br> 15 <br> 64 |
|  | $\begin{array}{r\|r\|} 4 & 4 \\ 17 & 9 \\ 96 & \\ 8 & 3 \\ 3 & - \end{array}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 1 \\ 10 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ \hline 19 \end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{array}{r\|} 2 \\ { }_{2}^{1} \\ 10 \\ 6 \\ 10 \\ 4 \\ 42 \\ \hline 26 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 15 \\ 15 \\ 4 \\ 46 \\ 6 \\ 3 \\ 43 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \cdots \cdots \\ \cdots \\ \cdots \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 1 <br> 2 <br> $\cdots \cdots$. <br> $\cdots$ <br> $\cdots \cdots . .$. <br> 4 | $\left(\left.\begin{array}{r} 4 \\ 13 \\ 8 \\ 4 \\ \cdots \\ \cdots \\ \hline 35 \end{array} \right\rvert\,\right.$ |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 15 \\ 8 \\ 8 \\ 5 \\ 3 \\ \hline 38 \end{array}$ |  |  |  | ? |
|  | $\begin{array}{r}6 \\ 2 \\ 7 \\ \hline 15\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 5 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ 10 \end{array}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{r} 5 \\ 2 \\ 6 \\ \hline 13 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\stackrel{2}{6}$ |  | ...... <br> $\ldots$ <br> $\ldots . . .$. <br> ... | 13 | . ${ }_{2}$ | -1 | .... | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{r}1 \\ \cdots \\ \cdots \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline\end{array}\right.$ |  | ....... | $\mid$ |  |  |
| Carlotor. <br> Fitzroy <br> Gloucester $\qquad$ <br> Goulbourne <br> Gower North <br> Huntley <br> March <br> Marlborough <br> Nepean <br> Ospoode <br> Torbolton $\qquad$ <br> Total $\qquad$ | $\begin{array}{r} 9 \\ 14 \\ 15 \\ 15 \\ 8 \\ 7 \\ 2 \\ 10 \\ 11 \\ 15 \\ 15 \\ \hline 92 \end{array}$ | 7 <br> 6 <br> 1 <br> $\cdots$ <br> 4 <br> 1 <br> $\cdots$ <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 24 | $\begin{array}{\|r\|\|} 7 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 5 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 5 \\ 5 \\ 3 \\ 8 \\ \cdots, \\ \hline 48 \end{array}$ | 9 <br> 14 <br> 8 <br> 7 <br> 6 <br> 2 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 9 <br> 15 <br> 18 <br> 79 <br> 7 |  |  |  | 1 <br> 7 <br> 7 <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 7 <br> 9 <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 32 |  |  | 1 $\ldots$ $\cdots \cdots .$. $\cdots$ $\cdots$ $\cdots$ $\cdots$ | 11 <br> 4 <br> 6 <br> 4 <br> 1 <br> 4 <br> 9 <br> 14 <br> 1 <br> 61 |  |  |  | 11 <br> 8 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 8 <br> 11 <br> 1 <br> 58 |

of Upper Canada, 1855.

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of Upper Canada, 1855.
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NUMBER OF SCHOOLS USING

TOWNSHIPS.


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Part II.—Table D.-(Continued.)
The Commox Schoors
NUMBER OF SCHOOLS USING

TOWNSHIPS.


Part II.--Table ID.-(Continued.)
of Upper Canada, 1855.

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of Upper Cadada, 1855.
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Tere Common Schools
NUMBER OF SCHOOLS USING

TOWNSHIPS．

| TOWNSHIPS． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\qquad$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 品 } \\ & \text { 昰 } \\ & \text { 品 } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 沯 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Huron． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ABiddulph． | 7 | 2 | 3 |  | ．．．．．． | ．．．．． | 7. |  |  |  |  | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| Coiborne．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 4 | 2 | 8 |  |  | ．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Goderich．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 3 | 4 | 8 |  |  | ．．．． |  | ．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  | $3$ | 5 |
| Hulleit．．．．．．． | 6 | 1 | 6 | 6. |  | ．．．． |  |  |  |  |  | 4. |  |  |  | 4 |
| McGillivras | 8. |  | 4 |  |  | ．．．．． |  | ．．．．．． |  |  |  | 4 |  |  | $\ddot{i}$ | 1 |
| McKillop．．． | 4. |  | 1 |  | ．．．．． | ．．． |  | ．．． |  |  | ．．．．． |  | ． |  |  | － |
| Stanley．．．． | 7 | 1 | 7 |  | ．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | － |  |
| Tuekersmith |  |  | 2 |  | ．．．．．． |  |  | ．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5 |
| Usborne．．．．． | ， |  | 5 | 5. | ．．．．． |  |  | ．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wavanosh．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 4 | 1 | 4 | 4. |  |  | 4. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 71 | 19 | 54 | 71 |  |  | 70 |  | ．．．．．． | 1 |  | 55 |  |  |  | i |
| Bruce． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arran．，．．．．． |  |  | 2 |  | ． | ．．． | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |
| Bruce．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carrick．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  | ．．．．． |  | ．．．．． | ． | ． | ．．．．．． | ． | ．．．．． | ．．． | ．．．．．． | ． | ．．．．．． |  |  |
| Culross．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  | － |  |  | ． | ． | ． | － |  |  |  |  |  |
| Greenock．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  | ．．．．．． | ．．． |  | ．．．．．． | ．．．．．． | ．．．．．．． | ．．．．．． | i． | ．．．．． |  |  | 1 |
| Huron．．．． |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kincardine．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | ${ }^{4}$ | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | ．．．．． |  |  | ． |  |  |  |  |
| Saugeen |  |  |  | 3 |  |  | 8 |  |  |  |  | 3. |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 15 |  | 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 15 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  | 11 |
| Middleser． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Adelaide．．． | 10 | ${ }_{6}^{6}$ | 8 | 10 | ．．．．．． |  | 8 | ．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Delaware． | 5 | 2 | 4 |  | ．．．．．．． |  |  | ．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dorchester North．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 12 | 4 | 9 | 12. | ．．．．． |  | ${ }^{11}$ |  | ．．．．． |  |  | 5 |  |  | ． |  |
| Ekfrid．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 2 | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| London． | 26 | 7 | 23 |  | ．．．．．．． | $\cdots$ | 27 |  | i |  |  | 21. |  |  |  | 16 |
| Metcalp．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 6 | ， | ， |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mosa．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | ${ }_{18}^{9}$ | 5 | 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5. |  |  |  |  |
| Westminster． | 21 | 2 | ${ }_{13}$ | 20 | ． |  | 18 |  |  |  |  | 18 |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Westminster. } \\ & \text { Williams..... } \end{aligned}$ | $\left.\begin{gathered} 21 \\ 9 \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ |  |  |  |  |  | 0 | 0 |  |  |  | 9 |  |  |  |  |
| Total．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 138 |  | 99 | 133 |  |  |  | 9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 78 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Elgis． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aldboro．．． | 7 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bayham．．．．． | ${ }_{6} 19$ |  |  |  |  |  | 19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dunwich．．．．． |  |  | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  | ， | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Malahido． | 22 |  | 5 | 22 |  |  | 22 |  |  |  |  |  | 11 |  |  | 15 |
| Southwold ．．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 14 |
| Yarmouth ．．．．．．．： |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 7 |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 108 | 18 | 43 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 54 | 37 | 7 |  | 78 |

of Upper Canads， 1855.
Part II．－Table I．－（Continued．）

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Part II.-Table D.-(Continued.)
The Common Schools
of Upper Canada, 1855.
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The Common Sohoors

of Upper Canada, 1855.
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## Part M.-Table E.

The Common Schools
COMMON SCHOOL

of Upper Canada, 1855.
Part II.-Table E。

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Part IL.-Table E.-(Continued.)
The Common Schools
COMMON SCHOOL

TOWNSHIPS.

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Part II.-Table E.-(Continued.)

TEACHERS.


Part II.-Table E.-(Continued.)
The Common Schools COMMON SCHOOL

Townships.

of Upper Canada, 1855.
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of Upper Canada, 1855.
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The Common Schools

COMMON SCHOOL

of Upper Canada, 1855.
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uF Upper Canada, 1855.
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TEACHERS.


Part II.-Table E.-(Continued.)
The Common Schools
COMMON SCHOOL
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villages.
of Upper Carada, 1855.
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Y'ART II-Table F.
The Common Schools

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Part II.-Table F.-(Continued.)


Part II.-Table F.-(Continued.)
The Common Schoors
SCHOOL HOUSES.
townships.

of Upper Canada, 1855
Part II.-Table F.-(Continued.)


Part II．－Table F．－（Continued．）
The Common Schools
SCHOOL HOUSES．

Townsmips．


| Frontenac． |
| :---: |
| Bedford． |
| Kinstoon ．．．． |
| Louktheoro |
| Pittsiurrg |
| Portland\＆Hinchinl ${ }^{\text {rook }}$ |
| Storrington．．．． |
|  |


| Total........ |  | $1-1$ | $\mid$ | $\left.-\frac{4}{15} \right\rvert\,-$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|c\|} \hline 34 & - \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\frac{6}{69}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\cdots$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Addinston． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amherst Island Camden East． |  |  |  |  |  | $2{ }_{2}^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| Serarate Sclicol． |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ernestown．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 30. | ${ }^{2}$ | ．．．． | ${ }_{8}$ | ${ }_{2}$ | $\stackrel{11}{10}$ | ${ }^{3}$ | ．．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total． | 66 |  |  | 36 |  | 59 | 6 |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| Lennox． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Adolphustown ．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Richmond $\qquad$ | 10 |  |  | 11 | 5. | 13 | ， | 1 |  | ．．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total． | 40 |  |  | 31 | 8 8．．．． | ：3 | 3 | 2 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Prince Elward． Ameliasburgh． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4 | 4 |
| Athol．．．． |  |  | － 1 | 15 |  | 5 | 5 |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hillier Sprate Scheow | ${ }^{17}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\stackrel{3}{3}$ | 1 |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| Marysburgh | 19， |  | $\begin{array}{ll} 2 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} 15 \\ 12 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 16 \\ & 10 \\ & 10 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{1}{1}$ | $\stackrel{4}{4}$ |  | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Total．．． | 8 |  | 4 | 67 |  | ${ }^{60}$ | 11 | 4 | 8 | 2 |  | 1 |  | 4 | 7 |
| Hastiugs． Elzevir，Madoc and Tudor |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hungerford．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 明: | $\cdots: 3$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 5 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} 10 \\ 88 \\ 8 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Mrarmora ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{10} 7$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8 \\ & \mathbf{8} \\ & 17 \end{aligned}$ | 2 | ${ }_{1}^{2}$ | 1 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  | ．．． |  |  |
| Thurlow ．．．． |  |  |  | 空. | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \\ & 14 \end{aligned}$ | 2 |  | 2 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Bidney ．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  | ， | $\begin{array}{l\|l\|l\|} \hline & \ldots . . . . \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $18$ | 4 |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Total．．． | 136 |  |  |  | － $43-13$ | 35 | 10 | 4 | 21 | 2 | 1 | 2 |  |  |  |
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Part II.-Table F.-(Continued.)

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| 205 | 132 | 33 | 22 | 32 | 1 | 289 | 196 | 46 | 42 | 4 | 61 | 601 | 16 | 9 | 26 |

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Part II.-Table E.-(Continued.)

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$\approx \overbrace{\text { Part II.-Table T.-(Continued.) }}$

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of UpPer Canada, $1855 . \quad$ Part II.-Table T.-(Continued.)


Part II.-TaBle F.-(Continucd.)
The Common Schools
SCHOOL HOUSES.

of Upper Canada, 1855.

| SCHOOL VISITS. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | LECTURES. |  |  | TIME OPEN. |  |  |  |  |
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| 762 | 91 | 67 | 50 | $3{ }^{31}$ | 4 | 35.1 | 160 | 59 | 85 | 4 | 71 | 733 | 23 | ${ }^{10}$ | 19 |
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|  | 15 18 7 73 23 13 16 68 9 9 23 23 33 1 18 | 3 8 8 6 4 4 17 17 2 8 3 3 1 | $\begin{gathered} 1 \\ 1 \\ \cdots \\ \cdots \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 15 \\ 15 \\ \cdots \\ 1 \\ 13 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ \hdashline 2 \\ \hdashline \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{array} \end{gathered}$ |  | 51 34 23 43 23 23 97 130 24 24 34 45 73 73 3 35 | $\begin{gathered} 21 \\ 10 \\ 3 \\ 3.1 \\ 17 \\ 3 \\ 97 \\ 10 \\ 5 \\ 7 \\ 70 \\ 30 \end{gathered}$ | 6 <br> 11 <br> 13 <br> 21 <br> 21 <br> 11 <br> 13 <br> 23 <br> 6 <br> 4 <br> 4 <br> 16 <br> 21 <br> 21 <br> 11 <br> 1 | $\begin{gathered} 6 \\ 11 \\ 3 \\ 21 \\ 11 \\ 12 \\ 236 \\ \cdots \\ \cdots \\ \cdots \\ \hline 21 \\ \hline 10 \\ \cdots \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 10 \\ 10 \\ 5 \\ 12 \\ 8 \\ 9 \\ 97 \\ \hline 6 \\ 6 \\ 13 \\ 19 \\ 19 \\ 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 9 \\ 9 \\ 8 \\ 7 \\ 70 \\ 9 \\ 7 \\ 9 \\ 8 \\ 8 \\ 11 \\ 9 \end{array}$ | 22 <br> 3 <br>  <br> 5 <br> 28 <br> 24 <br> 9 <br> 20 <br> 10 <br> 7 <br> 71 <br> 10 <br> 10 <br> 16 |
| 119 | 260 | 67 | 55 | 19 |  | 552 | 242 | 146 | 139 | 7 | 137 | 126 | 29 | 9 |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 9 \\ & 26 \\ & 10 \\ & 17 \\ & 24 \\ & 43 \\ & 52 \end{aligned}$ | 41 113 13 2 | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ 10 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6 \\ & \frac{1}{2} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 59 \\ 93 \\ 45 \\ 45 \\ 115 \\ 96 \\ 91 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 44 \\ & 44 \\ & 36 \\ & 29 \\ & 189 \\ & \hline 99 \\ & \hline 98 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 5 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 13 \\ 23 \\ 3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 5 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 8 \\ \hline 3 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 7 \\ & 18 \\ & 18 \\ & 10 \\ & 10 \\ & 18 \\ & 24 \\ & 28 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 59 \\ \begin{array}{c} 196 \\ 92 \\ 95 \\ 95 \\ 778 \\ \hline 69 \\ \hline 235 \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 26 2 2 17 7 12 14 14 11 | 7 <br>  <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 9 <br> 9 | 17 <br> 3 <br> 3 <br> 16 <br> 3 <br> 3 <br> 28 <br> 28 <br> 24 |
| 1013 | 181 | 41 | 15 | 16 | 20 | 433 | 501 | 61 | 52 | 9 | 105 | 906 | 29 | 8 | 19 |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 12 \\ 1 \\ 15 \\ 9 \\ 9.4 \\ 18 \\ 14 \\ 19 \\ 7 \\ 4 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 4 \\ 29 \\ 4 \\ 14 \\ 4 \\ 13 \\ 3 \\ 11 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 4 \\ 7 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ \hdashline 7 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 7 \\ 7 \\ 19 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 4 \\ & 30 \\ & 30 \\ & 30 \\ & 38 \\ & 65 \\ & 15 \\ & 64 \\ & 7 \\ & 79 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 16 \\ & 17 \\ & 13 \\ & 24 \\ & 8 \\ & \hline 8 \\ & 1 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4 \\ & 4 \\ & 4 \\ & 4 \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 4 \\ & 4 \\ & 4 \\ & 8 \\ & 4 \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 9 \\ 1 \\ 7 \\ 6 \\ 12 \\ 14 \\ 17 \\ 11 \\ 3 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 69 \\ 12 \\ 59 \\ 54 \\ 513 \\ 119 \\ 58 \\ 109 \\ 27 \\ 34 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \\ & 12 \\ & 129 \\ & .19 \\ & 7 \\ & 7 \\ & 20 \\ & 21 \end{aligned}$ | 7 <br> 78 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 9 <br> 9 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 9 <br> 9 <br> 8 | 1 <br> 15 <br> 15 <br> 12 <br> 12 <br> 10 <br> 10 <br> 7 <br> 7 <br> 20 <br> 20 |
| 721 | ${ }^{133}$ | 83 | 24 | 45 | 21 | 276 | 139 | ${ }^{25}$ | 24 | 1 | 74 | 658 | 5 | 8 | 27 |

of Upper Canada, 1855.
Part II.-Table F.-(Continued. )

| SCHOOL VISITS. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | LECTURES. |  |  | TIME OPEN. |  |  |  |  |
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|  | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{\vec{E}} \\ & \vec{E} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  | Trustees. |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Total } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { Months } \\ \text { Days o } \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { I No. } \\ & \text { fo } \\ & \text { as and } \\ & \text { open. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{\|r} \text { Averag } \\ \text { Month } \\ \text { Days } \end{array}$ | No. <br> $s$ and open. |
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|  | 588 | 129 | 39 | 39 | 18 | .......... | 272 | 91 | 41 | 57 | 4 | 69 | 554 | 23 | 8 | 1 |
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| . 3 | " Warrants issued Quarterly so facilitate the attendance of Students at the Normal Schoül $\qquad$ | 20000 |  |
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|  | 400 | 400 | 800 |  | $\begin{array}{rr} 8 & 0 \\ 23 & 0 \\ 427 & 5 \\ 30 & 0 \\ 30 & 0 \\ 100 & 0 \\ 100 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 14 \\ & 30 \\ & 10 \\ & 15 \\ & 154 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
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| $\because$ | $\dddot{3}$ | $\cdots$ | 20 | ... | … | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  |
| 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | … | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\stackrel{3}{3}$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ |
| ... | 1 | $\cdots$ | $\stackrel{5}{2}$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\because$ | $\because$ | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ |  |
| $\because$ | i | $\ldots$ | 4 | 2 | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | $\ldots$ | 2 1 | 4 | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | 45 | 2 | 10 |
| $\because$ | $\because$ | $\because$ | 2 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | - ... | ... | … | $\ldots$ | $\stackrel{4}{4}$ | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 1 | 3 | 3 | 8 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\dddot{ }$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ${ }_{2}^{2}$ | ${ }_{2}^{2}$ | $\cdots$ |
|  | 1 | $\cdots$ | 2 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | 1 | $\dddot{2}$ | $\cdots$ | ־ | 5 | 1 | $\cdots$ |
| $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | ... |  |  | . | $\cdots$ | ${ }_{5}^{1}$ | 2 |  |
| 1 | 1 | ... | 7 | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... |  |  | $\ldots$ | ... | 5 |  |  |
| 116 | 95 | 41 | 467 | 48 | 14 | 5 | 8 | 26 | 14 | 33 | 89 | 38 | 1 | 82 | 238 | 260 | 152 |

MARY.
Grammar Schools, 3; United Grammar and Common Schools, $4,=159$.

Statement in detail of the Superamioatfd Common School

| No | Name. | Faith. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Country } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { Birth. } \end{aligned}$ | Residnce. (Municipal ity.) | Cause of discontinuing teaching. | 三ne |  | Subscription | Pensio |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | John Mcauley ... | Ch. Scotland. | Ireland | Innismil | Age \& Infirmity | 73 | 22 | ${ }_{1} \mathrm{~s}_{1} . \mathrm{d}_{0}$ | $\begin{gathered} £ \\ 27 \\ \hline 10 \end{gathered}$ |
| ${ }_{3}^{8}$ | Dead, see lastrep. Robert Mason...... | Presbyterian. | Scotland | Lanark | Age \& Infirmity | 75 | 28 | 100 | 350 |
| 4 | Magnus Swanson | Baptist | Scotland | Markham... | Age \& Infirmits | 72 | 18 | 100 | 2210 |
| $6$ | Dead, sce last rep Donalu Currie...... | Ch. Scotland. | Scotland | Aldboro' | Age \& Infirmity | 67 | 18 | 100 | 221 |
| 7 | James Baird ...... | Baptist . | Scotland | Lanark | Age \& Infirmity | 83 | 16 | 100 | 20 |
| 8 | John O'Connor ... | Rom. Catholic | Irela | Charlotten- | Age \& Infirmity | 82 | 35 | 100 | 4315 |
| 9 | Anthony Lewars.. | Baptist | Scotland | Augusta ... | Age \& Infirmity | 74 | 32 | 100 | 400 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 10 \\ & 11 \end{aligned}$ | Dead, sec last rep. Thos. J. Gratie ... | Universalist... | Ircla | Arthu | Sce Abstract ... | 48 | 18 | 100 | 2210 |
| 12 | Don'd McDermid | Oh. Scotlanch. | Scotland | Commall ... | Age \& Infirmity | 78 | $26 \frac{1}{2}$ | 100 | 33 |
| 13 | James Benton...... | Ch. Scotland. | Scotland | Finch | See Abstract ... | 59 | 25 | 100 | 315 |
| 14 | Henry Gough...... | Ch. England... | Ireland | Barton | Age \& Infirmity | 70 | 30 | 100 | 3710 |
| 15 | Jas. Breakerridge | W. Methodist | U.Canada... | Rawdon | See Abstract ... | 51 | 32 | 100 | 400 |
| 16 | John Gillon......... | Ch. Scotiand. | Scotland | Ramsay | Age \& Infirmity | 73 | 235 | 10 | 3117 |
| 17 | Robert C. Mills ... | Ch. England. | Ireland | Packenham. | Age \& Infirmits | 69 | 23 | 10 | 2815 |
| 18 | John W. Leonard | Ch. England. | England | Chatham | Age \& Iufirmity | 62 | 22 | 10 | 2710 |
| 19 | Peter Stewart...... | Ch. Scotland. | Scotland | Per | Age \& Infirmity | 72 | 22 | 100 | 2710 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 20 \\ & 21 \end{aligned}$ | Resumed teaching Sohn Price ........ | Ch. England... | and ...... | Brockville. | Age \& Infirmity | 63 | 24 | 100 | 30 |
| 22 | Wm. Gordon ..... | Presbyterian. | cland ...... | Horto | Age \& Infirmity | 68 | 30 | 100 | 3710 |
| 23 | Crawford Rainey. | W. Methodist | Ireland | nestow | See Abstract | 44 | 17 | 100 | 21.5 |
| 24 | Benj. Warren | Ch. England. | Ir | Augu | Age \& Infirmity | 71 | 27 | 100 | 3315 |
| 25 | Thos. McMraster... | Cu, Eugland. | Ircland ...... | Grey | See Abstract ... | 59 | 20 | 100 | 250 |
| 26 | Ronald Smith...... | Ch. England. | Scotland | Lanark | Age \& Infirmity | 71 | 20 | 100 | 250 |
| 27 | Wm. McEdward.. | Ch. Scotland. | Scotland | Lancaster... | Age \& Infirmity | 65 | 26즐 | 100 | 332 |
| 28 | Wm. Dowling...... | W. Methodist | Ireland. | Augusta..... | See Abstract ... | 56 | 20 | 100 | 250 |
| 29 | Geo. Fieldhouse.. | Soc'y Friends | England | Murray | Age \& Infirmity | 69 | 30 | 100 | 3710 |
| 30 | Olmsted Gates ... | Ch. Scotland. | U. States ... | Longueuil... | Age \& Infirmity | 78 | . 11 | 100 | 1315 |


| No. | For the year. | Abstract of Case. | Certificates signed by |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 1855 | Was a Teacher 50 years. Taught in West Gwillimbury, Tecumseth, Bssa and Inmisfil. Holds also a certificate from the Earl of Dalhonsie, as Teacher in Nova Scotia, where he taught School from 1817 to 1830 . | Rev. F.L. Osler; T. S. Stephens, J. P.; Win. Strong, J. P.; H. A. Clifford. |
| 3 | 18 | Taucht the same School in the Village of Lanark for 28 years. | J. A. Murdock; J. Shaw, M. P. ; M. Lock. J. |
| 4 | 1855 | Was a Teacher for 35 years. Taught in Scotland, Lower Cansda, and for 18 years in Markham. | Rev. W. Case ; J. King ; G. Buchanan. |
| 6 | 18.55 | Was a teacher for 50 years; 22 years in Scotland, and 18 years in Alahoro, Oxford, Howard, Chatham and Mosa. U. C. | Rev. R. Burns, D.D.; Rev. D. McMillan ; G. Gardiner, J. P.; G. Duck, junior. |
| 7 | 1855 | Commenced in 1825 and ceased teaching in 1842 from age and lameness; taught the same school 16 years. | Rev. M. Harris; J. Robertson, J. P. |
| 8 | 1855 | Was a Teacher for 53 years; 18 years in Ireland, and 35 in Gleurarry, Stormont and Prescott. | Rev. J. McLaurin; Rev. H. Urquhart; J. Grant, M. D.; A. Chisholm. |
| 9 |  | Taught in the County of Grenville 32 years. | Rev. R. Blakely ; H. W. Morton, M. D.; J. Clapperton; J. Jessup; G. Malloch. |
| 11 |  | Commenced in 1832. Taught in Grenville 18 years. "His health failed from excessive mental labour, which induced a predisposition to apoplexy and spinal discase." | B. R. Church, M.D.; E. H. Whitmarsh; R. Waugh. |
| 12 |  | Commenced in Scotland in 1794, and ceased in Upper Caniada in 1843. Taught in Stormont and Glengarry 266 years. | J. Pringle; Reference to Hon. Justice McLean; R. McDonald, M. D.; affidavit before H. Cline, J. P . |
| 13 | 1855 | Conmenced in 1822 and ceased 1850. Taught for 25 years in Township of Lochiel; was afficted with Epilepsy and compolled to desist. | Rev. J. R. Meade; J. Stirlinf, M.D. ; D. Cattanach, J. P.; J. Murray. |
| 14 | 1855 | Was a Teacher for 33 years; 3 years in Nova Scotia, and 30 in various parts of Upper Canada. | P. Spaun, J. P.; B. P. Spohn. Former certificates signed by Bishop Strachan, \&c. |
| 15 | 1855 | Commenced in 1815. Taughtin Dundas, Prescott,Russell, Carleton, Grenvilie and Leeds, for the full period of 32 years, besides 2 years in Lower Canada. Is so afficted with cataract as to be compelled to desist. | Rev. W. Swart ; Hon. H. Pinhey; J. Garvey, M. D.; <br> J. Matthew, J. P.; J. A. Stuart, J. P.; T. Brady; <br> A. Sherwood ; S.Hart; J. Keays; W. Henderson. |
| 16 | 1855 | Conımenced in Ramsay in 1821, opcued the first school at Carleton Place in 1825. Taught also in Beckwith and Pakenham. | Rev. J. McMorine; D. Campbell, J. P.; Rev. A. Mann ; Rev. M. Harris; J. Wylie. |
| 17 | 1855 | Commenced in 1824. Thught in Huntley, Fitzroy, Pakenliam, Ross and Bromiey. | Rev. J. Thompson; A. Fowler, M. D.; Rev. M. Harris; Rev. A. Mann. |
| 18 |  | Commenced in U. C. in 1817 . Taught in the Counties of as he states subsequently to his application being approved, 30 years. Ceased in 1853. | Hon. S. Washburn ; Thos. Cross, M. D.; A. Lazier, J. P.; T. MeRea, J. P.; O. Ingalls, J. P.; E. H. Carlatt, J. P.; C. Pier, J. P. |
| 19 |  | Taught in county of Lanark from 1831 to 1853: : "Has done a good deal of good in his day." | Rev. M. Harris ; J. A. Murdoch ; J. Young. |
| 21 | 1855 ... | Commenced in 1827. Taught in Leeds and Grenville 24 years. | Rev. E. Denroche; Rev. W. Smart; G. Sherwood, M. P. T. Reynolds. M. D.; T. F. McQueen, M. D.; A. Sherwood; W. Buell; J. Jessup. |
| 22 | 1855 | Commenced in 1823, and taught in Lanark and Renfrew for 30 years. | Rev. G. Thompson ; D. Evans, M. D. |
| 23 |  | Taught in Kingston, 'Ernestown, Camden and Portland: Disease of the heart and liver renders him unfit for teaching. | Rev. P. Shirley ; R. McLean, M. D. ; J. Scouten. M. D.; J. Miller, J. P.; J. Asseltime, J. P.; J.J. McDonald; S. Warner. |
| 24 | 1855 | Commenced in 1824, and taught school in Leeds and Grenville 27 years. | Rev. W. Smart; G. Sherwood, MI. P.; T. Reynolds, M. D.; J. Brouse; R. Wangh; J. Reynolds. J. P.; N. Horton, J. P.; R. Ease, J. P. |
| 25 |  | Commenced in 1825, and taught in various parts of U . C. Deafness and disease of lower extremities compelled him to desist. |  |
| 26 | 1855 | Commenced in 1832, and taught in the county of Lanark 20 years. | Rev. M. Harris; A. Munro, M. D.; J. Robertson, J. P.; J. McDonald, J. P.; T. McCaffry, J. P.; E. Byrne. |
| 27 |  | Commenced in 1812. Was a tencher 38 years; 11 years in Scotland, 26 in Lancaster, and 6 months in Williamstown, U. C. | Rev. J. McKenzie; Rev. D. McPherson; Rev. J. McLaurin; A. Beattie, M. D. ; R. S. McDonald, J. P. |
| 28 | 1855 | Commenced in 1822. Taught in Leceds and Grenville for 20 years. Ill heath, occasioned by close application, renders him unfit to continue. | Rev. W. Smart; B. R. Church. M. D.; W. Garvey; J. Howard, J. P. ; M. Read, J. P. |
| 29 | 185\% | Commenced in 1819, and taught in Prince Edward and North Cumberland 30 years. | P. Gross, M. D.; B. Franklin, J. P. J. Bettes, J. P. |
| 30 |  | Commenced in the U. States in 1796, in Lower Canada in 1810, and in Longueuil n:1816. Taught in L. C. 4 years, was assistant in a public school 22 years, and teacher of a common school 11 years. Ceased in 1849 . | Sheriff Treadwell; A. Murray, M.D.; J. Higginson, J. P.; Jos. C. Waters. |

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| No. | For the year. | Abstract of Case. | Certificates signed by |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 8188 |  | Taught 2 years in Lower Canada, and $17 \frac{1}{2}$ in Glens | Rev. J. McKinuon; D. E. McIntyre M. D. |
|  |  | Commenced in 1810, and continued teaching in Stormon | ro |
| 83 | 1855 ... | Commenced in 1835, and continued teaching in county of Petcrboro' for $188^{3}$ years. | W. Scott, J. P.; H. Fowlds; J. mphries. |
| 84 | 1555 ... | Commenced in 1810, and continued teaching in Stormont and Glengarry for 30 years. | Rev. J. McLaurin; J. Grant, M. D.; D. McDonell, <br> J. P.; A. Fraser, J. P. Former certificate signed by Bishop McDonell. |
| 35 | 1855 | Commenced in 1832, and continued teaching in the Gore of Toronto and Chinguacousy for 18 years. | Rev. J. G. Armstrong; T. Deasely, M. D.; J. M. Chafee; R. Wright; J. Price. Former certificato sizned by Bishon Strachan. |
| 36 | $\begin{gathered} 1855 \\ 1855 \\ \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Commenced in 1806. Taught in Dundas, Stormont and Glengarry. Is unable to procure certificates of teaching for more than 13 years. Ceased in 1853. | O. Quigby, J.P.; C. McDonald. M. D.; J. Murray; A. Mc Xíllan. |
| 87 |  | Commenced in 1835, and taught in Stormontand Dundas for 14 years. |  |
| 88 | 18 | Was a teacher for 50 years; 35 years in Glengarry, Prince Edward and Victoria. | Rev. J. J. Chisholm, D. D.; Rev. J. Bourke; Rev. S. M. Roger; Rev. R. Harding; W. Cluxton, J. P.; P. S. Sulivan, J. P.; W.T. Boate; B. McDonell; E. Burnham; T. Hay; B. S. Gory, M. D. |
| 39 | $1855$ | Commenced in 1832, and taught in the County of York for 193 years. Ceased in 1821, hernia and general debility hnving forced him to desist. | Rov. J. G. Armstrong ; Rev. D.E. Blake; R. Paget, M: D.; G. Pexton. |
| $4)$ |  | Com menced in 1818, and taught in the County of Leeds 34 years. | Rev. W. Smart; T. Reynolds, M. D.; R. Edmond- son, M. D.; G. Sherwool, M. P.; S. Reynolds, J. Son, M. D.; G. Sherwoon, M. P.; S. ReYnols, |
| 41 | 11854-55 | Commenced in 1833. and taught in Dundas, Ancaster, Cayuva and Thorold 21 years. Discase of the chest compels her to desist. | Rev. F. B. Fuller; G. Kefer. J. P.; R. Ironside, M. D. ; Dr. H. Rally • J. Keefer ; D. D'Everardo; H. James. |
| 42 |  | Commenced in 1829, and taught in Leeds 22 years. "Sight so imperfect that he cannot follow the profession any longer." | Rev. J. B. Worrell; J. Atchison, M. D; Rev. P. Tremazne; S. Saper, J. P.; J. O'Neill; H. B. Washburn; R. Johnson, J.P.; W. Webster, J. P. |
| 43 | \{1854-55 |  | . Arkshdeacon Sturt; Rev. E. C. Bower; J. |
| 4 |  | Commenced in 1816, and taught 16 years in Scotland and 22 in Glengarry, Dundas and Prince Edward. | Rev. R. Blakely;D.Skinner, M.D.; Rev. J. Harris; S. Skiuner, J. P.: J. L. Biger: D. MeLeod. |
| 45 | 71854-55 | Commenced in 1830. Taught 6 years in Scotland, and 18 in Elcin and Kent. Is afflicted with hip joint disoase, and quite unable to do duty. | Rev. J. Fraser; J. R. Robertson, M. D. ; A. MeGregor; J. Coutts. |
| 46 | 11854-55 | Commenced in 1827. Has taught in the Counties of Frontenac, Glenkarry. Prescott and Russell. Is aflicted with general debility and nartial paralysis. | F. Codd, M. D.; J. Stewart: J. Keays; J. Conway, J. P.; J. Mattice, J. P. |
|  | 1854-55 | Commenced in 1812. Taught 18 years in Newfoundland and 24 yens in Inark and Carleton |  |
| 48 | $\frac{8}{2} 1855$ | Commenced in 1832, Taught in Mountain and South | derson; D. Brown, M. D.; J. Cleland, |
| 49 |  | Commenced in 1826, and taught 28 years in Brockville, Lennox and Addington, \&c. | Rev. P. Shirley ; F. V. Cary, M. D.; R. McLean, M. D.; D. Rohlin, M. P.; I. Stevenson, J. P.; T. Miller, J. P.: D. C. Smith, J.P.; W. Whelan, J. Hawley. J. P.; C. H. Minler, J. P. |
| 50 | 1855 | Commenced in Treland 1791, and in Canada 1827. Taught in Counties Grenville and Dundas 9 years. | Rev. Jos. Anderson, and others. |
| 8 | 1854-55 | Commenced in 1817 in Nova Scotia. Taught in Grenville 14 years. | Rev. W. D. McDonell; E. B. Sparharn, M. D. Former certifleate, authorising to teach in Novs Seotia, signed by Earl of Dahhousie. |
| 62 | 1854-55 | Commenced 1806. Taught 33 years in Ireland, and 15 in | G. Brown ; D. M. Evans, M. D. J. M. Ross ; H. sitznatrick, Mr Mulliman $P$ McPeat |
|  |  | Commenced in Ireland in 1814, and taught 25s years in Frontenac. | S. Henderson; W. Bermish, M. D.; J. W. Brown, J. P.; Peter McKinn, J. P.; J. Irvine. Formerly by Archdeacon Stuart. |
| 64 |  | Commenced in 1802. Taught 241 years in Scotland and 28 in Lanark, Leeds and Grenville. | Rev. W. Bell;B. R. Church, M.D.; Rev.E.Morris; <br>  |
| 65 | 处854-55 | Taught in Dalhousie. Chronic inflamation of the liver obliged him to desist. | Rev. J. B. Duncan; A. Munro, M. D.; J. S. Nichol, M. D. |
|  | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} 1854-55 \\ 185-55 \end{array}\right\}$ | Commenced in Scotland in 1814, and taught in Glengarry, U.C. $33 \frac{1}{2}$ years. | D. A. MoDonald; J. Simpson, M.D.; A. Chisholm; A. McDonell. |
| ${ }^{87}$ |  | Commenced in 1827, and ceased 1850. Taught in Lanark and Frontenac 16 years. Defective eyesight compelled him to desist. | Rev. M. Hains ; J. A. Neilson, M. D. ; J. Young. |
| 68 | 1855 | Commenced in Scotland in 1810. Taught School No. 6; Dalhousie, $25 \frac{1}{2}$ years. | Rov. M. Harris; J. S. Nichol, M. D.; Rev. J. $\mathbf{B}_{0}$ Dnncan: J. A. Young; J. A. Murdoch; A. Mo Mues: H. McLean; A. McDonald. |
| 69 |  | ced in Scotland in 1812, and in Opper Canada, Taught in Peel and Simeoe 18 years. | Rev. S. B. Ardagh; Judge Gowan; Rev. J. Gray; H. A. Clifford; G. Lount A. Pass. |
| 60 |  | Commenced in Irvland in 1817, and in Unper Canada in 1833. Taught 19 years in Durham and Peterboro'. | Rev. W. Hooper; T. Ray, M. D.; E. Ingram; J. |

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| AMOUNT RATSED FROM LOCAE SOURCES. |  |  |  |  |  | total |
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| as ar metivaibit. |  |  |  | Other moness raised by Trustees and others for Grammar and Common Schoo purposes. | Total from local sources, 1855. | Grand total from Legislative and local sources, 1855. |
| For Common School purposes, | For <br> Public School Libraries. | Subscriptions to the Superannufund, including thase deducted from pensions. | Total from local sources as an equivalent. |  |  |  |
|   <br> 1  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22882120 | 8341210 | 70150 | 237931810 | 152207 | 6001 | 2182512 |
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| 972869 | 17610 |  | 989816 | 814428 | 1804219 | 21263110 |

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Schools of Upper Canada, 1855.
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The Other Edjoationat

| MUNICIPAEITIES. |  | COLLEGES. |  |  | ACADEMIES. |  | PRIVATE SCHOOLS. |  |  |  | TOTAL. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Amount received <br> from Fees: |  | Amount received <br> from Fees. | No. of Private Schools, |  |  | Amount received from Fees. |  |  | T Am rec f F and lativ | Total mount ceived from Fees dLegisive aid |
|  | Counties. | 1 | \& s. d. | 2 s. d. | 1 | \& s.d |  |  | $\bigcirc$ |  | 1 |  |  |  |
|  | Glengarry |  | £ s. d. |  |  | \& s.d |  |  |  | ${ }_{20}^{\boldsymbol{E}} \mathrm{s}$ s.d |  |  |  |  |
|  | Stormont |  | ... ... | ... ... |  |  | $3{ }^{3} 41$. |  | 8. |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{ccc}8 & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 20 & 0 & 0 \\ 20 & 10 & 0\end{array}$ |  |
|  | Dundas |  | … | ... ... |  |  |  |  | - |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 | Russell |  | ... | ... ... | .. |  |  | Non | ne. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6 | Carleton |  | … ... | $\cdots$ |  | $\ldots$ |  |  | 12 | 90 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Grenville |  | ... | ....... |  |  |  | 27 | 4 | ii 3 |  |  |  | i $\dddot{3}^{3}$ |
|  | Lanark |  | … ... | … $\ldots$ |  | … ... |  |  | ${ }_{5}$ | 450 |  | 100 |  | 50 |
|  | Renfrerw. |  | ... ... | ... ... |  | $\underline{20} 0$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{rr}3 \\ 3 \\ 3\end{array}\right.$ | 3.40 |  | 200 |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | Frontenac |  | .... ... | … ... |  |  |  |  |  | 70 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Addington |  | ... ... | … ... |  |  |  | 401 , | 12 | 40 |  | 410 |  | 0 0 0 0 |
|  | Prince Edua |  | ... ... | ... ... |  |  | 1 | 115 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Hastings |  |  |  |  |  | 31 |  |  | 4413 |  | 115 |  | $\underline{3} 3$ |
|  | Northumb |  |  | $\cdots$ |  | ... |  | 20 | 12 | 240 |  | 20 |  | 10 |
| 17 | Durham |  |  |  |  |  | 1 5 5 | 79 |  |  |  | 79 |  | 00 |
| 18 | Peterbora |  |  | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 5. ${ }^{\text {c/ }}$ |  | None | 50 | 5 | 75. |  | 0100 |
|  | Victoria |  | ... ... | ... ... | $\ldots$ |  |  |  |  | 3. | \%710 |  |  |  |  |
| 20 | Ontario |  | ... ... | .... ... |  | … ... | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 4 \\ 3 & 1\end{array}$ |  | 5 | ${ }_{5} 5$ |  | 15 |  | 5100 |
| 22 | Peel |  | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... ... | 102 204 |  | 6 | 3050 | 10 | 204 |  | 50 |
| 23 | Simeve. |  | … $\ldots$ |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{11}$ | 44. |  | 2 |  | 20 |
| 24 | Halton |  | … ... | … ... | $\cdots$ | … ... | ${ }_{8}^{5} 1018$ |  | ${ }_{5}$ | $\begin{array}{r}55 \\ 314 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | ${ }^{5}$ | 101 |  | 00 |
|  | Wentwort | . |  |  |  | … ... | 7  <br> 7 120 <br> 120  |  | 4 |  |  | 90 |  | $7{ }^{7} \mathbf{7}$ |
| $\stackrel{26}{ }$ | Braut |  | ... ... | ... ... | ... | ... .... |  |  | 6 | 71.10 |  | 120 |  | $1{ }^{0} 0$ |
|  | Wellaud |  | ... | ... ... |  | ... ... | ${ }_{5}^{6} 120$ |  |  | 360 |  | 71 |  | 0 |
|  | Haldimand |  | … ... | $\cdots$ |  | ... ... | $\begin{array}{cc}26 & 240 \\ 20 \\ 20\end{array}$ |  | 12 | 153 |  | 240 | 153 | 50 |
| 30 | Norfolk |  | .... ... | … .... | $\ldots$ | … ... | 2 | 189 |  | 200 | $\stackrel{2}{5}$ | 89 | 200 | 0.0 |
| 31 | Oxford |  |  |  | .. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 373 | 10.7 |
| 32 | Waterloo |  | ... ... | ... ... | $\ldots$ | .... ... |  |  | 6 | 118 |  | 67 |  | 150 |
| 33 | Grey |  | ... ... | ... ... |  | ... ... | 4 | 4  <br> 3 100 <br> 60  | ${ }^{5}$ | 30150 |  | 100 | 3015 |  |
| 35 | Perth |  |  | ... ... |  | ... ... |  |  |  | 500 | 360 |  | 50 |  |
| 3637 | Huron |  |  |  |  |  |  | 206 |  | … | $1{ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |
|  | Bruce |  |  | … ... | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 38 | Midulese |  | ... ... | ... ... |  | $500 \quad 00$ | $\left[\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 1 \end{array}\right]$ | ${ }_{27}{ }^{\text {ne }}$ ¢ |  |  |  |  | 50̈0 |  |
| 39 | Egrin |  |  | ... ... |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{ll}9 & 1 \\ 3 & 1\end{array}$ | $\stackrel{1}{1}$ | ${ }_{2}^{2} \cdot 18$ |  |  |  |
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| 41 | Essex |  |  | ... ... | $\ldots$ |  |  |  | ${ }^{7}$ | 151510 |   <br> 2 24 <br> 5 113 |  | $\begin{array}{r} 151510 \\ 126 \\ 5: 10 \end{array}$ |  |
|  |  | $\cdots$ |  |  |  | ... ... | 5113 |  |  | 126510 |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Toronto |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\left.\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \end{aligned} \right\rvert\,$ | Hamilton .................. |  |  |  |  |  |  | 150 |  | 300 |  | 10502 | 24233 | 30 |
| $\overrightarrow{3}$ | Kinuston | 2215 | 175000 | 3576 |  | 800 30 | 14 | 600 560 |  | 700 | 18 | ${ }^{680}$ | 1500 | 09 |
| $4$ | Lonion .. |  |  |  |  | 4000 |  | 523 | ii | 243 |  | 593 |  | ${ }^{6} 0$ |
|  | Ot |  | 0 |  |  |  |  | 210 |  | 400 | 8 | 266 |  | 00 |
|  |  | 8712 | 215830 | 7176001 | 10520 | 25000 |  | 2033 | 11 | 224390 |  |  |  | 29 |

Institutions of Upper Canada, 1855.
Part II.-Table Q.-(Continued.)


Part II.-Tiable R.
The Educationat Sum-

mary for the Year 1855
Part II.-Table R.

*From this increase the sum of $£ 12,5837 \mathrm{7}$. 1d. is to be deducted, as the Expenditures under that head were not reported in 1854.

Part II．－TGable s．－A General Statistical Abstract exhibiting the comparative Colleges，Academies，Private，Grammar，Common，Normal and Model Schools，during

| No． | Stbjects compared． | 1842： | 1843. | 1544. | 1845. | 1846. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | － |  |
| 1 | Prpulation of Upper Canada during the years | 486，055 |  | ．．． | ＊622，570 | ．．． |
| 2 | Population between the ages of 5 and 16 years | 141，143 |  | 183，539 | 202，913 | 204，580 |
| 3 | Colleges in operatiou | 5 |  | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| 4 | County Grammar Schools and Academies | ＊25 |  | ${ }^{*} 25$ | ＊30 | ＊ 31 |
| 5 | Private Schools reported．．． | ＊4 |  | ＊60 | ＊65 | ＊80 |
| 6 | Normal and Model Schools for Upper Canada． | ．．． | 砢 | ．．． | ．．． | ．．． |
| 7 | Total Common Schools in operation as reported | 1，721 | 宫 | 2，610 | $2,736{ }^{\circ}$ | 2，589 |
| 8 | Grand Total Educational Establisliments in operation in Upper Canada $\qquad$ | 1，795 | $\begin{aligned} & \overline{0} \\ & \stackrel{2}{\%} \\ & \end{aligned}$ | 2，700 | 2，836 | 2，705 |
| 9 | Free Schools reported in operation | No Reports． | $\underline{E}$ | No Reports． | No Reports． | No Reports． |
| 10 | Total Students attending Colleges and Uuiversities | Do | \％ | Do | Do | Do |
| 11 | Total Pupils attending Academies and County Grammar Schoois $\qquad$ | Do |  | Do | Do | Do |
| 12 | Total Pupils attending Private Schools． | Do | 8 | Do | Do | Do |
| 18 | Total Students and Pupils attending Normal and Model Schools for Upper Canada． | Do |  | Do | Do | Do |
| 14 | Total Pupils attendine the Common Schools of Upper Canada $\qquad$ | 65，978 | $\begin{gathered} \text { 㤟 } \\ \underline{E} \end{gathered}$ | 96，756 | 110，092 | 101，018 |
| 15 | Grand Total，Students and Pupils attending Oniversities， Colleges，Academies，Grammar，Private and Common Schools． $\qquad$ | 68，978 | 管 | 96，756 | 110，002 | 101，912 |
| 16 | Total Amount Paid for the Salaries of Common School Teachers in Upper Canada $\qquad$ | £41，500 | 等 | £51，714 | £71，514 | 867，006 |
| 17 | Total Amount available for the erection or repairs of Common School Houses，and for Libraries and Appa－ ratus，Books，Fuel，Stationery，\＆c． | No Reports． | 皆 | No Reports． | No Reports． | No Reports， |
| 18 | Grand Total available for Common School＇Teachers＇Saia－ ries，the erection and repairs of School Houses，and for Libraries and Apparatus $\qquad$ | Do | $\stackrel{3}{2}$ $\frac{2}{2}$ 0 | Do | Do | Do |
| 19 | Amount received by other Educational Institutions．．．．．．．． | Do |  | Do． | Do | Do |
| 20 | Grand Total available for Educational purposes in Upper Canada $\qquad$ | Do | $\begin{aligned} & \text { E2 } \\ & \text { 品 } \end{aligned}$ | Do | Do | Do |
| 21 | Total Common School Teachers in Upper Canada． $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ | ．．． |  |  | $2,860$ | 2，925 |
| 22 | Average number of Montlis each Common School has been kept open by a qualified Teacher | ．．． |  | $7 \frac{8}{8}$ | 8 | 8 |

[^16]$+\mathbf{A}$ decrease－caused by the introduction of an Entrance Examination for the Grammar Schools．
Nore．The Returns in the foregoing Table，up to the year 1847，are not very complete；but since that period they Returns are now pretty extensive，and embrace all Institutions of Learning from the Common School up to the private than official，which should not be the caso．The Annual Report of a Department of Public Instruction should Primary，Intermediate and Superior．

19．Victoriæ．
Appendix（No．16．）
A． 1856

State and Progress of Education tn Upper Canada，as connected with Universities， the years 1842 to 1855 ，inclusive．Compiled from returns in the Educational Department．

$\ddagger$ Including Grammar and Normal Schools，\＆ec．
have been sufficicntly so to establish data by which to compare our yearly progress in Educational matters．The Tniversity；but hitherto the soorces of information regarding this latter class of Institutions have been rather present，in one comprehensive tabular view，the actual state and progress of all our Educational Institutions．

Appendix (No. 16.)

Part II.-Table T.
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Statement No. 1.-The Lreislative Aprortionament to Common Schooss, 1855.

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\end{aligned}
\]} \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{\[
\begin{aligned}
\& \text { AMOUNT } \\
\& \text { UNPAD. }
\end{aligned}
\]} \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{AMOUNT OF APPORTIONMENT.} \\
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\text { To Common } \\
\text { Schools. } \\
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\end{gathered}
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\begin{gathered}
\text { To Separate } \\
\text { Schools. }
\end{gathered}
\] \& e Total. \\
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\hline Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Prescott and Russell \&  \&  \&  \&  \&  \\
\hline  \& \(\begin{array}{r}335 \\ 59815 \\ 50 \\ \hline 15\end{array}\) \& \&  \& \& \\
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50 \& \({ }^{1010} 9\) \\
\hline Northumber \& \(\begin{array}{r}731014 \\ 139 \\ \hline 14\end{array}\) \& ¢"0\% \& \(\begin{array}{r}699 \\ \\ 1340 \\ 14 \\ 14 \\ \hline\end{array}\) \& \({ }^{6} 00\) \& 701 \\
\hline Peterboroug \& \(690 \% 10\) \& \& \& \& 1348 \\
\hline York aud \& \({ }^{7} 74399\) \& ... \& 74399 \& \& \\
\hline Simcoe \& \({ }_{7} 76179\) \& \%2 2174 \&  \& 12
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70 \& 180812 <br>

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\hline Oiford \& | 529 |
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\hline Waterr \& $600{ }_{2} 6$ \& 10.0 \&  \& $\begin{array}{r}10 \\ 10 \\ \hline 150\end{array}$ \& <br>
\hline Grey \&  \& ${ }^{15} 9$ \&  \& 2450
240 \& 6006 <br>
\hline ${ }^{\text {Perth }}$ Huron and \& 348.109 \& \%\% 70 \&  \& 210 \& <br>
\hline Midulesex \& \& 40114 \& 56143 \& \& <br>
\hline Bign \& ${ }_{584}{ }^{81} 8$ \& ... ... ... \&  \& 14185 \& <br>
\hline Lambton \& ${ }^{419} 9$ \& \& ${ }_{419} 98$ \& ... ... ... \& <br>

\hline Essex ..... \& ${ }_{357}^{31} 1{ }^{7} 11{ }^{6}$ \& 1910 \& | 424 |
| :--- |
| 384 |
| 860 | \& $\ldots$ \& 324 <br>

\hline Cities. \& \& \& \& \& <br>

\hline Haniniton. \& | 79210 |
| :---: |
| 783 |
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| 10 | \& ... ... ... \& 1210 \& 250 \& 79210 <br>

\hline Loningon .... \& \& \& - \& 1084 \& 33810
36914 <br>
\hline Ottawa \& - \& \& 20010
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20 \& \& 20010. <br>
\hline Towns. \& \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline Brantrord \& ${ }_{105}^{109} 12$ \& … \& ${ }_{82}^{72}$ \& ${ }^{37} 10$ \& <br>
\hline ${ }_{\text {chen }}$ Crockvill \& 96 \& ... ... \& $\begin{array}{r}85 \\ 715 \\ 71 \\ \hline\end{array}$ \& ${ }_{25}^{20} 0$ \& ${ }^{105} 0$ <br>
\hline Coboure \& ${ }_{30}^{60}{ }_{1}^{2}$ \& $\cdots$ \& ${ }^{35} 2$ \& 2500 \& ${ }_{6} 6$ <br>
\hline Cornwall \& ${ }^{41} 1813$ \& \& ${ }^{90} 1139$ \& -.. ... \& 90.19 <br>
\hline Goderich \& 85120
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40 \& \& -85 812 \& ... ....... \& ${ }_{85} 12$ 120 <br>
\hline Perth ... \& \& \& ${ }_{58}{ }^{4} 48$ \& $2{ }^{2} 9$ \& $\begin{array}{r}4610.3 \\ \times 83 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ <br>

\hline ${ }^{\text {Peterborou }}$ \& ${ }_{57} 100$ \& \& | 3815 |
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| 10 | \& $\begin{array}{lll}15 & 0 \\ 20 & 0 \\ 20\end{array}$ \& 53150

570 <br>

\hline Port Ho \& | 38 |
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| 71 |
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5 \& ${ }_{34} 19$ \& ${ }^{6} 100$ \& 37108
419 <br>
\hline ${ }_{\text {Ster }}{ }_{\text {St. Catherines }}$ \& 8270 ${ }^{8}$ \& \& $3210{ }^{7}$ \& $20 \% 0$ \& 7173
520 <br>
\hline Whitbs ................. \& 110 153 \&  \& \& \& 11015 <br>
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\hline ${ }_{\text {Barrie. }}$ \& ${ }_{35}{ }^{5} 100$ \& \% \& | 34 |
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\hline Woodstock ........... \& 47169

57 \& \& | 41 |
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\hline ${ }_{\text {Bramman }}$ \& | 31 |
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| 7 | \& \& | 31719 |
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| 47 |
| 7 | \& … ㅍ: \& 31 <br>

\hline Caledonia \& ${ }^{23} 160$ \& $\cdots$ \& 2316.0 \& ... \& ${ }^{23} 76$ <br>
\hline Canppewa \& 29186 \& … ... ... \& +28189 \& ... \& ${ }_{28}^{28} 18$ <br>
\hline Insers \& $\begin{array}{r}85 \\ \hline 89 \\ \hline 86 \\ \hline\end{array}$ \& ... ... ... \& ${ }_{55}^{55}$ \& \& 258980 <br>
\hline Oshane \& 2818 \& \& (3613, \& \%.M. \& - 3638.8 <br>
\hline Paris \& ${ }^{27} 8{ }_{5} 126$ \& \& 27.2 \& ....... \& 27.2 <br>
\hline Preston \& ${ }^{83} 12.9$ \& \& \& \% \& 5312 <br>
\hline St. Thoma \& ${ }^{23} 116$ \& \& ${ }^{3} 1$ \& \& 231 <br>
\hline Smith's \& ${ }^{23} 9$ \& \% \& ${ }_{23} 37$ \& … ... \& 347 <br>
\hline Thorold \& ${ }^{21} 1756$ \& ... ... ... \& ${ }_{21}^{217}$ \& \& 2117 <br>
\hline Trenton \& ${ }_{29} 6$ \& \& \& 8100 \& 33 <br>

\hline Windsor. \& | 2710 |
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| 10 | \& \&  \& … ... \& <br>

\hline Yorkville \& $3{ }^{3} 70$ \& 21. \& $\begin{array}{r}2117 \\ 94 \\ \hline 15 \\ \hline\end{array}$ \& \& <br>
\hline Total \& 2454159 \& 256186 \& 29331311 \& 778 \& $2471114 \% 8$ <br>
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Part II.-Table T.

| Statement No. 2-Tre Upper Canada Grammar School Fond for tre Year 185 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  | Haldimand |  |  |  |
| Leanark and Renfrew |  |  |  | Oxford. | 230 | 53 |  |
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| Peterboro' and Victoria ..... <br> Ontario <br> Ontario........ |  |  |  | Kent |  |  |  |
| York and Peel |  |  |  | Lambto |  | 47146 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 75 | 1191111 |  |
| Wentworth .................. |  |  | 33914 | napportioned |  |  | 70.0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 11 |

Statement No. 3-Special Aid of Common Sohools in New and poor Townghips in Upper Canada, in 1855


## Part II:-Table U.

Tie Accounts of the Education Department for tief year 1855.
Statement No. 1.-Legislative Grant to Comyon Schools.

|  | RECEIPTS. | amount. |  |  | explenditure. | AMOUNT. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1855. | To proportion of Warrant for this service .......... |  | $\begin{array}{r}\text { L 8. d. } \\ \hline 2465210\end{array}$ | 1855. |  |  | $\begin{array}{rrr} c & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 24012 & 10 & 6 \end{array}$ |
| Statement No. 2.-Common Schoors in Nrw and Poor Townsurs. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | RECEIPT. | AMOUNT. |  |  | Expenditure. | AMOUNT. |  |
| 1885. | To proportion of Warrant for this service.............. |  | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { c s. d. } \\ & 500\end{array}$ | 1835. |  |  |  |

Statement No. s.-Publio School Libranies, Maps and Apraratus.

Part II.-Table U.-(Continued.)

Statement No. b.-Journal of Education.

| Statement io. S. |  | EXPENDITURE. |  | AMOUNT. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AMOUNT. |  |  |  | c s. d. | E \%. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |
| $\begin{array}{rrrr}2 & \text { s. } & \text { d. } \\ 450 & 0 & 0 \\ 41 & 7 & 6 \\ 29 & 10 & 9\end{array}$ | c s. s. 820 188 | 1855. | By Printing and Mailing Journal of Education for 1855, and for the miscellaneous expenses of the publication. $\qquad$ | 520183 | $52018$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Statement No. 6.-Provinclal Library and Museum. |  |  |  |  |  |

Expended in Europe for objects of art, and charge........................................................... in account of 1850.
N. B.-Normal School account on page 170.
Part II.--'Vable U.-(Continued.)
Statement No. 7-Promotion of School Ancuiticture and Practical Science.
Expended in Europe for Soentifio Apparatus, Models, \&c., and charged in account of 1856.
Statement No. 8.-Gramarar School Fund.

|  | RECEIPT. | $\triangle$ MOUNT. |  | 1855. | Expenditure. | АMO |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\underline{1855 .}$ | To Warrant .............................................. | 7483 ${ }_{\text {cta }}$ | s s. a. <br> 7453100 |  |  |  | \& s. d. <br> 748310 |

Statement No. 9.-Model Graminar School, and Examiners and Inbpectons for tie Granmar Sohools.

|  | REOEIPTS.: | AMOUNT. |  |  | EXPENDITURE. | AMO |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1855. | School, de <br> To Proportion of Warrant for Model Grammar <br> " Proportion of Warrant for Inspectors................... | $\begin{array}{rrr} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} & \text { s. } \\ \begin{array}{cc} 2000 \\ 2000 & 0 \\ 250 & 0 \end{array} \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} 8 & \text { s. } & \text { s. } \\ 2250 & 0 & 0 \\ 2250 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | 1855. | By T. J. Robertson, Esq.., Inspector of Gramman Schools and Chairman of the Committee of Examiners <br> " Rove W. Ormiston, II. A., Inspector or Grammar Schools and Secretary of the Committee of Examiners <br> " F. W. Barrou, Ësq., Mi. M., Examiner. <br> " Balance | $\begin{array}{rl} \text { 2 s. } & \text { d. } \\ 125 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\text { \& s. } \mathfrak{d} \text {. }$ <br> $2280 \quad 0$ |

# APPENDIX TO THE ANNUAL REPORT 

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NORMAL, MODEL, GRAMMAR
AND

## COMMON SCH00LS

in UPPER CANADA,

FOR THEYEAR 1855.

## Appendix A.

EXTRACTS FROM THE REPORTS OF THE LOCAL SUPERINTENDENTS OF COMMON SCHOOLS AND bOARDS OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES IN UPPER CANADA, RELATIVE TO THE STATE AND PROGRESS OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, IN THEIR RESPECTIVE TOWNSAIPS, CITIES, TOWNS AND VILlages for the year 1855.

## I. County of Glengarry.

1. William L. Frazer, Esq., Charlottenburgh: "I regret that the operations of our schools, in the township of Charlottenburgh, during the past year, have not been characterized by that efficiency which the friends of education, and general improvement would have desired. One very great drawback to a progressive movement is the want of efficient teachers. This arises from various causes. It may be seen in the want of encouragement by way of remuneration; a miserly selfishness; a limited sense of duty; and a crippled state of ability, caused frequently by local dissensions, and illiberal sectional legislation. Another cause of inefficiency is to be found in the system of granting certificates to those whose qualifications do not warrant it: this will especially apply to third class certificates; a class that should be entirely abolished; for no one, unless under peculiar circumstances should be allowed to assume the office of teaching who holds no higher than a third class qualification: Our common school system will not have attained perfection, until the property tax be the only mode of sustaining its operations, and coêrcive measures be added to secure universalattendance. These provisions, with competent teachers cannot fail in giving character to our educational efforts; which otherwise can scarcely be attained. If the people in general would better inform themselves on the subject of education, and the provisions and workings of the school law, a
great hindrance to the progress of intellectual improvement would be removed. The prejudices still existing in the minds of many against the free school system, continue to characterize local feeling, and affect its harmony. We are at present behind many other townships, both in the matter of free schools and school libraries; there being but one library, as yet, established in this township, and that in the school section in which I reside."
2. Angus McDonell, Esq., Kenyon: "In forwarding my report, it gives me much pleasure to be able to state with confidence, that the pupils of the several schools in operation during the whole, or part, of the year have made satisfactory progress in their different studies over that of last year. Trustees seem more anxious to have the schools in operation for the whole year. All the schools in this township, but one, would have been in operation for the whole year, could teachers have been obtained. Our schools have been chiefly conducted by young men of sober and steady habits, holding second class certificates of qualification-so that I consider the prospects encouraging. I must confess, however, that a few smart lads, fresh from the Normal School, interspersed here and there, would be the means of making our schools more efficient, and raising them to a standard higher than they have yet attained. Greater desire is manifested by parents and trustees, that sound instruction be imparted to the rising generation, and that a higher remuneration be given to competent teachers for their services. There is no desire on the part of Protestants or Roman Catholics to have separate schools in this township. Accept my best thanks for the valuable books you have presented to me for my guidance ; and those of the trustees for the valuable manual you have presented to them, in which their powers, duties, and responsibilities are clearly defined; and for the Journal of Education, which is sent monthly to each school section."
3. William McEdwards, Esq., Lancaster: "I have much pleasure in stating that the desire for education in this township increases; and progress although slow, is satisfactory. The Free School system is commonly adopted. But much yet remains to be done, and until such time as our legislators will devise ways and means to put an end to the excitement and disquietude o:casioned by diversity of opinion, respecting the mode of supporting the schools, and establish a universal -system of taxation for all school purposes, no regular progress can be expected. Good teachers are very scarce, especially those holding 1st and 2nd class certificates. The trustees and people in general are beginning to see the necessity of augmenting the salaries, in order to obtain properly qualified teachers, in place of those offering their services for half the ordinary wages, whose low attainments and inefficiency compel a change almost every six months, and are the causes of popular discontent."
4. The Reverend John R. Meade, Lochiel: "The system of education adopted this year is partly free, and partly by taxation. The philosopher's adage Quot sunt capita, tot sunt sententice may with propriety be made use of here. It is difficult to please -all parties; those who have children to send to school are for the free system, and -others who have none are opposed to it. Had there been a uniform system of ins-
truction pursued for a number of years, it would not give room to so much cavilling and frivolous objections, but when people are not inclined to avail themselves of the blessings of education, and prefer remaining in a rude, uncultivated state, rather than refine and polish the human intellect, arguments will have little avail.' I know well that there is yet much to be done ; there are still unfortunately too many children destitute of the advantages of education, either through the apathy of parents; or because their services are needed ; or for other reasons not mentioned. The work is only half finished as long as any children in the country remain destitute of the blessings of a solid, moral and christian education. Those who devote themselves to the education of youth should undergo a special and uniform training, which would afterwards contribute to introduce into the schools a greater degree of uniformity, and would thus facilitate the progress of the pupils. With the progress we are making every year, we hope to be able ultinately to compete with the educational and moral training (under your auspices) of any other part of the Western Hemisphere. Accept my thanks, and those of the trustees for your excellent Journal of Education."

## II. County of Stormont.

5 Nadab Eastman, Esq., Cornwall: "In submitting this my annual Report of the schools within my charge, although I cannot felicitate myselfor the public bv representing them to be, by any means, all that was, or even should be desired; yet I think I may truly say, that there exists cause of gratulation in the present character and condition of almost, if not quite all of them; Indeed if we compare the same or a like number of schools of even ten or a dozen years ago, the improvement though small in itself, will appear striking and important. Few, if any, of such teachers as were then generally employed would now be able to obtain employment as teachers at all. There exists still however, a paucity of well qualified teachers; especially of second class male teachers; a dozen more than we have of such, were required in this township alone during the past winter. With all it is a matter of remark and of consequent gratulation at the meetings of the County Board lately, that the candidates generally are able to pass a much more respectable and satisfactory examination than used to be the case in previous years. The successful candidates are admonished from time to time, by the Board, that it is not only expected, but will be required of them, that they continue to rise in their attainments, and as an additional inducement for them to do so, they grant no certificates lately for a greater length of time than one year from date. Although it is mortifying to reflect that of all the children of school age in this old settled township, one third of them are returned as not having been at school at all during the past year ; yet it is believed that the attendance of children at school in the more rural sections of the township has been altogether unprecedented. The reason why so many of the schools having been vacant during the past year, is, I am happy to say the reverse of negligence, namely, endeavouring to procure superior teachers. Some of them are still vacant, having ineffectually advertised for teachers."
6. John Frazer, Esq., Roxborough : "I an happy to be able to say that the state of things is encouraging; no sickness, no extraordinary mortality. Some of the
trustees are nobly doing their duty, by employing competent teachers both male and female at remuncrative salaries, and some of our poor schools, notwithstanding the difficulties they have to contend with, keep open the entire year. The educational state of this township advances, and I hope that some of our schools will avail themselves of the privilege offered by the Legislature, through the Education Office, in providing maps and books."

## III. County of Dundas.

7. William John Ridley, Esq., Matilda: "I am glad to say that the cause of education is improving in this township. The average time the schools have been kept open during the past year is nearly nine months. The teachers are much better paid than formerly, and the people are steadily progressing towards the free school system. You will perceive that seventeen schools in this township were conducted on that admirable system during the past year."
8. John Irvine Ker, Esq., Williamsburgh: "With respect to the common schools, I am happy to make a favorable report, arising from the fact that the free school system is generally adopted in this township."

## IV. County of Prescotr.

9. Albert H. James, Esq., Alfred: "All the teachers in the township are young girls under eighteen years of age, as none other would teach for the salaries that the trustees are able to pay them, on account of the difficulty of collecting, or rather disinclination of paying, local rates. The inhabitants of the township seem to pay the general school tax willingly, but will refuse to pay any local rates whatever to support the schools, for which reason the trustees of the schools intend to petition the county council, at the next meeting, to add at least fifty per cent. to the school tax of this township this year. If the school laws were so far changed as to make the school tax independent of the reeves, I thisk it would be a great benefit to the schools in general, and, I am sure, it would be a great satisfaction to the inhabitants particularly."
10. Peter McLauren, Esq. Plantaganet Suull: "I regret to say that the standard of education in South Plantaganet is decidedly low, atthough'I think I may with confidence affirm that some of our schools made some progress during last year. In reference to the schools under my superintendence, I must say that there are many drawbacks to its efficiency. First, the frequency with which teachers are changed in almost every school section. Secondly, the irregularity of attendance which can be seen when the disproportion between the average attendance, and the number of names on the school register is taken into consideration; and this disproportion is much greater in reference to the number of children in the school section between the ages of five and sixteen years, and the number of names given in actual attendance The cause of the non-attendance of children can be traced to the carelessness or indifference of parents and guardians, as well as the inefficiency of trustees. And I mention, with deep regret, that no section in this township availed itself of
the opportunity offered by the government, for the establishment of school libraries; thus, with the means within their reach they allow their children as it were, to perish for lack of knowledge. It is necessary for the government, in my opinion, to add another link to the chain of education, and in their legislative wisdom to call upon all to uphold a universal system of education. There is no doubt but that the free school system is suitable to our position, but it is to be lamented that its advocates should have to fight an annual battle as regular as the return of the seasons, always adding to the bitter feeling caused by other public elections amongst the different pulitical parties. Therefore, I earnestly trust, that during the present session of the legislature, an Act will be passed levying an assessment upon all ratable property in Canada, for the support of cominon schools, which will do away with everything that is disagrecable in carrying out the intentions of the present school Act."

## V. County of Russell.

11. James Keays, Esq., Cambridye and Russell: "It gives me much pleasure to be able to say that the common school system is working well in our townships, and that a great deal of interest is taken by the different trustees, and inhabitants generally in matters relating to education. You will sec by my report that there have been five free schools in these townships last year, and another school partly free. Some of those who were the greatest opponents of the free school system, are now its warmest friends. A desire is also manifested to obtain better qualified teashers, and to give them a fair remuneration, and $I$ even find (although it comes hard on some poor people to pay the large salary, ) they are willing to make personal sacrifices in order to do so."
12. The Reverend Joln Edwards, Clarence: "The library, in section No. 1, furnishes to young and old in the neighbourhood access to valuable infurmation, which would otherwise be denied them. Its influence is decidedly good, and I shall be glad to see it enlarged, and other libraries established in the township. Although, I cannot say. that the regulations are strictly enforced; yet they are sufficiently so to secure the circulation, and preservation of the books. School maps and apparatus are much wanted. I expect that the trustees will avail themselves of the great facilities now afforded to have the schools.well supplied with such needful helps to a good education."
13. The Reverend Peter Lindsay, A.B., Cumberland: "I have visited all the schools in operation, and from all I learn that the school system works well. There is much apathy in this township with respect to libraries. Excepting the sabbath school libraries, there are none in the township for the benefit of the public; this is not as it should be, and if possible I will stir up public feeling in favor of school libraries for the benefit of the young. I hope there is progress amongst us, but those most interested in the matter do not seem to exert theniselves sufficiently to educate the children. A great deal might be effected by energetic teachers. We have none here from your institution, and I think such a preference should be given to teachers from the Normal School as would make it an object of importance to hold a certificate from it."

## VI. County of Carleton.

14. The Reverend J. A. Morris, Fitzroy: "I avail myselfof he presentopportunity to repeat the opinions expressed in my last report, regarding some of the more in-portant causes, which I conceive retard the progress of education, not in this township only, but elsewhere. These special causes I particularly insist on, not because I am of the belief that education is not progressive in every section of the province, but because I desire to see every obstacle to its still more rapid advancement removed. While I regard with wonder the powerful and extensively diffused bealthy influences, which so young an institution as the educational system of this country is sheddingover the intellectual, social, and I hope religous, elements of the youthful natures suljected to its action; yet I cannot consider it an evidence of querulousness to watch the operations of the several parts of the machine, with the view of discovering and suggesting such modifications, combinations, or alterations, as experience, however limited, or common sense, however immature, may conceive. No educational enactment, however perfect, and no educational machinery, however scientifcally constructed, can take one single step in the paths assigned them without the teacher. He is the spirit which puts and kecps them in motion. When therefore we confess ourselves to be incapable of estimating the power and influence of the educational engine, it is equivalent to an expression of the Falue we set on the teacher. Such being his great importance, I maintain that there must be a defect somewhere in that system in which he does not occupy (exceptis excipiendis of course, a place commensurate with his indispensable functions. I conceive that he does not occupy this position, and my remarks have solely for their object, the desire to see him placed in the seat that by right belongs to his office. I should like to see his personal comforts attended to. I do not like to see him compelied to build his own house, and compelled to evacuate it in a few months to seek another elsewhere; or find accommodation in a new section wherever he can; (anywhere provided he is strict and punctual in his attendance on his duties.) If the poorer sections could receive aid in the erection of suitable houses for their teachers, and also a smallppatch of land to aid in maintaining a family; I am sure they would willingly exert themselves to provide them. I'eachers would in this way be induced to continue in their respective sections for a more lengthened period; and finally in many cases become the intellectual fathers of the young. The prospect of such a position would stimulate them to renewed labors in the field of knowledge; and being found competent by their employers fully to educate their children, they would secure their respect and esteem ; and the interests of education would be infinitely better served than by their present nomadic habits."
15. The Reverend Wm. Lochead, Osgoode: "For the first time the local superintendents can report that every school section in Osgoode and Gloucester has had its school in operation. In the former township, during 11 months and 5 days; in the latter, 11 months and $19 \frac{1}{2}$ days, being on an average nearly one month longer than, during the year 1854. The salaries of the teachers in Osgoode are increased $£ 9$ each, and in Gloucester by a much larger sum, over the average salaries of the preceding year. In Gloucester there is no township library. In Osgoode there is one of upwards
of 500 volumes. I am sorry to have to acknowledge that $I$ perceive very little interest taken in them by the sections generally."

## ViI. County of Grenville.

16. James Clapperton, Esq., Augusta : "We have only one section library in our township. It seems to be well appreciated by the young people of the section; they are anxious to read the books and I hope they will improve their minds by reading, that by so doing they will be able to act their part in a becoming manner, when they grow up to manhoud. I have done every thing in my power to induce trustees, and the parents of the children to establish section libraries in their different localities; but as yet without effect. The reason they assign for not doing so is that they are not able, as the taxes for roads and schools are so high, that they do not feel inclined to impose any further taxes on themselves for the present. With regard to our schools they are about in the same condition as in former years. There is about the same number of free schools as last year. I am fully convinced that the only way of making our schools prosperous is to make them all free by legislative enactment. If they were made so, it would prevent a great deal of ill-feeling at the annual and special mecting. In time, the people would get used to paying for their schools, as they do to other taxes."
17. William B. Imrie, Esq., Edwardsburgh : "The reason assigned by many trustees, for the inaccuracies in their reports is that its form is so often changed, that sufficient time is not allowed them to become acquainted with it. There seems indeed to be some foundation for this complaint,--not very flattering to themselves however, as from the very limited capacity of many trustees, (some being wholly unable to read or write) they are poorly qualified judges of the merits of the improvements from time to time introduced into the returns in question. In few cases can these parties be said to be either "fit or proper persons" to discharge the duties of trustees ; and $I$ intend to use my influence to induce a cbange in this matter so much at variance with, and injurious to the healthful working of a system of education so well calculated in every respect to promote the best interests of the rising generation. It is my intention also to see and inspect the books kept by each secretary and treasurer; to correct the same, and open anew an account in conformity with what is required in the return to be rendered by them, and thereby if possible avoid the errors and difficulties with which I have had this year to contend. * I am glad to be able to point to so many free schools, and as I have for years in a private capacity endeavoured to shew their excellence over all others, so I would rejoice to see the day when they shall be established by law through the length and breadth of the land. Wherever tried, they work well ; and I think I can perceive a growing disposition to embrace the benefits arising from them, as it is becoming apparent to the duliest comprehension that thinly attended schools, even with cheap teachers are, in a pecuniary point of view, a losing business. The division of the school fund, for the last year, is conclusive on this point. Under the head of libraries I have to regret the neglect of a number of sections to take

[^17]advantage of the excellent collection of books at their disposal ; but at the same time I have to assure you, that "wherever they have been introduced, their usefulness has been very evident, and the condition in which they.have been returned after being read is wortky of all praise. The books were all labelled, numbered, and in great part covered by my owh hands, and wherever taken out, the regulations have been strictly complied with. I am afraid however that a township library will not work well amongst us. The trouble of taking and returning the books by the different sections, and procuring the case necessary to their safe keeping, operated seriously against every effort made to introduce them generally. I have to thank you for your excellent Jourinal of Education; the annual report; and other papers sent me for my information and guídance, for which I feel myself deeply indebted; and I shall take .every opportunity of calling the attention of all concerned to the facilities afforded for obtaining maps, and other school requisites at so cheap a rate as are now by the liberality of the legislature, and your endeavors, placed within their reach."
18. Andrevo Holmes, Esq., Oxfford: "The schools of our township are on the advance as regards improvements. Free schools are increasing, and a general interest is being felt in reference to common school edncation ; and I might add that the schools, which are entirely free, are in a better condition than the rate bill schools, by fifiy per cent. There seems to be an increasing desire for education amongst all the inhabitants of this township, and in my opinion your invaluable Journal of Education, and the establishment of your national library system will stimulate the moral and intellectual energies of the people of Canada to greater exertions than they have yet employed. I hope the day is not far distant when Canada West shall present the agreable spectacle of a people enjoying the blessings of a free and universal system. of education.
19. The Reverend Joseph Anderson, A. M., Gover South: "Although education is rapidly advancing in this township yet there is room for improvement. I regret to say one part of this township, called Rideau setrlement, has not as yet been able to keep a school. -It is completely isolated by the Ridean River on one side; on the other by two or three miles of woods which cuts it off from school privileges. I intend to go (D. V.) into other settlements for the purpose of encouraging education.

## VIII. County of Leeds.

20. Lewis Chipman, Esq., Bastard and Burgess South: "With regard to the state of education in these townships during the past year, I think the progress in some sections has not been of the most promising kind. Some schools have not been kept open more than one-half or two-thirds of the year. The irregular attendance of many of the pupils, and the frequent changes of teachers are also hindrances, all of which I hope will be obviated the present year."
21. Robert Wm. Ferguson, Esq., Killey: "I am pleased to have it in my power to state that the cause of education has received more attention in this township during the past year, than I believe it has at any former period. The
character of the schools is much superior, and the teachers are of a higher rank as regards intellectual attainment. The people, and more especially the trustees, now see the necessity of education, and consequently know, if they mean to have a good teacher, they must pay a good salary. Out of the seventcen schools in the township, sixteen are in operation at the present time. To the credit of the trustees I must state that five first-class teachers are employed, nine; second, and only two-third : so that a great improvement is perceptible in the schools for the short space of the year (1856) that has elapsed. I hope before another Annual Report is returned to you from this township that there will be as decided an improvement in the schools, as in the teachers. During my visit nearly all complained that the schools were not furnished with the necessary maps or apparatus, but I hope that defect will soon be remedied as in nearly all the schools I speak of I waited upon the tristees and they all promised they would procure them. Taking all things into consideration, viz: The interest trustees have taken in the employment of good teachers; and the commencement of four new school houses which I expect to be completed next summer; together with the rivalry which exists amongst the teachers to see which will have the best school, and the schools being all partly free, the prospects of education in this township are excellent."
22. Jacob A. Broicn, Esq., Elizabethtown: "I am sorry that I cannot send you a very flattering account of the progress and state of education in this township : it is far behind what it ought to be. However I can safely predict that in a short time the township of Elizabethtown will be second to none in the province for good and commodious school houses. I am strongly of opinion that if it was not for the great difficulty in procuring competent teachers last year, it would be now in my power to furnish you with a satisfactory account of the position and standing of the youth of this township in the various branches of common school education.
23. Edward F. Weehs, Esq.. Elmsley South: "From my report you will learn that (although slowly) we are still surely and steadily progressing ; that the average attendance of pupils in proportion to the school population, has been much larger than during any preceding year, and that the schools have been kept open for a longer period. The municipal council has made a redivision of the township into school sections in accordance with a plan proposed by me, which I am confident will, by removing grievances, and increasing the convenience and contentment of the inhabitants, add materially to the attendance at the several schools during the ensuing year. A new section has been formed in a portion of the township which a few years ago was a wilderness. It promises fair to be a well supported and useful section, in proof of which I may state that at the meeting held for organization, an excellent site, and twenty pounds toward the erection of a school house were voluntarily subscribed by the persons present. While I gladly mention those pleasing indications of progress and improvement, I nust at the same time however, reluctantly express my deep regret that notwithstanding the liberal spirit manifested by the legislature in grauting assistance to the various school sections to procure maps, apparatus, \&c., I have not had the pleasure of reporting one solitary instance in which any of our schools have been supplied with those (in my opinion) indispensable articles. The governnent
of the country, and the department of which you are the head, have done enourn to satisfy the most extravagant, and most exacting ; yet still the zealous and hearty co-operation of the people is not given with that cordiality and unanimity which the importance of the subject demands at their hands, and which is necessary to cause education to progress in the ratio it should do. I intend bringing this subject prominently before the people of this township during my nest lecturing tour, and 'I confidently anticipate that my next report will shew that the people have thrown off that unaccountable apathy which has too long paralysed your efforts and those of all zealous friends of education, and that they are prepared for the future duly to appreciate, and take advantage of the privileges freely offered to them by the government. I consider the general superintendence of schools would be much more effective if the appointment of local superintendents was vested in your department and the "circuits" formed so as to include a certain number of schools, say not less than twenty. The remuneration arising from small townships containing five or six schools is not sufficient to defray the expenses of attending the meetings of the Board of Public Instruction, and this duty is consequently neglected in many instances. The evil of small " circuits" will continue so long as the local superintendents are appointed by the municipalities, as each Reeve is desirous of having the patronage of his own township, and of exercising it : the result is that with few exceptions each township has its superintendent. Another evil of the present system is that too often some active political friend (notwithstanding all you have written on the subject) is chosen to fill this important office. A change took place in the political composition of the conncil of this township at the last annual election ; and although I was not dismissed, still I an made to feel, in several petty ways, that I merely hold office as a special favor. You will at once see that a position of this nature destroys the independence, and impairs the efficiency of the supsintendent. It is also a position much too humiliating for any man to occupy. Some remedy should be at once applied and I know of none better than the one I have here indicated. With the exception of what $I$ have now stated, and the quiestion of rendering the attendance of children at school compulsory on their parents or guardians, which would probably be too harsh and extreme a measure in Canada, I consider the entire educational machinery of Western Canada as ncarly perfect as possible.
24. Henry P. Washburn, Esq., Leeds and Lansdown Rear: "The schools in this township are in a prosperous situation; at present more so than ever. They have been so since I have been Local Superintendent. . All parties are fast becoming acquainted with the common schoul Act. The Journal of Education has been one great means of carrying the same to every school section. You may learn by the report that we are in great need of maps and other apparatus. I am aware that the want of those articles must retard the progress of education. I am of opinion that cach school section should avail itself of the opportunity to possess a library. It would be preferable to having township libraries, so far at least as this township is concerred. Onr school houses are becoming very much improved, those lately built, are better calculated to accommodate, and more comfortable and convenient than their predecessors. The people are beginning to see the advantage of having a
good substantial building in every school section. We meet, however, with considcrable difficulty in finding teachers, adequate to the office, and are in expectation of the Normal School doing something for us under this head; but that aid is, I am afraid, at too great a distance. The young men who have attended from this part of the country, after having received the bencfits of the school, have left for the Uuited States, or engaged in fome business. I am of opinion they should procure bail to teach a certain number of years, for a reasonable compensation. We have anotaer class of teachers who make teaching a stepping stone to Divinity, Medicine, or some other profession; they are not regularly trained for the business, their minds are on something else, and I have noticed that schools taught by such individuals are very apt to dwindle and languish away. I think we possess, as good (if not the best) system of education in the world, and one best calculated to meet the wants, of the general mass of the people. The County Boards work admirably, at least in our County. Teachers are required to procure a recommendation from some regular minister, dated within six months of the meeting of the board, and this we find is a preventive to immorality of any descriptioi."
25. Thomas Vanston, Esq., Yonge and Escott Front: "It affords me pleasure to say that the schools are getting into a more practical way of working. The complete success of the present system of education will be a work of time, so as to enable all classes to have a proper knowledge of the school Act. You will perceive by the reports that the number of free schools is increasing; it is desirable that all should be free, so that all might be educated. "Ignorance is the mother of vice." It is satisfactory to every enquiring mind that in those countries where the larger portion is not educated, idleness and poverty prevail ; while on the other hand those remarkable for intelligence, are the most free, prosperous, and progrcssive. The people of this country are well aware of this fact. It is the lever by which Canada is exalted among the nations of the earth. But while all the schools might be free; how are all to attend? Many parents have no care for the education of their children; others are so negligent as to allow their little ones to do as they please, and others again permit the children to ride roughshod over them. Some children do not attend school at all, or come fur so short a period, during the year, that they profit little by it, and so time is wasted, until they grow up to manhood, a nuisance to sociely, and a burthen to themsclves. It would be well to amend the school Act, so as to leave in the power of trustees the right to impose a rate bill on the parents of the Children who do not attend school; of any sum, not less than seven pence half penny per month, for the non-attendance of each pupil, as may be ascertained at the annual meeting, or a special meeting called for that purpose; this method or something like it, would have a tendency to save many of the rising generation from ignorance, and its lamentable consequences. I regret very much that the liberal offers made by the government to the different incorporate bodies of trustees throughout the Province, with respect to librarics, have received so little attention. from them in this township. I am surry to say that so many schools are still without maps, allhough the terms on which they conld be purchased are liberal. It must be admitted that many of the schulars have Morse's Geography, giving a glowing description of the United States, but of Canada scarcely a word : some
means should be adopted to have every sehool farnished with maps either at the expense of the section, or the parents of the childref attending school. I cannot permit this opportunity to pass without bearing testimony to the prosperous state of the Ganamoque school, under the care of the only Normal School Teacher in the townsinip. Considering the low state of the pupils, when he first assumed the duties of teaching, the school may now be said to be sccond to none in the Province. This argues well that your institution is destined to be of great bencfit to the Province in furnishing proper and efficient teachers, capable of communicating more instruction in a shorter period, than those teachers possibly can who have not had the opportunity of attending the Normal School or some similar institution."
26. A. Parish, Evi., Yonge \& Escott Rear: "The frequent changes that have taken place in the Lucal Superintendents of this township, have had a very injurious effect upon the schools; and upon the working of the school system. I think four superintendents have been appointed during the last two years-none having acted a sufficient length of time to get iustructed in his duties, or get the several boards of trustecs into any system in the discharge of their duties."

## IX. County of Lanabk.

27. John A. Murdoch, Esq., Bathurst, ifc. : "I have to remark that the schools in nearly all the school sections, within my limits, are now in operation,-exeepting in a few weak sections in the outskirts of the townships, where the inhabitants are few in number and very much scattered. Trustees finding themselves liable to pay out of their own pockets the moneys lost to their section through neglect of their duties, to save themselves, keep their school open, for at least six months. Men no longer push themselves into the office of trustee with a view to slat up the school. The free schools are gradually and steadily inercasing in number. Men of property now begin to see that free schools are the cheapest in the long run, that the additional rate usually required to make up the teachers salary, is frequeuly more in amount, than would have been required for a free school : this speaks to the purse. Where a rate bill is adopted the attendance is much less than in a free school; and consequently there is but a small apportionment of the school fund, and a heavy additional rate has to be imposed. In the village of Lanark they have abandoned the rate bill system, and made the school free; the result is that the number of children attending, has more than doubled; and the trustecs have found it necessary to advertise for tenders, to build a large addition to their present school house. Meantime they have been under the necessity of hiring a roon to accommodate the extra number of children thus brought out by the fiee school. In regard to public libraries, the township of Drummond, and the township of Lanark have procured very good libraries from the Edecationial Department; and as far as I can ascertain, the books are all labelled and numbered, and the regulations are carefully observed. In Drummond, many that opposed a library were among the Grst to come forward. and apply for books : the library in this township is kept in the Town Hall, which is centrical; and the books are well circulated. In the township of Lanark the council got a number of small book cases made with a lock and
key, for each school section. In them a certain number of books are placed, and the boxes then go round to eaeh section in rotation. This plan seems to give general satisfaction. The municipality of Bathurst and South Sherbrooke, and the municipality of Darling, have not as yet availed themselves of the advantages held out for obtaining good libraries on easy terms; but it is to be boped they will do so ston, for the sake of the rising generation in these townships. The townships of Dalhousie and North Sherbrooke have long been in possession of good libraries. The latter has a small one; the former an excellent library of about 800 volumes, and the good influence which these libraries have produced has already been noticed. The inhabitants have been, more than once, complimented by the judge on the bench, for their superior intelligence as jurymen. No doubt, in time, a choice selection of books, circulating through a whole country will have a powerful influence in enlightening the minds and elevating the character of the people. It was wisdom, and sound policy, to establish an educational depository, where standard works of an unexceptional nature could be procured, and scattered all over Upper Canada, to the exclusion of works of fietion, and novels. Novels in general present false views, and give false estimates of human character, and too often dress up vice in the garb of virtue, and poison the minds of youth. Hence no townships should delay procuring from the depository, a library selected from the many excellent works for sale, at half price, at that excellent institution."
28. The Reverend Alexander Mann, A. M. Packenham: "The average time during which the schools in this township were kept open during the last year was about nine months and a half. The deficiency in this respeetowas caused ly the difficulty of procuring teachers to supply vacancies. With respect to the schnol libraries, the inhabitants in the immediate vicinity of the place where the books were kept seem to have generally availed themselves of the advantages which were thus brought within their reach. The case however was otherwise with those residing at a greater distance. Not a few families indeed, are so unfortunately situated as to be utterly unable to obtain any of the benefits which the schools in this township, (t:ough it carnot be said that they are in all respects what they should be, are well calculated to afford. In some instances it is too apparent that the scholars are far from being regular in their attendance. I believe however, that the principal irregularity is connected with children of such tender age, that minor obstructions frequently keep them from schools, especially where the school house is located at a considerable distance from the parental roof. Amongst other things which induce me to entertuin this opinion, is the circumstance that there is obviously an increasing desire amongst all classes in this township to secure the advantages of education to the rising generation. In several localities strenupus efforts have recently been made to form new school sections and all parties so far as known to me would rejoice to see these effurts crowned with success, if there was a reasonable prospect of accomplishing the desired object in a proper manner. It is doubtless a great hardship for persous to contribute to the crection of a building and the maintenance of a teacher, in lieu of which they receive no remuneration. For my own part I decply sympathize with persons who are placed in such circumstances; and though I am averse to the multiplication of schools, Ido think that some measure should be adopted,
which would have the effect of putting the inhabitants in question on a more equitable footing with other members of the community. I am aware, however, that, unless special grants were given by government for this purpose, no attempts in the way of amelioration would be attended with the desired results. I have done what I could to introdace the Holy Scriptures into all the schools in this township. In four of these, having been aided by the cordial co-operation of trustees, my efforts have been suceessfal. I consider it to be a matter of vital importance that the Word of God should be daily read in every school in the province. Independent of far higher considerations, this scems to me to be essentially necessary for promoting the future welfare of Canada. I am convinced that any scheme of education that is not based on the oracles of eternal truih, will eventually prove itself to be false, vain, and in no ordinary measure, mischievous, not only as respects the momentous concerns of eternity, but merely as regards the comparatively minor interests of time. Much is no doubt being done, by teachers of religion and others and by sabbathschools and othervise, to advance the real good of the rising generation, but the population of Canada is truly a mixed multitude, and consequently cannot all be reachedby these philanthrophic endeavours. Many are altogether iudifferent to religions matters, and on this account unite themselves to no religions denomination, and as they do not appreciate these things themselves, it is most preposterous to suppose that they will recommend them to the serions considemation of their offspring. Many also though they nominally belonir to some religious society, are very far from being carcful to bring their children within the sphere of the religious machinery of such society. All then in any respect connceted with the cducation of youth in such cireumstances are solemnly bound to use prudently every legitimate means in their power to remedy these present and prospective evils."
29. The Reverend Juhn McMoriue, Ramsay : "I cannot boast of any improvements in our schools this year. There is an unwillingness on the part of parents to keep pace with the adrancing salaries of teachers in other quarters; and a disposition rather to fall back on female teachers, of whom three are employed this year in this township. It may be noticed also, that different boards of examiners do not keep up to the same standard in giving certificates to teachers. Where there is a great scarcity of teachers of any kind there is a temptation to be more lax in granting certificates. Teachers often come to our board having second elass certificates in their hand from other boards, to whom we would scarcely give a third one. This departure from the programme is perplexing and injurious. Those who keep to the law are regarded as severe and teachers are apt to go where they will be more easily dealt with; besides a third class certificate has fallen into such disrepute that tristees almost invariably advertise for a teacher holding a second class certificate. And then granting a second class certificate too soon, generally quenches all ambition in the teacher and makes him settle down with very inferior attainments. The discretion allowed as to the mode of raising the teacher's salary continues more or less to breed divisions and to excite bad feeling. Some sehools, formerly free, have, 'iy way of compromise, been now made partially free, that is 1 s . 3d. per month for each scholar is levied by rate-bill and the rest of the salary by taxation. This mode was resorted to last year by 8 out of 13 sections. The sorner the mode is fixed by law the better. The books
in the school libraries are pretty generally read, and so far as I could learn, the rules are well observed. Some litle difficulties have arisen in some places about the payment of fines; $I$ as a minister have been somewhat jealous of their infiuence as diverting the minds of the people from serious reading. We have a congregational library of between seven and eight hundred volumes, access to which may be had by paying a subscription of 1 s . 3d. per annum. But since the introduction of these secular libraries the readers in the congregational library are gradually reducing in numbers. The readers are now but a remnant of what they once were. The Bible or Testament is still generally read in our scuools. The school attendance last year was materially affected by the increased price of labor. It found too strong a temptation to parents not yet sufficiently alive to the value of education to withdraw their children during the busy season. Some were entirely taken away and some attended very irregularly. The parents here very seldom attend the examitrations by the local superintendent, and school lectures turn to little account."
30. The Reverend Dunan Morrison, Beckwith: "Upon the whole I have to report that the state of our sclaools is good and very promising. The free school system is more in repute and there is a growing intercst in the cause of edacation: I trust that before long I shall have the honor of applying to you for maps and books in behalf of several of our school sections. Nearly all follow the new regulation relative to opening and elosing the schools by prayer and reading the Scriptures. I beg leave again to state strongly to you the necessity of adopting some fixed mode of mecting the expenses of the school. There is scarcely a neighbourhoed in this part of the country that has not been embroiled by feuds and bitter animosities by leaving this matter an open question for annual discussion. Even those adverse to the free school system as a theory, tell me that they would prefer it to the present unhappy state of things."

## X. County of Renfrew.

The Reverent James A. Strain, Bromley, Brougham, fc.: "I take great pleasure this year in reportiag to your department, the progress male in our respective school sections. The prospect before the rising generation in these new townships is truly flattering, and should prove a great inducement to settlers to choose the Ottawa district, where schools are numerons, and the free system for their support unanimously adopted, being considered the best incentive to diffuse education among all classes of the community. Catholics and Protestants are here happily united, and harmonise agreeably. We have caused to be erected in Bromley a new school louse No. 4. Three new school houses in Wilberforee, and one splendid house in Grattan. Now considering the privations that our inhalitants have to endure, -many of them being but a short time located,-their zeal for the adrancement of education will contrast favorably; with the more opulent townships."
32. The Reverend S. C. Frazer, A. M., McNab: "I am happy to state that the feeling in favor of free schools is yearly becoming stronger and more general. The simplicity of the machinery under the free system has converted many oppo-
nents, and $I$ believe that $I$ am justified in saying that only a few in this township would demur at the passage of a free school Act.
33. Roland D. Wilson, Esq., Ross: "I ber to state that although our schools in this township are not advancing as fast as could be wished, they are still improving ; and there has been some improvement for the past year. The inhabitants are begiming to see the utility of giving their children education; but what in some measure retards the interest in our schools is the opposition of many of the people to the sehool system, which I should consider the best calculated to promote the interests of education; even were they all on that footing. The number of children growing up in ignorance is in some measure attributable to negiigence on the part of parents; and want of energy on the part of trustees, which I perceive is a general fault anongst them; in many instances, they are not qualified or even competent, to fill the office, not having much education themselves. Intil the inhabitants arouse from their lethargy; and elect none but those who will take a direct interest in promoting the welfare and progresis of the schools, together with ability to follow this up, it will not be obviated: One thing is required in this township viz:--libraries. They would greatly tend to diffuse knowledge amongst the rising generation, and create in them a desire to spend their beisure moments in a more profiable manner. In regard to the non-attendance of children at school, I believe there are many who do not attend two-thirds of the time; sume not even that, when they might attend with much more regularity. This is mostly attributable to apathy in the parents, who also from worldly notions keep the chidiren at work, when they ought to be at school. Some excuse themselves, by declaring they are too poor to clothe the children properly, \&c. \&c."
34. The Reverend Richard l'ammond, Westmeall: "Education makes some progress in this township. Yon will perceive by the report that the free school system is generally adopted. It is found to be a great improvement on the old rate bill system; and could some change be effected making it somewhat less oppressive in particular cases, it would be a still further improvement. We have a township library; the books are distributed among the several school sections in proportion to their population; when read they are returned to the township librarian, aud a new supply obtained: thas they are kept ia constant circulation, and I am happy to be able to state, that in some places, they are beginning to be appreciated."

## XI. County of Frontenac.

35. Juhin Irvine, Esq., Tounship of Kingston: "It is about two years and one-half since I had the honor of being appointed to superintend the schools in this township. I find during that time there have been five comfortable and commodious school houses crected; three of them stone, the other two frame, and well painted ; they each have play grounds, \&c., attached, so that they appear quite comfortable and respectable. I expect befure the close of another year, there will be two more stone school houses added to the ten we already possess; this with an increasing desire to procure good and competent teachers, I think quite encnur-
aging. Two or three years ago there were only two schouls where the teachers received more than $£ 50$, and many only $£ 40$ to $£ 50$ without board for male teachers; while now male teachers are sought after and paid $£ 75$ to $£ 100$ per annum, and grood competent female teachers from $\mathbf{£ 4 5}$ to $£ 54$. Those interested in education find it more profitable and better to pay a good teacher a remunerative salary than to have a poor one at any price. This too shows a willingness to appreciate and reward the services of competent persons: we want more of them. Therefore I consider we have taken some of the first steps towards attaining that which is our privilege; and I hope the day is not far distant, when ignorance with all its baneful effects, superstition, bigotry, party fecling, \&c., shall be driven from our land, and every one be enlightened to become what God designed man should be-a rational aud intelligent being, capable of acting and judging for himself. I would that this solemn truth were impressed on the mind of the parents; that they are accountable, if they suffer children to grow up in ignorance, when education can be so casily secured under our favorable school law. I perceive that the entirely free system is not generally adopted ; but as the rate cannot exceed 1s. 3d., per month, even that is not beyond the reach of the honest and industrious labourer; and as there is also provision made for the indigent, (if any,) education may be said to be open for all. For this you are entitled to the prayers and well wishes of both high and low, rich and poor; and no doubt your memory will long be cherished by the commmity at large, when you shall have passed from this stage of action, and all your active faculties employed so energetically for the benefit of education, cease from their present sphere of action. I must acknowledge that our township is rather behind in availing itself of the favorable opportunity of procuring school libraries ; but we intend in this neighbourhood as soon as possible to secure one, and I hope they will soon be universal. I regret that I have only seven schools to rejurt, as opening and closing with prayer; although I have urged and endeavored to point out to the teachers their responsible situations, and the influence their example may have over those committed to their charge. Among the seven who operi and close with prayer, I could mention a few where piety has filed the heart of the teacher: the moment one eaters the school house door there app are at once to the observer to be peace, unity, harmony and love existing between the teacher and pupils. Although all have not had decision enough to adopt prayer, yet all the schools but one make use of the Scriptures."
36. Elward Murray, Esq., Wolfe Island: "The people on the Island are generally poor and illiterate, and though in most cases anxious to have their children educated, it is not easy to make them conform strictly to the regulations of the school system. I have been obliged to refuse any portion of the municipal grant to several schools; but nearly all the schools on the Island are now open, and 1 expect all, except No 11, will be in operation by the first of May. The people say they intend to make every exertion to have them properly conducted and supported for the future : and I hope to have a more satisfactory report to send you next year."
37. The Reverend John A. Mulock, Fredericksburgh: "There is nothing wanting in the present school system to make it work well but two things: the first is,
a heary penalty upon negligent trustees.* They totally disregard the present fine, and so far from losing they are in many instances largelv benefitted after paying it; as their taxes (did they keep their school open,) would treble the amount of their fine. Every trustec that closes the school house against the children of the section, should not only be fined heavily ( $£ 10$ at the least,) but sent to jail the full time that he closed the school. Under stech treatment our wealthy misers would not court office as they do now, to the ruin of the children, whom they would wish to see, grow up as ignorant as themselves. The next great want is the exclusively fice system. The present is undoubtedly the most equitable, as it is only just that the man whose child is benefitted should pay more than he who bas no child; but the partial evil of the free sysie:n would be comaterbaianced by the universal gooxl that would accrue from it. Under it the present annual battle would not have to be fought between neighbors, who trcasure up the hard feelings cugendered at a previous meeting, (when the advocates of a free school conquered,) to hurl them against their doomed oppressors, for whom they are the next time well prepared. And surely the small amount of difference in a pecuniary point justifies me in the view I take. For instance, the amome of land in a school section averages about 3,000 acres; and in a sehool kept open for 8 months in the year with an average of 12 , the amount accruing from 1 s . 3. . per month is only $£ \mathrm{f}$. Now spread this over the 3,000 acres, we have 4 s. for every hundred acres; and yet this is the paltry sum for which our school honses are made a batte ground every year, to the disgrace of the neighbourhood and the injury of the rising generition. Give us free schools, and wiht them we will have peace and harmony throughout."
38. The Reverend El. C. Bover, Piltsburgh anal Howe Tslund: "On the whole, the comaon sehools in this towniship and Howe Island are in as satisfactory a state as cair be expected."

## XiI. County of Addington.

80. Robert Aylesworth, Esq., Eruesloun: "The schools in the larger sections in this township, are in a satisfactory state of progress and contentment, but those in the smaller oncs are, just now, in a state of discontentment, from the small amount of aid received by them, from the public monies. We have some annoyance from men of wealth, chiefly on aecomint of taxes raised by crustees; for when trusters, who may not be wealthy, and sumetines comparaiively young, zea:ously, but legally exert themselves to give our common school institutions a good practical bearing in their sections, it is not wonderfil that older and richer persons, whom their neighbors choose not, but refuse to trust with such duties, should feel and express considerable dissatisfaction."

## XIII. County of Lennox.

40. John Watson, Esq., Adolphustown: "In again referring to the progress of education in this old and long settled township, I can only say, that although

[^18]perhaps in a few sections, improvement may be seen in others much apathy s:ill prevails. I have on former occasions referred to some of the many and various causes which I find still continue to exist, to retard this great work of popular education; and it is scarcely necessary here, to again enter into a lengthened detail. I may however remark that the want of competent teachers is severely felt; many of those employed are lamentably deficient in those attainments so essential to success. The smailness and consequent poverty of school sections are also a matter of regret, and the evil can hardly be obviated here, arising partly from bad geographical position; neither is education properly appreciateci, and there is therefore, an unwillingness to provide for its permanent support. Objections to the school law are also made, some of which are entirely unfounded. Again a large proportion of the wealthier classes, and old inhabitants having educated their children, apparently feel under no obligation now to contribute, no firther duty to perform. If they happen to be appointed trustecs, they use the school find, as far as it goes, and then study to evade any further taxation. Much as the friends of education may desire, and deeply as we may feel an interest in this matter, yet a great deal remains to be done; or our intellectual wants will suffer and languish. Six years experience in this department has convinced me, more and more, of the necessity of ample funds, being provided by law, as the scanty remuneration now paid, for the very inperfect services rendered, is of little or no avail."
41. Eplraim A. Dunham, Esq., Richmond: "There may be, and doubtless is amongst us, a difference of opinion. as to the kind of education which should be given to our youth; but I presume I am correct, when I state that a vast majority of our people are in favor of such an education as will fit for the enjoyment of political and religious freedom. Then to what are we to look for si) desirable a conclusion? The liberal education of all classes. Can a more correct answer be given to this as natural as it is important question, than the universal acioption of free schools? Placc education within the reach of all, and then, and not until then, make it imperative on parents and guardians, under penalty, to educate their children or dependents. Has not the time fully come when the legislature should again take action herein, and at once provide for the establishment and maintenance of our common schools, by a general tax upon the rateable property of the people? We can never look for perfect unanimity upon this subject, nor upon any other reform, however salutary and requisite, so long as persons allow themselves to be actuated by a narrow, illiberal, and contracted spirit. You will not fail to observe by my annual report, which is compiled from authentic statistics, how the popular voice of the township of Richmond speaks in reference to free schools. Only two soctions out of the entire township, ventured the maximum rate bill 1s. 3d. per month. Oae section adopted the rate of $7 \frac{1}{2}$ d., and another 5 d . per scholar, and one the voluntary system ; while every other section declared in favor of general taxation. It should not be forgotten that the parties opposed to free schools, are generally those less interested in them. and many likewise of the more wealthy class; thus giving development to that antiphilanthrophy, which is the clog of free in titutions and enlightened progression. [ am of opinion that a pople's experditure and sacrifice (if the maintaining and supporting properly a common
school can be looked upon as a sacrifice, should be in proportion to their-ability and the interests at stake. Although I do not consider this section of the country able to compete with portions of the country more favored by nature, \&c. yet I cannot resist the conclusion, that there is a greater lack in the will than in the ability to support our common schools in the manner their importance demands. Is it not to our common schools we must look for the education of the masses? And that there are many, and perbaps the majority, of the population, who take an enlightened view of the great enterprise, cannot be denied. On the other hand it is not to be disputed that the seciet, if not open and avowed advocacy, of the ten-dollar-a-month, and board-round system still prevails. Some of our sections are begmning to pay a reasonable salary; still the principal qualification with others is the amount of remuneration required,-persons teaching for the smallest amount of wages being preferred, and if the government grant, and the county assessment meet the charge, all is well, a good bargain is secured. School architecture too is miserably neylected in almost every section; this surely must be the result of ignorance, ignorance resulting from indolence or self-sufficiency. Many of our schocl rooms are sufficiently commorious for ondinary purposes, yet sadly deficient in seating and ventilation; and as for outward accommolati ns, neither the tender sensibilities of the children, nor a proper respect for the passing public are consulted. Wells, playgrounds, outhouses, \&c., are luxuries too extravagant to be thought of, and much inconvenience and injury are the consequence. One more topic worthy of notice I will mention. and that is the want of schiol room maps. Whether our trustees are more afraid of putting their hands into their own pockets along with their neighbors, or to draw upon their neighbors for the small pittance which would be their respective shares for securing so indispensable a pre-requisite, is not for me to determine; but this one thing I opine, viz: that were they aware of the great advantages those schools having the maps have over those not having them, little time. would be allowed to pass before they would furnish them, and especially when the $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ per cent. government liberality prosents such an inducement.".

## XIV. County of Prince Edward.

42. John B. Denton, Esq.: "We are getting a few excellent teachers in some of our best paying schools; but generally speaking the harvest is large, and well qualified teachers scarce. My reports will afford you the best commentary upon the dearth of profound attainments in our common schools; the great majority of these are taught at least six months in the year by females; some of whom unfortunately are incompetent pionecrs in the desert of youthful innorance and imperfections. I would remark, however, in justice to many of those who employ them, that it is far oftener from necessity than choice. There appears to be a gradual and increasing desire among all classes to employ efficient teachers, at a remunerative price, rather than trust any longer to the old system of compensation. "Where litte is given, little is required." Those townships which have availed themselves of the liberality of government in procuring libraries are much benefitted by them, old as well as young, intellectually, and I believe morally ; for instance there is

Sophiasburgh which was so very reluctant to, be forced into studious habits, is becoming renowned for its exertions in the cause of education; and I speak from experience, when I say it is a treat to spend an evening at the family residence of these intelligent young persons, who have accquired a taste for information, through the habits of general and extensive reading. It is only two or three years ago since our highly esteemed warden, staked his popularity to carry out the principle of school libraries, and now while I write, there are hundreds ready to do him honor for his patriotism, and hail him as a benefactor to his race."

## XV. County of Hastings.

43. The Reverend James W. Chesnut, Elzevir, Madoc, \&c.: "The schools on the whole are improving. In section No. 1, a fine brick school-house built $30 \times 60$, divided into two rooms $30 \rtimes 30$ each, with two teachers, male and female, employed, and an attendance of about 140 children. The salary paid at present is about $£ 145$ yearly. The free school principle generally prevails throughout the township,and those who adopt even 71 d . per month, find that the schools do not flourish to the same extent as those which are entirely free."
44. John Johnston, Esq., Hungerford: " In reviewing the school affairs of the past year, I find much to encourage us, in using every exertion to promote the good effects of our admirable system. We have in this township a few schools which must satisfy the most enlarged expectations of the most sanguine. These are supplied with better teachers than we ever had before, and the order and proficiency of the children fully exemplify the same. There appears to be an emul 1 tion in the teachers to exert themselves, so that they will not be excelled by their competitors. This principle has been greatly influenced by a friendly intercourse, and by visiting each other's schools at public examinations. But while we reioice at the prosperity of some, we are grieved that many others are in a lingering state; teachers are very inefficient ; children attend irregularly, and parents manifest little care about the result. The cause may be traced to sinall school sections inhabited by a poor population; this is chiefly the cause of the vacant schools, and the large number of children who attend no school. I have repeatedly endeavored to remedy this hindrance in the way of general improvement, by suggesting the propriety of changing the boundary of small sections, and by uniting others; but I have had very limited success, as those who have the advantage are seldom so liberal as to accommodate their less favored neighbors. As the law stands, it cannot be expected that much will be done to redress the grievance."
45. Frederick Warvick, Esq., Tyendinaga: "I find that the people and trustees are generally inclined to carry out the provisions of the school law, but need considerable teaching; indeed, they seem to be without any knowledge of the mode of obtaining maps, libraries, \&c. I hope to be able to correct this. There is at present no library in the tornship, but I hope this will not be the case long. In the schools I have visited, after explaining to them the munificent grant of the government ; they have at once commenced taking the necessary steps to obtain maps, libraries, \&cc., and I trust ere long to be able to forward to your office, several applica.
tions for them. The two Indian schools numbered 3 and 25 in the report, are supported by grants from the Iıdians, out of their own funds, and from the New England Society; but the schools are principally filled with whites living in the neighbourhood. The Iudian children do not attend regularly, and make but little improvement. I find that the system of raising the expenses of the school by a rate bill, and the deficiency (if any) by a general tax, to work exceedingly well. It still leaves the school nearly free, as there is seldom more than one shilling per month voted by the people, thus placing the school within reach of the poorest."
46. James J. Ryan, Esq., Huntingdon: " During the past year, the efficiency of our schools has not been so great as we anticipated, owing principally to the small size of most of our sections. The people in general endeavor to remove this great obstacle to the progress and well being of schools, and take a greater interest every year, in all matters relative to education. However, these obstacles require time before it is possible to remove them."
47. D. G. Bowen, Esq., Marmora: "In my visits to schools in this township, I find some sections characterized by an apathy and want of interest on the part of parents in not sending their children to school. There are mainy that have not seen the inside of a school for two or three years. I trust, however, that there will be an improvement in this; as many persons are now coming to settle in our township who know how to appreciate the blessings of education."
48. Joshua McLean, Esq., M. D., Ravdon: " Although this township is rather backward in educational matters, I am happy to say, that there is a growing interest being manifested in the education of youth : this interest is generated by the establishment of free schools; which I would be glad to see universally established, as their good effect is evident to those who take an interest in the diffusion of cducation among the masses."
49. T. D. Fuley, Esq., Sydney: "Our common school library consists of 800 volumes. It is separated into four divisions, situated so as to accommodate the inhabitants of said township of Sydney. During the year, in division No. 1, 140 volumes have been taken out. 20 have applied.

Division No. 2. 70 vols. have been taken out. 50 have applied.
Division No. 3. 150 vols. have been taken out. 50 have applied.
Division No. 4. 100 vols. have been taken out. 35 have applied.
The books are covered, labelled, and numbered, and the regulations are duly observed. It is generally the juvenile portion of the population that reads the most. We have debating schools in different places throughout the township, and an cbserver would r.otice that many references and illustrations advanced, proceed from the perusal of library books.".
50. A. Diamond, Esq., Thurlow: "c Judging from the number of schools , which have made no returns and which are probably vacant, there is still considerable indifference prevailing in the township on the subject of general education. This indifference is confined however to a few sections. In the majority of in-
stances the people are becoming public spirited and enterprising, and many of the sections in these respects will not compare unfavorably with any other localities. Our common schools are aiready an acknowledged fact among our important Provincial Institutions. All classes of the community are firmly united to preserve them in all their integrity. They consider that our country can be truly great and prosperous only in proportion as the people are properly educated. On these grounds they will most strenuously oppose any further concessions to the advocates of separate schools. The smallness of some sections has operated to prevent them being kept open many months in the year. This evil may be remedied by the formation of union sections, but the remedy is often impracticable. The salaries as well as the qualifications of teachers are inproving; better school houses, more uniform text-books, maps and essential apparatus are being liberally provided; the libraries are doing a great deal of good in diffusing useful information and creating a thirst for knowledge; and if the cause of education is not in quite so flourishing condition as its more ardent friends could desire, yet upon the whole it wears an encouraging appearance."

## XVI. County of Northicmberland.

51. Edward Scarlett, Esq., "Alnwick: This township is fast increasing in population, which demands the establishment of more cominon schools.
" Brighton.-There are too many schoo: sections in this township in proportion to its population, hence the progress of education is very much retarded. Another evil is employing teachers at low salaries. The people are, however, beginning to see this, and I hope in a few years it will be rectified. The grammar school in the township (if its intelligent trustees beasupported as they should be, out of the township fund) will exercise a powerful influence for good, in the common schools of this and adjacent townships; as many of the pupils attending it are preparing to become teachers. At an examination of teachers, -held in Brighton village in February last, it was truly pleasing to witness the effects of good training manifested by the boys of the common school here. We allowed them to mingle with the candidates for examination, and occasionally called upon them for answers to the questions proposed; which were so explicitly given, as to call forth the admiration of all who heard them. The teacher, while he dues not neglect his classics, makes a thorough English education of paramount inportance to all those who attend the school for a sufficient lenght of time.
"Cramahe.-The advancement of common school education is also greatly hindered in this township, by the too frequent change of teachers; we hope this evil will be speedily removed, as the people are not only willing to hear, but also toact upon any suggestions which they think are for the better.
" Haldimand.-There are some good schools in the front and middle of this township, but in the rear, education is in a very low state. The progress of education is also much impeded by changing teachers too often.
" Hamilton.-The schools in this township, with some few exceptions, are doing well, principally owing to the unfrequent change of teachers. It is not rare to find the same teacher occupying the same school for years in this township.
"Monaghan South.-Most of the teachers in this township are doing well, chiefly attributable to the continuance of the same teacher in the same school.
" Murray.-The people of this township are emphatically a willing people in the great cause of education ; they err, however, in one important point, i.e., changing the teacher too often.
"Percy.-Common school education is rather in a low state in this township; the $p=0$ le are, however, in earnest, and in some places they are willing to give fair salaries, if they could only obtain competent teachers. When we compare the attendance of pupils in the townships, where the free school system predominates; with the attendance at those schools, where the rate bill of 1 s . 3 d ., is imposed on parents and guardians, we find that a far greater number of children receive no education in the latter than in the former townships. In Murray, where the free schools prevail, the number of children between the ages of 5 and 16 is 892 , and 759 of them attended school some portion of the year. 133 did not come at all ; i.e. Nearly $\frac{1}{4}$ h of those !etween the ages of 5 and 16 did not go to school at all in 1855. In Haldimand where the rate bill of is. 3d., per month prevails, there are 1262 children between the ages of 5 and 16. 981 attended school during some portion of the year. 281 did not, i.e. Nearly $\frac{1}{4}$ th of the children of school age did not attend in this township in 1855. The contrast will be the same, if we compare other townships, where the free system prevails, with those in which rate bill is charged; it is therefore evident that the free school is the only one by which the mass of the people can be educated.- If the free schools were kept open during the year by thoroughly qualified teachers, we have no doubt that almost all the children of school going age would attend them. We sometimes hear complaints that children do not attend those free schools according to expectation; and therefore it would be well to have a law compelling parents and guardians to send the children to school. Now, we are of opinion that it would be a much better plan to impose a law upon themselves (trustees, parents, and guardians, compelling them to hire teachers adequate to the business, and the effect would be, 1 am sure, thronged school rooms. Miay that patriotism which has set in operation this admirabile system never cease until it shall be written in unmistakable letters (ouitside) over the door of every school room in Upper Canada, This School is Freet Among the many hindrances which obstruct the working of our excellent school system we will mention a few. There is a class of teachers, (if it is right to apply this sacred appellation tothose whohave been teaching for some years without any motive but the $\mathbf{£}$.s. d. and almost without education) who cannot be improved themselves aud are a stumbling block in the way of those who would improve. These individuals make use of a sort of low cunning and raillery with their employers that militates greatly against those who insist upon thoroughness in common school education: Ashamed as I am to say it, they are not without abettors in office; men feeling a deep sympathy for them and declining to place their own children
under their guidance, yet with great good nature license them to go out, and blight and crush the growing intellect of the youth of our country. Closely connected with these gentry is another class of cheap teachers who never remonstrate for a moment against the evil of boarding from house to honse, and who instead of studying their profession, spend precious time, joke-telling, or more probably corrupting the manners of the children around them by smoking tobacco, or imbibing snuff; by which means, they often ingratiate themselves into the families with whom they board. They are, however, fast drawing to their end, and we hope soon to hear the last requiem sung over their departure from office. The second evil we wish to mention is the legitimate offspring of the first in the habit of hurrying children in a superficial manner from one book to another, without reference to age, capacity, or the future well being of the pupils. The effects of this course of procedure are as dire as they are repugnant to common sense. Words are learned without their meaning; sentences stammered over without understanding the ideas contained in them; rules are committed in the same manner; in short, shadows in place of realities are learned. How often have the hearts of the lovers of sound education heaved with indignation; throbbed with the deepest emotions, and ached with indescribable anguish; as they have stood and gazed in the countenance of some naturally brilliant youth, rendered stupid by a deceptive teacher, that a fond, but ignorant and misguided parent might be pleased, and the teacher earn the reputation of clever because John or Harry went over so many books in such a short time. A superintendent visiting one of these schools one day, was sadly annoyed, and not little chagrined (notwithstanding the good humored feeling he tried to keep up among the several classes) as he passed class after class, and asked question after question to see that the same description of senseless training was apparent throughout the entire school; while one pupil was engaged in reading with his hands in his pocket, the eyes would wander everywhere but on the book, or perchance if the hand was out of the pocket, he was busily engaged exercising his numerical powers, by counting the buttons or button holes of his coat, and this appeared to be the only tangible training to which the poor lad was accustomed. Occasionally, in order to set a good example, and relieve in some measure the ennui of this school room, he would be asked to name the next word, after the one last read, or to tell the meaning of the last sentence named; the boy would start, as if from a decp slumber, and cast a vacant look upon the interrogator, then upon his book, for a short time. Finally, he would fall back, if not prevented by another question, into his old habit of dreaming and absent-mindedness. Arithmetic was next introduced, and the superintendent thought it best to examine on what had been gone over for some three or four months previously, which indeed was quite a course. Question after question, was proposed to be solved, some on slates, some on the blackboard but no answer was given to any questions, not even to those in the lessons of the preceding day. Somewhat surprised at the want of intelligence apparent in the class, the examiner proceeded in a good humored way to interrogate one of the older boys, a lad of 12 years. "When did you work those questions?" "Yesterday, sir." "Are you not as smart a boy to day as you were yesterday; if you could solve the problem then, why not now? The boy amiably responded, "The teacher did it for me
sir, and I forget how it was done." If time and space permitted, we might, in gratifying contrast to this stultifying process, give examples of schools where the classes could read, audibly, distinctly and forcibly; and not only this, but know the meaning of what they read months ago; but these boys were taught reasons before definitions. We remember asking a boy, who was taught in this manner, several questions to be solved mentally. One of the questions was this: "A well was dug $\frac{3}{3}$ through clay; $\frac{1}{4}$ through sand; and 9 feet into the solid rock : how deep was it." This boy a lad about the same age as the one previously mentioned, proceeded $\frac{3}{5}=\frac{12}{20}$ and $\frac{1}{4}=\frac{5}{20} \frac{12}{20} \frac{5}{20} 9$ feet $=\frac{20}{20}$; or the depth of the well. 9 feet itself must $\frac{3}{20}$ and the $\frac{1}{3}$ of 9 feet $=\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{20}, \frac{1}{3}$ of 9 feet is three feet. 3 feet is $\frac{1}{20}$ of 60 feet, therefore the well was 60 feet deep. Some more, requiring greater depth of thought were proposed, and solved by a process of reasoning, which gained the admiration of all who heard it. Althought we have too few Normal School teachers amongst us to carry out the happy system mentioned, yet we have some who pursue the same mode of training as that pursucd by your excellent institution. We have teachers traincd in Victoria College who bring the practical thorough knowledge of the professers of that institution into our common schools. Then again there are a few self-educated men who naturally follow the system most congenial to themselves. These never allow pupils to proceed to other questions until the one under consideration is mastered. May we always be in possession of one of the greatest blessings ever God bestowed upon a people, a class of pious, self-denying, intelligent school teachers."
" Seymour.-I was much surprised when I first visited the schools in this township to find so few in operation. The adult population, however, is not behind that of any other township for intelligence and real worth. Certainly a great number of the children do not attend school, but we hope to see placed within their reach, that which, with the blessing of God is tha making of a great and good people viz: a good common school education."

## XVII. County of Durham.

52. The Reverend William Logan, Manvers: "I am happy to state that the schools, generally have improved during the year."
53. Willium T. Boate, Eisq., Bowmanville: "Preparations are being made for the erection of several new school houses, during the current year, that will be a credit to the township, and one new section has been laid off since I made my report for 1854, so that there are twenty schools now in operation. I have delivered public lectures in most of the sections, although I have received no report from the new section. 'I have not been able for the last 'six months to visit the schools so frequently as I could hare wished, in consequence of protracted illness. There has been a decided and gratifying improvement in our schools during the past year, hoth as regards the attendance of pupils and the thorough practical manner in which they have been taught. The old system of permitting children to commit lessons to memory, without understanding the why's and wherefore's, is completely discarded, and has been succeeded by one much more practical and beneficial to
the pupil. The average time that schools have been kept open during the year is a little better than ten months and one half, being considerably longer than in any previous year. It appears by the report, that there are but two hundred and ninety children in the township, between the ages of five and sixten years, while the number reported in 1854 was three hundred and ninety-one. The highest salary paid was ninety pounds per annum, while the average was about seventy-fire pounds. This year several teachers receive one hundred pounds per annum. With regard to the libraries, there are fifteen in the township, (six of them belong to the sabbath schools,) numbering about eleven hundred and sixty-three volumes. From the number of books circulated I have reason to believe they exercise a beneficial influence in the sections possessing them, and are generally managed in accordance with the rules recommended by the Council of Public Instruction. There are but two private schools, taught by females; one of which numbers seventern pupils, the other twelve. I regard the present system of township superintendence as defective, and would earnestly recommend the employment, (if it is possible) of efficient county superintendents, requiring them to devote their whole time in furthering the interests of our common schools."
54. The Reverend James Baird, H'pe: "I have been superintendent of Hope for several years, and although I have been often pained at the selfish spirit manifested with respect to our common schools, still I have had great pleasure in observing the gradual and steady progress of the system in this townshin. There is a remarkable improvement in the kind and condition of the schoul houses; teachers are more intelligent, and better qualified, and many of the pupils have received a very respectable education. Some, in their turn, have become teachers, and a growing desire prevails among parents to have their children well educated. It is pleasing to notice that of fourteen schools, four were free during 1855. There is, however, room for further improvement. The majority of school houses require to be larger, higher, and more tastefully fitted up; having suitable play grounds, and conveniences for both sexes. The school house should have connected with it, associations of cleanliness, purity, comfort, and taste. Every teacher, also, to be an improving man, exerting himself to excel in the profession. It would be well in the appointment of trustees to select suitable persons, not for pariy purposes, or to save taxes, but men of character, intelligent and benevolent, those likely to raise the educational interests of the section. I am truly sorry to say that the township of Hope. is far, very far behind, in respect to common school libraries; I have spoken of the subject, and urged it on the consideration of the trustees, but no movement has yet been made. I hope, however, that something will be done in this department for the benefit of the township."

## XVIII. County of Peterborough.

55. The Reverend Thos. Searight, Belmont: "Education in Belmont is in a low state. Party spirit interferes greatly with its interests. The population is not very large, consequently the sections are rather weak. I am thoroughly convinced that if the free system had not been adopted, there would not now be, in the whole
township, a school kept open more than six months in the year. Last year two were in operation, and this year I expect there will be two more."
56. Daniel Sullivan, Esq., Douro: "I am sorry to remark that in this township edacation does not advance, in consequence of employing incompetent teachers. $\Lambda$ grod teacher is generally inclined to look for high wages, and a comfortable school house. He who works the cheapest is the man for this locality! the result is that we have only three or four schools. Any loggerhead who takes a notion to teach, marches into Peterborough to be examined, and as a matter of course obtains a third class certificate; on condition that there will be an improvement at the expiration of six months. The six months pass without making the slightest difference in his attainments. What progress then can children make in such hands. So long, therefore, as we cannot employ efficient teachers, we should endeavor to get an active intelligent superintendent who understands the management, and organization of schools. A good teacher would make an excellent superintendent. I think the County Boards should grant no third class certificates; until this is done good schools cannot be expected."
57. Duniel Donoghue, Esq., Ennismore: "In forwarding the school report of Ennismore, I beg to return the thanks of the trustees and council of this township for your indulgence and munificence in favor of education here. The schools are in a better state than usual, and I Hatter myself that if not retarded through want of means they are in a favorable way of improvement."
58. The Reverend Edward Roberts, Monaghan North, \&-c: "Education in these townships is making gradual but very gratifying progress; this is particularly obvious to one who has been in the habit of visiting the schools for a number of years. In contrasting the ability and qualifications of the teachers in the several sections for their highly important office, and also the progress and proficiency of the scholars, at the present time, with what they were six years ago, when I first commenced a course of school visitation, the improvement in both respects is almost incredible. Formerly the teachers as a class were not only the mere residuum of society, but so impos animi as to be altorether unfitted for the work they presumptuously undertook; but now our staff of teachers, with few exceptions, are intelligent and gentlemanly, proficient in the general branches of a good English education, and the schools are admirably conducted and efficiently taught. I regret, however, that two or three schools remain behind-hand, presenting only few marks of improvement and faint signs of awakening to greater animation. They serve, however, as a landmark in the march of intellect, and the progress of the country, to show the improvement which has been made during the last five or seven years. There is good hope that for the future these lethargic and penurious sections will feel the general impetus which education has received. The admirable school system of Canada takes these loiterers by the arm, saying " move on," and they are compelled by external force to quicken their pace. Another proof of the greater efficiency of our schools at present is seen in the superior intelligence and proficiency of the younger branches of our families, over those who were at school some years ago. One very encouraging symptom of the present system of teaching
is the pleasure which the children feel in attending school and the sorrow they manifest when their parents retain them at home; they also begin to feel great interest in the examinations, and eagerly answer the questions that are put to them; my energies become exhausted before the children are tired, or willing to close. In one instance the examination was carried on from 9 A. M. to $5 o^{\prime}$ clock P. M., without intermission or refreshment, not that I considered such prolonged mental exercises judicious, but the children and the teacher would persist in it; and surprising proficiency was displayed not only in the ordinary branches of a common school education, but in the rudiments of chemistry, natural philosophy, anatomy and physiology, mathematics, the use of the globes, etc. There is one serious evil in connexion with out school system yet to be overcome; that is the waut of house accommodation for country teachers. The married teachers are generally preferred, but the only tenements available in the country are the old dilapidated $\log$ houses, which have been abandoned by the farmers for better dwellings, and consequently when young men who have been successful as teachers purpose to marry, they almost invariably change their occupation, partly on this account. If comfortable houses were erected in the school sections for the accommodation of the leachers it would be of great benefit; we should not then lose so many good teachers from the office as is now the case, neither would there be such frequent changes, which are much to the detriment of education. I expect that some new school houses will be erected this year with much more enlarged and suitable accommodation than the old ones possessed. Unhappily two school houses in Smith have been burnt down since my last report, in both cases it is believed to be the work of an incendiary, but the conflagrations were caused by private animosities and not from any opposition to education. Your liberal arrangements to supply our schools with suitable apparatus are working beneficially, and many of the schools are being well furnished with that important requisite. Your valuable Journal of Ellucation is taken for each section by many. It is highly prized and eagerly read, but some of the sections are very indifferent to it. You are aware that both townships are supplied, with common school libraries. Some prejudice at first existed, on account of the expense, among the illiterate and niggardly part of the community, but such littleness has been effectually reprimanded by the more enlightened part of the public. The country will be under lasting obligation to you for the noble and herculean enterprise of supplying every school section, through the length and breadth of it with a free library of valuable and well selected books. The measure was happily conceived, well timed, and wisely carried out. Our young people are rising to a higher degree of intelligence, and as their minds expand they will not be content with a monotonous routine of corporeal labour, but seek mental exercise and recreation. This would be sought in ways that might prove injurious to their habits, and pernicious to their moral character unless provision was made for this want of their rational nature. The books have been as extensively read as the most sanguine could at first expect; and a desire will be kindled for a large supply of that mental aliment which will invigorate the mind, exalt the character, and subdue the desire for gross indulgence. An increased taste for reading is already manifested by the liberal subscriptions which are made for Sunday School Libraries; thus are the minds of the young roused to self-improvement and independent thought, that mental digestion which,
alone produces mental life and health. This part of our educational system renders it almost complete. It is a pledge of good and glory to our country that knowledge diffuses itself from so many points, for intelligence and virtue are the only safeguards of liberty, and the only guarantees of peace, prosperity and happiness."
59. The Reverend Francis Andrews, Otonabee: "The common school system was getting on well, and harmoniously, until lately, when the separatist influence commenced to undermine the unity and good feelings of all classes. I understand that sume sections are about to be broken up by separate schools, which I fear: will destroy the system of education in our county. I should feel exceedingly sorry were this to be case, as our present arrangement is so well calculated to keep down sectarian influence, and promote the civil interests of the land. Libraries, maps, and apparatus, are not so well supplied as could be wished, but as these are now cheaply obtained, I hope the schools will avail themselves of the opportunity."

## Xix. County of Victoria.

60. P. H. Clarle, Esq., M. D. Marip sa: "I have done all I could to induce the trustees of school sections to establish libfaries, and furnish the schools with maps and apparatus, to render them as efficient as possible, but the strong objections urged against it by a great number of careless individuals, (who are to be found in almost every school section) have as yet, prevented any action being taken to accomplish so desirable an object; but I think there is some probability of this indifference being in a measure removed in the course of the year. The greatest evil felt in regard to the improvement of our schools is the low standard of qualification, allowed by the Council of Public Instruction. At every meeting of the County Board there are a great number of third class teachers enabled to occupy school rooms, if they can find trustees who are more anxious to get a cheap teacher than a good one; and that in the present case is not very difficult to do. The consequence is, there are a great number of these teachers employed in the township; and alnost without an exception, in every section, there are a number of pupils who are able to teach those whom the law and trustees authorize as their instructors. Such pupils not being able to derive any beneit from the school must stay at homs. In this there is very great injustice, the children not only suffer considerable loss in the neglect of their education, but parents and guardians are obliged to support a school of no benefit to them. In many respects, however, apart from what I have mentioned, I have great pleasure in stating to the department, that, in my opinion the canse of education is gradually and effectually gaining ground in the township of Mariposa:."

## XX: County of Ontario.

61. D. G. Hewitt, Esq., Mara and Rama: "The regulations respecting the library I cannot say are strictly observed, but there is a better observance of them than last year. The township clerk has been round on a visit of inspection, and charge of books, by order of the township council, but has not yet made his ${ }_{\text {,report. The books are much more read than at first, and I think the little prejudice }}$
which existed as to the original outlay has died out but ; education must make a still greater advance before the library can be fully appreciated."
62. The Reverend John Durrant, Pickering: "With regard to the state of the schools under my care, and the educational interests connected with them, I beg to give my opinion that a progressive improvement is going on. From the experience of a two years superintendence, I am convinced of the superiority in teaching of those who have attended the Normal Institution. I have to lament a general deficiency of attention in the department of writing in most of the schools under my care, and have labored in all my. visits to inculcate more attention to this necessary art both in teachers and pupils. I have also strongly advocated historical classes for the purpose of instructing our scholars."
63. John N. Agnew, Esq., Reach and Scugog: "Tne schools in this section have not all been as prosperous as I could have wished to report ; some of them, however, have been most satisfactory. Too many of the teachers are still of the third class, and too frequently the trustees are induced to engage them in consideration of the cheapness of their services. I am happy, however, in being able to add. that higher salaries are being offered and given this year than ever before, and already not a few of the places filled last year with third class teachers are now supplied with competent persons. I am only able to report one common school library, but can truly say of it that its benefits are incalculable. All read; and thus, while all are improved and instructed, the youth of the section are imperceptibly forming and cultivating an early taste for reading, than which we know of nothing that has a greater tendency to decide favourably or unfivourably respecting a man's future character. The great advantages now offered for purchasing libraries will, I doubt not, be in a very short time embraced by the most remote school sections in the country. The subject of free schools is still a vexed question at our annual scliool meetings, and not unfrequently gives rise to strong party feeling among otherwise good neighbours. While, howerer, the advocates of the free school system are, with but few exceptions, actuated by di:interested and progressive principles, many, if not all of its opponents, are men of antediluvian principles, possessing some property and no children,-we may therefore hope with some degree of assurance that a very few years will suffice to completely overcome the opposition to this great national measure that is already fast giving.way."
64. Abrahain Bugshaw, Esq., Scott and Uxbridge. "The schools are improving very much, and will I hope continue to do so."
6.5. The Reverend R. H. Thornton, Whitby : "In transmitting this report I have great pleasure in stating that the schools in the township with, two exceptions, are in a most satisfactory $\mathbf{c}$ ndition. The report gives evidence that although but few are yet entirely free they all make an approach towards it, the amount of the rate bills being generally far below the amount raised by rate upon property. There are fewer Ist class teachers than in some previous years, which is merely owing to circumstances. The 2nd class teachers are generally very respectable.: The
attendance is still increasing in the respective sections, and the tax quietly paid in the majority of cases. Libraries are provided for all the sections, and the subdivision, covering and cataloguing were all done by the council ; but several sections have not yet obtained their cases, either from indifference or not having duly appointed a librarian. Few have had their books more than three months, which will account for the nature of the report on this head."

## XXI. County of York.

66. The Reverend William Belt, B. A., Scarborough: "It would cause much complaint to cease, if the people were once thoroughly convinced, that the well or evil working of a school system is in their own hands. The government, while laying down the general provisions of the educational law, had left its practical carrying out to the good sense of the people; and there exists perhaps no defect, which the inhabitants of any school section might not remedy, did they unitedly use the power which the school law has left to them. In the actual education of the young, I consider the present system an improvement on the old one, in every particular except in the almost universal neglect of the syllabication of words. Cbildren who are not taught to analyse words; that is, divide them into their component syllables, will not so readily arrive at the true pronunciation of a compound word. Teachers, to whom I have spoken on the subject, have been unable to give me a satisfactory reason for neglecting, (as it seems to me) so essential a matter; and I therefore beg respectfully to submit it to the notice of the Normal School authorities, whom, I doubt not (if they have no sufficient reason for the omission, ) will impress upon teachers the advantage of the old system of syllabication."
67. The Reverend George S. J. Hill, Markham: "I have, during the past year, paid cighty-five official visits to the schools, and delivered twenty-three lectures on education. With regard to progress in this township, I have found two great obstacles. The first arising from the very irregular attendance of children and the next from the continual changing of teachers every year; this last practice is the more injurious, in consequence of the want of uniformity observed by the present race of teachers in their method of instruction; thus at each annual change, pupils have to unlearn the method of their late, and acquire that of their new preceptor: this difficulty can be obviated only by a supply of teachers, all trained under one uniform system. With regard to the irregular attendance of the children, we may hope that as the country advances in wealth and intelligence, parents will perceive the necessity of allowing their children to attend the school more regularly. Under the present system, many of the schools are opened and closed with prayer ; the Word of God is freely read, and the ten commandments taught in them: the children thus learn their duty to God and man and the different peculiarities of doctrine are left to be enforced by their parents and religious teachers. In the present state of society, and mixed up as the different denominations are, this is all we can hope to do, in the way of religious training under any national system of education."
68. The Reverend J. Gilbert Armstrong, A. B., Vaughan:"Regarding the books in the libraries, my report shews that they have been, generally speaking, very much sought for and read during the past year. It is rather too soon to look for much as the result, but one thing may be observed which is already manifest, that these books tend to employ the people during their leisure hours, and therefore to keep them from spending their time in idle, frivolous and often dangerous, pursuits."
69. The Reverend H. B. Osler, Albion : "You will find by referring to my report, that there have been no lectures delivered; my usual time of lecturing is in the winter, as near the time of school meetings as possible, in order that, if anything is wrong, or any particular matter needs to be discussed at the approaching meeting, it may be brought before them, and they may have it fresh on their meinories when they attend. Just as I was preparing to lecture I was taken ill, and have not since been able to attend to my dutyes. As regards libraries, there is not the interest manifested, that I could wish to see ; comparatively few read the books. I hope, however, a change may take place soon:"

## XXII. County of Simcoe.

70. The Reverend S. B. Ardagh, A. M. Vespra and Sunnidole: "It is gratifying to report a gradual educational improvement going on. For a long time I almost despaired, but at length a change has taken place for the better; this is principally owing to the free school system, for as long as uneducated persons bad not to pay directly, from their own pockets, so long it was impossible to get a salary for a competent master. I think also that the people are becoming more aware of the value of education for their children, and that a cheap teacher is really very useless and expensive. Now that the people are disposed to grant more liberal salaries to teachers, I find great difficulty in procuring them. The board of public instruction is becoming more particular in granting certificates, as several have been withheld lately. I have been encouraging the employment of female teachers in some of the schools, as I find them much more useful and competent, than the inferior class of male teachers. We must look forward to the Normal School to furnish us with competent teachers, now that the salaries are improving."
71. Andrew Jardine, Esq., Nottawasaga: «We have had for the last year, some very good schools, and good teachers; particularly the one sent from the Normal School. Our schools are all under the free system, and improving greatly:"
72. The Reverend John Gray, Orilia and Oro : "Respecting my report,I beg to offer one or two explanations. In one section the school is not opened with prayer, but the cause of this omission is not hostility, or even indifference to the duty, but the extreme difidence of the teacher, who happens to be a female. The whole of the schools under my charge, may be therefore set down, as in theory, carrying out the admirable instructions on that important subject of the Council of Public Instruction. J am happy to inform you, that the libraries established in Orillia and Oro, are workiing as well as could have been anticipated. That belonging to the
little township has been very successful, and has been much used, especially by the young. The librarian is at present sick; or else 1 would have sent the requisite statistical returns. The library in the former township is located in more than one place, so that a personal visit, which I have not been able to accomplish, will be necessary before a full report can be communicated, What would tend much to improve and extend the library system would be the impressing upon municipalities and trustee corporations, the duty of apportioning a small sum yearly for the purpose of supplying their respective libraries. In reply to your circular, I bave to state that the word which would best describe the history of education in these townships under my superintendence would be, progress. Going back, say for five years, and surveying the state of education till the present time, the review is most encouraging. In regard to the perfection of the educational system; in regard to the quality and improved character of the instruction communicated; in regard to the moral and intellectual status and qualifications of the teachers employed; in regard to the augmented remuneration afforded them; in regard to the increasing interest taken in education by all parties; in regard to the growing liberality of the people; in regard to the deep rooted affection, which is felt and exhibited for the system; and in regard to the imbuing of it with religious principles, (so that he who now condemns it as godless, is considered the slave of prejadice or the enemy of education); in regard to all these subjects a marked improvement has taken place. So deep is the affection for one system, that at the last parliamentary election, the chief cause of the defeat of the unsuccessful candidate was his professed opposition to our common school system; and he, I am happy to say, is now one of its warmest upholders. Five years ago, I believe that in several parts of the county, his hostility would have proved favorable to his return. Were it not intruding upon your time, I might go from section to section, and furnish you with ample proof of what I have stated. I shall, however, confine myself to the section in which I reside. When I came to live here, about five years ago, there existed a deep rooted hostility on the part of many to the diffusion of education generally among the masses and especially to the system as inaugurated and established by yourself. For months the mention of it excited discussion, and contemptuous remarks; very little interest was taken in the matter, and a miserable pittance of £ 40 or $£ 50$ doled out unwillingly to the teacher; of course these remarks are only applicable to an uninfluential portion of the community, for education hadmany warm friends, but the present system very few. Now almost every body favors the idea of promoting education; the present noble system possesses a large number of devoted friends; opponents have been turned into supporters, and hostility into admiration. Last year an excellent brick house was built at an expense of $£ 200$ or $£ 300$; a teacher is ungrudgingly paid $£ 100$ per annum, and a good library is in operation and greatly prized. It will thus be seen that the admirable system which you have planned and brought to its present state of comparative perfection, has even reached with its improving and invigorating influences, this remote northern locality, and if it has been so successful here, what must have been its progress in more favored and friendly places, where it met with less opposition, and had fewer obstacles to encounter. Still the victory over ignorance and prejudice is not nearly complete; much remains to be accomplished. There are three defects I conceive for which
remedies should be provided: the inefliciency of many of the teachers; the imperfect nature of the supervision of the schools; the irregular attendance of the young people generally and the large number of children who attend no school notwithstanding the increased facilities âforded them. Time, I conceive, will remedy the evils arising from inefficient teachers, but they might to some extent be bettered by abolishing the third class of instructors; not immediately, perhaps, but by anouncing that after the year 1858, no third class teacher would be entitled to receive any government allowance. Any person who would be incapable, in two years, of qualifying himself to receive a second class certificate, is unfit intellectually for the post of a teacher. Some exceptions might pelhaps be made in favor of pedagogues of long standing; whom years and past services would ertitle to some indulgence. I also conceive that the most successful remedy for the irregular and non-attendance of so many children throughout the province is the employment of an improved class of instructors. Let the quality of the teaching be changed, and the school will not only become more attractive, but the amount and nature of the instruction communicated to those, whoattend irregularly, will prove more solid and valuable. I may also be permitted to dhrow out the suggestion that the government might impart an impetus to education by establishing a literary franchise. With due instructions, it might become as much coveted as admission to the legion of honor in France. I aminclined to regard the want of a proper supervision as the most important defect in the system. The duty of lucal superintendent is usually undertaken by professional gentlemen, most commonly by ministers, principally from a desire to promote education. The only time they can devote to the office is that hastily snatched from onerous pastoral labors, and the consequence is that the duty is inefficiently performed. The true remedy, in my opinion, would be, the appointment of county inspectors, who ought to receive liberal salaries, and who should be obliged to devote their entire time to the work: this is. I believe. the system successfully adopted in Britain: Its advantages are so obvious and numerous, that I deem it superfluous to state them; and if there be such obstacles in the way of this scheme, as would render its present adoption impossible, I would at least suggest that the present superintendents be more liberally paid for their services, and that those who may be hereafter appointed undergo some kind of examination. Some of them, as you doubtless know, might be instructed by their teachers, instead of the latter being obliged to submit to , heir inspection, and in too $\frac{y}{}$ y cases feelings of charity influence in the townships, and religious views insteat of fitness, procure the appointment."
73. The Reverend F. L. Osler, M. A., Tecumseth: "The township is now divided into very convenient school sections, so as to preclude the necessity of further alierations, and all would have worked harmoniously but for the Roman Catholic School Bill, which I fear will have the effect of entirely destroying two, if not three of the sections. I am sorry to say that during the past year little use has been me de of the library. None of the school sections have taken books from the central library."

## XXIII. County of Haltons.

74. The Reverend John Armour, Esquesing : "The school population of this township is still on the increase, and it is with pleasure that I also observe an increase in the attendance. The progress also of the majority of the schools in this township is visible; there are a number furnished with desks and seats on the improved plan. Maps also, by the liberality of the government, so easily obtained, appear in all our schools, and other school apparatus is being introduced which will make our little establishments seminaries of learning. The rise of teachers' salaries has a very wholesome effect; the schoolmaster now feels himself to be somebody; his labors being appreciated and his toils rewarded, he does his work gratefully. From the report it appears that in eight of our schools, prayer forms a part of the exercises; this number will I hope be increased during the present year; there are also thirteen in which the Bible is read. In one of these schools while the children are taught in a very excellent manner all the customary branches of a common school education, the Bible, especially in its historical parts, is learned in connection with the ancient history of the national books. In this school a very superior style of map drawing and writing is taught. Indeed, in our schnols generally progress is evident; where there is spirit and power, and enterprize in the teacher, it appears in the scholar. I am sorry to notice, however, that notwithstanding all the efforts putforth, and the encouragement given to educate the young, there are still about four hundred children of the proper age, who attend no school. This is much to be lamented. The only remedy in my opinion is the free system. One section, the most backward perhaps of all our sectional schools, was made free $l_{1 \text { st }}$ year, and from the report it is evident, that with one or two exceptions, the whole school population attended, some part of the year, their seat of learning. This one I visited a few days ago, and found it crowded with pupils, and making considerable progress in all the ordinary departments of a common school education."
75. Angus Stewart, Esq., Nassagaweya: "On the whole we are progressing, all the schools have been in operation during the past year; and the average time they have been kept open, the average attendance, and the average amount of tegachers' salaries are all in advance of any previous year. Every school is supplied a map of the world, and a set of object lessons. Only one as yet has a map of Canada; this deficiency will, however, in some measure be supplied during the present year. Although none of the schools last year were entirely free, yet the rate bill charged was generally below the legal 1 s . 3d. per month, and the opposition to taxes for schools, which formerly prevailed, has in a great measure died away. I think a general free school law would be received here as a great boon. As the best means of making the books of our township library available to the whole population, they have been distributed among the several school sections, and sectional librarians appointed, and once in each year, the books will be returned to the township librarian, and re-distributed. I have made strict inquiry respecting the working of the system, and have no doubt as to the result; it appears to work well, and to be highly appreciated in all the sections with one exception, and, from their appearance, the books must change hands very frequently. I was pleased to
discover, that a great majority of the borrowers were young men and women, a circumstance that must tell beneficially on the future prospects of the community."
76. The Reverend James Nisbet, Trufalgar: "It gives me pleasure to observe a considerable improvement in the schools of this township, during the past year. This remark is applicable to the teachers employed; the subjects laught; the fittings up of the school houses; the attendance of pupils; the length of time each school has been kept open; and the attendance at public examinations and lectures. The more I observe the working of our common school system, the more satisfied I am of its excellence, and I sincerely trust the day will never come, when the country shall witness its destruction by sectarian jealousies."
77. The Reverend Thomas Greene, A.B., Nelson: "I am much pleased to be able to announce that in all the schools in this township, the Scriptures are read, and in several the form of prayer, recommended by the Council of Public Instruction is used. By a comparison of the present report with that of the previous year, you may perceive that larger salaries have been paid to the teachers, and all the schools kept open for longer periods, so that we may justly conclude that the benefits of education are more fully appreciated. As I consider it but right that the Chief Superintendent should be made acquainted with everything connected with the working of the present school system, I may be permitted to say that public opinion is unfavorable to the existing mode of dividing the funds by average attendance, and that this subject seems worthy of the careful consideration of the department."

## XXIV. County of Wentworth.

78. The Reverend William McClure, Barton : "My lectures in the sections were pretty well attended, and deep attention and interest were manifested. One lecture, however, inthe year, can accomplish but little where so much is yet to be done. I hope to prevail on one or more teachers to unite with me, in a course of lectures in each section. Could such a course be sustained for a few seasons, quite a new state of things would commence, and no section would be wanting in a good school house, with its maps, charts, library, \&c., \&c. The township of Barton is yet far behind what it should be in common school education; bere as in other places and things the energy of the few must conquer the apathy, the indolence, and the prejudice of the many. The struggle is already well commenced, nor, with our present means of training and teaching is the issue (although slow) for a moment doubtful."
79. The Reverend John Porteous, Beverley: "We have no fewer than 158 pupils reading in the 5th book. When visiting the schools I had often occasion to remark that actual advancement in reading and education, is not always to be measured by the books used. To be rightly understood, the 5 th book requires apparatus that few of our country schools possess in their vicinity; in many cases it would be positively advantageous to put each of the three higher reading classes one stage back ; but as parents and children would not relish this, not many teachers of my acquaintance have the hardihood to do it; although if all teachers were faithful to their own judgments, and true to one another, it would be easy to introduce
the arrangements deemed most judicious, and abide by them. I make these remarks for the use both of parents and teachers, if they should happen to see them, for I am persuaded that injury is done in putting pupils too soon in the higher books. The average attendance, which was 502 during the first six months, fell to 404 in the last. Is not this decrease surprising? Cases of measles indeed occurred here and there, but not in numbers sufficient to account for the diminution. Has the high price of labor anything to do with it? I saw in a school register last autumn that a boy had been out of school five months during the yea!, during the busy season, and found on enquiry, that he had been at work all the time, and his age was-how much do you think? Just seven yerrs. This case may probably help us to the solution of the problem. We have just one school section, the 17 th, that possesses a common school library; I believe the regulations are observed, and I testify with pride to the intelligence of the population. We have two good framed school houses built during the year, both are comfortable and suitable; but the one at Troy is a nice building, stands high, and at some distance from the road, while it bas a large play ground attached; large though it is, $\rfloor$ saw it the cther day pretty full of young Trojans. On the whole, education is certainly increasing and prospering around us."
80. Andrew Hall, Esq., F'amborough East: "The Waterdown section has now its central school; a spacious building of stone work has been erected, two rcoms of which are already finished, with a teacher in each, a male and a female; the trustees intend finishing the upper story this summer, and I may state that their object in doing so, is that they may have a grammar school in connection with the others. You may therefore regard us as applicants for the next county grammar school, as soon as the present fund at your disposal will admit. I am inclined to believe that the municipal council will give over to each school section its share of the township library, to be circulated in rotation, and I am of opinion that this will be more likely to give satisfaction to all parties than any other arrangement."
81. James F. Douglas, Esq., Flamborough West: "One of the greatest abuses of municipal powers is in the careless selection of a superintendent for the common schools, now l, like many others, through a feeling of vanity or ambition, may accept, aye, ask for such an appointment, when other engagements wholly preclude our ability to perform our duties as they should be done. In respect to libraries, I may remark that the township municipal council had voted $€ 100$, for the procuring of sectional libraries, but before proper arrangements could be entered into with the trustees of the various sections, a miserable factious opposition rose in the council and rescinded the vote."
82. The Reverend Thomas Williams, Glanford: "The schools have been in a good common working condition, while it does not seem that either people or teachers aspire to anything very excellent, with one or two exceptions. It does not seem to be a general rule that good teachers find a good people to labor with; still good people mostly have good teachers, and a good improving school. There is a liberal disposition among the people to raise the salary of the teacher, if they could find one who could earn it. The township is so divided into sections, as to be very
convenient to all the inhabitants, no dwelling being more than two miles from some school, though that school 1 ay not belong to the section in which they reside; this accounts for the number of non-resident pupils connected with each school. The form of prayer sent out, and prescribed by the Council of Public Instruction is not cordially received and acted upon. I have spoken to most of the trustees, and many of the people, on the subject of school libraries, but without effect. They would like the books; they think the terms liberal, but very few of them ever having had any benefit from such institutions, they do not feel their value sufficiently, to induce them to make the effort. The library of section No. 3 is doing good, though the readers are fewer in number than one would be inclined to think, considering the easy terms on which books may be obtained. There is a general approbation of the system of public schools as at present established: I think the people here desire no change. Thinking people, and indeed the mass seem to entertain the opinion, that all the system wants is thorough working in its present form, and that the Chief Superintendent deserves the lasting gratitude of the whole country for his zealous and successful efforts."
83. The Reverend Wm. Hay, Burford, \&c.: "I have pleasure in transmitting to you the annual school reports of the townships of Burford and Oakland for the past year. In consequence of another having acted as superintendent of Burford during the greater part of the year, $I$ am not able to express an opinion in regard to the state of the schools in all the sections; but can say from personal inspection, that some of them are in a prosperous and growing state. Honorable mention should be made of union section No. 18 of Burford, and 3 of Oakland, which has two commodious and well furnished school houses, sustaining two first class teachers whose united salaries amount to £200. In these townships there is a lack of well qualified teachers. Higher salaries would have been given in many sections, could well trained Normal School teachers have been obtained. Without such it is impossible that our valuable school system can be carried into successful operation. No interest will be taken by any one in aninferior school, and no occasional effort of superintendent or thers can awaken the population to the vital importance of education, and the necessity of liberality in sustaining the schools, if teachers be incompetent. Wherever there is an able and faithful teacher employed, I have observed that parents and others take a livels interest in the school. I am sorry to report that we have no common school libraries established in these municipalities, but the matter is under the consideration of the proper authorities, and we bope to do something in this direction during the current year."

## XXV. County of Brant.

84. The Reverend Elijah Clark, Dumfries South: "On page A, in the seventh column of the report, you will find it reported that eight schools are Pree, or parily so. There is but one free school in the township. What is the effect? It is the best and most advanced of all. The inhabitants take a deep and lively interest in the subject of education. At the examination held in the school-room, it was evident that parents and guardians felt proud of the advancement of their children. The old grievance was again brought up at the :annual school meetings in most of
the sections throughout the township. The injustice of free schools!!! But what has no small tendency to keep the inhabitants from adopting the free school system, is the unrighteouness of having to help in supporting sectarian schools. This has no doubt done no small amount of injury to the free system. The community at present feels great dissatisfaction on the subject of sectarian schools. You will perceive there is but one library in this entire township. I have repeatedly urged upon the inhabitants the importance of investing a part of their money, at more than compound interest, but $O$, how slow they are to believe all that is said to them on this subject. The vast importance of having a wholesome instructive library, to which their children can have access, not only to keep their minds from being poisoned by the odious publications which are scattered throughout the country by speculators and designing infidels; but to afford them facilities in storing their minds with useful instruction, and teaching them early the habit of choosing and reading such, and only such, publications as will afford food to the intellect. The cause of the non-attendance of pupils, may be attributed to their not having suffi cient clothes, and in a few (but a few) instances, indisposition on the part of parents. In answering the questions touching the regulations, etc., of the library- Are the regulations strictly observed, and what influence does the library exert in the neighbourhood?' The regulations are rigidly enforced, and observed. The influence of the library in the neighbourhood is good, and not only do children, who were in the habit of spending their evening hours in idleness before the library was purchased, now devote such time to reading books taken from the library, but the parents will sit and listen to them with interest, and draw from the subjects read a theme for conversation the next day."

## XXVI. County of Lincoln.

85. The Reverend Wm. Hewson, Clinton: "In submitting the report, I would beg leave to remark, that the general tone of sentiment in this township in regard to education seems to be steadily improving and the administration of the law is far more efficient than formerly. $\Lambda$ much higher standard of character is necessary in the teacher, cheapness being not so much looked at as ability and efficiency. Our library belongs to the township, and is being distributed into the sections to a considerable extent since the beginning of the year. • It was opened last July, and there have been about 130 volumes per week taken out. The books are all covered and labeiled; we have about 1450 volumes and a marked beneficial result upon the inhabitants, especially the young people, is quite discernible. I have to regret that a greater number of our schools do not avail themselves of the liberality of the department in furnishing themselves with maps and apparatus. I think, however, I shall not have this to complain of long, for several are taking steps to furnish themselves with those very necessary means of improvement. The grammar school here is in union with the common school and is in better order than it has been. I have merely reported the common school department. I wish you long life and continued success in your noble work:"
86. Angus Cooke, Esq., Grantham : "So far as I have observed the practical working of the present school system, I feel quite satisfied, that where its provisions
are duly carried into effect, it is admirably adapted to the great object of providing education for all; yet in the present condition of the inhabitants of this country, there is a difficulty in selecting proper persons for school trustees,-possessed of the requisite intelligence, energy and perseverance,-necessary to carry out, effectively, the power vested in them. Indeed in so many instances is this deficiency apparent, that I cannot but express my belief, that were the system of township boards of truste introduced generally, it would greatly tend to obviate these difficultiss, would raise the standard of qualifications, and place teachers on a more stable footing, less subject to the caprice and injustice of the ignorant. You are aware that this system was introduced into this township for a short period, but in consequence of some informality the bye-law constituting it was quashed, and much derangement produced by thus stultifying the board in mid course of action, with contracts entered into, and assessments partially made; yet, notwithstanding the shortness of the period, there was very evidently a decided improvement in quality of teachers, and increased energy and general interest displayed.-The only evil in this system to be feared, is, that the township council and board of trustees, being in a measure independent of each other, may not co-operate. To obviate this objection, I would suggest that the township council be constituted a board of school trustees. This, though less liberal in theory is, I think, warranted by expediency, until such times as 'the school-master abroad' shall awaken the whole people of this highly favoured country to a just appreciation of the advantages they possess in a truly noble system of education; apathy and in difference will no longer exist, and your liberal and enlightened system of education will shine forth in all its utility and beauty. I have much pleasure in informing you that there is every prospect of a library for the township being applied for this year on such a scale, as to allow of a distribution to school sections, which in this township is muck needed, and will no doubt exert a beneficial influence on the community."
87. Philip Gregory, Esq., Louth : "If raising money for school purposes were taken as a standard to measure improvement by, we must be progressing rapidly, but my humble opinion is, that in one case it would not be quite correct. The average salaries of teachers are considerably higher this year than formerly. You will see that we have no Normal School teachers in this township. We have been obliged by higher wages to press persons into the service from other pursuits, whe although well enough qualified for teaching, still want experience, and consequently cannot be as useful as though they were tramed in the Normal School. Thë average time that the schools have been kept open this year is a little lower than that of last, owing mainly to the scarcity of qualified teachers. Many of our school sections are too sraail to work well, and there appears to be much hesitation and difficulty in getting them re-arranged and enlarged, particularly the union school sections, uhich seem to be in the most need of alterations and enlargement. The union section schools are mostly feeble and inefficient because too small to raise the necessary funds to pay good teachers, without bearing too heavily on the rate piyers. Our school library when placed in the right hands to circulate it, must exert a great influence for good. You will see that some of the school sections take but little interest in the library; while others read a very large number of
books. My own impression is that the circulation of the library books depends much on the interest taken by the librarian to circulate them. Therefore trustees cannot be too solicitous to get the right man in the right place, as respects their libraries."
88. The Reverend Henry Taylor, Niagara: "The schools in this township are not what I could desire, yet their condition has somewhat improved during the past year. Schools bave been kept open in most of the sections the greater part of the time, but I exceedingly regret that in some sections there have been frequent changes of teachers during the year. I am happy to state that most of the teachers are admirably qualified for their profession; some of them are holding the first, and the remainder second class certificates, and most of them are qualified in a sense equally essential, viz: having an aptitude to convey instruction to youth and a relish for the employment, and above all they have made teaching their profession. Who has not observed the inefficiency of those teachers who have resorted to the employment of teaching for a brief term, holding themselves in readiness to embark in any other business that may offer higher remuneration? Most of those who hold the office of trustees are intelliyent and enterprising men, who are willing to pay something like a reasonable salary; none of the sections are paying less than thirty, and some as h:gh as forty dollars a month. I am convinced, as every man must be, who has much experience in schools, that the only way to render our common schools efficient institutions of learning is to offer respectable salaries, and therefore secure the services of intelligent and educated men. Teaching should be made a lucrative, as it is a respectable profession; and then persons of a higher grade of mind, would, for the pleasure, the honor, and the profit make choice of it instead of those professions which are already in this country becoming overstocked. I exceedingly regret that some of the school rooms are very inconvenient as well as uncomfortable. Around some of them there is the absence of play grounds and shrubbery and that scenery which tends to render the mind cheerful, and the absence of which contributes to that gloom and barrenness which are too generally associated with common school premises. And again there is too little attention paid to the furniture of some of the school-rooms. Maps, diagrams, apparatus, convenient seats, etc., are indispensable to every school-room Some of our school premises are exceptions to the above remarks; eligible sites having been secured, commodious buildings have been erected, suitable furniture has been provided, and the school premises rendered pleasant and attractive. The admirable working of the free school system has been tested in the Queenston school, and I should rejoice to see it introduced, not only in this township, but in every school section in the province."

## XXVII. County of Welland.

89. W. F. Haney, Esq., M.D., Humberstone: " The township, I think, is beginning to feel the effects and literary benefits resulting from the operations of our efficient common school system; but not to the extent I should desire. That kind of stoicism and immobility characteristic of a German population defeats the energics and intention of the great work of education, to a considerable extent, in

Humberstone. Still, I think inroads are being made upon their ignorance and prejudice, and that they begin to see the necessity and importance of mental culture. The low condition of education in the township to which I have alluded makes it an arduous duty to carry out the superintendence of its schools, and to get with any kind of facility the necessary data to compile a report."
90. Wm. A. Routh, Esq., Stamford: "We have made some progress in almost all our schools during the past year. The salaries of teachers have been slightly increased in several scctions. This has borne good fruit, enabling trustees to obtain a better class of teachers and stimulating teachers to greater exertions. I am, however, free to say, that so long as a choice between rate-bill, subscription, and free school exists, so long as the inhabitants of sections are required to meet annually and vote on the manner in which the schools shall be supported, so long will our schools fail to give that satisfaction to yourself and other well wishers to the advancement of education, which yonr and their labors merit. If the present sys:em is intended to extend instruction to all, the school house must be free to all. I take this view from experience. I know this to be the only cause. I feel satisfied that it would double the attendance of children. That it would be the means of securing a greater regularity in their attendance, increase the rate of salaries, induce young men who now seek more lucrative employnent to give their time and attention to teaching, to make it their calling, and throw out numbers who, too proud to beg and too lazy to work, in many cases take shelter under the roof of our school houses as teachers, and from want of better, get employment. If it be possible, let us bave free schools throughout the province, and then, but not until then, will education flourish in our land. Your own herculean exertions may be doubled; local superintendents may visit, encourage, advise, lecture and report; Trustees may engage none but the most competent teachers, and yet ignorance will prevail throughout the country, envy, hatred and malice will stalk abroad, as at present. I have observed that at the yearly meetings one half of the inhabitants are, as a general thing opposed to the cther, on the plan to be adopted for the support of the schools for the then coming year, that a feeling of animosity is there engendered which extends throughout the year. The minority, I grieve to say, for satisfaction's sake, keep their children at home, and the minority of one year generally manage to be to be the majority of another, so that on a reasonable calculation nearly one half of the children are Kept from school, through envy, hatred, malice, and all uncharitableness, and the reports say 'Indifference'-would it were even that. A general free school system in my humble opinion is the only cure. Since the year 1847, I have been more or less connected with schools-as teacher, trustee, and superintendent, or I would not presume to express so decided an opinion on the question, the only cause of irregularity in attendance of pupils, indifference of parents and guardians and all the other evils which are attendant thereon. You will observe by my report that every school in this township has been at work throughout the year, some for a longer, some for a shorter period of time, and have drawn either the legislative or county grant, or both. The attendance of parents and guardians at the several public examinations, has been, during the past year much greater than formerly and the progress of the pupils very satisfactory,
especially in sections Nos. 4, 6 and 11. I take the liberty of commending to your particular notice the teachers of Nos. 4 and 6. It is a source of great gratification to me to be enabled to recommed these gentlemen as they serve to prove the superiority of the Normal School system and training. You will observe that under the heading of 'Number of lectures by local superintendent,' I have written none-my reason for that is--I felt I could not dignify the few remarks I made with such a title. From the nature of my own business I have been thrown in contact with some of the trustees of the several sections almost daily, it was to them that I directed my particular attention. I have always studied to impress upon their minds the great responsibility attached to their office, the ultimate economy effected by engaging first class teachers, even at high salaries, and the fearful arong they do the sections they represent by keeping in their employment inefficient teachers. Without vanity I believe my advice has been instrumental in changing the complexion of our schools very much."
91. John Radcliff, Esq., Thoorold: "I am happy to say that the general business of the schools is progressing favorably."

## XXVIII. County of Haldmand

92. Alexander Winram, Esq., Cayuga North: "In presentirg my annual report to the department it becomes my duty also to state the steady advance of education in this township. To their honor be it said, much of this is owing to the continual, untiring efforts of the trustees in their respective sections. This office, unpaid, unhonored, and in most cases unsought for, is one for which few will seek, and no thinking man neglect. To all it ought to be a labor of love, though a duty responsible and onerous, having what each ought to desire, the power of advancing the great work, the education of the young. This, if rightly considered, is a high duty, and it is thus a pleasaut thing to me to bear witness to the solicitude of nearly all our trustees to perform these duties-careless of their time and indifferent to private advantage-in the most efficient manner. In every community speaking the English language, we may expect diversity of opinion. The very ground work of our liberty springs from discussion. No wonder then, that the operation of the school law, all over the country, is, next to religion and politics, the one thing uppermost. Being almost domestic from its universality it is the theme when abroad, the subject of the household at home, and go where you may, the school, the master, the trustees and the superintendent, serve as the objects of censure or praise. 'Heart-felt religion, it is said in Sweden, is dying from indifference brought on by confurmity,'-but no one will ever say that education can die from that cause here. What therefore may be thought an evil, if rightly considered, is the natural effect of good. It fosters attention, and creates discussion on one spot, and that is,-that nursery of Canada's greatness, the common school. To seek for education in addition to the teaching of the clergymen certainly ought to be the sacred duty of all who have the charge of the young, and none can say with any honesty that in Canada this opportunity is wanting. Where there is the will, there is the way-the school-house may be at an inconvenient distance
to a few, but to the majority it is easily accessible. The golden moments are fast fleeting to the young, when education alone ought to be their task, and the time of little value to a child becomes of some account to prepare the girl for the household duties, and the lad for the field ; so it is to be regretted that the common school patent to all is not the common good of which every one can partake at a nominal price. You will perceive, that in a majority of cases no rate-bill is more than 2 s . 6 d , per quarter. Property therefore in the section is called upon to make up the deficiencv, and no one is so poor in purse or in spirit as to grudge that. 'To cavil at any system requires only a little knowledge of its working, and to make the most of a few blots, but the question in all its bearings ought to be carefully looked at, the benefits viewed, the objections weighed, ere censure ensues. What shall we say then to the unceasing changing of the teacher, but that the system is one of a popular nature, the working of a corporation having for its members two or three neighbours, swayed by a force too much inclining to a local feeling rather than an independent choice. That here and there, one finds a trustee tricky and false, in the nature of things, may be looked for, but sum up the account and one is astonished at the amount of good, so cheaply, so honestly, so quietly done. It is not in the town or village alone, that one sees with delight the common school, but it is when emerging from the bush, so wild and lone, when you come suddenly upon the solitary square log house, filled with children, that the greatness of our school system is most apparent and the sight most welcome. To find thus, a school in full working order, in a place so far remote from the busy haunts of men, where the houses are few and the paths to them scarcely traceable, has always been to me a source of great delight. It is like finding a spring in a desert. It is here the wonder begins, that amidst the shadows of Canada's primæval forests, you have the perfection of civilization, you find planted in the wilderness the tree of knowledge. This I think is one of the brightest phasesin which our school system can be looked at, and it is one that ought to reconcile us to a few inconveniences or a few yearly dollars. It is as it were as universal as the power of law, which enforces order in the city, and compels obedience in the desert. A word in favor of that useful being, the teacher, is a debt I willingly pay. Strangers they come into a section, and as strangers they go, seldom if ever treated better than the laborer. Earning a bare remuneration without a chance of saving. With masters as numerous as the inhabitants. Surely a word in their favor may well be pardoned, as it agrees with miy uniform wish, to raise a little the standard of respectability of a class so well deserving, so much neglected, and so grudgingly paid. The only disagreeable part of my office has arisen from protecting teachers. To be silent, was cowardice; to speak was offence, and I can honestly say that my only reward arises from doing my duty to this hitherto neglected and respectable class. The evil is now working its own cure. The township in general is liberal in its payments, and I may instance section No. 6, which pays the present teacher double the salary paid in 1853, that is $\boldsymbol{£} 120$ per annum. The rate payers also are acting in a new spirit. Years ago much dissatisfaction prevailed, but now emulation in sections succeeds to apathy, and greater harmony prevails. This may arise, however, from agricultural prosperity. I have often thought the offise of local superintendent an anomaly in the system. With remuneration perfectly
contemptible, having duties urgent and responsible, with a yearly appointment, and that arising from from the friendship of the reeve; altogether this is the best and worst part of the school administration. The best, as it is the cheapest and most efficient local check possible. The worst, as it can degenerate into an idle job, with impunity. Leaving this part of my subject, permit me to draw your attention to another important branch of improvment in our social condition, the library system. This is one of the greatest blessings ever granted educationally to the Canadian people. Affording every facility for intellectual and moral improvement, advancing the cause of public and private virtue, facilitating enquiry in every part of science, literature, or art, promoting the peculiar bent of every man's mind by examples drawn from all ages and countries, and cultivating or restoring all that is lovely and good; in fine, doing to the adult what was done to the young, giving to all every opportunity for improvemient. The township library, bitterly opposed at first, thwarted by selfishness, and threatened through malice, is now universally approved of ; and I do not know a circumstance, I can dwell upon with greater pleasure, than upon the success of this institution. Books filled with the best thoughts of the best men; volumes rich in Christian wisdom, treatises abundant in science, are all in daily circulation ; and where even the newspaper was unknown, there is now seen the library book. It is surprising that neighbouring municipalities overlook the benefits this township is daily reaping from this source alone."
93. Wiliiam Jones, Esq., Rainham: "With regard to the new school house erected last year I may remark that its size on the ground is $30 \times 40 \mathrm{ft}$., height 12 ft . inside ; built of the best stock bricks, with hall in the centre, 2 lobbies for clothes, etc., leaving the school,room $28 \times 28$, and very comfortably and conveniently fitted up with 38 desks and seats, to accommodate 2 each; teacher's desk handsomely fitted up, and grained in imitation of walnut; the pupil's desks also painted, there is also half an acre fenced as a play ground. In short the whole establishment is a credit and an ornament to the place. Being a resident in the section I was ashamed of the comfortless old log cabin we were obliged to call a school house. I well knew that the appearance of the new school house would act like a charm on teachers. A good one will attract good teachers, and repel indifferent ones. It has always been my aim to make this school a sort of high school for the township,it being central. Although I have not yet accomplished my object, I do not despair. I think it very desirable to have one school at least in each township where children who are pretty well advanced, and have not the opportunity of prosecuting their studies in their own sections on account of the schools therein being kept open only six months, and then by a very incompetent person, may come and receive that instruction they desire. There are some persons in each section in this township that have an anxious desire to educate their children thoroughly, but are prevented by the ignorance and niggardliness of cthers. I am happy to inform you of the growing interest springing up in both old and young, rich and poor, relative to the proper training of youth ; and I feel confident that this report will bear no comparison to the one for 1856. Seven out of the eight schools of this township are free this year ; and wherever the schools are free there is always good attendance. Good teachers however are scarce, and command high salaries, and every good wish prevails for the prosperity of the cause of universal education."

## XXIX. County of Norfolk.

94. The Reverend Aaron Slaght, Jr., Townsend: "I have for the past few weeks visited a number of the schoois, and delivered several lectures; and on the whole, I cannot but believe that some progress has been made in the right direction in 1855. The time the schools have been kept open favorably compares with other years; and I think too, there is improvement in the class of teachers, as well as in the methods of teaching. The libraries generally have been but little used, arising more from want of fully understanding the necessary regulations of libraries and an interest on the part of school officers, than from want of any disposition on the part of the people generally to read the books. I hope that for 1856 our books will be rendered more useful."
95. James Covernton, Esq ; Charlotteville: "My report shews that free schools have been held in only two school sections, and three old schools have been without public tuition. In one case a violent difference of opinion on the matter of free schools, led to such a result, and in the other the inhabitants of the school section dispensed with the aid of the public money and a jicensed teacher, rather than allow the members of a colored family to participate in any common educational advantages. The Scriptures are rarely found now as text-books, and prayer is never invoked. The number of Sunday schools is not adequate tothe general instruction in Scriptural subjects; and it cannot, nor ought it to be concealed that greater ignorance prevails in Bible history, and the elementary teaching of christianity than during any period within my recollection. It is certainly to be lamented that a limited amount of religious instruction should not be blended with secular learning. The general feeling here in favor of small and compact school sections has been acceded to in this township in the recent establishment of altered revised sections: the effect has been to increase the previous difficulty of keeping up the school. In two cases this has been the sole cause of the school being unformed throughout the year. The inevitable result of small school sections is, limited means and the consequent cngagement of teachers at miserable rates of remuneration, and of course of inferior attainments. I feel it is much to be lamented, that school trustees are not compelled to furnish each school house with a blackboard and certain maps; they are really essential requisites to general instruction, and if the bestowal of a share of the government aid was made conditional on the supply of such valuable accessories to knowledge at the expense of the locality, I am sure they would be universally, instead of partially furnished."
96. George M. Evans, Esq., M. A., Woodhouse : "I am happy tostate, that in the township of Woodhouse, which I have had the honor of superintending for the past two years, we have been making fair progress in educational matters. Our per centage of increase, of course, cannot be compared with that of new townships, which are doubling their population every two or three years; but still we have sometbing very creditable to report. The returns for 1855 show an increase over 1854 of 41 per cent. in attendance.

73 " " in amount levied upon ratable property.
31 " " in funds available for school purposes.

27 per cent. in amount earned by teachers.

| 100 | " |
| ---: | :--- |
| 57 | " |
| 45 | in number of first class teachers employed. |
| of 35 | " |
| " | in number of school visits. |
| in amount imposed by rate bill. |  |

In the matter of school libraries I am sorry to report that we have as yet done nothing. In the course of my lectures I have made a point of explaining to the people the nature of the advantages which your department holds out to corporations desirous of obtaining such libraries, and I have no doubt that ere long some of our principal sections may avail themselves of them. For one section we lately procured a set of Johnston's large Maps, with which all are highly delighted. Our school houses are good; one log, the remainder frame. In the case of two of them, however, the accommodation is not sufficient. For the past year the schools in seven out of our ten sections were free; in one, a rate bill under the maximum, and in the remaining two the maximum of fifteen pence per month was charged. The schools were open in 1855 for an average length of nine months and eleven days, against eight months and sixteen days in the previous year. The almost absolute necessity which exists in poor sections for continually changing the teacher is the greatest possible hindrance to the progress of the children. A teacher is engaged for 3 or 6 months, and by the time that he and his scholars have become mutually acquainted and interested in each other, they are obliged to separate; a few months afterwards perhaps, the trustees are prepared to re-open the school. The former teacher has made an agreement elsewhere, and a new one must be employed; the children then have to make up what they have lost during their idle months, and in addition to learn the ways of a new teacher-only to lose him as soon as they begin to feel an interest in their studies again. I think that the interest taken in school affairs throughout the township is decidedly on the increase, but there is still room for much improvement. It must increase more largely, and manifest itself in better filled school-houses, before we shall be able to see clearly that the work is being done, which will secure a few years hence, as generally educated a population as our rising county will by that time demand. In conclusion, I take the liberty of laying before you my ideas on the principle upon which the school moneys are distributed among the sections by the local superintendent, ideas which have been formed from my experience in a township in which there are sections of all grades, from very poor with 30 children, to rich with 250 children. Changes in the boundaries of their sections will not equalize their numbers, without making those in the thinly settled part so large that the school house would be beyond the reach of most of the children. If on the other hand they are left as they are and the money is distributed as at present, the rich scction will draw perhaps $£ 30$ of the public money, while the other draws but $£ 3$, and the balance must be made up by taxation; a few are then taxed to raise the large balance which is required in one case, while a trifling tax is levied upon the inhabitants of the rich section to raise the small balance which is required in the other case. I readily acknowledge the justice, coeteris paribus, of distributing the fund according to the work done: but if one section has 12 times the school population of another I cannot see that it is fair to give it 12 times as much public money, because
it can report an average attendance 12 times as large as the smaller section can. We must remember here that the few children in the one section have individually the same right to be educated, to be taught throughout the whole year, and to be taught by a good teacher, as the many in the other section have. I think that I see a plan whereby the thinly settled section will have an advantage which should not be denied it, while, at the same time the principle of aiding sections according to their works will be preserved intact. My suggestion is that the fund be distributed according to the average attendance for the six months as at present and in addition to this: according to the per centage of school population which allend; e.g. if a section containing 50 children of school age returns an average attentance of 40 , and another containing 100 returns an average of $80, I$ should say that their works were equal, and that they ought to receive an equal apportionment; under the present arrangement, the latter section gets double the amount of public money, altough better able from its numbers, than the other, to make up the deficiency."

## XXX. County of Oxford.

97. Isaac Piper, Esq., Dereham: "The library regulations were strictly enforced in 1854, but in consequence of the inhabitants complaining of the severity of the regulations and declining to receive books in 1855 (only about half the sections receiving books in 1855,) the municipal council ventured to lessen the forfeitures a little, and now, in 1856, all the sections receive books again. I am not aware of any peculiar or marked influence produced by the circulation of these library books. Time will be required to make our people generally, a reading people ; but it has been observed that books are much more readily purchased for private libraries than formerly, which indicates a growing desire for reading."
98. The Reverend Donald McKenzie, Zorra West: "The principle of free schools is making a decided progress here, though keenly opposed by a small minority."
99. Gilbert Telfer, Esq., Oxford North: "In transmitting my report I am sorry it does not shew a more regular attendance, yet education is progressing in most of the sections. The schools are all conducted on the free system except one, in that a rate-bill of 1 s . 3d. per month, and the remainder raised by taxation. There is opposition offered yet to the free system, but some of those who do so, say if the system were established by law they would be perfectly satisfied. There is one public library in the township, which $l$ have reported. The regulations are most strictly observed. 176 volumes have been circulated during the past year,-the influence exerted has been an increasing demand for books. Parties who live at a distance are discouraged from taking out books on account of the limited time allowed for reading. The principal circulation has been in the immediate neighbourhood of the library."
XXXI. County of Waterloo.
100. Robert Brydon, Esq., Dumfries North, \&c. : "In my lectures the system of free schools has been advocated from various points of view and with some prac-
tical effects. In the majority of cases, however, I have had to content myself with addressing the children in the schools. Small school sections and a scarcity of well qualified teachers, mentioned in my last annual report, as hindrances to the progress of education, are still ground of complaint; while in some sections there are indications of an increasing interest in school matters, and steps in the right direction have been taken. No less than four substantial and commodious brick school houses have been erected in the township of Waterloo, and one in Dumfries North, during last year. The salaries of the teachers have been advanced, and in number of schools there has been decided improvement. In view of the advantages to be expected from the establishment of common school libraries, and the facilities afforded by the department for obtaining them, I am sorry to have to notice the small amount of interest that seems to be felt in this important auxiliary of education; only one library in each of the two townships having been yet obtained from the depository. In conclusion I beg leave to suggest the propriety of directing public attention to the general want of dwelling houses for teachers, a wart which in many instances, subjects teachers who have the misfortune to have families, to great inconvenience and discomfort."
101. The Reverend James Sim, Woolwich, \&.c.: "In regard to common schools, the visits and every annual report, mark a little progress in the cause of education; yet there are many drawbacks to impede the full development of the common school system. In a wealthy section in Wellesley there were sometimes last winter as many as 90 children packed away in a miserable place, about $18 \times 24$ and not more than $7 \frac{1}{2}$ feet between the floor and the ceiling. There is not a teacher on earth with ordinary strength who could do his duty in such circumstances. The evil is now being happily remedied."

## XXXII. County of Wellington.

102. Joinn Cadenhead, Esq., North Riding : "I am happy to inform you that a marked improvement is visible in every department of the school system under my superintendence. The teachers as a class are much superior to what they were two years ago. There is more energy and intelligence among the trustees, and the people generally take more interest in their schools. The distribution of the school laws in pamphlet form, from the Education Office this year, will undoubtediy produce great good, and was much wanted."
103. The Reverend Robert Torrance, South Riding: "Since my appointment to this office in June last, I have visited with one exception all the schools under my superintendence, and some of them as often as three times. My first visit was made without any intimation being sent to the school, as it was my wish to find it in its usual every day state. My second visit was notified,-as I went to lecture, and was desirous of having as large an attendance as possible. Some of the schools are in an active and interesting state of operation, and this is the case with the greater number, but there are a few in which there is a want of due energy. The system of teaching generally adopted and practised is commendable, but there are instances again in which there is manifest room Por improvement. Several of the school
rooms are small and low in the ceiling; and in a number there is neither map, nor object lesson, nor blackboard. I have endeavoured to urge the necessity of a large and high ceiled building, of providing maps, geological specimens, tablet and object lessons, and geometrical torms. In some sections new houses are about to be erecied, and stone, in most cases is to be the material employed. At some meetings I set on foot a subscription for maps and apparatus, which no doubt will be carried forward-and some trustees are only waiting for a seal that they may send for the supply of school requisites they need. In some sections the school is kept open for only a few months of the year. In my visits to such I have endeavoured to show the want of wisdom in such a course, and how much better it would be to bear an increased taxation rather than have the young mis-spending the season that God has appointed for their education. I cannot say, not being in possession of the statistics for last year, whether free schools are increasing; but where they have been made the subject of conversation, they have been favourably spoken of, although I could learn, that in some sections, many are opposed to them. They are the best attended and as a rule draw the largest amount of public money, on the present mode of apportionment. It would be well, if it was enacted by Parliament, that the free school system should be established over the province. This would do away with the feeling which at present exists between those in favour of it, and those against it , and would place all the schools on an equality. A few have been finding fault with making average attendance the basis of apportionment of the legislative grant and county assessment, but my judgment is decidedly in favour of the plan adopted. Time was the basis taken by my predecessor. I am well pleased with your remarks in the last number of the Journal of Education. It were much to be desired that this periodical had a wider circulation."

## XXXIII. County of Grey.

104. Samuel Snelgrove, Esq., Second School District: "There is but one common school library in the second school district of the county of Grey, it is in the township of St. Vincent, and is divided, I believe, into five portions, which are placed in five separate wards of the township, and the volumes exchanged from one to another at convenient intervals. The reeve of the township of Euphrasia made a most laudable effort at the last town meeting, to induce the people to consent that the council should appropriate funds for a library for this township, but was beaten by a small majority, and it was opposed by those parties who most needed instruction."
105. Wiliam Ferguson, Esq., Third School District: "I would remark that while indifference on the part of many and opposition on the part of a few, may occasion regret in the minds of the real friends of educational progress and prosperity, yet in the interest felt and increasing, and the progress actually making in the cause of common schools, there is much to afford pleasure, and encourage merit. Considering that this district is absolutely a now settlement, scarcely yet in most parts of it, half a-dozen years reclaimed from aboriginal occupation, and that it is within three years that large portions of it were settled upon at all, I must say that greater advancement has been made in reference to schools during the period first
referred to, than in some parts of an adjoining county in ten or twelve years from their first settlement. Although in one school house we may find no other seat for the pupils than planks, laid arross rows of short, thick, logs rarged on the floor, and the arrangements for lights and general accommodations fully in keeping with this description of benches; yet in others we find them comfortably supplied with forms and desks, and in a few instances these are made in imitation of the modern improvements. Within a few days our section has made a remittance to the educational depository, which, with the aid so munificently allowed by the legisl ture, will furnish a tolerable supply of maps and apparatus. I regret that no other municipality in this district, but that of Artemesia, has yet been induced to benefit by the liberality of the legislature, in reference to public libraries. That procured by Artemesia is now two years in use, and is distributed in seven different sections of the township, as branch libraries of about 75 volumes each-changed annually. In some of these sections the books are much read, especially by the young; but in others, where the regulations are strictly adhered to, the advantages of a library are not so well appreciated; but on the whole, the library is calculated to inform the people generally, on a variety of subjects, and to creats in the minds of the rising generation, a taste for reading and general information. It is to be regretted that in new settlements, the time and attention of parents are so much cccupied in clearing the land, and securing a supply of the first necessaries of life, that few can be prevailed upon to attend school meetings, examinations, or the official visits of the local superintendents on which account the opportunitics for giving and hearing lectures on education are frequently lost, and the superintendent obliged to confine himself to a few remarks to the children. In new districts like this, it cannot be supposed that persons are to be found well qualified either by previous education or personal experience competent to discharge the duties of efficient school trustees. The consequences are, that the inducements offered to superior teachers are but small, and the truism has yet to be learned here, that cheap and inferior teachers are the dearest in the end. From the same cause too, in many cases, the trustees, reports are so inaccurately filled up, and so little attention paid to financial correctness, notwithstanding the aids and illustrations prepared by the Chief Superintendent, and embodied in the blank forms, that it is frequently no easy task to the local superintendent to compile bis annual report from then; ; and should he even return them to be more accurately prepared, it sometimes happens that considera-: ble difficulty may be experienced in procuring them again, in time for him to prepare and transmit his annual report to the Chief Superintendent. But notwithstanding the many local circumstances, which render rapid improvement a physical, as well as moral impossibility, it must be allowed even by a casual observer, that education is advancing in this country. And it may be safely presumed that until the country becomes more occupied, and the pecuniary and physical difficulties-always incident to new settlements like this-are surmounted by perseverance and industry, and succeeded by the necessaries and comforts of life, facilities will not present themselves or be as readily made available for the employment of none but trained and superior classes of teachers, and judicious and efficient superintendents and trustees. Comparing the precious privileges and facilities enjoyed by Upper Canadians, with those enjoyed by the inhabitants of other countries, even the more
liberal and enlightened, the conviction forces itself on my mind, that we are a highly favored people, and in a general sense, blessed with the best civil, religious, and educational institutions on the face of the earth."

## XXXIV. Cousty af Perta.

106. John Hyde, Esq., M.D.,: "With respect to the power granted by the school Act to the municipal councils, I think there is need for its extension. In the early settlement of this county, sections were constituted irrespective of general interests, and hence, while some sections are too large-others are far too small. Under such circumstances justice requires that an adjustment should be made; and as there are but few sections having school property of any value; councils, if they had the power, might equalize the sections, so that the same privileges might be equally realized. You will notice the disadvantage in the reports, that, in some sections, so large a number are not attending school, and this is one of the chief causes; while other sections are not able to keep the schools open during the whole year, which among other disadvantages, leads to a continual change of teachers, and frequently obliges trustees to employ teachers of an inferior class."

## XXXV. County or Huron.

107. John Nairn, Esq., "From the township reports that I have preprepared and transmitted for the county of Huron, it is obvious that in many respects a great improvement is going forward in the cause of education, and that the people are doing much to secure the advantages of it to their children. Since 1854, twenty-three new schools have come into operation-all of which were open last year under teachers holding certificates of qualification. And not one school in the county has been intentionally closed to save the rate or tax,-43 having been open the full period of twelve months, and the average of the others being nine months. It may also be noticed that of the teachers in charge of these schools eight held first class certificates, forty held second class, and twenty-three third class. While there is thus a goodly number of schools-and the teachers deserving commendation for the correctness of their deportment, and application to their duties-yct still the schools do not accomplish all the good that might be expected, owing to the attendance being in many instances very irregular and unsatisfactory. As reported by the trustees, the general population of the town ships in Huron, was last year 22,391-but as this is only about 300 above the census returns of 1852 , it cannot be regarded as quite correct. By the same reports the children of school age numbered 7471-while the number of those on the school registers or who were entered as scholars in the whole county was only 5172-thus shewing that last year there were 2299 children in the county that received no education in the national schools. But although this result is to be deplored yet still if there was a certainty that five thousand children as entered in our registers, were getting a proper education it would tend to diminish our regrets. Such, however, is not the case, for although entered as scholars the attendance of many is only for a few days, from which of course no benefit can be obtained. This is placed beyond doubt by the admirable regulations as to
average attendance. As attested by the trustees the average attendance of the whole schools of the county was last year 1801, which gives an average of 25 to each of our 71 schools-a sad evidence of indifference and carelessness on the part of many parents and gardians. But perhaps it may be said; we would have a different result if all our schools were free, and if no rates were exacted. Now without here expressing any opinion as to the merits of these two modes of supporting schools it is certain that in this the rate-paying schools in 1855 produced a larger amount of attendance than the free schools. Thus, we had 44 free schools and 27 rate-paying, and by taking the first 25 rate schools-and the first 25 free schools as entered in any school book-I find the aggregate attendance for the rate schools to be 164,753, and the aggregate attendanee for the free schools to be 114,116 , giving in favour of the rate-paying, a difference of 50,607 . It is of consequence to know this, for if a similar result takes place this year, it must go far to overcome all theories as to the excellency of the two systems. The provisions of the school Act appear to give much satisfaction, and none more so than the facility with which the school tax on the lands of absentees can be recovered."

## XXXVI. County of Broce.

108. John Eckford, Esq. Brant, "I am happy to report that many of the settlers in these new townships, display a laudable spirit on the subject of education: not only is there a very general anxiety for the establishment of schools, but there seems only one opinion, as to the propriety of having them in actual operation during the entire twelve months. It must be admitted, however, that much ignorance and carelessness prevail, and when to this is added the smallness of population in many districts, you will not be surprised if schools are not very rapidly multiplied. While I have to report favorably of all the schools, and of the diligence and success of the teachers; it may be proper to state that I have observed several youths in our schools who have come from the older settlements, where they have obviously been favored with very superior tuition, and who really possess all the learning our third class teachers profess to impart; their style of reading and writing is even superior, and their knowledge of arithmetic, and the principles of English grammar, to say the least, equally accurate and extensive. I am therefore deeply and even powerfully impressed, with the desirableness, as soon as it can be attained, of testing the qualifications of candidates for a 3rd. class certificate, by such exercises as are now prescribed to the applicants for a 2nd. I will add, that there is a very urgent necessity to bring within the reach of every district in these townships, the means of education; many families have been located for 3,4 , and even 5 years, and in many cases, owing to the ignorance and carelessness of parents and guardians, no instruction whatever has been imparted. The children are growing up without education and irreligion and immorality prevail in these households. Ministers of the gospel are beginning to visit us, we must accompany them with the schoolmaster. The nataral wilderness begins to disappear, before our industrious and enterprizing settlers. In a higher sense, may the wilderness, and the solitary place be made glad, and may the desert rejoice, and blossom like the rose."

## XXXVII. County of Midnlesex.

109. Robert P. Tooth, Esq., Adelaide, "Assuming that the legislature will be guided by the evidence contained in the schcol reports, as to the expediency of making further advance in the direction of free schools,-I consider it worthy of remark that of the ten sections having schools in operation for last year, six levied a small contribution, from the pupils attending, towards their support, and on reference to the reports of proceedings at the annual meetings in January, 1855, $I$ find that with one exception the resolution io that effect was carried without division; this I would represent as an argument against the opinion, that the school law will not be satisfactory till free schools are rendered obligatory, without the sanction of an annual vote to that effect. To the remark that the annual recurrence of this debatable question promotes argument and contention, I would answer that it is this same freedom of debate which draws our minds to the consideration of school affairs, and promotes that progress towards perfection which gives vitality to the educational as well as other institutions of a free people. The return to the question "is the Bible or Testament used for any purpose?" affords matter for sincere congratulation to the advocates of a uniform system of education. And those, who objected that a system of education to be universally adopted must reject all religion for its basis, will observe how cordially the public has sanctioned the introduction of the study of the Bible into its schools, when the experience of time has proved, that the engagement held out to it, when the present school law was presented for acceptance, and adoption, that no denominational teaching should be introduced, has been kept in good faith. You will observe that to this question eight of the ten schools answer in the affirmative."
110. Archibald Campbell, Esq., Caradoc and Lobo: "I beg to say that the schools in general are in a healthy condition, considerable progress having been made in useful knowledge during the year. There are now engaged seven teachers holding first class certificates from the county board, one of whom was trained in the Upper Canada Normal school. In some instances, teachers holding only third class certificates are employed, and are actually preferred by some trustees, because they can be obtained at a lower salary than must be given to well qualified and experienced teachers ; and some trustce corporations appear to be ignorant of the fact that well qualified instructors are cheaper at $£ 100$ per annum than poor ones are at $£ 50$. In the township of Carodoc, eight of the schools are free, and in Lobo, five are free, or partly so. The school houses generally are in a good state of repair: yet it is a lamentable fact that a number of the children of school age are growing up in abject ignorance of the elements of an ordinary common school education, and this pitiable state of things is principally owing to the indifference or negligence of parents. True it is, that in some instances, distance from school combined with other causes, such as bad roads and in some places no roads at all, necessarily debar young children from attending school during a part of the year. But I am not overstepping the bounds of strict propriety in saying that no valid excuse can be given, for the nonattendance at schooi of so large a number of the schooi population, as appears
by the returns made by the trustees. I regret to say that none of the trustee corporations of the schools, over which I have charge, have availed themselves of the noble inducements held out by the legislature for establishing libraries. They appear to underrate the advantages, morally and materially, which certainly must accrue to the rising generation from the diffiusion of general information. And the facilities with which common school libraries can now be established, through the efficient agency of the Department of Public Instruction do not seem to be appreciated."
111. The Reverend C. C. Brough, A. B., London: " The great system at work in the country is of unspeakable importance, and reflects eminently to the credit of the authorities, with whom it originated; its details are admirably designed, but might be more effectually carried out, as it appears to me, by a more stringent responsible system of local inspection. I would repeat also my suggestions of last year, relative to the importance of affording to young persons, previous to their entering upon the work of school teaching, some opportunity of becoming acquainted with the most improved methods of imparting instruction, and conducting the discipline of schools. May our educational advantages be attended by commensurate moral progress, and may true religion sanctify the growing intelligence of the people!"
112. William Field, Esq., Delaware : "I am pleased to inform you, that the value and necessity of education is more appreciated by the people, and that where free schools are established they are conducted on that principle; the people considering it the best that can be adopted. Our township library is to us an invaluable blessing, the books are rich in moral and intellectual worth, adapted to the growth and progress of our people, and the happiness and prosperity of cur youthful and beloved country. The books are carefully looked after, and extensively read."
113. Charles Hardie, Esq., Nissouri West:"I beg to state that the inhabitants of Nissouri West are more determined than formerly, to have their children educated ; for instruction is now within the reach of every child in this township, and comfortable school houses are to be found in every section with the exception of two, one of which (No. 2) is new, but not properly finished, and the other (No. 1) being too small is to be immediately replaced with a new frame one. There is likewise great improvement in the qualifications of our teachers, and a considerable increase in their salaries, besides good teachers have been lately in great demand. It is truly surprising to see some of our school houses so densely filled with pupils (which lately were nearly vacant,) owing to the influx of settlers occupying the absentee lands, and who are evincing a laudable desire that their children shall be educated. Two good school houses have been erected here during last year, one frame, and the other a neat and comfortable brick building, ventilated, (in section No. 2) with a good play ground and well, the only one supplied with these excellent appendages in this township. Our township library has hitherto given great satisfaction to the reading portion of he community ; many being so fond of reading, that the works within their
wards are now insufficient to satisfy their desire for knowledge, while others are as indifferent to reading, as if they were not possessed of mental faculties, evincing by their conduct that the gratification of their passions, and the acquisition and accumulation of property are their chief sources of enjoyment."
114. Alam Murray, Esq., Westminster : "It will be observed on comparing the enclosed report with that made for 1854 , that the free school system, is not at present in advance at Westminster. It is to be hoped that the report is not a correct index of the state of feeling in reference to that system. The majority of the inhabitants have, however, shewn, that they prefer the rate bill or mixed system, not so far as I can learn, from dissatisfaction with the free, but chiefly because the mixed brings them into less frequent disagreeable collision, with the selfish and illiberal portion of the population. Although comparatively few schools in this township are supported wholly by general taxation, yct there is, I think, observable, an increasing sentiment in favor of that mode, and though the majority yet hesitate to adopt it, they would be most unwilling to revert to the old system. I reluctantly direct your attention to the fact, that only two sections are supplied with common school libraries; this seems to indicate on the part of parents a most culpable indifference in regard to the moral and intellectual improvement of their children. Frequent opportunities have been taken to impress them with the importance of availing themselves of the liberality of the government, and thereby, at a cheap rate, securing the means of mental culture and enjoyments. I shall on every fitting occasion press the subject on the attention of trustees and others in the hope of inducing them to take such action, as shall put each school section in possession of a library. The proportion of resident children reported not in attendance at any school in 1855, is discouragingly large ; it ought, however, to be remarked, that many of these are youths over the age fo 16 years, whose assistance was required at home, and in no other season than that of 1855 was that assistance more needed, owing to the impossibility of procuring a sufficient supply of hired labour for agricltural purposes. Although the cause of education has not in this township, progressed so rapidly as was anticipated, at the introduction of the present system, yet a vast improvement has been effected, and on contrasting the present state of the schools, with that of past years, such a marked progress is obvious, as enables me with pleasure to state that our prospects are cheering."

## XXXVIII. County of Elgin.

115. Archibald Currie, Esq., Aldborough: "I am sorry that no steps have been taken by the Township Council for procuring libraries here. It is a great draw back so the interest of education, that the schools are generally kept open during a part of the year, instead of being in operation during the entire twelve months: the reason of this state of matters, is, in many cases, owing to the scarcity of teachers, but in others, particularly weak school sections, want of means is the great hindrance ; or at least alleged to be the reason why they are not kept open during a longer period."
116. The Reverend Edward Sheppard, Dorchester South: "The scarcity of qualified teachers, in this vicinity, is, I believe, the main cause why the schools have been kept open, so short a time, during the past year. The Board of Public Instruction of the County, desirous of raising the standard of education has carried out more strictly the requirements of the "programme for the examination and classification of teachers" during the past year than formerly. Although this may for a time lessen the number of teachers, it will undoubtedly react in causing an increase of qualified teaehers, by causing an increase of salaries. I hope next year, to transmit a more comprehensive and interesting report. The County Council at the request of the Board of Public Instruction has abolished the system of appointing superintendents for single townships. Having been appointed superintendent for the East Riding of this county, I shall have an opportunity of devoting more lime and attention to the duties of the office than heretofore. When it is held simply as an incidental occupation, it is impossible to discharge its duties properly ; such is my opinion, and that of my colleagues in this county.
117. Thomas McColl, Esq., Dunwich: "In the course of my visits to the several schools of this township, I have observed that some of the teachers therein, though probably possessing a sufficient amount of learning, so far as letters and figures are cuncerned, for the particular section in which they are teaching; and holding a certificate from the County Board, to that effect, are yet far from being qualified "to teach the young idea how to shoot" to train children in " the way they should go" or even to set a proper example before those whom they are trying to instruct. It is very much regretted, that all those, engaged in the onerous, yet honorable occupation of school teaching, do not first attend, and avail themselves of the benefits and advantages of Normal school training under the able instruction of Messrs. Robertson and Ormiston. One circumstance worthy of notice in this township, is the absence of school libraries, not a single one being in the township. School corporations have not done any thing to establish these indispensable appendages to human learning, nor yet the municipal council of the township, although the matter has been, on different occasions brought before it, and their vast importance, together with the incalculable benefit which may be derived from them by old and youg, has been represented. I rejoice however to learn that the subject has recently received from it a more favorable consideration than heretofore, and I am of opinion, that a grant will be made by our Township Council to purchase books for a public library. We must live in hope."
118. Charles Fraser, Esq., Malahide : "The want of good teachers is very severely felt in this township, and the greater part of the trustees manifest indifference to the necessity of employing the same teacher for any length of time, in the same school. There has not been any thing paid this year, for libraries and there is but one common school library in this township. There has been but a small sum paid for maps, apparatus, or any thing of the kind as the report will shew. This error I pointed out to the trustees in my travels, and urged as strongly as possible the necessity of improvement. In each school that I had the
privilege of visiting, I exhorted the scholars to obedience and respect towards their teacher, as well as kindness and brotherly love to each other, and represented to them, as strongly as possible, the inestimable value of the passing hours, which they could never recall, and which if not properly improved, would be a source of regret during their life time

## XXXVIX: Cothty of Kent.

119. The Reverend A. Campbell, Chatham, Harwich, \&c.: "I have the satisfaction of being able to report, that the interest of common school education has not only kept pace with, but has considerably advanced on that of former years. I find there is a greater desire, and a stronger determination existing among trustees and parents generally, to keep the schools open, during the whole year, than there ever has been. There are but few sections in these townships, that will not be kept open during the whole season. The average attendance likewise is greater than at any former period. The number and character of the buildings erected during the past year, exceed any previous year, and clearly evince that the mass of the people are becoming more anxious and willing to contribute to the comfort and convenience of both teachers and pupils. In a few years, every section in the county will be provided with convenient schoolhouses, and other necessary appendages. Many sections are taking advantage of the facilities afforded by government in furnishing maps, libraries, \&c., and it is to be hoped that every school section in the province, will be provided with maps for the use of the school, and useful books, for all who may be desirous of improvement; both of which are essential to the education and enlightenment of the masses of the people. I may mention as another proof of the progress of common school education, the willingness that exists this year, above previous ones, to remunerate competent teachers for their services. Hitherto there has been a great want of appreciation of the value of instruction, and a dislike to pay for it, consequently many of our best qualified teachers have been driven to seek other employments. But I find that there is at present an advance in teachers, salaries of from 20 to 25 per cent, yet the numbersapplying for examination before the county board, are not sufficient to supply the school and they are, in too many particulars lamentably deficient in those attainments and qualities of character which are essential to success and usefulness; on the whole, although there are signs of encouragement, yet there is a great work to be done, a work of labor to superintendent and school trustees, which will require time and perseverance to accomplish. The superannuation fund I consider a great boon to the teacher, and I have no doubt, many, seeing that their old age will be cared for, will enter with more spirit and earnestness into the work, and become more intelligent and useful. In the several schools, after each examination, I have made such observations, as I believed most conducive to the interests of the school. To the trustees I have recommended, and in some cases successfully, the procuring of maps, and other conveniences for the schools, and in general a more liberal spirit in all matters, connected with the management of the schools. I have also recommended to the county council the propriety of bestowing a
certain amount of money, for the purpose of purchasing books, to be awarded as presents, at a general examination, in each township, when each school would be represented, according to the number attending, and have a fair chance of competing for the prizes thus bestowed by the county, and awarded by competent and impartial judges. I am of opinion that this would be the means of stirring up both teachers and pupils to more diligence and activity in the pursuit of knowledge."

## XL. County of Lambton.

120 Christopher Blunden, Esq., Plympton: "You will see by my report that but three schools have been supported exclusively by the free system, and to this I attribute the non-attendance at school of nearly 200 , out of a population of 800 pupils. notwithstanding that the trustees assign as the general and chief reason, employment at home, and indifference of parents, and last, but not least, bad roads. However, of the 450 who have attended regularly, I must say, from my own observation, (having regularly visited, and critically examined into the state and advancement of each school) they have made as good progress as could be expected. I have to a great extent urged the necessity of holding quarterly examinations, for I think good results must ensue, from the circumstance of their creating a very great stimulus in the teacher, and emulation in the pupils. The great discrepancy in the trustee's reports of the 'per cent of the population, not able read and write' arises, according to my idea, from some of them having included untaught children, while they were totally excluded by others. Now with respect to the number of books read, or taken out of the library, some of the sections have returned only the number of volumes their library contained, while others give credit for a repetition of that number as often as they have been exchanged."
1)1. Thomas Sutherland, Esq., Moore, "Half of the schools in this township, have been vacant for nearly half the year. We have some good teachers, but these breaks interrupt steady progression. I regret not only that the Bible is little used, but likely to be omitted altogether. Many are blessed by its teaching at school, who learn it no where else."
122. William Patterson, Esq, Sombra; "I am happy to say that the number of schools in operation for 1855 was nearly double that of 1854 . The schools have all been conducted in a respectable manner, and in some of the sections in a way that reflects credit on the teachers. It is pleasing to observe, that the interest taken by the inhabitants in schoolmasters, is steadily on the increase, and I doubt not that they will soon see the propriety of availing themselves of the opportunity now offered them, on such favourable terms, of procuring a library for every school section. As you will observe by the report the free school system generally prevails in the township. There is still a want of qualified teachers in this quarter, and the trustees of several of the sections were unable on that account to keep the school open for as long a period as desired, having had to wait till a qualified teacher could be procured."
123. The Reverend Daniel Macallum, Warwick; "It will be seen by my" report that there has been some improvement in the schools as compared with past years. The municipal council has made some alterations in the sections which must prove beneficial as these have been more nearly equalised. But in our township it is difficult to equalise sections properly; and owing to the changes caused by the increase of the population and progress of improvement, they require to be altered every few years till the whole township is settled. Two fine new school-houses have been built during the past year, and several more will be erected during the current year. This has been much needed, as it was next to impossible for scholars to improve in the wretched houses which have been used formerly. I regret that as yet nothing has been done here to avail ourselves of the offer in regard to public libraries, but it is likely that something will be done this year. Books are much needed as there are but few throughout the township."

## XLI. County of Essex.

124. The Reverend Frederick Mack, Anderdon, \&c., "The schools in these townships,-owing to untoward circumstances and a great want of intelligence among the people :-are at a very low standard, and the superintendenceof them is therefore a most irksome and vexatious office."
125. James King, Esq., Gosfield; "It is to be regretted that some of the sections cling to the rate-bill,-by which means the schools immediately interested are very much injured. There appears to be with some men in affluent circumstances, a perfect dread lest they should be compelled to pay a few shillings annually toward the education of their poorer neighbour's children. The public library in this township is decidedly popular, if we may judge by the use made of it ; and as to its beneficial effects there can be no question, as they are decided, and the appetite for reading is being rapidly increased by what it feeds on."
126. John Murray, Esq., Maidstone; "The schools in the township of Maidstone have been, with few exceptions, well supplied with teachers; but, I am sorry to say, are not so well attended, as they might be. The reason seems to be, that the parents want help on the farms because they cannot afford to employ hands at the high wages at present asked; so that the schools are neglected at the farmer's busy seasons, except by the little ones, and they to a certain extent neglect to go for want of company, being distant from school. Upon the whole, however, it is wonderful to see the improvement in the time they do go to school. I have urged upon the people the necessity of having public libraries for the more advanced scholars to read, and they seem to be willing, but still those in power neglect to furnish the books. The government cannot be blamed-it having made liberal offers. I do not despair of shortly seeing a public library established in the township of Maidstone."
127. Jonathan Wigfield, Esq,, Mersea: "I have mach pleasure in stating that school operations in this township during the past year have been conducted with much greater harmony and unanimity of feeling than the two preceding years.

For the sake of the rising generation, morally and intellectually, and the progress of education in every school section under my superintendence, I hope this state of feeling will continue. But little good can be accomplished by any teacher however competent, in the midst of disanion, bitterness and contention, and where both his own, and the authority of the trastees, is treated with indifference and disrespect. It is to be hoped that with reference to education at least, and our noble school system, which comtemplates the preparation and qualification of every youth without distinction of this great and interesting country, for some useful and honourable calling, all party, selfish and unreasonable opposition will at once and forever cease. I regret very much to say that this township is not supplied with a library, and that neither the municipal nor school section authorities have seen fit to make any provision for such an important anxiliary to education and mental improvement, and which they could do upon such favorable and liberal terms."
128. Alexander Craig, Esq., Tilbury West: "The free school system is exclusively adopted with us this present year. The schools are all in operation and more papils attending than in the past, at this period; one section has furnished its school-room with maps, and the other two are anxious to do the same. It is encouraging to find the people in general desirous to obtain well qualified teachers, although they are scarce in this isolated part of the country. Many of the people appreciate the value of education, and are now beginning to select their trustees and reform their schools. The causes why children are kept from school are various, some have to work in the field, distance from school, and in some seasons, bad roads, \&c. Some of these excuses may be true, but I believe indifference in parents and guardians is too prevalent."

## The Cities.

129. G. A. Barber, Esq., Toronto . "The total number of pupils who have been at the city schools during the year 1855, was 4089 , namely 2239 boys, and 1848 girls. The monthly actual attendance for the year was as follows, viz :-

| 1855. | Registered attendance. | Daily average attendance. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January. | 1896 | . . . . . . 1434 |
| February. | . 1942. | . ...... 1315 |
| March. | . 2015. | . . . . . . 1439 |
| April. | 2066. | ...... 1576 |
| May. | 2318. | . . . 1650 |
| June | 2385. | . . 1714 |
| July | 2338. | . 1656 |
| August.. | ..... . Holidays. . . | . . . . . . . . . Holidays. |
| September | . 2310. | . . . . . . 1570 |
| October. | . 2342. | . . 1699 |
| November | .. 2304. | . . 1627 |
| December. | ... . . 2107... | . . . 1582 |

The average for the year will therefore be as follows :-
Registered attendance, 2184 ; average attendance, 1570 ; and the greatest attendance on any one day, was 1930, in June. Now as the number of pupils who have been at school during the year is 4089, (a small proportion compared with our juvenile population) and the registered average was only 2184, it is evident that nearly one half of the school going children were at school but a very small portion of time, quite too short to give them any chance of improvement, or our schools fair play. Again, the registered average being 2184, we find the daily average for the year to be only 1570 -so that out of the comparatively small number on the school books, month by month, the large number of 614 , or more than 25 per cent. appear to have been irregular in their attendance. Of the whole number of scholars who were at our schools, some time or other throughout the year, viz : -4089 , the number in the first or lowest class of reading was 1877 ; in the second 876 ; in the third 850 ; in the fourth 487 ; and in the highest 296. The number of pupils learning arithmetic was 2233, namely; in the early rules or elementary arhitmetic 1962, and in the higher rules 271. Those learning grammar amount to 1666 ; geography, chiefly by maps, 3158 ; 1487 had instruction in history, namely that of Canada and of England ; 98 learned book-keeping; 73 mensuration; 64 algebra; and 76 Euclid; 343 were instructed in the general principles of natural philosophy, by means of diagrams and illustrations; 1907 were taught writing; natural history was taught to all, old and young, by means of pictorial object lessons; 3562 practised vocal music, and 1381 studied linear drawing. A brief notice of the locality and cost of building and furnishing the city schools, will not be inappropriate. Until the year 1853, the City schools were in rented premises, in almost every case unsuited for the purpose. The necessity of improved school accommodation was so pressing, that very soon, after the organisation of the board, on the elective principle (under the 13th and 14th Vict., chap. 48) steps were taken to acquire sites and determine upon some plan of building. Actual operations were commenced in 1852 when three sites were purchased, and contracts for three buildings entered into. One was in the park, ward of St. David; the second on Louisa street, ward of St. John,-the third was on George street. The site in the Park cost $£ 300$; that on Louisa street $£ 531$ 13s. 4 d ., and that on George street cost $£ 450$. The building in the Park, and that on Louisa street, which are uniform in size and plan, cost each, (in round numbers) $£ 1000$; that on George street cost $£ 920$. The furniture for each school cost £175. So that the total cost of each school by the time it was finished, including site, fences, building and furniture, was, as follows, viz :-

| The Park schoo | 4750 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Louisa st. do | 170613 |
| George st. do | 15450 |

shewing the total expense of the three schools first erected to have been £4726 134. The superior avantages of these three buildings was so apparent, that the necessity of extending the system to other localities in the city could not be resisted;
and, in the fall of 1853, three additional school sites were acquired, viz:--one on John street, ward of Saint George, another near Saint George's church, ward of Saint Patrick, and the third on Victoria street, ward of Saint James; previously to building it became evident from causes not in existence at the time of the purchase, that the piece of ground selected in St. Patrick ward, was, for many reasons not ad?pted for the purposes intended, and another, larger and more convenient was bought a little further west, on Phcebe St. near Spadina Avenue. The site on John Street cost £ 810 ,--that near St. George's church cost $£ 520,-$ that on Victoria street 1610 ,-and that on Phoebe street, Spadina Avenue $\mathbf{x}^{2} 625$. This latter site having been purchased in lieu of that near St. George's church which is not now required and will be sold, no doubt at a profit, and therefore needs not to be included as an item of cost to the city. The board of trustees having been pleased with the structure of the George street school gave instructions to prepare plans upon which school buildings of an uniform design should be erected on the three sites; and in 1854 the works were commenced. The total cost of the three buildings being alike, it is not necessary to specify the same for each school separately. The whole expense then of the three buildings (fences, sheds, ctc., and warm air furnaces) fit for occupation was £8070; and the furniture cost $£ 8041$ or as nearas possible $£ 3000$ per school complete. Including the cost of the sites the whole value of the three new school buildings was as follows:

| John street school | 3810 | 0 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Phobe do do | 3625 | 0 | 0 |
| Victoria street school. | 3610 | 0 | 0 |
| Or altogether. | 1,045 | 0 | 0 |

This amount added to the former expenditure of $£ 472613 \mathrm{~s} .4 \mathrm{~d}$. in 1852 and 1853 , represents a total outlay for city schools, \&c., of $£ 15,7 \pi 113 \mathrm{~s} .4 \mathrm{~d}$., and at the present date I should say that the school property of this city was well worth at least $£ 20,000$. These three new schools were opened to receive scholars early in 1855, the schools previously conducted in rented buildings being removed thereto and merged therein. And in the fall of 1855, upon application from more than 100 heads of families, the board established an auxiliary juvenile school at the western extremity of Saint Patrick's ward, and from the success which has attended its operations, under all the disadvantages of a small school room, no play-ground, and a location not exactly adapted for school purposes, though the best that could be obtained, the acquisition of a school-site, and the erection of another school-house on a reduced scale, will be found necessary. In addition to the six freeholds, already emunerated, the board of trustees claim a piece of ground, with a small brick school-house thereon, at the corner of Duke and Berkeley street, ward of St. David-the land having been devised by the late John Small, Esq., "for common school purposes," the actual possession of and undisputed title to the same is still in abeyance, owing to, a difficulty on the part of the executors to the will, but which difficulty is in the course of adjustment. The only other school is a rented building, erected by Mr. Enoch Turner on Trinity street near the church of that name, King street East, in the ward of Saint

Lawrence. The time cannot be far distant when the ward of Saint Lawrence, from the increase of population at its eastern extremity, will require a school house of its own, and no doubt the same liberality will be extended in this instance as has been in all others. In conclusion, the city of Toronto may safely boast of possessing a series of public school buildings, handsome in appearance, convenient as regards accommodation, at once an ornament and a credit to the city, and presenting a feature of educational interest, which merits and commands, the admiration of every one who visits the city. A portion of the old testament is read by the head teacher, with the Lord's prayer, every morning, and a portion of the new testament with the Lord's prayer, at the close of the day; and the new testament is used as a class-book on regular stated occasions. Each central school, of which as already stated there are six, has its own male and female department; and each department has its divisions, according to the age and progress of the pupil, each division baving its own responsible teacher, subject to the general regulations, and under the supervision of the head master. In some of the departments which are numerously attended there are three divisions, viz:-the first or juvenile : the second or intermediate, and the third or highest, but in those which are not so large as to numbers, there are only two divisions, the lower or juvenile; and the higher or senior division. The whole of the city schools are free; and the staff of teachers employed in 1855 in the day school comprised 12 male and 22 female teachers, altogether 34, whose salaries amounted to $£ 23046 \mathrm{~s} .9 \mathrm{~d}$. The studies pursued in each division of both the male and female departments, are regulated by a programme uniformly in operation, in all the schools, at one and the same period of time: and in the female department, three hours each week are allotted to needleworl. The records as to visits to the school on the part of parents and the public do not exhibit a very encouraging result. The superintendent in the discharge of his official duty is registered as having visited the schools 522 times; but the other visits amount only to 439 and of these by far the larger proportion came in to the semi-annual examinations. It is to be deeply regretted that the community in general but more especially the wealthy and influential, have not manifested a warmer interest in the progress of popular education, inasmuch as the absence of such a feeling in favor of the city schools operates as a great discouragement to their usefulness. Neither can it be said that the parents of the children, who receive the benefits of a free education at the city school take any thing like the interest they ought to do in a subject which so nearly relates to their own welfare and happiness, through the moral and intellectual training of their children. The want of regularity is a constant source of vexation to their teachers. How can a child be expected to learn any thing thoroughly who attends school by fits and starts, present perhaps two or three days in succession, and then absent for several days aftewards? And the want of punctuality in attendance is another serious drawback and great evil, for which parents are entirely to blame. As a mere habit, punctuality in going to school will be found to be highly usefult training for the duties of after life; while, as regards school affairs it is one of the most important elements that we have to rely upon as a means of successful teaching in the school rooms. The total expense of maintaining the city schools, exclusive of the
cost of sites and buildings, which form an investment always well worth the money expended; and less the government grant, was, as raised by assessment upon the people $£ 3,500$, and taking the gross numbeis at 4089 , the schooling of each child cost less than $\$ 4$; if we take the registered average for the year at 2184 , the cost to the public per child would be somewhat more than $\$ 6 \frac{1}{2}$-while if the daily average for the year is taken at 1570 , which includes merely those who attended with some kind of regularity, the cost per child would be $\$ 9$. Our schools are capable of teaching about 2500 children, by means of the present agencies employed, and if the parents of children and the public in general, would, as they might, if proper exertions were employed out of doors, increase our daily average to that number, then the cost of a good useful education would not exceed $\$ 6$ per child; a rate of expense which would bear a comparison with almost any other city or town, where the free school system prevails. It should also be borne in mind that the apportionment of the government grant to this city is divided between the city schools and the Roman Catholic schools, on the basis of comparative attendance so that indifference and irregularity on our part increases the cost per child to the city rate-payers; diminishes our share of the public money; and in consequence swells the amount of city taxation for school purposes."
130. T. A. Ambridge, Esq., Hamilton: "It affords me much pleasure to state that our schools are progressing most satisfactorily. The attendance of pupils at the central and ward schools is large and increasing; the people generally appear to have every confidence in the system pursued. The public examination of the more advanced pupils attracted one of the largest audiences ever assembled in Hamilton for any purpose, and passed off to the evident satisfaction of all present; in a word, I think that the common schools of this city, are in a very satisfactory state. Prior to May, 1853, when our present system of free schools was organized Hamilton enjoyed the well-merited but unenviable reputation of being the most negligent and careless of all the Canadian cities and towns with regard to the provision made for supplying the blessings of education for its inhabitants. Its common schools, six in number, were supported by Rate Bills levied on those sending children to them, and, as an almost necessary consequence, were but indifferently sustained and inefficiently managed. The buiidings occupied as school-houses were so infamously ill adapted, and filthy, and degrading in their entire character and associations, that the very children blushed at being obliged to enter them. Respectable people-those who could afford to send elsewhere-hesitated to expose their children to the pernicious influences then incident upon attendance at the Public Schools, and Private or Seleci Schools were largely patronized. In these, in fact, the great mass of the clildren of the city were getting their education, there being no fewer than 28 private schools in operation at the time of the opening of the Central School. Less than three years has elapsed since then but how wonderful the change effected? Our School system is rapidly becoming matured. It already commands the admiration of intelligent strangers, and the confidence and support of all classes of our citizens. True, the various schools are not without partial defects, but it must be remembered, that, institutions which have produced the most salutary effect upon society have never been perfected in a day. It requires time to correct the
errors always pertaining to untried theories; to elaborate order and system out of confusion, and to mould and harmonize conflicting interests, making all conducive to the desired end. Our schools are certainly susceptible of further improvement, but they have already attained a very high degree of usefulness and efficiency. They are emphatically the schools of the people, being open to all classes and attended equally by rich and poor; and I take this occasion to congratulate the Board, and all interested in education, that although our system of Public Instruction was commenced less than three years ago amid much determined opposition and deeply-rooted animosity, it has outlived all unkindliness of feeling, and now justly challenges a large amount of public attention. It is cheerfally fostered and sustained by the entire community, and forms an institution of which Hamilton is deservedly proud. Attendance.-No Census, specially designed to ascertain the school population of the City, has been taken since 1852. The number of children of school age residing within the city limits in that and the two preceding years is contained in the Tables of the Report to the Board. From a comparison of the School population there given with the City population as given in the census returns for 1848 and 1850, it appears that the number of children of school age in Hamilton averages under 20 per cent. of the entire population. The proportion is found to be about the same in the other Canadian Cities. In 1854 the census returns gave something over 18,000 as the number of inhabitants contained in the City-and taking the number this year as 20,000 it follows that the school population for 1853 was about 3400,3700 for 1854 , and 4000 for the present year. The total number of children that have attended the City Schools during the year, for a longer or shorter period of time, is 3026 -an increase in three years of 1936 pupils or 150 per cent., while the average attendance has increased in the same time from 454 in 1852 to 1569 in 1855-that is, the present average attendance in the Public Schools exceeds that of 1852 by 1115 scholars or 248 per cent. In 1852 the registration* amounted to 434 per cent. of the school population, and the average attendance to 35.2 per cent. of the registration, while in 1855 the registration amounts to 75.6 per cent. of the school population, and the average attendance to 51.5 per cent. of the registration. In Toronto during last year the registration amounted to 51.8 per cent. of the school population, and the average attendance to 44.6 per cent. of the registration. All this is very encouraging and speaks powerfully of the success and efficiency of our schools. It has been alleged repeatedly by the opponents of free schools, and it was frequently advanced by those formerly unfavorable to our present system, that free schools tend to produce irregularity of attendance, that parents evince more apathy and carelessness as to whether their children go to school or not, than when they are compelled to pay directly fur the taition given. Here are facts, however, incontrovertibly proving this position to be a false one. Even if the experience of other places shews a decrease in the percentage of the average attendance on the registration, an absolute increase here of 16.5 per cent., evidences that the discrepancy elsewhere cannot be consequent upon the adoption of the free school system, but, that it is rather due to some inefficiency in the management, or defect in the organization of the schools. Of

[^19]the 974 children not registered in the Common Schools, a very large proportion attend private schools, so that it is manifest that nearly all the children of Hamilton are availing themselves of the opportunities offered to acquire knowledge. The average cost per scholar for tuition in our schools for the present year is thirty-one shillings and eight pence, while for 1852 it was forty-one shillings and two pence, thus shewing a reduction, in the annual expense to the City of educating each child, of nine shillings and sixpence. The cost per scholar, in both cases, has been estimated upon the amount paid to Teachers.-In 1852 and previous years, the incidental expenditure is so confounded with the outlay for building and repairs that it is impossible to obtain any accurate idea of its amount. The annual cost per scholar, however, estimated on the total current expenditure of 1855 is thirtynine shillings and nine pence, or two shillings and fivepence less per pupil than the cost in 1852 on the amount paid to Teachers alone. I must confess that, remembering the very great rise in the price of all the necessaries of life, during the past two or three years, and the liberal manner in which the Board has, from time to time, added to the Teachers' salaries in order that they might bear about the same relation to the cost of living; and reflecting also upon the very decided inferiority of the education offered previous to the establishment of our present system, to that now provided by your Board, we were hardly prepared to find any reduction in the cost of instruction. Figures, however, are stabborn facts and they indubitably prove that the Board is at present providing a far more liberal education than could possibly be obtained in the public schools in 1852 and previous years, at a decrease in the cost per scholar of about one-fourth or 25 per cent. Such is the very gratifying result obtained by comparing Hamilton in 1855 with Hamilton in 1852. The latter year has been selected simply because it was the last of the old systemless system,-our present schools having been organized early in 1853. With the cities of the neigboring Republic, Hamilton sustains an equally favorable comparison. In 25 of the principal cities of the Union the average yearly cost per scholar, estimated on the Teachers' salaries alone, is forty-five shillings and ten pence, in Boston it is fify-tbree shillings and nine pence, in Buffalo forty-four shillings and nine pence, and in Rochester only does it approach any where nearly as low as in Hamilton. With Toronto, Kingston, and other Canadian cities and towns no fair comparison can be instituted, as our system is projected upon a much more comprehensive plan, and our schools are actually giving a much more thorough and extended course of instruction. Yet, even compared with these, Hamiltun does not suffer, as is evinced by a reference to the following list, where the cost is in every case estimated on the amount paid to Teachers, and the average attendance of children in the year 1854. The average annual cost per scholar for tuition, is, in-

London, thirty five shillings and tenpence;
Ottawa City, forty shillings and threepence ;
Brantford, thirty-five shillings;
Dundas, forty-one shillings and threepence;
Woodstock, thirty six shillings and sevenpence;
Niagara, thirty-two shillings and eleven-pence.
From Toronto and Kingston I have been able to obtain no sufficiently reliable statistics to warrant an estimate. In both these places, however, the cost per
scholar in the Common schools is about the same as with us. Organization:As inquiries are made almost daily by those residing at a distance respecting. the system of Public Instruction adopted in Hamilton, and as mach misapprehension exists on the subject, even among our own citizens, I have deemed it advisable to insert the following sketch of our System of School Organization with: respect to the course of studies pursued, the text-books adopted and the mode of supplying them, the library, the mode of discipline, and the staff of teachers. The Public Schools of Hamilton, as at present organized, consist of a Central or High School, and six Primary or Initiatory Schools, embracing somewhere about 2,000 pupils. The Primary Schools-Are located in different parts of the city, and are all, with one exception, accommodated in handsome stone or brick buildings, erected expressly for that purpose by the Board. They are fitted up internally in the most approved manner, with Boston school furniture, and a variety of useful diagrams, charts, and apparatus; and they will compare favorably with any school-houses in the Province in their structure and general arrangements. While all are under the general superintendence of the Board, each School enjoys the more immediate care and supervision of the two Trustees of the particular ward in which it happens to be situated. These visit it from time to time, and at the Board Meetings propose such measures as they consider necessary to increase its efficiency and improve its general character. Any child over five years of age, whose parents reside within the city limits, can obtain admission into the Primary Schools, and remain, free of charge, until he is qualified for promotion into the Central School. Each Primary School consists of either two or three divisions of seventy-five children, under the care and tuition of female teachers. The course of instruction comprises Reading, Spelling, Enunciation, Pronunciation, Writing on Slates, Oral and Written Arithmetic, Arithmetical Tables, Geography, and Developing Lessons on Objects, Size, Color, Form, \&c. The Central School-Comprises a male and a female departement-the former consisting of eight, and the latter of six, divisions of seventy children each. The staff of teachers includes a Principal, thirteen Division Teachers, a Classical Master, a French Master, a Writing Master, and a Music Teacher. The building is a splendid cut stone edifice. In beauty of architectural design, and in the whole of its arrangements, internal and external, it is unequalled by any public school building in the Provinces, and unsurpassed by any in the neighboring States. It occupies, with its play-grounds, :gymnasia, and shrubberies, a plot of two acres of ground in the very centre of the city. It contains, on the ground foor, two galleries, four division-rooms, a visitors' room, hat and cloak-rooms, dinner-rooms, \&c., and on the second floor, six class-rooms, a teachers' room, and a large examination-hall, capable of seating 600 children. The rooms are all heated by hot-air furnaces, placed in the basement, and are fitted up with improved modern school furniture. The building is surmounted with a tower, in which is placed a bell sufficiently powerful to be heard to the remotest part of the city. The School is supplied with an abundance of maps, charts, diagrams, and other school requisites, and is furnished with as valuable and complete a set of Philosophical and Chemical Apparatus as is to be found in any institution in Canada. It has also attached to it a library of some 1700 well-selected volumes, to which the pupils have free access every week. The Central School is visited from time to time by the Trustees individually;
and regularly once a month by the Visiting Committee. This Committee is composed of five members, one from each ward, and is required to report monthly to the Board upon the general efficiency and inanagement of the institution. Any child under twenty-one years of age, whose parents reside within the city limits, and who is qualified for admission into the junior class, can, by applying, gain a: entrance into the Central School, and can remain there, free of charge, until he has passed through the various classes, and, if desirous, qualified himself for matriculation at the University. The course of instruction includes Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Geography, Grammar, History (Canadian, English, and General,) History of English Literature, Linear Drawing, Vocal Music. Book-keeping, Human P'hysiology, Astronomy, Elements of Natural Philosophy and Chemistry, Algebra, Euclid and Mensuration, Natural History, Botany and Geology, and the Latin, Greek, and French languages.

General Summary of Time* devoted to each Study in the Junior and Senior Sections of the First Division.


The Teachers at present engaged in the City Schools number thirty, and inelude a Principal, a Classical Master, a French Master, a Writing Master, à Music School Master, thirteen Division Teachers in the Central School, and thirteen Primary Teachers. Discipline.-The Superintendent is highly pleased with the excellent state of discipline prevailing in nearly all the divisions of our Schools.. He finds much to elicit praise in the very general order and regularity with which the various classes are conducted, and in the harmony and good understanding that exist between the teachers and pupils. The severer forms of discipline formerly thought indispensable to school government have been gradually superseded by the moral influence of the Teacher. The scholars appear to sincerely love and respect their instructors, and this feeling has developed a spirit of order, good conduct, and diligent application to their

[^20]studies worthy of all commendation. It is gratifying to know that corporal punishment has been inflicted in but six or eight cases during the entire year. This fact is worthy of notice, because, while it reflects credit on the Teachers for their intelligence and tact in managing some 3,000 children, and maintaining the strictest discipline, without a more frequent appeal to the sense of fear, it is, at the same time, encouraging to those who feel an interest in the future of the youth of our city, so soon to take an active part in the administration of its affairs. We certainly have ground to hope that those whom ne can now restrain withuut the infliction of physical chastisement will grow up into a law-loving and a law-abiding people, and that with them punishment will not be necessary to secure respect for wholesome laws and regulations. Corporal punishment, although nisely permitted by our rules, is used only in rare and extreme cases. The spirit of kindly intercourse, and of mutual confidence and respect, between the Teacher and his pupils is found to be all that is necessary in every instance where the child is under the slightest semblance of restraint at home. The grand difficulty, however, is that the home influence of many is not of the most elevating or restraining nature. Too frequently the child is rendered all but ungovernable at school, either by the total absence of any attempt on the part of his parents to curb his headstrong passion:; or by the very injudicious manner in which the requisite control is exercised. In many cases, children learn to think their parents never in earnest unless their admonitions are emphasized with blows, very and naturally appiying the same reasoning to their Teachers, make it, at first, a difficult matter to manage them except by the application of physical punishment. But, while it must be acknowledged that there are, and probably always will be, cases of aggravated ill-conduct aind direct insubordination, which can be reached only by an appeal to the rod, it must be remembered that the frequency of its use is no unfair criterion of the Teacher's ability and mere moral power. With different Teachers the necessity of using brute force as a punishment exists just in proportion to the amount of moral power and energy of character possessed by each. While our best Teachers seldom or never think corporal chastisement requisite, those not so successful are scarcely able to govern without frequently inflicting it. Library.-This interesting and important feature of our School system was established in the month of October, 1854, but was not opened for distribution till towards the close of that year. Its advantages are now very generally appreciated, and its influence for good felt throughout the entire city. There is no class in the cominunity to whom a Library can be made niore directly beneficial than to the pupils attending our Schools. Their attention is so exclusively confined to their Text-Books and to their peculiar school studies, that one of the greatest deficiencies observable among the scholars of our higher classes is the want of that ready and practical information which can be obtained only by an intelligent course of general reading. As the use of the Library is freely extended to all, and as the selection of Books is frequently made with much judgment and discretion, it may be fairly hoped that they will promote a general acquaintance with literature and science, and at the same time improve the pupil's taste and enlarge his range of thought. The Library has been productive of much good in another way. Our country has been deluged with every description of trash in the shape of paper-covered novels and light literature. These are sold in the book stores, vended about the
streets, and almost forced upon the purchaser in steamboats and rail-road cars. The prices at which they are offered are so extremely low that they are quite within the means of the humblest individual. There can be no question that their effect is demoralizing to the last degree, and every philanthropist will hail with joy the development of a bealthier tone of public reading. Now it may be reasonably expected that these Libraries, spread as they are over all the country, and consisting of works at once instructive and entertaining, will materially tend to improve the public taste and cultivate a desire for reading of a more elevating description. It is believed that such a result may be observed already, to some extent, in our city. The number of books drawn weekly from the Library has steadily increased; and that they are read with profit and advantage; at least by the pupils, is evidenced by their increasing intelligence and avidity to read. Nor are the beneficial effects of the Library confined to the scholars alone-the volumes taken from it being the magnets that hold many entire families enchained around the social fireside during the long evenings of winter. Frequently an hour is thus rationally spent, which would otherwise have been devoted to less advantageous pursuits. The books have all been selected from the General Catalogue, published by the Council of Public Instruction, and at present number 1699 volumes, as follows:-


The whole number of volumes drawn from the Library during the year was 6147-the number at present drawn per week averages 250. Evening Schiool:-The attendance at this School is generally regular, and the interest manifested very encouraging. The pupils belong, for the most part, to that class which, if not at school, during the evening hours, frequent the streets, to the great disturbance of the peace and tranquility of the city. They are of all ages-from ten or twelve to thirty-five or forty years-and their occupations are as varied as their ages. They seem nniversally actuated by an ardent desire to acquire knowedge, and, generally speaking. their progress is quite perceptible and satisfactory. Arrangements have been made to give instruction in Reading, Spelling, Writing, Arithmetic, Book-keeping, Algebra, Euclid, and Grammar. It is not intended that the school shall be kept open longer than until the first of April; when it is proposed to close it for the sum-
mer months. Were the accommodation more ample, it is probable the number of scholars would be greatly increased.

## General Summary.

Total number of Pupils taught in the City Shool during the year. ..... 3026
Average attendance ..... 1569
Cost per Scholar for one year's Instruction. ..... $\$ 6.33$
Number of Volumes in Library ..... 1693
" 6 drawn during the year. ..... 6147
Number of Visits made by Trustees, Superintendent, and others. ..... 748
Number of Teachers employed. ..... 31
Total Cost of Central and Ward School Estates to the 1 st of January, 1856 . ..... £18,040 4s. 0d.
The Towns.
131. The Reverend John McMurray, Brocliville: "I have to report that during the past year, four schools, two male and two female, were in operation in Brockville, under the direction of the board of common school trustees. The progress of the pupils was as satisfactory as could be expected, considering the state of school accommodation. The trustees during the summer, succeeded in accomplishing the project on foot a year ago, the crection of a large, commodious stone building. It was, although not finished, in a condition fit for the reception of the children of the four schools, at the Christmas holidays. It is divided into two departments, male and female, each presided over by two teachers, besides the principal, who has the oversight and management of the whole. A greater interest is evidently taken in the work of education in this town, than heretofore, and now that the school is free to all, and that the rate bill is abolished, no barrier lies in the way of the poorest parent, obtaining for his child an education which will qualify him for occupying a high position in the future advancement and prosperity of this country. The Scriptures were read in all the schools during the year ; and the business of the day opened and closed with prayer, and although some Roman Catholics were, and are still in attendance, they were not required, unless so instructed by their parents, to unite in the religious exercises of the school. I may add, that the school house now erected in this town is, I understand, the finest in Canada, solely for the children, attending the common school,-a building adapted to promote the physical activities of the young, as its intellectual machinery is designed to educate and invigorate their mental capabilities, and improve their moral nature."
132. W. H. Brouse, Esq., M. D, Prescott: "Our boards of trustees have united the common and grammar schools, and with an energy rarely equalled, they are advancing the interests of education in a manner highly creditable to themselves, and also satisfactory to the inhabitants assessed for the support of schools. Besides. the common, grammar and separate, we have two select schools, wherein upwards. of 100 children receive instruction, and which have succeeded in sending forth some well educated youths. Still the greater interest is concentrated in the common and grammar school united. They are working well for the interest of education in our
town. Good teachers have been secured by allowing liberal salaries, and not only has the board felt the necessity of promoting the cause of education among the youth, but we have the strongest proof that its efforts have also enlisted the co-operation of parents and guardians. Where much indifference was shown heretofore, there now prevails among the young people a noble ambition to excel in the higher branches of education. About one-third of the population are Roman Catholics. They have their separate schools, and it is pleasing to witness the interest they manifest in encouraging all the children of that persuasion to attend school. I may add generally, that all the schools in this locality, working under the present school system, are in a much more prosperous condition, and shew evidence of still greater improvement, than during the previous years."
133. John Gerrie, Esq, Whitby: "There haṣbeen great progress made during the past year in this quarter, in the great object of procuring asound and useful education, among our growing population. Our beautiful new central school of two stories will contain, with ease, 250 or 300 pupils, and we have two very efficient teachers."
134. The Reverend James Cooper, Woodstock: "There is nothing of which parents complain more than bad reading. I have called the attention of teachers to it, and I have no doubt we shall succeed in remedying this evil, so widely spread in this country. We get the Journal of Education regularly, and enjoy it much. The trustees have voted an addition to the salaries of our male teachers of $£ 12$ 10s., and they have entered upon their work this year with great spirit. We feel much encouraged, and we hope you do also, to labor for the welfare of our beloved country."

## The Viliages.

135. The Reverend W. H. Lauder, A.B., Napanee: "The sulject of free schools was brought up at the last annual meeting and was negatived. This we have, however, no reason to regret, as all the purposes of the free sehool system are carried out under the present system, no child is excluded from inability to pay; we receive all that come and are at this moment giving a free education to a good many. While this is the case there is no cause of complaint."
136. The Reverend David Caw, Paris: "The schools in Paris during the past year, have been, as regards a staff of teachers and every other requisite, in full operation. We act on the free school system; one which we find works well. The only serious evil against which we have to contend, is the non-attendance of those -whose names are on the roll. Perhaps in one school 250 names are enroiled; visit the school any day, and from 60 to 70 of these are absent. To counteract this evil we have tried many things; but in spite of all our endeavours, it still exists to an :alarming extent. This evil rests with the parents. That nothing may be wanting to promote the health of the children, and to facilitate their improvements; our trustees are about building a central school at a cost of $£ 2,600$; which, when finished, will not only be an ornament to our rapidly rising town, but a permanent ,blessing to our children."
137. The Reverend Archibald Lampman, St. Mary's: "Our schools have been conducted during the year now past, as well as the unfarorable circumstances of our new village would permit. We have as yet to contend against the obstacle of insufficient school accommodation; we were obliged also during the past year to change teachers too often, and to employ a teacher or two who were not well adapte to the instruction of our village pupils. However, we have had a couple of excellent teachers; and $I$ am certain that for the futwre we shall demand higher qualifications in the teachers who instruct our youth, than bas hitherto been insisted upon. The schools are now conducted systematically ; good order is enforced; and, in the male school especially, there is a promptness and thoroughness which is always pleasant to see, and which gives the pupil a pleasure and a spirit in this work. Our excellent board of trustees requires no prompting in respect of a full appreciation of the great benefits which are in its power to confer, through the means of education, on the rising generation; it wishes to throw open wide the portals of the temple of knowledge to every child in the community; and to bid him enter and fit his mind and heart for the due discharge of his duties when he shall attain to the ycars of manhood; and whether he bas the good fortune to be born of wise and prudent parents, or the misfortune to be born of ignorant and vicious ones, is a question which it wishes not to ask; but rather' Will you come and submit yourself to the preparatory training which we offer you, and which will admit you to the companionship of the wise and good of all ages; which will open to you sources of delight hitherto unknown ; and which will also relieve you of many of the hard conditions to which ignorance is subject. For your sake and for the sake of our country we wish you to come and partake of these benefits, and we believe that in after years you will repay an hundred-fold our care and cost.' The free school system is every where gaining ground; it is gradually scattering the obsiacles that impede its progress; narrow-mindedness and selfishness, are, by degrees, breaking down before it; and few are now to be found who will deny that it is the interest of all, that all should be educated; at least as far as the common branches of a good English education go. The Canadian patriot who aspires to see the country soon take rank among the leading nations of the earth, may have, we believe in our unsurpassed system of common schools, the frmest guarantee that his aspiration shall be realized. There can be little of excellence reared on a basis of ignorance; and if we can lay down in the characters of our people, the principles of mental activity, and a manly self-reliance, we shall see Canadians second to no people in the world. The more the mental rision is extended, the more will men triumph over absurd superstition and over local prejudice, and the more also will their actions and sentiments be elevated, noble, and worthy of men. We therefore believe that he who shall be first in promotiog the cause of education, will be the first likewise in the hearts of the rising generation. Our trustees have petitioned the village council for a sum of fifteen hundred pounds, for the purpuse of crecting a school house suited to the fast improving character of the public buildings of the place, and adapted to the rapidly increasing demand for school accommodation. This petition has been readily granted; and next summer will witness we trust, the erection in our village of an edacational structure, correct in its external architecture and commodious in its internal arrangements."
138. J. Hyde, Esq., M. D., Straiford: " Our school accommodations being so limited, induced the trustees to impose a rate-bill which as you will see, has very much reduced the number of pupils during the year. The free school system is resumed for the current year : this, with the ample provision afforded in the new building now occupied, it is hoped will cause a much larger attendance than last year."
139. F.J. McGuire, Esq., Trenton: "The board of common school trustees for this village came to the conclusion, in the commencement of last year, that it would keep open only two schools, engage the services of two efficient teachers, and pay them a good salary. It has proved successful. We now have the schools in this village in a more prosperous condition. Our teachers last year gave general satisfaction, so much so, that at the last annual meeting, all were in favour of free schools, though at the annual meeting in 1855 we had a very close-contested election. There is no other plan upon which schools could be established, that gives to the poor such facilities for obtaining a liberal education; but, it is to be regretted, that, in too many instances they do not avail themselves of the indacement held out to them."
140. T. W. Athins, Esq., Vienna:"The impetus given to the energy and improvement of the common schools under the new system, calls forth the enthusiasm of all lovers of enlightenment and general intelligence ; and the ejements required to secure the basis of fundamentai principles, necessary in all th: institutions for the improvement of the rising generation, should not be list sight of. The first two years 1853 and 1854, the charge per quarter for each scholar was 2 s .6 d. .; in 1855 the school was entirely free, as it will be in 1856, to all within the corporation. Scholars from without will be charged tiree dollars per quarter at the grammar school, which is now united with the common school. All appear to be alive to the interest of the schools so far as they are able. The losses by fire, and other circumstances have crippled our measures, and caused us to omit some important additious that were required, particularly the library contemplated in 1854 . We want a better school house, in a better location, with more room for the scholars; all of these we hope to obtain by economy and perseverance."

## Appendix B.

GENERAI REPORTS ON THE STATE OF THE COUNTY GRAMMAR SCHOOLS OF UPPER CANADA, FOR THE YEAR 1855.

No. 1. The Grammar Schools of the Eastern Section of Upper Canada; by Thomas Jafrray Robertson, Esquire, Inspector of Grammar Schools.

Toronto, 31st March, 1856.

Sir,-I have the honor to submit, for the consideration of the Council of Public Instruction, the following general observations on the state of the grammar schools visited by me in the eastern section of Canada West during the latter part of October and the beginning of November 1855.

In the discharge of this duty I deemed it right to examine the classes in the several schools as thoroughly as the time at my disposal permitted; to ascertain by observation and enquiry, the mode of teaching and the nature of the discipline in each instance; to direct my attention to the condition of the house, furniture, books, apparatus and grounds; to obtain as much information as possible regarding salaries, fees, and other particulars likely to be useful in forming a correct estimate of the condition of the schools; and, finally, to communicate with trustees and others interested in the progress of popular education in the different localities.

1. Analysis of the ${ }^{*}$ Schools.-Of the schools in question, 9 were from various causes, chiefly want of teachers, not in operation. The remaining 27 may be classed somewhat as follows: 6 good; 7 tolerable; 10 middling; and 4 bad. In this classification I have not been guided exclusively by the amount of classical knowledge exhibited in each, but also by the general style of answering in the subjects proposed to be taught, and by the results produced in the training up of the mental powers, and the formation of character. In 17 cases, female pupils were admitted, and in 14, the grammar and common schools were united. In some instances this union was merely nominal,-the head masters having noreal connection with the common schools legally placed under their control, but in point of fact not subjected to their management, and sumetimes even in remote parts of the same town.
2. Standing of Masters.- Of the 27 head masters, 7 had graduated at English, Irish and Scotch Universities; 5 at Canadian Universities; and 1 at a University in the State of Ohio, 1 was teaching without any legal qualification, and the remainder bad been appointed before the present law came into operation. These gentlemen seemed, in general, anxious to carry out the arrangement promulgated in the programme for the management of grammar schools, and most of them were also apparently possessed of the requisite general information. Many of the grammar schools, however, are united with common schools, and even where this is
not the case, these two kinds of schools are to some extent so similar in their nature, that the grammar school teacher necessarily requires a considerable portion of that mechanical skill in the arts of teaching and school management so useful in the government of a common school. In this qualification it could scarcely be expected that there would not be some deficiency; and while this fact was suffi. ciently obvious, it was impossible to avoid noticing a marked anxiety for improvement. In 2 schools there were classical assistants; and there were besides these, including the union schools, 25 assistants, of whom 8 had been trained in the provincial normal school for Upper Canada.
3. Numbers in attendance.-The next point on which I would remark has reference to the numbers in attendance and studying the different branches.

On the rolls of the schools in operation, I found in all 895 names, excluling those belonging to the common schol portion of union schools,-average $\mathbf{5 3}$.

On the days of my visits there were present in all 681, giving an average of 25 -exclusive of common school pupils; where the schools were mixed, I did not include in these numbers any pupils using reading books below the fourth book of the Irish national series. I found pupils engaged in the study of Latin in all the schools save one, and in that instance the teacher assured me that he had 6 classical pupils, but none of them chanced to be present ; the average was r . In 4 schools there was only 1 classical pupil present in each; in each of another 4.2 present; and in each of another 4, there were present between 20 and 30 . There were students learning Greek in 12 schools,-average 3 . French was taught in 5 schools; the physical sciences in 17 .; drawing in 5 ; music in 3 ; history (chicfly English and Canadian) in 21 ; geometry in 25, (average nearly 6) and algebra in 22, (average nearly 7.) As regards the usual branches bf common school education, nearly all were advanced in arithmetic beyond proportion; were learning geography, and parsing easy English sentences; most were writing small hand, and some were writing exercises in English composition. I have already remarked that I have included in my estimates only those supposed to be reading the " t th and "th books of lessons."
4. Methods of instruction.-One of the most important elements to be considered in forming an opinion on the condition of a public school and the effects it may be likely to produce in advancing the cause of popular education, is the mide in which the instruction is communicated, and the school governed. It is by no means sufficient that a certain amount of information shall be given in the different branches, but it must be given ius such a way as to train the various mental powers and to form the character properly. In this respect there is considerable deficiency ; with a few exceptions the style of teaching is by no means intellectualtoo much dependence being placed on text-books and the recitation of lessons committed to memory; in many instances by no means sufficient attention has been paid to the inculcation of the habits of neatness, regularity, and order, so especially necessary in the training of youth. This was more particularly evident in the state of school houses and furniture, which were frequently in a dirty and slovenly condition: the desks and seats cut and hacked with knives, and the
apparatus very much abused. Still the general condition of the schools is not discouraging ; some, indeed, I do not think, will ever flourish as grammar schools, -the localities in which they are established not affording materials for that description of schuol ; the others, however, seem to be commencing a career of improvement. The rod has in a great measure been superseded by a mode of government more kindly and more efficacious in the formation of character; in several instarces also intellectual teaching has been fairly introduced and first principles inculcated, while a growing taste for a superior style of education is beginning to be manifested.
5. Religitus exercises.-In all the schools with six exceptions, religious exercises have been introduced, consisting of daily prayer and the reading of the Scriptures.
6. Books and apparatus.-Another circumstance materially affecting the well-being of the schools is the supply of books and apparatus. As regards the former, their condition was satisfactory;-but in large maps suitable for teaching the rudiments of geography, there was a considerable deficiency, many schools being altogether dependent on small atlases, brought by the pupils, and altogether unfit for use in the simultaneous method of teaching. One school was without apparatus of any description; 9 had black boards only; 15 had in addition to black boards, tellurians, orreries, Holbrook's apparatus, or globes; and 2 had some chemical apparatus also.
7. Houses and furniture.-Of the schoolhouses, 17 were built for school purposes, and several of them, which were spacious and substantial buildings, may be classed as good; 10 were somewhat inferior; and one, a very old wooden building, could scarcely be considered habitable. Nine schools were carried on in premises rented for the purpose, and were in most instances totally unfit. In many cases the grounds attached to the school-houses was partially or entirely unfenced, and the sheds or out offices in a shameful state of neglect. Even in the neatest premises, I saw no attempt at ornament: not a tree, shrub, or flower to awaken or cultivate a taste so simple and natural, and so easily gratified in rural districts ;still it would be unjust not to advert to the liberality exhibited in the erection of many of these buildings. The furniture even in the best of them was by no means deserving of similar commendation, the desks being constructed on a bad principle with a view to economy, and in many instances, as I have already stated, shamefully abused.
8. Salaries. - So far as I could ascertain, the average salary to the head-masters was about $£ 170$ per annum, the highest being somewhat under $£ 300$. In 16 instances these salaries were guaranteed to the teachers by the trustees, who paid them out of the government grants and the school fees, which varied in general between 7s. 6 d . and $£ 15 \mathrm{~s}$. per quarter. In two instances a portion of the requisite sums was made up by taxation or assessment, and in one instance some pupils were : admitted gratis-this was a union school. In the other cases the teachers received the government money and made what they could in addition by the school fees.
9. Trustees and dificulties.-It is much to be regretted that the trustees, usually gentlemen of intelligence and education, including most of the ministers of religion in each locality, do not visit more constantly. Some of these gentlemen with whom I had an opportunity of communicating, took a deep interest in the schools, and the results were in all cases beneficial. Even under the most favorable circumstances, difficulties are to be encountered; occasional apathy on the part of parents; an unwise regard to economy; and sometimes attachment to a particular teacher, in consequence of which a mischievous opposition is created and supported; but above all a want of power in the trustees to raise funds, so that they are dopendent on other bodies in this most important particular.
10. Suggestions.-These schools, as I have already hinted, unavoidably partake somewhat of the character of common schools. They should however be viewed as a very important element in a great scheme of national education; they have prepared students in many instances for the universities and for the study of the law, and thus form a link between the former and the common schools; hence unity of action is as essentially necessary in their organization, government, and mode of teaching as in the arrangement of the studies to be pursued in them. The expediency of adopting such a system of discipline and teaching, as will tend to forward the great end of education-the formation of character for the duties of after life-is now generally acknowledged by all enlightened educationists, aud the importance of such a system is amply proved by the mischief perpetually arising from neglect or ignorance of it. This is not the place to enter into a minute enquiry into the principles upon which correct school goverument and effective intellectual teaching should be based, nor would it be easy to devise a plan by means of which any satisfactory arrangement on these points could be disseminated for general adoption; the subject, however, is one of the highest importance and deserving of the gravest consideration from the council of public instruction. It is much to be regretted also that greater attention is not paid to the internal state of many of the houses, the condition of the furniture, apparatus, grounds, out houses and. fences, as great neglect is observable occasionally in these particulars; and finally it is much to be wished that more power should be placed in the hands of the trustees so as to enable them more effectually to carry out the objects of the law by applying the requisite remedies to the defects at present existing, whose removal is their especial duty.

1 have the honor to be, sir,
Your very obedient servant,
(Signed, THOS. J. ROBERTSON, Inspector of Grammar Schools.
The Reverend
Egerton Ryerson, D. D.
Chief Superintendent of Education.

No. 2. The Grammar Schools of the Western Section of Upper Canada; by the Reverend Wiluan Ormiston, M. A., Inspector of Grammar Schools.

## Torontio, 15th March, 1856.

Sir,-In addition to the special report upon each of the grammar schools, which I have already transmitted to you, 1 have the honor also to present this general report upon the sta!e of the grammar schools, in the western section of Upper Canada, for the year 1855.

And in doing so, I cannot refrain from expressing the satisfaction which it affords me; because I feel convinced, that notwithstanding the many discouraging facts which it truthfully records, and the urgent necessity for immediate improvement in many cases which it exhibits, the report, on the whole, furnishes the most gratifying evidence of a growing desire, on the part of the people, for the advantages of a liberal and more advanced education; constitutes a reasonable and valid ground of high expectations for the future, and cannot fail to afford sincere gratification to every lover of his country.

It may be necessary here also to state that the schools were visited chiefly during the months of October and November, a season when the average attendance, is reported as lower than during other terms, and within a few months after the new regulations for grammar schools came into force.

I propose to arrange this report under several distinct heads.

1. Analysis and classification of the Schools.-Hitherto many things have operated against the prosperity of the grammar schools and have prevented them from filling their proper place, as the connecting link between the Common School and the University, by extending the training aequired in the one to a proper preparation for the higher discipline of the other. In addition to the causes mentioned in the report of 1854,-the utter absenee of any recognized system in the management of the schools; their official isolation from all other educational institutions ; and their restricted sources of support,-I would notice the fact that, in many cases, they had assumed the functions, and sustained the character of mere common schools, without even efficiently performing their duties, and hence had fallen into merited disrepute and consequent neglect. Nor is it to be denied that their want of success, in some cases, arose from incompetency or inefficiency on the part of the masters, and the casual neglect of the trustees.

Since the enactment of the last grammar school law, however, and the introduction of the regulations adopted by the Council of Public Instruction, these difficulties have been partially abviated; a very large number of the schools are now arranged and conducted according to the prescribed programme, and the pupils in all are examined before admittance; hence the status of the schools is very much raised. Several changes for the better have also been made in the masters, and a more uniform class of text-books are being rapidly and generally introduced, and also in not a few instances, a more adequate supply of maps and apparatus has been procured.

Of the thirty-seren schools established in the counties, visited by me, two had never been opened, four had been discontinued, and four were without masters; so that there were only 27 in actual operation when visited.

Daring the year three new schools have been opened: one in Berlin, one in Brampton and one in Dundas; while two have been closed: one in Caledonia, and one in Hamilton. The latter in all probability soon again to be reopened.

There are seven union schools, but as they have been in operation only for a short time, it is premature to speak much of their success. I would remark, however, that, in most, the union is more nominal than real, each department being under separate, distinct and, not unfrequently, quite dissimilar management; and except so far as raising funds are concerned, the schools are just as they: were when under the control of two distinct boards of trustees.

In order to ensure success in any union school, I would recommend that the entire school, whether in the same, or in separate buildings, be placed under the same system of discipline, and that the several departments be arranged with reference to each other, a proper gradation of classes being adopted.

In eight of the sehools, besides the union schools, more masters than one are employed, so that sufficient time and attention may be devoted to the several subjects taught, and a higher degree of proficiency attained.

A few of the schools are so badly attended and so indifferently taught, that unless a speedy improvement takes place in both respects, it were better that they should be discontinued for a time. Those which have been already closed, are not likely soon to be reopened, nor is this a matter to be deeply regretted, as it will tend more to the progress of a higher education, that the character and position of those already in operation be elevated, than that their number be increased at the expense of their efficiency.

On the whole, although the general character of the schools is by no means; all that it should be, yet through the ability and energy of some of the masters, and the active cooperation of the trustees, a gcodly number of them have attained a position of respectability and usefulness, while not a few, manifest tokens of imme: diate improvement and future excellence.
2. Teaching and Discipline.-Of the 27 head-masters actually engaged, 9 are graduates of British Universities, 8 of Canadian Universities, 2 of American Universities, 5 not graduates, but employed by the trustees before the present Act came in force, 1 licensed by the Board of examiners, 2 not legally qualified at that time.

The modes of teaching, are as might be expected in the circumstances, very various, and in most cases, neither so interesting, instructive nor intellectual as they might be,-the direct object being evidently more to impart a certain amount of information upon a given subject, than to develop, and strengthen the faculties of the mind; hence the memory is cultivated at the expense of the judgment, and the pupils are required to repeat rather than reason, to quote rules and cite formularies, rather than to explain and investigate them. To this, however, there are several noble exceptions, where the mode of teaching is well adapted to secure both the ends contemplated in scholastic discipline,-the acquisition of useful knowladge, and the attainment of mental power.

The discipline of the schools, though necessarily various in method, is, on the whole, good and healthful in its effects, and with few exceptions is paternal, kindly, and morally elevating. The rod is altogether laid aside in many of the schools. and rarely used otherwise than sparingly in any of them, an appeal to the sense, of honor and the feeling of moral obligation proving more successsful than a frequent infliction of corporal chastisement.

In nearly all the schools, Prayers are offered, and the Scriptures are read. .In many no little pains are taken to instil into the minds of the pupils correct principles, and to awaken in their hearts, pure, generous, honorable and patriotic sentiments ; besides, a very large proportion of the trustees are ministers of the gospel, and necessarily exert a most salutary influence over the moral discipline of the schools.
3. Pupils.-By a reference to the tables appended to the special report, it will be observed that the entire number of pupils in attendance at the time ofmy visits: was 800 , and that 400 of these were engaged in the study of the classics, over 300 in algebra and geometry, and 90 in French.

It will also be observed that, although a majority of the schools have not been in operation more than five years, and many of them have been still more recently opened,-apart from the school in Toronto, which has partially trained a large number who have gone to Upper Canada College, or the University,-between 40 and 50 students have been prepared to enter various colleges: 20 have entered the University of Toronto, and 18 have entered Trinity College, 4 have gone to Victoria, 2 to Queen's and a few to American colleges. Besides a large number have been prepared for their entrance examination as students of law or medicine.

The average number in attendance for each school, is nearly 30 ; average number of classical pupils for each school about 15. Many of those not in classics are prosecuting more advanced English studies.

The attendance generally was reported as regular and punctual, though not so numerous, as prior to the carrying out of the late regulation, making an entrance examination necessary.

In 8 of the schools female pupils are admitted, and in several a goodly number of young men were in attendance.

I think it would tend greatly to increase the attendance at the grammar schools were it generally known, that their students may be prepared to compete as candidates for the Scholarships offered by the University.*
4. Houses and apparatus.-The school houses generally, either as regards external appearance, or internal accommodation, are by no means commendadble. Very many of them are inferior to the common schools. In most cases the premises present a dull, unthrifty and unattractive aspect, destitute alike of ornament and convenience," without fence, shed or well, tree, shrub or flower, while withib; an entire lack of maps, charts and apparatus, is, with too few exceptions, the general rule.

[^21]In those places, however, where houses have been lately erected, or are now being erected, the houses are both handsome and commodious, and properly furnished.

The 31 schools may be classed as follows : having good houses, 9 ; tolerable, 6; bad, 8: places where no house has yet been built, the school being kept in temporary apartments, 5 ; houses in process of erection,.3.

In four instances, the premises are sufficiently extensive to supply apartments for a residence to the master, while in others the master has to furnish the public class room, as well as his own private dwelling.

The main cause of the present state of the school houses with their appurtenances, is the fact that the trustees have had no power to raise funds otherwise than by school fees for tuition; and the county councils have generally regarded the grammar schools more in the light of a local than of a general benefit, and hence have not very liberally provided means for their support.

In a few counties, however, liberal appropriations have been made in support of grammar schools, while several towns where they are located have also contributed funds fur the erection or repair of the necessary buildings and for salaries of the teachers.
5. Salaries and fees.-The salaries of some of the masters is fixed at a certain sum, per annum ; of others, it varies as the attendance.

Of the 27 head-masters, 8 are in receipt of salaries under $£ 150 ; 12$, from $£ 150$ to $£ 200 ; 10$, from 200 to $250 ; 5$, from 250 to 300.

The average salary for each is about $£ 180$ per annum.
In some schools a uniform school rate is imposed upon all the pupils, and in others a graduated scale of fees is adopted. The fees per quarter vary from 5s. to 50 s . The latter sum is charged only in one instance. The average fee per quarter for each pupil, as nearly as can be ascertained, is about 17 s .6 d .
6. Trustees.-As the duties imposed by statute upon the boards of trustees are highly important, the efficiency and success of the schools depend very much upon the manner and spirit in which they are discharged. It is therefore the more gratifying to learn, that, generally, individuals well qualified both by education and position have been appointed to that trust. Of the trustees of the 31 schools,

63 are Clergymen,
20 are Physicians,
6 Members of Parliament,
40 Magistrates and county officials, and
57 Of various vocations.
All of whom constitute a large body of educated and influential men who are not only deeply interested in the success of the schools, but actively engaged in promoting their prosperity. And though hitherto, some have not felt so lively an interest in the schools under their charge as could be wished, (which indifference has arisen mainly from the fact that the trustees have had no power to raise funds to carry out their wishes in reference to the schools,) yet-now, a more earnest and
energetic spirit has begun to be manifested,-the immediate effects of which are already apparent in the improved condition of many of the schools; while its ultimate results can scarcely be estimated.
7. Suggestions.-In conclusion, I would respectfully suggest that it would render the present grammar school law much more efficient, were some change introduced in the mode of raising funds for the support of the schools.

Either that the municipal councils be required as well as authorized to raise the requisite monies on the order of the trustees; or that the boards of trustees themselves, be invested with the same powers, as are now possessed by the trustees of common schools, for the purpose of raising funds for the erection, repairs and maintenance of the schools.

It would also be well, if something like a basis of union, or plan of procedure, were furnished to those schools with which the common schools are united, as there appears to be no little difficulty in forming the union, and in amicably and successfully carrying it out.

It is also exceedingly desirable that all possible efforts be made, to securs a greater uniformity, both in the modes of teaching and discipline in the schools.

Nor can I refrain from expressing the regret which I feel, that as yet so little attention seems to have been paid to the external appearance of the school. houses, and the outside appendages. It would add but little to the cost, and much to the comfort, the respectability and the usefulness of such schools, were the ground around them neatly fenced, and properly laid out, and plantediwith a few shrubs and flowers; and were they also furnished with sheds, out-houses and wells,

- and, where practicable, a play ground.

It is to be hoped, however, as the public taste in this respect is rapidly improving, that the schools will not long be neglected.

> I have the honor to be, sir, Your obedient servant, $$
\text { (Signed,) W. ORMISTON, }
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## The Reverend

Egerton Ryerson, D. D., Chief Superintendent of Education.

## Appendix C.

THE NORMAL AND MODEL SCHOOLS FOR UPPER CANADA.

## No. 1. Terms of Admission into the Normal School, Toronto, adopted by the Council of Public Instruction for Upper Canada.

The Council of Public Instruction, anxious to adopt such measures as appear best calculated to render the training of the Normal School as thorough as possible, and to diffuse its advantages over every county in Upper Canada as equally and as widely as possible, adopts the following regulations in regard to the duration of the future sessions of the Normal School, and the mode and terms of admitting and facilitating the attendance of students at that institution.

Ordered, I. That the semi-annual sessions of the Normal School shall commence on the 15th day of May, and the 15th day of November of each year, [and if those fall upon Sunday, the day following,] and continue for a period of five months each-to be concluded by a public examination and followed by a vacation of one month.
II. [1]--That no male student shall be admitted under eighteen years of age, nor a female;jstudent under the age of sixteen years. [2]-Those admitted must produce a certificate of good moral character, dated within at least three months of its presentation, and signed by the clergyman or minister of the religious persuasion with which they are connected; [3]-they must be able to read and write intelligibly, and be acquainted with the simple rules of arithmetic, and with the elements of geography and English grammar; [4]-must sign a declaration of their intention to devote themselves to the profession of school-teaching, and that their object in coming to the Normal School is to qualify themselves better for the important duties of that profession.
III. That upon these conditions, candidates for school-teaching shall be admitted to the advantages of the institution without any charge, either for tuition, the use of the library, or for the books which they may be required to use in the school.
IV. That the teachers-in-training shall board and lodge in the city, in such houses, and under such regulations as are approved of by the Council of Public Instruction.
V. That a sum at the rate of five shillings per wees, (payable at the end of the session) shall be allowed to each teacher-in-training, who, at the end of the first session, shall be entitled to a provincial certificate.

YI. That all candidates for admission into the Normal School must present themselvon during the irst weak of thesession, otherwise they cannot be admitted;
and their continuance in the school is conditional upon their diligence, progress, and observance of the general regulations prescribed by this council.
VII. That all communications be addressed to the Reverend Dr. Ryreson, Chief Superintendent of Education, Toronto.

## No. 2. Provincial certificates granted by the Chief Superintendent of Education.

The Chief Superintendent of Education, on the recommendation of the Masters of the Normal School, and under the authority of the following section of the Upper Canada School Act of 1850, 13th and 14th Vict., chap. 48, has granted the undermentioned students of the Normal School, Provincial Certificates of qualification as Common School Teachers in any part of Upper Canada :
XLIV. And be it enacted, 'l'hat it may and shall be lawful for the Chief Superintendent of Schools, on the recommendation of the Teachers in the Normal School, to give to any teacher of Common Schools a certificate of qualification, which shall be valid in any part of Upper Canada, until revoked according to law : Provided always, that no such certificate shall be given to any person who shall not have been a student in the Normal School.

The certificates are divided into classes, in accordance with the general programme according to which all teachers in Upper Canada are required to be examined and classified, and are valid until revoked.

Each certificate is numbered and recorded in the register of the Department in the following order :

Ninth Session, 1852-53.—Dated 18th June, 1853.

| First Class. Males. | First Ciass-(Continued.) 16. Patrick O'Brien. | Second Class-(Continued.) <br> 31. Minnie Robertson. |
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| 1. Archibald Macallum. | Second Class | 32. Anne Siggins. |
| 2. John Herbert Sangster. | Males. | 33. Emily M. Clark. |
| 3. Samson Paul Robins. | 17. William Taylor Boy | 84. Lydia L. Hagar. |
| Females. | 18. Robert Archd. Campbell | 35. Elizabeth Maria Magan. |
| 4. Dorcas Clark. | 19. John Simmons. | 36. Amanda Walker. |
| 5. Catharine Johnson. | 20. William Vardon. | 37. Eliza J. Farland. |
| 6. Anna Mills Morrison. | 21. Neil Mc'Taggart. | 38. Azubab Hagar. |
| 7. Marie E. Toof. | 22. Francis Rae. | 39. Melissa Smith. |
| 8. Huldah L. Whitcomb. | 23. John Clarke. | 40. Phobe Louisa Sharp. |
| Hales. | 24. Obtained First Class, 167. | 41. Christina Anne Hendry. |
| 9. Alexandor Martin. | Females. | 42. Ellen Daniell. |
| 10. Warren Rock. | 25. Anna Flemming. | 43. Elizabeth Bell. |
| 11. Benjamin Charlton. | 26. Elizabeth R. Robinson. | 44. Emily Rice. |
| 12. Samuel Rathwell. | 27. Jennette Gray Foster. | 45. Martha Hoig. |
| 13. Henry T. B. deScudamore. | 28. Jane Smith. | 46 to 72, Third Class Certif- |
| 14. William Warren Trull, | 29. Rose Saunders. | cates, expired on the lst |
| 15. Griffin Patrick Lanon. | 30. Elizz Barber. | July, 1854. |

Tenth Session, 1853.-Dated 18th October, 1853.

| First Class. | Second Class-(Continued.) | Second Class-(Continued.) |
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| Males. | 92. Robert Gibbs. | 115. William Montgomery. |
| 73. Michael Joseph Kelly. | 93. William Stewart. | 116. Charles Hankinson. |
| 74. John Gilmore Malcolm. | 94. John Roberts. | 117. James Evans. |
| 75. Lachlan Kennedy. | 95. Obtained First Class, 310. | 118. Charles Clark |
| 76. Robert McGee. | 96. William Abercrombie. | 119. Richard Hill. |
| 77. William Smith. | 97. Augustine McDonell. | 120. Joseph Ede. |
| 78. George Murray. | 98. Hugh McDougall. | 121. Thomas Connell. |
| 79. Abraham W. Lawder. | 99. William Henry Bly. | 122. Obtained First Class, 224. |
| 80. Samuel Robins. | 100. Obtained First Class, 307. |  |
| $F$ Females. | 101. James Draper. | Females. |
| 81. Lydia Louisa Lyons. | 102. Martin Phillips. | 123. Obtained First Class, 159. |
| 82. Mary McCracken. | 103. Angus McDonald. | 124. Obtained First Class, 232. |
| 83. Lydia Anne Appleton. | 104. James Moriarty. | 125. Ellen Hoig. |
| 84. Elizabeth Coote. | 105. Ichabod S. Bowern | 126. Caroline A. |
| 85. Jane Foster. | 106. Thomas M. Bowerman. <br> 107. Obtained First Class, 212. | 127. Delia Andrews Master 128. Julia Ann Robertson. |
| Second Class. | 108. Robert Hay. | 129. Helen Campbell. |
| Males. | 109. William McKay. | 130. Sophrona Andevon Mills. |
| 86. Timothy Newman. | 110. Robert Hellyer. | 131. Lydia Eleanior Howard. |
| 87. David Misener. | 111. Robert Logan. | 132. Fanny Higgins. |
| 88. Robert Wilson. | 112. Jacob Choate Maguire. | 133. Sarah Bowes. |
| 89. David Ludgate Williams. | 113. Thomas Hume. | 134 to 150, Third Class Certifo |
| 90. Phineas Will. | 114. Joseph Warren. | expired on the $10^{\text {d }}$ |
| 91. Asa Beverly Danard. |  | Novenier, 1854. |

Eleventh Session, 1853-54.-Dated 20th April, 1854.
First Class. Smcond Class-(Continued.) Second Class-(Continued.)

Females.
151. Mary Adams.
152. Emily Howard Jennings.
153. Eliza Wilson Keddie.
154. Julia Anne Robinson.
155. Jane Smith.
156. Mary Stephens.
157. Josephine Storrie.
158. Mary E. Sudborough.
159. Margaret Sweeney.
160. Maria Louisa Williams. Males.
161. Charles Bannister.
162. Francis Wesley Bird.
163. Coleman Bristol.
164. William Caulton.
165. Daniel Chisholm.
166. Alfred Ernest Ecroyd.
167. John Elson.
168. James B. Gray.
169. Thomas Ferguson McLean.
170. William Noden.

Sucond Class.
Females.
171. Jane Anderson.
172. Sarah Bales
173. Harriet Bowes.
174. Same as 133.
175. Margaret Burgess.
176. Margaret Buyers.
177. Sarah Carr.
178. Obtained First Class, 266.
198. Elizabeth Stevens.
199. Adeline Stone.
200. Elizabeth Van Every.
201. Cecilia M.A.Walkingshaw
202. Mary Anne Wilson.
179. Esther Clarke.
180. Mary Coady.

Males.
181. Nay Cody. 20.. Johi Ransome Brow
181. Obtained First Class, 268. 205. Peter C. Blaicher.
182. Obtained First Class, 269. 206. John Coyne.
183. Kate Higgins.
207. John D'Evelyn.
184. Anna Maria Holmes.
208. Gilbert Goldsmith.
185. Obtained First Class, 229. 209. Silas Hollingshead.
186. Anne Eliza Jackson.
187. Isabella Johnson.
188. Catharine Junor.
189. Harriet Evelyn Kennedy.
190. Margery Muter Kennedy.
191. Melissa McCrady.
192. Christy McLennan.
193. Margaret McNaughton.
194. Obtained First Class, 372.
195. Mary Shearer.
196. Margaret Shrigley.
197. Lizanna S. Snyder.
210. Edward Jamieson.
211. Obtained First Class, 262.
212. James Martin.
213. John McNaughton.
214. Samuel Megaw.
215. Thaddeus 0 'Connor.
216. John S. Oliver.
217. William Plunkett.
218. Parmenius Reynolds.
219. Robert Somerville.
220. William Stevens.
221. John Terrill.

Twelfth Session, 1854.-Dated 16th October, 1854.

## First Class. <br> Males.

222. Francis Josiah Craig.
223. Ninian Leander Holmes.
224. David Kelly.
225. James McBrien.
226. John McLean.
227. John Patton.
228. George Rose. Females.
229. Elizabeth Hughes.
230. Grace Anastasia Magan.
231. Elizabeth McNaught.
232. Sarah Birch Quinn.
233. Sarah Agnes Robinson.

## Second Class. <br> Males.

234. George Abraham Barkley. 249. William Weir.
235. Allan Chisholm.
236. Absalom Dingman.
237. William Douglas.
238. Obtained First Class, 354. 252. Obtained First Class, 267.
239. Amos Gould.
240. William Hackett.
241. John Adame Hurlburt.
242. Alexander McKay.
243. Davis McKee.
244. Alexander McPherson.
245. Samuel Nash.
246. Richard William Scott.
247. James Stephens.

Sxcord Cuass-(Continued)
248. James D. Trousdale.

## Females.

250. Same as 171.
251. Agnes Armstrong.
252. Susan Dorothy.
253. Alice Foggin.
254. Elizabeth McDonald.
255. Margaret Teresa Mcllderry.
256. Jane Mowatt.
257. Arnie Preston.
258. Obtained First Class, 374.
259. Obtained First Class, 367.
260. Caroline Wilkinson.

Thirteenth Session, 1854-55.-Dated 18th April, 1855.

First Class. Males.
262. John Livingstone.
263. James McGrigor.
264. Archibald McMurchy.
265. Donald Munn. Females.
266. Catharine Cattanach.
267. Helen Elizabeth Clark.
268. Mary Anne Decow.
269. Rebecca Decow.
270. Harriet Anne Lind.
271. Mary Anne Murray.
272. Henrietta Shenick.

## Second Class. <br> Males.

273. Joseph Fellows Adams.
274. Obtained First Class, 356. 291. Elizabeth Campbell 275. William Reader Bigg.
275. Peter Campbell.
276. Edmund Peter Costello.
277. Edward Lee Forsyth.
278. Henry Gick.
279. Alexander McKenzie.
280. Colin McKerchar.
281. James Minions.
282. John Morton.
283. Thomas Plunket.
284. John Horton Wright. Females.
285. Matilda Backhouse.
286. Obtained First Class, 320.
287. Mary Frances Brown.
288. Elizabeth Campbell.

Second Class.-(Continued.) Second Class.-(Continued.
286. Anne Musgrove Armstrong. 304. Adeline Van Every.
287. Emma Arnold. 305. Emmeline Van Every.
292. Angeline Brown Ford.
293. Sarah Anne Fuller.
294. Obtained First Class,317.
295. Lydia Sophia Munday.
296. Juliana Myers.
297. Louisa Porter.
298. Mary Purter.
299. Anne Jane Quinn.
300. Adelaide Rogers.
301. Mary Sheppard.
302. Esther Sudborough.
303. Mary Anne Sweony.

First Class.
Male.
306. John Raine.

Fourteenth Session, 1855.-Dated 15th October, 1855.

First Class.
Mfales.
307. William Carlyle.
308. David Ormiston.
309. John Harris Comfort.
310. John Jessup.
311. William Henry King.
312. Bernard Kerr.
313. David Blair.
314. Alexander Lester.
315. John Taylor.

First Cliass. Srcond Class-(Continued.)
Fenales.
323. Alexander Campbell.
316. Josephine Witmore Clark. 324. Henry Clarke.
317. Kate Gunn.
318. Elizabeth Adams.
319. Emmeline Shadd.
320. Mary Brown.

Second Casss.
Males.
321. Andrew Allison.
322. James Bowerman.
325. James Hay, Junior.
326. Duncan Orane.
327. Same as 240.
328. James Keating.
329. John McPherson.
830. Alex. Campbell Osborne.
331. Gilbert Platt.
332. Samson Roberta.
Second Class.-(Continued.) Second Class.-(Continued.): Segond Class.-(Continued.)

Male.
333. Samuel Simpson.
334. David Johnston.
335. William Bernard Danard.
336. Heary Hicks.
337. Thomas Steele.
338. Alexander Thompson.

Females.
339. Eleanor Leach.
340. Elizabeth Eleanor Kennedy.347. Henrietta.Simpson.
341. Obtained First Class, 360.348. Susannah Robinson.
342. Elmira Flood. 349. Amelia Robertson.
343. Obtained First Claiss, 363.350. Sarah Elizabeth Tewksbury:
344. Sophia Caroline McLean. Male.
345. Margaret Catharine Mc-351. John Kellock.

Fifteenth Session, 1855-56.-Dated 15th April, 1856.

First Class. Males.
1st Division A.
352. Alexander Black.
353. James Carlyle.
354. David Fotheringham.
355. John Hunter. 2nd Division B.
356. Robert Alexander. 3rd Division c.
357. Stephen Dadson.
358. Lewis Corydon Moore.
359. Abraham Pratt. $\boldsymbol{F}$ emales.
1st Division $\Delta$.
360. Mary Foster.
361. Fanny Gordon.
362. Margaret Irvine.
363. Mary Lester. 2nd Division B.
364. Charlotte Madeline Church-389. George Smith. ill.
365. Mary Turner Hoig.
366. Catherine Magan.
367. Nancy Strickland.
srd Division c.
368. Jane Bettie.
369. Mary Ann Gill.
370. Mary Houlding.
371. Sarah Ann Pickersgill.
372. Lucinda Piper.
373. Adeline Shenick.
374. Margaret Strickland.

First Class-(Continued.)
375. Catherine Walker. 376. Isabella Walker.

Second Class Males.
1st Division $A$.
377. Justin Badgero.
378. William Dodds.
379. Thomas Goouch.
380. Thomas Green.

2nd Division B.
381. John Brown.
382. Robert Brown.
383. John Cameron.
384. George Husband.
385. John Mitchell.
386. William Ruthven.
387. Benjamin Shirreff.
388. Charles Shortt.
390. Hugh Thompson. 3rd Division c .
391. David Brown.
392. Dugald Livingstone.
393. Alexander McGregor.
394. Duncan McIntyre.
395. William Milliken.
396. Samuel Moyer.

Females.
1st Division A.

Srcond Class-(Continued.)
398. Eliza Anne Crawford.
399. Susan Hamilton.
400. Amy Caroline Jones.
401. Catherine McNeice.
402. Anne Maria Paul. 403. Anne Wharin. 2nd Division B. 404. Martha Andrews. 405. Elizabeth Buchanan. 406. Mary Avis Dew. 407. Catherine Kennedy. 408. Hannah Clarinda Kerr. 409. Jane McLean. 410. Mary Maria Marlatt. 411. Margaret Murchison. 412. Fanny Rutledge.
413. Catherine Ryan.
414. Mary Anne Sinclair.
415. Agnes Sweetin.
srd Division $\mathbf{e}$.
416. Rachel Harley.
417. Margaret Hunter.
418. Margaret Jack.
419. Mary Kerr.
420. Mary McLellan.
421. Mary Ann Minshall.
422. Catharine Mulhern.
423. Esther Rich.
424. Hannah Robertson.
425. Annie Webster.

Certificates granted
Expired ..... 44
Obtained higher Certificates ..... 22
Obtained second Certificates in the same Class. ..... 3

## No. 3. Normal School Examination Papers.

EDUCATION AND THE ART OF TEACHING.

1. What is education?
2. How will a correct knowledge on this point influence methods of teaching and school management?
3. Is the giving of premiums judicious or otherwise? Give reasons.
4. Should school premises be kept in a neat and orderly condition. -Is it advisable to ornament the grounds? Give reasons.
5. What is the best method of preserving attention in a class?
6. Plan and fit out a school house for 50 children, and then prepare them for the commencement of business.

## ENGLISH GRAMMAR.

1. What is grammar?
2. What are the two authorities by which grammatical questions should be decided?
3. What department of grammar treats of the pronunciation of words 3: Define that department.
4. Name and define the parts of which an assertion must be composed, and state whether this is necessary in other languages, and if so, why?
5. In what does perfection in language consist ?
6. What species of proposition must be found in every sentence, and why ?
7. State the different complements that may be attached to the three principal parts of speech.
8. In what ways do verbs vary their terminations?
9. What is necessary for good reading?
10. State the general rules for emphasis in reading?
11. What is meant by stops or pauses in reading ; where should they occur?
12. "These books were not made use of."

Parse the dashed words.
13. Prove by examples that the infinitive mood is a noun.
14. What part of the verb is the apparent infinitive mood, when it occurs after the verb "toibe?"
15. Give the roots, prefixes and affixes of the following words: "Conference," "Exclusiveness," "Retention," "Applause," "Affinity,"-and give the English derivations from "duco" and "scribo."

16th.-1. Restored to life, one pledge of former joy,
2. One source of bliss to come, remains, her boy;
3. Sweet in her eye the cherished infant rose,
4. At once the seal and solace of her woes;
8. When the pale widow clasped him to her breast,
6. Warm gushed the tears that would not be repressed;
7. In lonely anguish, when the truant child
8. Leaped o'er the thresh-hold, all the mother smiled.

Write the above in prose, parse the words in italics; give the grammatical sabject and predicate of each proposition; give the principal word in each predicate ; change the construction of "restored," "clasped " and "would be repressed."
17. "The trade winds and monsoons are permanent, depending on the apparent motion of the sun; but it is evident from theory, that there must be partial winds, in all parts of the earth occasioned by the local circumstances that affect the temperature of the air."

Parse the words in italics.
What duty is performed by the proposition "that there must be \&c.?"

## ENGLISH COMPOSITION.

Write short essays on any of the following subjects:

1. The relations which bind the British Colonies to the mother country.
2. The advantages of the study of history.
3. Enthusiasm.
4. Account of a voyage from London to Constantinople.
5. The Crusades.
6. A letter applying for a situation in a school.

GENERAL EISTORY.

1. Of what does history treat?
2. What date is assigned to the flood ?
3. Which were the earliest political estates in the world after that event ?
4. Give the date of Solomon, King of Israel, and name the principal nations known to history in his time.
5. In what conditions were these nations as regards independence when Rome was founded?
6. State the principal wars in Grecian history between 500 and 300 years before Christ, with the statesmen, orators and warriors that flourished in each.
7. In what condition were Babylon, Nineveh and Egypt probably, as regards independence, when Solon was promulgating his laws in Greece?
8. Who constituted the second triamvirate and what broke it up ?
9. Describe in generai terms the boundaries of the Roman Empire in the time of Augustus.
10. What kingdoms sprang up on the destruction of the Western Roman Empire ?
11. Name the four great dynasties that ruled in France with the date of the commencement of each.
12. State two remarkable events in the history of Europe during the tenth century, with the dates.
13. Name the principal events in the history of the world during the fifteenth century.
14. Name the most celebrated European sovereigns of the sixteenth century giving the date of each, and connect the date of one of them with some remarkable fact in the history of America.
15. Connect the preaching of Luther in point of time with some event in Asiatic History.
16. Name any remarkable events in the history of Europe during the seventeenth century.
17. Name the principal events of the eighteenth century, stating the connexion between them if any, and describe some of their most remarkable results.
18. Name the principal nations that form the Anglo-Saxon race-the countries they come from, and the period when each began to be mingled with the others.
19. Who was the first king of England? Give the date,-name two other celebrated monarchs cotemporary with him or nearly?
20. Was the last Plantagenet to any extent Saxon by descent, and how?
21. Did any celebrated literary characters flourish during the Plantagenet period and in whose reigns?
22. From whom were the Lancastrian princes descended ?
23. Had the Yorkists or Lancastrians the better title to the crown? State why.
24. Was the death of Henry V an advantage to England or not? State why.
25. What circumstances gave rise to the wars of the Roses?
26. Was Henry VII in any respect a Plantagenet, and if so, how 1
27. What great events agitated the world during the times of the Tudors,had the history of these times any and what connexion with Canada?
28. Who were Mary of Scotland and Lady Jane Grey?
29. What sovereigns reigned in England during the reign of Lonis XIV of France, and with which of them was he more immediately connected?
30. Trace the descent of Queen Victoria from the Tudors.
31. State in narrative order six remarkable facts in Canadian History with their dates.

## GEOGRAPHY.

1. Of what does Mathematical Geography treat?
2. What alteration in the position of the Globe would require the tropics to be drawn 5 degrees from the equator; and what change would there be produced in the polar circles?
3. What occasions the inequality of the days and nights; and why are they always equal at the equator?
4. Of what does Physical Geography treat?
5. Describe the chief physical features and divisions of South America?
6. Name the principal ancient divisions of Asia West of the Indus?
7. Name the states of ancient Greece with their relative positions ?
8. Name the countries through which you should pass in travelling in a direct line from Archangel to Gibraltar ?
9. Sketch the physical characteristics of the Islands that constitute Polynesia?
10. Sketch the physical and political geography of Canada?
11. Describe the physical divisions of North and South America as marked by rivers and mountain systems, with the chief political divisions in each?
12. The same for Asia?

## ARITHMETIC.

## 2nd Division.

J. Define arithmetic, a unit and number.
2. Explain the system of notation.
3. Wherein do the simple and compound rules differ? Explain.

- 4. Define and illustrate reduction.

5. Define, exemplify and classify the different kinds of fractions.
6. What is meant by the greatest common measure, and shew how it can be obtained ?
7. What determines the name of a product, of a quotient and why ?
8. Define and illustrate ratio and proportion, and give a rule for finding either of the 4 proportionals.
9. Divide $£ 250$ among 2 men, 3 women and 4 boys, and give each man twice as much as a woman, and each woman thrice as much as a boy. What is each person's share?
10. Find the value of the expression $\left(\frac{3}{32}+\frac{2}{3}\right.$ of $\left.7 \frac{1}{2}-\frac{85}{22}\right) \div 2 \frac{2}{3}$.
11. Reduce 11 s . $3 \frac{1}{2}$ d. to the decimal of a $\mathscr{E}$; and 3 qrs .24 oz . to the decimal of a ton.
12. It is required to divide 207 into 3 parts, which shall be to each other a $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{3}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$.
13. Find the dimensions and surface of a cubic box, which shall contain 100 bushels of wheat.
14. What is the diagonal of a square whose side is 25 feet ?
15. If I purchase books at $\$ 7.50$ per dozen, at what price each must I sell them to gain $33 \frac{1}{3}$ per cent?

## 1st. Division.

1. State what is meant by the radix of a scale of notation and change 83,041 of the nonary to the duodecimal scalp.
2. State the difference between simple and compound proportion.
3. Define a continued fraction, give an example and reduce it.
4. Find the formulæ for calculating compound Interest, deduce the Rule and apply it to the solution of the following question: $£ 500$ lent out at.compound Interest, amounts in 5 years to $£ 750$; what is the rate per annum?
5. Investigate the formulæ for finding the sum of a series in both arithmetical progression and geometrical progression.
6. What is the value of $.433^{\prime}$, also of $4,1, \frac{1}{10}$ ?
7. Give a demonstration of the Rule for Double position.
S. Define the terms Involution, Evolution, Power and Root?
8. A garden whose breadth is only $\frac{1}{2}$ its length, contains $1 \frac{1}{4}$ acres; what are its dimensions?
9. A house rents for $\$ 300$ a year, what is the present. value of 5 years rent at 6 per cent compound Interest ?
10. $A$ and $B$ can reap a field in 12 hours, $A$ and $C$ in $16, A$ in 20. In what time could $B$ and $C$, and in what time $A B$ and $C$ ?
11. Required the surface and solidity of a pyramid, cone, and sphere. Illustrate.

## ALGERRA.

## 2nd Division.

1. Give a definition of Algebra, and state wherein it differs from Arithmetic.
2. State and illustrate the difference between a co-efficient and an exponent.
3. State and explain the use of a vinculum or parenthesis.
4. Explain what is meant by similar and dissimilar quantities.
5. Define addition and subtraction of algebraic quantities.
6. Write the 7th power of $a-b$.
7. Reduce $1-8 y y^{3}$, and also $1+4 x y+4 x^{2} y^{2}=$ into component factors.
8. Resolve $a b-x$ to a fraction whose denominator shall be $1-y$.
9. Define an equation, and state what is meant by solving an equation.
10. Name and explain the several steps necessary in the solution of a simple equation.
11. What is meant by elimination, and state the several methods of performing it ?
12. From two places 154 miles apart two persons set out at the same time to meet each other; one travelling at the rate of 3 miles in 2 hours, and the other at the rate of 5 miles in 4 hours, where and when will they meet?
13. A banker has two different coins; it takes a pieces of the one to make a pound, and $b$ pieces of the other; how many of each must he take that $c$ pieces shall be equal to a pound ?
14. Divide the number 237 into two such parts that the one may be contained in the other $1 \frac{1}{4}$ times.
15. Three laborers are employed in a certain work, $P$ and $Q$ would finish it in $a$ days, $Q$ and $R$ in $b$ days, and $R$ and $P$ in $c$ days. In what time would $P$ do it alone, and how long would it take all three together?

## 1st. Division.

1. Define the terms, Mathematics and Algebra.
2. Explain the origin and use of indices.
3. What will the difference of any two quantities divide?
4. Resolve $a^{2} x^{4}+9 a x+18$, and also $5 x^{4}-5 x-60$ into component factors.
5. Find a multiplier which will render $\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{x}$ rational, and determine the product.
6. Define and classify equations.
7. Deduce the rules for completing the square in affected quadratics.

- 8. Indicate the solution of $10^{x}=3$.

9. Explain the nature of Logarithms, and how we find the Log. of 1. a product, a quotient, a power or a root.
10. What is an annuity? Investigate the formulæ for finding the present worth both at simple and compound interest ; and also when in reversion.
11. What is the square root of $a^{2}+2 a b-2 a c+b^{2}-2 b c+c^{2}$ ?
12. By selling a watch for $\$ 24$ I lose as much per cent as the watch cost me. What was the cost ?
13. Find 4 numbers in geometrical progression, such that the sum of their extreme may be 35 , and that of the means 30 .
14. Divide $\frac{9}{3}$ into two such parts that the sum of their reciprocals may be 1 .
15. The sum of two numbers is $a$, and their product $b$. What are the numbers? geometry.

## 2nd. Division.

1. Define the science of geometry and state what is meant by practical geometry.
2. Define the terms problem, postulate, axiom and theorem.
3. Define a square.
4. When is one proposition said to be the converse of another?
5. Prop. 7, 26 or 45 of book 1.
6. The diagonals of a Rhombus bisect each other at right angles.

## 1st. Division.

1. Upon what is mathematical reasoning based.
2. Define the terms Data, Quæsita, Hypothesis and Predicate.
3. Distinguish between a direct and indirect demonstration.
4. What is meant by similar figures.
5. Prop. 9 or 13 of book II, 3, 8,20 or 32 of book III.
6. Divide a circle into two segments such that the angle in one of them shall be five times the angle in the other.
7. What are the objects of natural philosophy ?
8. Mention the essential properties of bodies, and illustrate impenetrability.
9. Name the different kinds of attraction, and explain gravitation,
10. Give a popular illustration of each of the mechanical powers.
11. Mustrate the composition and resolution of forces.
12. What are the sources, modes of distribution and effects of heat?
13. Explain the construction of a thermometer, and the scales generally used, and illustrate by an example how Fah. may be changed into Cent. and vice versa.
14. Explain the working of a common pump,-and force pump.
15. Explain what is meant by specific gravity, and state how it can be ascertained.
16. Explain the following phenomena, the change of seasons, the phases of the moon, eclipses and tides.

## agricultural chemistry and physiology.

1. State the objects of the study of chemistry, and mention the different branches of the subject.
2. Distinguish between mechanical, magnetic and chemical action, and give examples of each.
3. How many kinds of affinity, illustrate each ?
4. What are bases, acids, alkalies salts and earths?
5. Give some accounts of $\mathrm{O}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{N}$ and $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{S}$ and P .
6. Give the composition of water, and account for its various qualities.
7. Explain the formation of dew, rain, hoar-frost and snow.
8. Give the composition of the atmosphere, and state how its pressure, moisture, elasticity and beight can be ascertained.
9. Explain how the constant composition of the atmosphere is maintained.
10. Give some account of the composition and varieties of soils.
11. Whence do plants obtain their food?
12. Trace the growth of a plant from its germination to its decay, and state the results of that decay.
13. What effect has cropping upon the soil? Explain the rotation of crops and give examples of a proper rotation.
14. Explain the necessity and advantages of draining fallowing and manuring.
15. Give a brief explanation of the processes of bread, butter, cheese and soap making.
16. Trace the circulation of the blood, and mention its constituents.
17. Mention the several parts of a plant, and explsin their fanctions.
18. Trace the progress of food from the mouth until it mingles with the blood.
19. What effect has salt upon meat and how does it preserve it?
20. How many teeth have we, name them, and state the causes of the toothache ; and mention the best means for preserving them?

## Appendix 0.

## THE COUNTY GRAMMAR SCHOOLS OF UPPER CANADA.

No. 1.-Programme of Studies, and General Rules and Regulations for the Government of Grammar Schools in Upper Canada.

Prescribed by the Council of Public Instruction, under the authority of the Grammar School Act, 16 Viet, cap. 186, and approved by the Governor General in Council.

PREFATORY EXPLANATION.
The fifth section of the Grammar School Act requires, "That in each county grammar school provision shall be made for giving instruction, by a teacher or teachers of competent ability and good morals, in all the higher branches of a practical English and commercial education, including the elements of mechanics. and natural philosophy, and also in the Greek and Latin languages, and mathematics, so far as to prepare students for University College, or for any college affiliated to the University of Toronto, according to a programme of studies, and general rules and regulations, to be prescribed by the Council of Public Instruction for Upper Canada, and approved of by the Governor General in Council: Provided always, that no grammar school shall be entitled to receive any part of the grammar school fund, which shall not be conducted according to such programme, rules, and regulations." In the fourth clause of the eleventh section of the Act (after providing for the union of the grammar and one or more common wchools in any municipality) it is provided, "That no such union shall take place without ample provision being made for giving instruction to the pupils in the elementary English branches, by a duly qualified teacher or teachers."
2. From these provisions of the law it is clearly the object and function of grammar schools not to teach the elementary branches of English, and especially
to teach the subjects necessary for matriculation into the University.* With a view to the promotion of these objects, and for the greater efficiency of the Grammar Schools, the Council of Public Instruction of Upper Canada, after mature deliberation, have adopted the following regulations, which, according to the fifth section, and the fifth clause of the eleventh section of the Grammar School Act, 16 Vict., chapter 156, are binding upon all boards of trustees and and officers of grammar schools throughout Upper Canada.

## Section 1.-Qualifications for the Admission of Pupils into the Grammar Schools.

1. The regular periods for the admission of pupils commencing classical studies, shall be immediately after the Christmas and after the summer vacations; but the admission of pupils in English studies alone, or of those pupils who have already commenced the study of the Latin language, may take place at the commencement of each term. The examinations for the admission of pupils shall be conducted by the head master; as also examinations for such scholarships, exhibitions, and prizes as may have been instituted by municipal councils as authorized by law, $\dagger$ or by other corporate bodies, or by private individuals. But

[^22]the board of trustees may, if they shall think proper, associate other persons with the head master in the examinations for such scholarships, exhibitions, or prizes.
2. Pupils, in order to be admitted to the grammar school, must be ,able,1. To read intelligibly and correctly any passage from any common reading-book. 2. To spell correctly the words of an ordinary sentence. 8. To write a fair hand. 4. To work readily questions in the simple and compound rules of arithmetic, and in reduction and simple proportion. 5. Must know the elements of English Grammar, and be able to parse any easy sentence in prose ; and, 6. Must be acquainted with the definitions and outlines of Geography.
necessary expense of such attendance, might otherwise be deprived of the opportunity of competing for the same.

Fifthly. For the endowment of such and so many fellowships, scholarships, exhibitions, and other similar prizes in the University of Toronto, or in Upper Canada College and Royal Grammar School there, to be open to competition amongst the pupils of the different public grammar schools of such county, as they shall deem expedient for the encouragement of learning amongst the youth of such county.
Section 2.-Programme of Studies in the Grammar Schools of Upper Canada.

| Class. | 1. Latin. | II. Greek. | III. Fiencu. | IV. English. | V. Matiematics. | VI. Geoorapity and History. | Vil. Pitybical Sclance. | VIII. <br> Miscellanious. |
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| $\left.\begin{array}{l} \text { FIRST on } \\ \text { LOWEST } \end{array}\right\}$ | Arnold's First and Second Latin Book. <br> Latin Grammar. <br> Cornelius Nejpos | None. | None. | English Grammar and Composition. <br> Reading, and Sullivan's Spelling-hook superseded. | Arithmetic. <br> Algehra <br> (first four rules.) | Outinnes of Geography and General listory. | None. | Writing. <br> Drawing. <br> Vocal Musio. |
| SECOND | Latin Grammar and Exercises. <br> Cossar's Commentaries. | Arnold's First Greek Book. | None. | Grammar (continued.) Etymology of Words aind Versification. Art of Reading(National series) and Sullivan's Dietionary of Derivations. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Practical } \\ \text { Arithnetic. } \\ \text { Algebra } \\ \text { (simple equations.) } \end{gathered}$ | Outlines of Ancient Geography. <br> History of Rome. <br> History of Great Britain and Ireland. | Elements of Natural <br> llistorys as far as contained in the 3rd and <br> 4th National Realters. | Writing. <br> Drawing. <br> Vocal Music. |
| THIRD | Ovid and Virgil. <br> Latin Prosody and Excreises. | Greek Grammar and Exercises. <br> Xenophon's Auabasis. | Flements of French Grammar to end of Irregular Verbs, with Exercises. <br> Oral and Written Translations. | Wlementary Principles of Rhetoric and Logic. <br> Art of Realing \& Fifth Book (National sories.) | Commercial Arithmetic. <br> Algebra (quauratics.) <br> Enclid, Rb. I. II. | Ancient Geography. Romen Antiquities: History of Grece. | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { Elements of Natural } \\ \text { Yhilosophy } \\ \text { gnd } \\ \text { Geolopy, as } \\ \text { containcd in the } \\ \text { 5th } \\ \text { National Reader. } \end{array}\right.$ | Drawing. <br> Vocal Music. |
| FOURTII | Virgil \& Cicero. <br> Exercises and Composition in Prose and Verse. | Homor's Ilial. <br> Greek Testament. <br> Lucian. <br> Greck Prosody and Exercises. | Rules on the use of the Pronoms and Participles, with Exercises. <br> Oral and Written Translations. | Christian Morals and Evidences. <br> Reading in Sullivan's Literary Class Book. | Algebra. <br> Enclid, Bb. III. IV., defnitiois of B. V. and B. VI. | Ancient ned Medireval Gegraphy. Grecian Antiquities. History of France. History of Canada. | Physiology, as coltained in the bth Natioual header. <br> Elements of Chenistry. | Drawing. <br> Hook Keeping. <br> Vocal Music. |
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1. Pupils preparing for the University, are required to study those subjects only which will qualify them for matriculation.*
2. Any pupil studying the English branches alone, may have an option as to the particular subjects of his study ; but he may not, without the special permission of the head master, select any subject not included amongst those prescribed for the class in which he has been placed on examination.
3. The pupils shall be arranged in classes, corresponding to their respective degrees of proficiency. There may be two or more divisions in each class; and each pupil shall be advanced from one class or division to another, according to attainments in scholarship, and no faster.
4. Drawing includes linear, map, geometrical, and ornamental drawing.
5. Instructions shall be given to each pupil in penmanship, as long as the Head master shall think it necessary.
6. It is recommended that the elements of vocal music shall form part of the course of instruction for all pupils capable of learning to sing.

## Section 3.-Opening and Closing Exercises of each Day,

The arrangements for the daily religious exercises of each grammar school shall be left to the judgment of the board of trustees. $\dagger$

## Section 4.-Duties of the Head Master and Teachers.

1. Each head master and teacher of a grammar school shall punctually observe the hours for opening and dismissing the school; shall, during school hours, faithfully devote himself to the public service; shall see that the exercises of the school be opened and closed each morning and evening, as stated in the preceding section; shall daily exert his best endeavors, by example and precept, to impress upon the minds of the pupils the principles and morals of the Christian religion, especially those virtues of piety, truth, patriotism, and humanity, which are the basis of law and freedom, and the cement and ornament of society.
2. Every head master shall keep the daily, weekly, and quarterly register of his school, according to the forms and instructions authorised by law. The head master of every senior county grammar school shall also make the observations and keep the Meteorological Journal required by the 16 th section of the Grammar School Act, 16 Vict., chap. 186 ; in addition to which, every head master shall keep, and cause to be kept, a class register, in which are to be noted the class exercises of each pupil, so as to exhibit a view of the advancement and standing. of such pupil in each subject of his studies. The head master shall also prepare. the annual and semi-annual returns of his school required according to law.

[^23]3. The head master shall practise such discipline in his school as would be exercised by a judicious parent in his family; avoiding corporal punishment, except when it shall appear to him to be imperatively required; and in all such cases he shall keep a record of the offences and punishments, for the inspection of the trustes at or before the next public examination, when the said record shall be destroyed.
4. For gross misconduct, or a violent or wilful opposition to his authority, the head master may suspend a papil from attending at the school, forthwith informlng the parent or guardian of the fact, and the reason of it, and communicating the same to the chairman of the board of trustees. But no boy shall be expelled without the authority of the Board of Trustees.
5. When the example of any pupil is very hurtful to the school, and in all cases where reformation appears hopeless, it shall be the duty of the head master, with the approbation of the board of trustees, to suspend or expel such pupil from the school. But any pupil under this public censure, who shall express to the head master his regret for such course of conduct, as openly and explicitly as the case may require, shall, with the approbation of the board and head master, be re-admitted to the school.
6. The trustees having made such provisions relative to the school-house and its appendages, as are required by the second clause of the 11th section of the Grammar Sehool Act, 16 Vict., chap. 185, it shall be the duty of the head master to give strict attention to the proper ventilation and temperature, as well as to the cleanliness, of the school-house. He shall also prescribe such rules for the use of the yard and out-buildings connected with the school-house as will ensure their being kept in a neat and proper condition, and he shall be held responsible for any want of neatness and cleanliness abont the premises.
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1. Pupils must come to the school clean in their persons and clothes.
2. Tardiness on the part of pupils shall be considered a violation of the rules sof the school, and shall subject the delinquents to such penally as the nature of the case may require, at the discretion of the head master.
3. No pupil shall be allowed to depart before the hour appointed for closing school, except in case of sickness, or some pressing emergency; and then the head master's consent must first be obtained.
4. A pupil absenting himself from school, except on account of sickness, or other urgent reason satisfactory to the head master, forfeits his standing in his celass, and his right to attend the school for the term.
5. No pupil shall be allowed to remain in the school unless he is furnished with the books and requisites required to be used by him in the school; but in case of a pupil being in danger of losing the advantages of the school, by reason of his inability to obtain the necessary books or requisites, through the poverty of his parent or guardian, the board of trustees have power to procure and supply such pupil with the books and requisites needed.
6. The tuition fees, as fixed by the board of trustees, whether monthly or quarterly, shall be payable in advance; and no pupil shall have a right to enter or continue in the school or class until he shall have paid the appointed fee.

## Section 6.-Terms, vacations, daily exercises, and holidays.*

1. There shall be four terms each year, to be designated the winter, spring, summer, and autumn terms. The winter term shall begin the 7ih January, and end the Tuesday next before Easter, the spring term shall begin the Wednesday after Easter, and close the last Friday in June; the summer term shall begin the second Monday in Augast, and end the Friday next before the 15th October; the autemn term shall begin the Monday following the close of the summer term, and shall end the 22nd December.
2. The exercises of the day shall not commence later than nine o'clock, a. m. and shall not exceed six hours in duration, exclusive of all the time allow ed a noon for recreation, and of not more than ten minutes during each forenoon and each afternoon. Nevertheless, a less number of hours for daily teaching may be determined upon in any grammar school, at the option of the board of trustees
3. Every Saturday shall be a holiday; or, if preferred by the board of trustees and head master of any grammar school, the afternoons of Wednesday and Saturday in each week shall be half holidays. All days declared by law to be public holidays, shall be holidays in each grammar school.
4. The public half-yearly examinations required to be held in each grammar school, by the 5th clause of the 11 th section of Act, 16 Vict., chap. 186 , shall take place, the one immediately before the Christmas holidays, and the other immediately before the summer vacation.

Adopted by the Council of Public Instruction for Upper Canada, on the 26th day of December, 1854.

Approved by the Governor General in Council, as intimated to the Chief Superintendent of Education, on the 151h day of February, 1855.

[^24]No. II. Programme for the Examination of Candidates for Masterships of County Grammar Schools.

Candidates for masterships of county grammar schools shall be examined as to their knowledge of, and ability to teach, the subjects, and books, or portions of books in which the senate of the University of Toronto requires candidates to be examined for honors and scholarships at matriculation in that institution, as contemplated by the 5th section of the grammar schools amendment Act, 16 Victoria, chap. 186. Which subjects of examination are as follows:

## greek and latin languages.

Homer, Iliad........B. I. Cæsar, de bello Gallico,.....Bb. V. and V1.
Lucian, Vita, and Charon Virgil, Eneid.............. B. II.
Translation from English into Latin Prose.
Additional for Honors and Scholarshipa.

Homer, Iliad. . . . . . B. VI. Horace, Odes.. . . . . . . . . . . . . Bb. I.
Homer, Odyssey... B. IX. Virgil, Eneid,............... .Bb. I and III. Lucian, Menippus, et Timon.

Translation from English into Latin verse.
mathematics.
Algebra and Arithmetic.
Ordinary rules of Arithmetic, Vulgar and Decimal Fractions, Extraction of Square Koot, First four rules of Algebra.

Geometry.
Euclid, B. I.
Additional for Honore and Scholarships.
Algebra.
Proportion and Progression, .Simple and Quadratic Equations.

## Geometry.

Euclid, Bb. II. III. and IV.
elements of natural philosophy.*
Mechanics.
Explain the composition and resolution of statical forces.
Describe the simple machines (mechanical powers.)

[^25]Define the centre of Gravity.
Give the general laws of motion, and describe the chief experiments by which they may be illustrated.

State the law of the motion of falling bodies.

## Hydrostatics, Hydraulics, and Pneumatics.

Explain the pressure of liquids and gases; its equal diffusion, and variation with the depth.

Define specific gravity, and shew how the specific gravity of bodies may be ascertained.

Describe and explain the barometer, the siphon, the common pump and forcingpump, and the air-pump.

## Acoustics.

Describe the nature of sound.

## Optics.

State the laws of reflection and refraction.
Explain the formation of images by simple lenses.

## Astronomy.

Motion of the earth round its axis and round the sun ; with applications of these motions to explain the apparent movement of the sun and stars, the length of days and the change of seasons-explanation of eclipses and the moon's phases.

## ELEMENTG OF CHEMISTRY**

Properties of matter, aggregation, crystallization, chemical affinity, definite equivalents.

Combustion, flame ; nature of ordinary fuel; chief results of combustion-i.e., the bodies produced.

Heat; natural and artificial sources; its effects. Expansion; solids, liquids, gases. Thermometer ; conduction; radiation ; capacity ; change of form; liquefaction; steam.

The Atmosphere; its general nature and condition; its component parts. Oxygen and nitrogen ; their properties. Water and carbonic acid. Proportions of these substances in the air.

Chlorine and iodine, as compared with oxygen.
Water; its general relation to the atmosphere and earth; its natural states and degree of purity. Sea water, river water, spring water, rain water. Pure water: effects of heat and cold on it ; its compound nature ; its elements.

Hydrogen ; its proportion in water, its chemical and physical properties.
Sulphur, phosphorus, and carbon generally.
Nitric acid, sulphuric acid, carbonic acid, hydrochloric acid: their properties and uses.

Alkalies, earths, oxides generally.

[^26]Salts: their nature generally. Sulphates, nitrates, carbonates.
Metals gencrally-iron, copper, lead, tin, zine, gold, silver, platinum, mercury.
The chief proximate elements of vegetable and animal bodies; their ultimate composition.

## modern langeages.

English.
Grammar and Composition.

> French.
> Grammar, and translation from French into English.
> Additional for Honors and Scholarships.
> English.

Rendering of English verse into prose. Composition.

## French.

Fenelon, Dialogues des Morts, Molière, les Fourberies de Scapin.

## history and geography.

Outlines of English History to present time.
" Roman " to death of Nero.
" Grecian " to death of Alexander.
". Ancient and Modern Geography.
Additional for Honors and Scholarships.
Egyptian History to death of Cleopatra.
History of Spain and Portugal in the reign of Ferdinand and Isabella.

Note.-The Committee of Examiners of Candidates for Masterships of County Grammar Sehools in Upper Canada, hold their examinations quarterly, in the Normal School Buildings, Toronto,-commencing on the first Monday of January, Apri), July, and October, in each year. Candidates are required to send in their names to the Chairman of the Committee, at least one week previous to the day of Examination.

## Appendix E.

THE COMMON SCHOOLS OF UPPER CANADA.
No. 1. Prograinme for the Examination and Classification of Teachers of Cemmon
Schools, by the County Bourds, prescribed by the Council of Pullic Instruction for Upper Canada.

To be in full force until repealed or revised by the Cuuncil.
N. B.-Candidates are not eligible to be admitted to examination, until they shall have furnished the examiners with satisfactory evidence of their strictly temperate habits and good moral character.

## Qualifications of Third Class Teachers.

Candidates for certificates as third class teachers, are required:

1. To be able to read intelligibly and correctly any passage from any common reading book.
2. To be able to spell correctly the words of an ordinary sentence dictated by the examiners.
3. To be able to write à plain hand.

4 To be able to work readily, questions in the simple and compound rules of arithmetic, and in reduction and proportion, and to be familiar with the principles on which these rules depend.
5. To know the elements of English grammar, and to be able to parse any easy sentence in prose.
6. To be acquainted with the elements of geography, and the general outlines of the globe.
7. To have some knowledge of school organization and the classification of pupils.
8. In regard to teachers of French or German, a knowledge of the French or German grammar may be substituted for a knowledge of the English grammar : and the certificates to the teachers expressly limited accordingly.

## Qualifications of Second Class Teachers.

Candidates for certificates as second class teachers, in addition to what is required of candidates for third class certificates, are required :

1. To be able to read with ease, intelligence and expression, and to be familiar with the principles of reading and pronunciation.
2. To write a bold free hand, and to be acquainted with the rules of teaching writing.
3. To know fractions, involution, evolution, and commercial and mental arithmetic.
[Female candidates for this class of certificates will only be examined in practice and mental arithmetic.]
4. To be acquainted with the elements of book-keeping.
5. To know the common rules of orthography, and to be able to parse any sentence in prose or poetry which may be submitted; to write grammatically, with correct spelling and punctuation, the substance of any passages which may be read, or any topics which may be suggested.
6. To be familiar with the elements of mathematical, physical, and civil or political geography, as contained in any school geography.

## Qualifications of First Class Teachers.

Candidates for certificates as first class teachers, in addition to what is required of candidates for third and second class certificates, are required :

1. To be acquainted with the rules for the mensuration of superficies and solids and the elements of land surveying.
2. To be familiar with the simple rules of algebra, and to be able to solve problems in simple and quadratic equations.
3. To know the first four books of Euclid.
4. To be familiar with the elements and outlines of general history.
5. To have some acquaintance with the elements of vegetable and animal physiology, and natural philosophy, as far as taught in the fifth book of national readers.
6. To understand the proper organization and management of schools, and the improved method of teaching.
N.B.-Fernale candidates for first class certificates will not be examined in the subjects mentioned in the first three paragraphs under this head.

Education Office, Toronto,
Adopted the 3rd day of October, 1850.

## No. 2.-General Regulations for the Organization, Government and Discipline of Common Schools in Upper Canada.

Adopted after mature consideration, by the Council of Public Instruction, as authorized by the Act 13th and 14th Victoria, chapter 48, Section 48.

## 1. Hours of Daily Teaching, Holidays and Vacations.

1. The hours of teaching each day shall not exceed six, exclusive of all the time allowed at noon for recreation. Nevertheless, a less number of hours for daily teaching may be determined upon in any school, at the option of the trustees.
2. Every alternate Saturday shall be a holiday in each school.
3. There shall be iniee vacations during each year; the first, eight days, at Easter; the second, the first two weeks in August ; the third, eight days, at Christmas.
4. All agreements between trustees and teachers shall be subject to the foregoing regulations; and no teacher shall be deprived of any part of his salary on account of observing allowed holidays and vacations.
N.B.-Union grammar and common schools are subject to the regulations affecting grammar schools.

## 2. Religious and Moral Instruction.

As Christianity is the basis of our whole system of elementary education, that principle should pervade it throughout. The common school act of 1850, fourteenth section, securing individual rights, as well as recognizing Christianity, provides, "That in any model or common school established under this Act, no ehild shall be required to read or study in or from any religious book, or to join in any exercise of devotion or religion, which shall be objected to by his or her parents or guardians : Provided always, that within this limitation, pupils shall be allowed to receive such religious instruction as their parents or guardians shall desire, according to the general regulations which shall be provided according to law."

In the section of the Act thus quoted, the principle of religious instruction in the schools is recognized, the restrictions within which it is to be given is stated, and the exclusive right of each parent and guardian on the subject is secured, without any interposition from trustees, superintendents, or the government itself. Therefore, it shall be a matter of mutual arrangement between the teacher and the parent or guardian of each pupil, as to whether the teacher shall hear such pupil recite from the catechism, or other summary of religious doctrine and duty of the persuasion of such parent or guardian.

The common school being a day, and not a boarding school, rules arising from domestic relations and duties are not required; and as the pupils are under the care of their parents and guardians on sabbaths, no regulations are called for in respect to their attendance at public worship.

The following regulations in regard to the "opening and closing exercises of the day," the "daties of masters and teachers," and the "duties of pupils," have been adopted by the Counsil, and apply to all common schools in Upper Canada.

## 3. Ofening and Closing Exercises of each Day.

1. With a view to sccure the Divine blessing, and impress upon the pupils the importance of religious duties, and their entire dependence on their Maker, the Council of Public Instruction recommend that the daily exercises of each common school be opened and closed by reading a portion of Scripture and by Prayer. The Lord's Prayer, alone, or the Forms of Prayer hereto annexed, may be used, or any other prayer preferred by the trustees and teacher of each school. But the Lord's Prayer should form a part of the opening exercises; and the Ten Commandments be taught to all the pupils, and be repeated at least once a week. But no pupil shall be compelled to be present at these exercises against the wish of his parent or guardian, expressed in writing to the teacher of the school.

## Forms of Prayer.

Before entering upon the business of the Day.

## Let us Pray.

0 Lord, our Hearenly Father, Almighty and Everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginuing of this day, defend us in the same by Thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fallinto no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings may be ordered by Thy governance, to do always that is righteous in Thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O Almightly Cod, the giver of every good and perfect gift, the fountain of all wisdom, enlighten, we beseech Thee, our understandings iny thy Holy Spirit, and grant, that whilst with all diligence and sincerity we apply ourselves to the attainment of human knowledge, we fail not constantly to strive after that wisdom which maketh wise unto salvation ; that so, through Thy mercy, we may daily be advanced both in learning and godliness, to the henor and praise of Thy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father, which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingom conee, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil ; For Thine is the kingdona, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God, and the Fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

At the Close of the Business of the Day.

## Let us Pray.

Most Merciful God, we yield Thee our humble and hearty thanks, for Thy Fatherly care and preservation of us this day, and for the progress whith Thou hast enabled us to make in useful learning; we pray Thee to imprint upon our
minds whatever good instructions we have received, and to bless them to the adrancement of our temporal and eternal welfare; and pardon, we implore Thec, all that ' h ou hast seen amiss in our thoughts, words and actions, May Thy good Providence still guide and keep us during the approaching interval of rest and relaxation, so that we may be thereby prepared to enter on the duties of the morrow, with renewed vigor, both of body and mind ; and preserve us, we beseech Thee, now and ever, both rutwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls, for the sake of Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

Lighten our darkness, we beseech Thec, O Lord; and by Thy great mercy, defend us from all perils and dangers of this night, for the love of Thy only Son, our Saviour, Je.sus Christ. Amen.

Our Father, which art in Hearen, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

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## 4. Duties of Teachers.

The sixteenth section of the School Act prescribes, in explicit and comprehensive terms, the duties of teachers; and no teacher can legally claim his salary, who disregards the requirement of the law. Among other things, the act requires each teacher to "maintain proper order and disciplipe in his school, according to the forms and regulations which shall be provided according to law." The law makes it the duty of the Chief Superintendent of Education to provide the forms; and the Council of Public Instruction prescribe the following regulations for the guidance of teachers in the conduct and discipline of their schools :

It shall be the duty of each teacher of a common school:-

1. To receive courteously the visitors appointed by law, and to afford them every facility for inspecting the books used, and to examine into the state of the school ; to have the visitors' book open, that the visitors may, if they choose, enter remarks in it. The frequency of visits to the school by intelligent persons, animates the pupils, and greatly aids the faithful teacher.
2. To keep the registers accurately and neatly, according to the prescribed forms; which is the more important under the present school act, as the 31st section of it authorizes the distribution of the local school fund according to the average attendance of pupils attending each school.
3. To classify the children according to the books used; to study those books himself; and to teach according to the improved method recommended in their prefaces.
4. To observe himself, and to impress upon the minds of the pupils, the great rule of regularity and order,-a time and a place for everything, and everything in its phoper time and place.
5. To promote, both by precept and exampie, cle.nieniess, neatness, and decency. To effect this, the teacher should set an example of cleanliness and neatness in his own person, and in the state and general appearance of the school. He should also satisfy himself by personal inspection every muruing, that the children have had their hands and faces washed, their hair combed, and cluthes cleaned and when necessary mended. The school apartments, too, should be swept and dusted every evening.
6. To pay the strictest attention to the moral and general conduct of his pupils, and to omit no opportunity of inculcating the principles of Thuif and Honesty; the duties of respect to superiors, and obedience to all persons placed in authority over them.
7. To evince a regard for the improvement and general welfare of his pupils, to treat them with kindness combined with firmness; and to aim at governing them by their affections and reason, rather than by harshness and severity.
8. To cultivate kindly and affectionate feelings among his pupils; to discountenance quarreliag, cruelty to animals, and every approach to vice.
9. Punctually to observe the hours for opening and dismissing the school; during the school hours, faithfully to devote himself to the public service; to see that the exercises of the school be opened and closed each morning and evening as stated in the preceding part of this section: and daily to exert his best endeavors, by example and precept, to inpress upon the minds of the pupils the principles and morals of the Christian religion, especially those virtues of piety, truth, patriotism and humanity, which are the basis of law and freedom, and the cement and ornament of society.
10. To practice such discipline in his school as would be exercised by a judicious parent in his family; avoiding corporal punishment, except when it shall appear to him to be imperatively required; and in such cases, he shall keep a record of the offences and punishments, for the inspection of the trustees at or before the next public examination, when said record shall be destroyed.
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13. The trustees having made such provisions relative to the school-house and its appendages, as are required by the fourth clause of the twelfh section of the

Common School Act, 13th and 14th Vict., cap. 48, it shall be the duty of the teacher to give strict attention to the proper ventilation and temperature, as well as to the cleanliness of the school-house; he shall also prescribe such rules for the use of the yard and out-buildings connected with the school-house, as will insure their being kept in a neat and proper condition ; and he shall be held responsible for any want of neatness and cleanliness about the premises.
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4. A pupil absenting himself from school, except on account of sickness, or other urgent reason satisfactory to the teacher, forfeits his standing in his class and his right to attend the school for the remainder of the quarter.
5. No pupil shall be allowed to remain in the school, unless he is furnished with the books and requisites required to be used by him in the school; but in case of a pupil being in danger of losing the advantages of the school by reason of his inability to obtain the necessary books or requisites through the poverty of his parent or guardian, the trustees have power to procure and supply such pupils with the books and requisites needed.
6. The tuition fees, as fixed by the trustees, whether monthly or quarterly, shall be payable in advance; and no pupil shall have a right to enter or continue in the school until he shall have paid the appointed fee.

## 6. Duties of Trustees.

1. The full and explicit manner in which the duties of trustees are enumerated and stated in the school act, renders it unnecessary to do more, in this place, than make some expository remarks on the nature of the general duties of trustees, and the relations subsisting between them and the teachers whom they employ. The law invests trustees with most important functions ; they are a corporation, and as such, the ownership and control of the school site, school-house, and all the property attached thereto, are vested in them; they are to provide and furnish the schoolhouse and premises, and apparatus and text-books for the school; and they alone have authority to employ the teacher. Their duties are, therefore, of the greatest importance, and they should be well understood.
2. While the trustees employ the teacher-agree with him as to the period during which he shall teach. and the amount of his remuneration-the mode of teachingr is at the option of the teacher; and the local superintendent and visitors alone have a right to advise him on the subject. The teacher is not a mere machine, and no truste or parent should attempt to reduce him to that position. His chaacter and his interest alike prompt him to make his instruction as efficient and popular as possible; and if he does not give satisfaction, he can be dismissed according to the terms of his agreement with his employers. To interfere with him, and deprive him of his discretion as a teacher, and then to dismiss him for inefficiency, which is the natural and usual result, is to iuflict upon him a double wrong, and frequently injures the pupils themselves, and all parties concerned. It should then be distinctly understood, as essential to the teacher's character, position and success, that he judge for himself as to the mode of teaching in his school, including, of course, the classification of pupils, as well as the manner of instructing them. It is, nevertheless, the duty of the trustees to see that the school is conducted according to the regulations authorized by law.
3. It is therefore important that trustees should select a competent teacher. The best teacher is always the cheap"st. He teaches most, and inculcates the best habits of learning and mental development, in a given time; and time and proper habits are worth more than money, both to pupils and their parents. Trustees who pay a teacher fairly and punctually, and treat him properly, will seldom want a good teacher. To employ an incompetent person, because he offers his incompetent service for a small sum, is a waste of money, and a mockery and injury of the youth of the neighbourhood. We entirely concur with the Nutional Board of Education in Ireland, in the following estimate of the qualities of a good teacher:
"A teacher should be a person of Christian sentiment, of calm temper, and discretion; he should be imbued with the spirit of peace, of obedience to the law, and of loyalty to his Sovereign; he should not only possess the art of communicating knowledge, but be capable of moulding the mind of youth, and giving to the power, which education confers, an useful direction. These are the qualities for which patrons [or trustees] of schools, when making choice of a teacher, should anxiously look."
4. Trustees will always find it the best economy to have a commodious schoolhouse, kept comfortable, and properly furnished. It is as difficult for pupils to learn, as it is for the master to teach, in an unfurnished and comfortless school-house.
5. In the selection of books to be used in the school, from the general list authorized according to law, p. 46, the Trustees should see that but one series of reading books, one arithmetic, or one for the beginners and another for the more advanced pupils, one geography, \&c., should be used in any one school, in order that the scholars may be classified in the several branches which they are studying. Heterogencous school books (however good each book may be in itself) render classification impossible, increase the labour and waste the time of the teacher, and retard the progress of the pupils. But the teacher and pupils labour at the greatest disadvantage, when they are compelled to use books which are as various as the scholars' names.

## 7. Duties of School Visitors.

The thirly-second section of the school act of 1850, provides that all Clergymen recognized by law of whatever denomination, Judges, Members of the Legislature, Magistrates, Members of County Councils, and Aldermen, shall be school visitors; and the thirty-third section of the Act prescribes their lawful duties.
2. The parties thus authorized to act as visitors, have it in cheir own power to exert an immense influence in elevating the character and promoting the efficiency of the schools, by identifying themselves with them, by visiting them, encouraging the pupils, aiding and counselling teachers, and impressing upon parents their interests and duties in the education of their offspring. In visiting schools, however, visitors should, in no instance, speak disparagingly of the instructions or inanagement of the teacher in the presence of the pupils; but if they think it necessary to give any advice to the teacher, they should do it privately. They are also desired to communicate to the local or chief superintendent anything which they shall think important to the interests of any school visited by them. The law recommends visitors, "especially t., altend the Quarterly Examinations of the Schools." It is hoped that all visitors will feel it both a duty and a privilege to aid, on such occasions, by their presence and influence. While it is competent to a visitor to engage in any exercises which shall not be objected to by the authorities of the school, it is. expected that no visitor will introiuce, on any such occasion, anything calculated to wound or give offence to the feelings of any class of his fellow christians.
3. The local superintendents are school visitors, by virtue of their office, and their comprehensive duties, as such, are stated with sufficient minuteness in the 3rd clause of the 31 st section of the school act. While each local superintendent makes the careful inquiries and examinations required by law, and gives privately to the teacher and trustees such advice as he may deem expedient, and such counsel and encouragement to the pupils, as circumstances may suggest, he will exhibit a courteous and conciliatory conduct towards all persons with whom he is to commu. nicate, and pursue such a line of conduct as will tend to uphold the just influence and authority, both of trustees and teachers.
4. Too strong a recommendation cannot be given to the establishment of circulating libraries in the various townships and school sections. A township library, with an auxiliary in each school section, might, by means of a comparatively small sum, supply popular and useful reading for the young people of the whole towaship. It is submitted to the serious attention of all school visitors, as well as trustees, and other friends of the diffusion of useful knowledge-See Departmental Notices.

## Appendix $\mathbf{F}$.

## THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES OF UPPER CANADA.

No. 1. General principles on which Books have been selected for the Public School Libraries in Upper Canada; extracted from the Minutes of the Council of Public Instruction, dated the 2nd August, 1853.

The council of public instruction for Upper Canada deems it proper to state its principles of proceeding in performing the important and responsible task of selecting books for these public school libraries.

1. The council regards it as imperative, that no work of a licentious, vicious, or immoral tendency ; and no works hostile to the Christian religion, should be admitted into the libraries.
2. Nor is it, in the opinion of the council, compatible with the objects of the public school libraries, to introduce into them controversial works on theology, or works of denominational controversy ; although it would not be desirable to exclude all historical and other works, in which such topics are referred to and discussed; and it is desirable to include a selection of suitable works on the evidences of natural and revealed religion.
3. In regard to books on ecclesiastical history, the council agrees in a selection from the most approved works on each side.
4. With these exceptions, and within these limitations, it is the opinion of the council that as wide a selection as possible should be made of useful and entertaining books of permanent value, adapted to popular reading, in the various departments of human knowledge-leaving each municipality to consult its own taste and exercise its own discretion in selecting books from the general catalogue.
5. The including of any books in the general catalogue, is not to be understood as the expression of any opinion by the council, in regard to any sentiments nculcated or combatted in such books, but merely as an acquiescence on the part of the council in the purchase of such books, by any municipality, should it think proper to do so.
6. The general catalogue of books for public school libraries, may be modified and enlarged from year to year, as circumstances may suggest, and as suitable new works of value may appear.

## No. 2. Remarks by the Chief Superintendent of Education.

In addition to the recognition of these principles, the Chief Superintendent has deemed it essential, in a national system of public school libraries, to provide for the accomplishment of the following objects:-

1. The prevention of the expenditure of any part of the library fund in the purchase and circulation of books having a tendency to subvert public morals, or vitiate the public taste.
2. The protection of local parties against imposition, by interested itinerant book venders, in regard to both the prices and character of books introduced into their libraries.
3. The placing of the remotest municipalities upon an equal footing with those adjoining the metropolis, in regard to the terms and facilities of procuring books, with the single exception of their transmission-which is now becoming safe and easy to all parts of Upper Canada.
4. The selection, procuring, and rendering equally acceptable to all the school municipalities of the land, a large variety of attractive and instructive reading books, and that upon the most economical and advantageous terms.
5. The removal of all restrictions upon local exertion, either as to the sums raised or the manner of raising them, whether in a school section, or township, or county, and the encouragement of such exertions, by proportionirg, in all cases, the amount of public aid to the amount raised by local effort.

No. 3. Departmental Notice on the Apportionment of the Legislative Grant for
Public School Libraries and Maps and Apparatus. To Municipal and School Corporations in Upper Canada.

1. Until further notice, the Chief Superintendent of Education will apportion me 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 Canata, 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 on a distinct sheet of paper from the letter.
2. 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 Trustees [or Municipality] of , being anxious to supply the Section (or Tounship) with suitable school requisites, [or library books,] hereby make application for the [maps, or 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, bonâ fide, for the use of the school [or municipality:] and they hereby pledoe 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
[Name.] [Seal.]
We hereby authorize 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 for either library books, or maps and apparatus.

## Appendix G.

## APPORTIONMENT OF THE LEGiSLATIVE SGHOOL GRANT OF UPPER CANADA FOR THE YEAR 1856.






## Apportionment to Cities, Towns, and Villages for

 1856.Apportionment to Counties for 1856.
oities. school popuiation. rate. apportionment.

| Toronto | 11,000 | 37 cts. | 1017 | 10 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hamilton. | 4,800 |  | 444 | 0 | 0 |
| Kingston | 3,800 | - | 351 | 10 | 0 |
| London. | 3,600 | . | 333 | 0 | 0 |
| Ottawa | 2,800 | . | 259 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 26,000 |  | 2,405 | 0 | 0 |

## TOWNS.

| Belleville. | 1,436 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Brantford | 1,275 |
| Brockville | 1,100 |
| Chatham | 870 |
| Cobourg. | 961 |
| Cornwall | 476 |
| Dunilas | 924 |
| Goderich | 700 |
| Niagara | 815 |
| Perth | 500 |
| Peterboro | 609 |
| Picton | 473 |
| Port Hope | 1,100 |
| Prescott | 609 |
| St. Cath | 1,386 |
| Whitby | 508 |


| TOWN MUNIC:PALITIES. <br> Amherstburgh | 600 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Barrie | 400 |
| Guelph. | 960 |
| Simeoe . . . . . . . . . . ity | 520 |
| Woodstock | 720 |
|  | 3,200 |

INOORPORATED TILLAGEG.

| Berlin. | 368 | -, | 340 | 9 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bowmanville | 550 | . | 507 | 6 |
| Brampton | 288 | - | 2612 | 9 |
| Caledonia | 262 |  | $24 \quad 4$ | 9 |
| Chippewa | 343 | . | 3114 | 7 |
| Galt.. | 693 | . | 642 | 1 |
| Ingersoll | 500 | . | 465 | 0 |
| Napauee. | 366 | . | 3317 | 2 |
| Oshawa | 320 | . | 24 12 | 0 |
| Paris | 613 | . | 5614 | 1 |
| Preston | 335 | . | 3019 | 9 |
| St. Mary's | 324 | . | 2919 | 5 |
| St. Thomas | 431 | . | 3917 | 4 |
| Smith's Fulls | 276 |  | 3010 | 7 |
| Stratfurd | 429 | - | 3913 | 6 |
| Thorold | 403 | . | 375 | 6 |
| Trenton | 360 | .. | 336 | 0 |
| Windsor | 324 | . | 2919 | 5 |
| Vienna | 271 | . | 251 | 4 |
| Yorkville | 350 |  | 327 | 6 |
|  | 7,806 |  | 70311 | 0 |

[^27]Education Office,
'Toronto, May, 31st 1856.

## Appendix H .

## LOCAL SUPERINTEADENTS OF SCHOOLS IN THE SEVERAL MUNICIPALTTIES OP UPPER CANADA.

No. 1.-The Townships.
I. County of Glengarry.

Names. Municipalities. Post Office Addrese.

1. Hector McRae ..................Charlottenburgh ................ Williamstown.
2. Angus McDonell.................Kenyon .............................Alexandria.
3. William McEdward.... ........Lancaster ..........................Lancaster.
4. The Rev. John R. Meade......Lochiel ............................. Lochiel.
II. County of Stormont.
5. Nadab Eastman .................Cornwall.............................Moulinette.
6. The Rev. Donald Munro.......Finch........................ ......Finch.
7. The Rev. James Charles Quin..Osnabruck................. ......Dickinson's Landing.
8. John Fraser.......................Roxborough ........................Athol.
III. County of Dundas.

|  | A | Matilda | ilda. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | The Rev. James Harris | Mountain | .South Mountain. |
|  | John G. McLaughlin | Williamsburgh | Morris. |
|  |  | Winchester | Winchester |

## IV. County of Prescott.

| 13. Humphrey | Alr | Alfred. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 14. John McMaster. | Caledonia | Caledonia Springs. |
| 15. James Gamble | .Hawkesbury, East | East Hawkesbury. |
| 16. Thomas Higginso | Hawkesbury, West | Vankleekhill. |
| 17. John Pattee. | Longueuil. | L'Orignal. |
| 18. Peter Georgen. | Plantagenet, North | Plantagenet. |
| 19. James Frythe | Plantagenet, South | .Riceville. |

V. County of Russell.
20. James Keays.....................Cambridge and Russell.........Russell.
21. The Rev. John Edwards........Clarence .. ......................... Clarence,
22. The Rev. Peter Lindsay, A.B.Cumberland.......................Cumberland.

## VI. County of Carleton.

Nanes. IIunicipalities. Post Office Address.
23. The Rev. John A. Morris ......Fitzroy. .............................Fitzroy Harbor.
24. The Rev. William McGill......Gloucester.
25. The Rev. ©. B. Petitt, B. A...Goulbourn, Gower North, $\left.\begin{array}{r}\text { and Marlborough......... }\end{array}\right\}$ Richmond.
26. The Rer. James Godfrey......Huntley and March............. Bell's Corners.
27. The Rev. John L. Gourlay....Nepean ...... ......................Aylmer, C. E.
28. The Rev. William Lochead....Osgoode............................ Osgoode.
29. The Rev. Alex. Henderson....Torbolton ...........................Fitzroy Harbor.

Vil. County of Grentilie.
30. James Clapperton...............Augusta........................... Prescott.
31. William B. Imrie ...............Edwardsburgh.....................Spencerville.
32. The Rev. Jos. Anderson, A.M.Gower South......................Heck's Corners.
33. Andrew Holmes................. Oxford .............................Kemptville.
34. The Rev. Ebenezer Morris..... Wolford and Montague*......Merrickville.

## VIII. Countr of Leeds.

35. Lewis Chipman..................Bastard and Burgess South...Harlem.
36. William Robert Taylor...... $\left.\} \begin{array}{c}\text { Crosby, North and South) } \\ \text { Bedford, Olden et Oso. } \dagger\end{array}\right\}$ Newboro'.
37. Jacob A. Brown...................Elizabethtown....................Brockville.

38 Edward F. Weeks...............Elmsley South....................South Elmsley.
39. Robert W.Ferguson............Kitley .............................Frankville.
40. Henry P. Washburn............Leeds and Lansdown Rear ...Beverly.
41. Thomas Vanston............... $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Leeds and Lansdown Front, } \\ \text { and Y onge and Escott Front }\end{array}\right\}$ Escott.
42. Arza Parish................... Yonge and Escott Rear........Farmersville.

## IX. County of Lamark.

43. John A. Murdoch............ $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Bathurst, Dalhousie, Darling, } \\ \text { Drummond, Lanark, Lavant, } \\ \text { SherbrookeNorth andSouth. }\end{array}\right\}$ Perth.
44. The Rev. Duncan Morrison...Beckwith

Franktown.
45. The V. Rev.J.H. McDonough.Burgess North....................Perth.
46. The Rev. John Bell Worrell... Elmsley North ...................Smith's Falls.
47. The Rev. Alex. Mann, A. M...Pakenham ..........................Pakenham.
48. The Rev. John McMorine ......Ramsay ........... .................Ramsay.

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## X. County of Renfrew.

## Name.

Municipalities.
Post Office Address.
49. George Brown................. $\left\{\begin{array}{r}\text { Admaston, Frazer, Grattan } \\ \text { and Wilberforce............ }\end{array}\right\}$ Douglas.
50. F. Derine................... ......Bagot and Blithfield.............Bagot.
51. The Rev. James A. Strain.....Bromley and Brougham ...... Eganville.
52. George Ross ......................Horton and Ross ................Renfrew.
53. The Rev. S. C.Trazer, A. M...McNab ............................White Lake.
54. Andrew Irving..................Pembroke and Stafford..........Pembroke.
55. The Rev. Richard Hammond..Westmeath........................Westmeath.
XI. County of Frontenac.
56. John Irvine........................Kingston............................Elginburgh.
57. Asa Philips.......................Loughborough....................Loughborough.
58. The Rev. E. C. Bower..........Pittsburgh and Howe Island..Kingston.
59. James J, McDonald............. Portland and Hiuchinbrooke.Spike's Corners.
60. John Spring...................... Storrington ....................... Storrington.
61. Edward Murray.................Wolfe Island......................Wolfe Island.

## XII. County of Addington.

62. Daniel Fowler...................Amherst Island.................Amherst Island.
63. The Rev. Paul Shiriey.........Camden East and Sheffeld...Camden East.
64. Robert Aylsworth ........ .... Ernestown.......................Millcreek.

## XIII. County of Lennox.

65. John J. Watson
A dolphustown. Adolphustown.
66. The Rev. John A. Mulock.... .Fredericksburgh Fredericksburgh. .
67. Ephraim A. Dunham
Richmond Napanee.

## XIV. County of Prince Edward.

68. John B. Denton. ....... ..... $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Ameliasburgh, Athol, Hallo- } \\ \text { well, Hillier, Marysburgh } \\ \text { and Sophasburgh......... }\end{array}\right\}$ Picton.
XV. County of Hastings.
69. The Rev. J. Sanderson..........Elzevir, Madoc and Tudor.....Madoc.
70. John Johnstone..................Hungerford........................Tweed.
71. James J. Ryan...................Huntingdon........................West Huntingdon.

| XV.-County of Hastings-(Continued.) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Names. | Municipalities. | Post Odfice Address. |
| 72. George Wiggins.. | Marmora | Marmora. |
| 73. Joshua McLean, M. D. | Rawdon ............. | .Stirling. |
| 74. Thomas D. Farley..... | .Sidney . | Belleville. |
| 75. Abraham Diamond | Thurlow. | Do. |
| 76. Trederick Warwick. | Tyendinaga | .Shannonville. |

## XVI. County of Nohtiumberland.

77. Edward Scarlett...............\{解 $\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { Alnwick, Brighton, Cramahe, } \\ \text { Haldimand, Hamilton, Mo- } \\ \text { naghan, South, Murray, } \\ \text { Percy, Seymour................. }\end{array}\right\}$ Haldimand.

## XVII. Countr of Durham.

78. The Rev. William Logan......Cartwright and Manvers....... Manvers.
79. The Rev. T. W. Allen..........Cavan...............................Cavan.
80. The Rev. Henry Brent.........Clarke.................................Neweastle.
81. The Rev. John Climie .........Darlington......................... Bowmanville.
82. The Rev. Jonathan Shortt......Hope ................................Fort Hope.

## XVIII. County of Peterborough.

83. Thomas W. Poole, M. D... ..Asphodel and Belmont......... Norwood.
84. Robert Casement...... .........Douro............... ...............North Douro.
85. George Arundel Hill............Dummer and Burleigh.........Warsaw.
86. Daniel Donohoe. ................Ennismore..........................Ennismore.
87. The Rev. Edward Roberts......Monaghan, North, and Smith.Peterboro.
88. The Rev. Francis Andrews....Otonabee........................... Otonabee.

## XIX. County of Victoria.

89. Angus Ray........................Eldon ............................... Eldon.
90. The Rev. William Briden......Emily................................Emily.
91. The Rev. Gilbert Tweedie......Fenelon and Mariposa......... Mariposa.
92. A. Lacourse....................... Opp ...................................Lindsay.
93. George Bick......................Verulam..... ...................... Bobcaygeon.

## XX. Cuunty of Ontario.



# XX.—County of Ontario-(Continued.) 

Names.
96. The Rev. J. Durrant
97. The Rer. R. Monteath.
98. Abraham Bagshaw.
99. Charles Robinson
100. The Rev. Robert H. Thornton. Whitby

Post Office Address.
Stouffille. Reach. Uxbridge.
Beaverton.

## XXI. County of York.

101. The Rev. J.G.Armstrong, B.A.Etobicoke ........................Woodbridge.
102. H. Moore....................... $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Georgina and Gwillimbury, } \\ \text { North .................. }\end{array}\right\}$ Georgina.
103. J. T. Stokes .......................Gwillimbury, East................Newmarket.
104. The Rev. J. Adams .............King...............................Nobleton.
105. The Rev. George S. J. Hill....Markham..........................Markham.
106. The Rev. Wiliiam Belt, B.A...Scarborough... ...................Scarborough.
107. Thomas Ryne, M. D.............Whitchurch .......................Newmarket.
108. The Rev. H. C. Cooper, B. A..Vaughan .........................Mimico.
109. The Rev. Richard Jones........Yurk.

Eglinton.
XXII. County of Peel.
110. The Rev. H. B. Osler...........Albion..............................Lloydtown.
111. The Rev. R. J. Williams.......Caledon ............................Alton.
112. The Rev. James Pringle..... $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Chinguacousy, and Gore of } \\ \text { Toronto ................... }\end{array}\right\}$ Brampton.
113. The Rev. Thos. Leach..........Toronto............................ Do.

## XXIII. County of Simcor.

114. James Hart........................Adjala..............................Kenansville.
115. The Rev.S.B. Ardagh, A.M. $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Innisfil, Vespra and Sunni- } \\ \text { dale .................... }\end{array}\right\}$ Barrie.
116. The Rev. William Fraser......Essa and Gwillimbury West...Bond Head.
117. The Rev. S. Brownell...........Flos and Matchedash .........Flos.
118. Henry A. Clifford................Medonte........................... Do.
119. The Rev. J. Fletcher, A. B. $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Mono, Mulmur, and Tosso- } \\ \text { rontio....................... }\end{array}\right\}$ Mono Mills.
120. The Rev. J. Campbell...........Nottawasaga ......................Nottawasaga
121. The Rev. John Gray............Orillia and Oro..................Orillia.
122. William Simpson................Tay and Tiny.....................Penetanguishine.
123. The Rev. F.L. Osler, M. A....Tecumseth........................Bond Head.

## XXIV. County of Haiton.

Names.

Municipalities.

Post Office Address.



## XXVI. County of Brantr.



## XXVII. County of Lincolf.



## XXVIII. County of Welland.

| 146. P. T. Kempson, M. D..........Bertie | Fort Erie. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 147. Alexander Reid.................Crowland | Crowland. |
| 148. W. F. Haney, M. D...........Humberst | .Stonebridge. |
| 149. The Rev. S. W. Folger.........Pelha | Fonthill. |
| 150. John Roberts....................Stamford | Drummondville. |
| 151. John Radeliff...................Thorold. | Allanburgh. |
| 152. Sayers S. Hagar........ ........W Wainfleet | Merrittsvillc. |
| 153. The Rev. W. M. Christie......Willoug | Chippewa. |

## XXIX. County of Haldimand.

| Names. | Municipalities. | Post Office Address. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 154. Thomas C. Pinkett | Canborough. | Canboro. |
| 155. Alexander Winram.. | . Cayuga North. | . Cayuga. |
| 156. Abraham Nash. | . Cayuga South. | South Cayuga. |
| 157. Theodore Sheehan. | Dunn | Dunnville. |
| 158. John Mylne. | ..Moulton and Sherbroo | Dunville. |
| 159. The Rev. Andrew Fe | .Oneida. | Seneca. |
| 160. William Jones.. | .Rainham | Rainham Centre. |
| 161. W. Hursell. | .Seneca. | York. |
| 162. John Heasnıan. | Walpole | Balmoral. |

## XXX. County of Norfolk.



## XXXI. County of Oxford.

|  | Benjamin Ellison.......... | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { Blandford, Oxford East and } \\ \text { Zorra East................... } \end{array}\right\} \text { Woodstock. }$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 171 | The Rev. George Murray | Blenheim .... ................... Princeton. |
| 172. | Isaac Pipe | Dereham......................... Mount Elgin. |
| 173. | O. B. Fod | Nissouri East ..................... Nissouri. |
| 174. | The Rev. Robert Rodge | Norwich, North.................Norwich. |
| 175. | Francis Cameron | Nurwich, South..................Springford. |
| 176. | Gilbert Telfer. | Oxford North...................lingersoll. |
| 177. | The Rev. W. C. Beardsall | Oxford West....................Ingersoll. |
| 178. | The Rev. Donald McKen | Zorra West .......................E.Embro. |

## XXXII. County of Waterloo.


XXXIII. County of Wellington.

XXXIV. County of Gbey.
185. Thomas Gordon............... $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { FirstSchool District:-Der- } \\ \text { by, Holland, Sullivan and } \\ \text { Sydenham........................ }\end{array}\right\}$ Orensound.
186. The Rev. A. Stewart......... $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Second School District:- } \\ \text { Bentinck, Gienelg, Egre- } \\ \text { mont and Normanby...... }\end{array}\right\}$ Bentinck.
187. The Rer. J. F.A.S. Fayette. $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Third School District:--Col- } \\ \text { lingwood, Euphrasia and } \\ \text { St. Vincent ..................... }\end{array}\right\}$ St. Vincent.
188. William Ferguson............ $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Fourth School District:- } \\ \text { Artemesia, Melancthon, } \\ \text { Osprey and Proton........ }\end{array}\right\}$ Priceville.
XXXV. County of Perth.
189. The Rev. Thos. McPherson. $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Blanchard, Downie, East- } \\ \text { hope, North and South, } \\ \text { Ellice, Elma, Fullarton, } \\ \text { Hibbert, Logan,Morning- } \\ \text { ton and Wallace ........... }\end{array}\right\}$ Stratford.
XXXVI. County of Huron.
190. John Nairn.................... $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Ashfield, Biddulph, Col- } \\ \text { borne, Goderich, Grey, } \\ \text { Hay, Howick, Hullet, } \\ \text { McGillvray, MckKillop, } \\ \text { Morris, Stanley, Stephen, } \\ \text { Tuckersmith, Turnberry, } \\ \text { Usborne and Wawanosh. }\end{array}\right\}$ Goderich.

XXXYII. County of Bruce.
191. The Rev. J. H. McNaughton..Arran, Elderslie and Saugeen. Saugeen.

XXXVIII. Cuenty of Midplesex.
Names. Municipalities. Post Office Address.
191. The Rev, Richard Saul. ..... Adelaide ..... Adelaide.
195. Archibald Campbell....... .. $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Carradoe, Delaware \& Wil- } \\ \text { liams ......................... }\end{array}\right\}$ ..... Amiens.
196. Donald Cameron. . Dorchester North Nilestorn.
107 The Rev. W. II. Sutherland...Elfrid Strathburn.
195. The Rev. C. C. Brough, A. B.London London.
199. The Rev. William Skimer.....Lobo ..... Lobo.
200. The Rev. William Ames ...... Mosa Wardsville.
201. George Richardson.............. Metcalfe. Katesville.
202. Charles Hardy Nissouri West. Wyton.
203. Adam Murray Westminster London.
XXXIII. County of Elgin.20t. The Rev. Edmund Sheppard. $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { East Riding: - Bayham, } \\ \text { Dorchester, South, Mala- } \\ \text { hide and Yarmouth ...... }\end{array}\right\}$ Temperancerille.20.5. Archibald McLachlin......... $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { West Riding:- Aldbo- } \\ \text { rough, Dunwich, \& South- } \\ \text { wold......................... }\end{array}\right\}$ St. Thomas.
IL. Cousti of Kent.
200. Darid Fills CCanden, Chatham, Dorer? East and West, Harrich, Howard, Oxford, Raleigh, $\}$ Clearville. Rowney, Tilbury Eastand Zone
XLI. County of Lambton.
207. The Rer. John Gunne. .Brooke, Dawn and Euphemia Florence.
203. The Rev. Alfred Chute. Bosanquet Bosanquet.
209. Wrellington Brichan. Enniskillen**. ..... Enuis.
210. The Rev. Mr. Williams Moore ..... Moore.
211. Christopher Bluaden Plympton Hillsboro.
212. The Rev. David Walker. .Sarnia Port Sarnia.
213. Absulom Dingman. .Sombra Sombra.
214. The Rer. Daniel Macallum. Warrick ..... Warwick.
XLII. County of Essex.
21.) Joseph A. Berthelot. Anderdon Amherstburgh.
210. The Rev. F. Gore Eliot.........Colchester Colchester.
Gosfield Kingsville.

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IVo. 2.-The Cities,
224. T. W. Ambridge................................................................................

225. The Rev. William F. Clarke.............................................London,
227. Alexander Workman .......................................................Ottawa.
228. George Anthony Barber...................................................Toronto.

No. 3.-The Towns.
229. The Rev. Henry D. Pomis..................................................Belleville.
230. The Rev. Alexauder A. Drummond*.......................... .....Brantford.

28L. The Rev. John Me Murray................................................. Brockville.
232. Thomas Cross, M. D........................................................Chatham.
233. John Beatty, Jr., M.D.......................................................Cobourg.
234. Charles Pooi .................................................................Cornwall.
235. The Rev. M. Y. Stark..................................................... Dundas.


238. W. H. Oliver............ ....................................................... Paris.
289. William O. Buell.... .......................................................... Perth.
240. John Edwards..............................................................Peterborough.
242. George Gillespie, M. D.............. ...................................... Picton.
242. The Eev, Jonathan Shortt*............................................... Port Hope
243. The Rev. Robert Boyd, A. M..............................................Prescott.
244. The Rev. Thomas T. Robarts, M. A.....................................St. Catharines.
245. The Rav. John Gerrie.......................................................Whitby.

## No. 4.-The Town Municipalities.

246. John McLeod..................................................................Amherstburgh.
247. The Rev. William McFadden..............................................Barrie.
248. Tbe Rev. Robert Torrance* ...............................................Guelph.
249. The Rev. George Bell, A. B................................ ............... Simeoe.
250. The Rev. James Cooper.....................................................Woodstock.

## No. 5.-The Incorporated Pillages.

251. John Scott, M. D Berlin.
252. The Rev. John Climie* Bormanville.
253. The i.Rev. Andrew T. Holmes, A. M ..... Brampton.
254. William McCargow Caledonia.
255. The Rer. W. M. Christie* Chippera.
2ธ̈G. The Rev. James Strang ..... Galt.
256. Charles R. Chadwick ..... Ingersoll.
2j8. The Rer. W. B. Lander, A. B Napanee.
257. The Rev. Robert H. Thornton* ..... Oshama.
258. Otto Klotz ..... Preston.
259. The Rer. Archibald Lampman ..... St. Marys.
260. The Rev. John Fraser, A. B. ..... St. Thomas.
261. The Rer. John Bell Worrell*. ..... Smith's Falls.
262. John Stewart ..... Stratford.
263. The Rev. Wm. Dickson ..... Thorold.
264. F. J. McGuire ..... Trenton.
265. Simon Newcomb Vienna.
266. S. S. Macdonell, M. A., B. C. L Windsor.
267. Yorkville.
Mem.-The following incorporations take effect on the 1st January, 1857:- Towns: Gult changed from Village to Town.

       Owensound-newly incorporated.
    
       Sarmia-newly incorporated.
        Town with Municipality only : Cliffton-newly incorporated.
    
    Village: Newcastle-newly incorporated.
    * Local Superintendents in the Townships.


## RETURN

To an Address from the Legislative Assembly, of the 28 th ultimo, for a statement relative to Educational Institutions.

By Command.
GEO. ET. CARTIER,

Secretary.

Secretary's Office, Toronto, 12th May, 1856.

## Auditor's Office, <br> Toronto, May 9th, 1856.

Sir,-I have the honor to enclose a Tabular Statement of the Returns made to this office, by the various Educational Institutions receiving aid from the Province. The course of instruction pursued in each has been omitted in this Statement, as from the nature of the Returns, they cannot be compressed into a General Statement. For future years it is proposed to send blank forms, embodying the principal features of the information required on this subject, so as to ensure greater uniformity in the Returns.

> I have the honor to be, Your obedient Servant,

## JOHN LANGTON. Auditor.

The Honorable G. E. Carrier,
Provincial Secretary.

## Auditor's Office,

Toronto, May 8, 1856.
Sir,-I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of this day, requesting me to furnish such portion of the information required by the annexed Resolution of the House of Assembly, as the Returns in my possession will enable me to supply, so far as Victoria and Regiopolis Colleges are concerned, as the Presidents of those Institutions have referred to those Returns as containing the desired information.

The Returns made to me do not mention the number of graduates, nor do they distinguish between matriculated and other students, or day students, and their standing in the Colleges, neither are their residences or religions mentioned, or their ages further than to distinguish those above and those under 16.

The following are the only facts I can furnish :-

## VICTORIA COLLEGE.



Cocrse of Study in Factuty of Arts.
1st Year.-Virgil ( 6 books), Livy, Xenophon (Anabasis, 3 books), Herodotus, Smith's Greek and Roman Antiquities, Arnold's Latin and Greek Prose, Algebra, Geometry, French, Chemistry, Taylor's Universal History, Elocution, and English Composition.
2nd Year.-Horace, Cicero (in Catalinam), Iliad (4 books), Xenophon's (Memorabilia, 3 books), Walker's Lucian, Arnold's Latin Prose Composition, Geometry, Plane \& Spherical Trigonometry, Mensuration, Surveying, Navigation, and Levelling, Cutter's Physiology, French, Logic, Elocution, \& English Composition.

3 rd Year.-Plautus (Captivi), Tacitus (Germania \& Agricola), Cicero (de Officiis), Euripides (Medea), Sophocles, (cedhus Rex), Thucydides (book I), Greek Testament, French, Conic Sections, Olmsted's Mechanical Philosophy, Brewster's Optics, Gray's Geology, Reid on the Intellectual Powers, Stewart's Active and Moral Powers, Whately's Rhetoric, Elocution, and English Composition.

4th Year.-Cicero (de Oratore \& de Legibus), Demosthenes (de Cerona), Plato (contra Atheos), Olmsted's Astronomy, French, Paley's Evidences and Natural Theology, Elocution, and English Composition..

## REGIOPOLIS COLLEGE.

## Professors,-6.

Students.-Under 16,-50; above 16,-20; not including a numerous preparatory school.
Expenditure in 1855 ....................................................... 110000
Income from Governmentgrant $£ 750$, and the interest on an investment of $£ 1050$.
Course of Study similar to that in the best Educational Institution of Lower Canada, viz:-
English, French, Latin, Greek, Belles Lettres, Rhetoric, Logic, Metaphysics, Ethics, Theology, Music, Drawing, Book-keeping, Arithmetic, Algebra, Theoretical and Practical Geometry.
In Classics the books used are, Cornelius Nepos, Cæsar, Sallust, Livy, Tacitus, Cicero, Ovid, Virgil, Horace, Terence, Plautus, Lucian, Homer, Xenophon, Herodotus, Demosthenes, and a selection from the Greek and Latin Fathers.
The course in Philosophy is that of De Ramm.
In Theology, Bouvier and Ligorio are the Authors mostly followed.
In Mathematics, \&c., the books used in the University of Cambridge are those followed.

I have the honor to be, your obedient Servant,
JOHN LANGTON, Auditor.

The Honorable G. E. Cartier,<br>Provincial Secretary.

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RETURN of COLLEGES in LOWER CANADA,

| NAME of INSTITUTION. | GOVERNING BODY. |  | SCHOLARS. |  | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Under | Over 16. |  |
| Chambly, College of St. Pierre | Clerks of St. Viate | 8 | 108 | 26 | 134 |
| Côteau-du-Lac College | Not in operation. |  |  |  |  |
| Joliette do | Clerks of St. Viateu | 12 | 210 | 30 | 240 |
| L'Assomption do |  | 14 | not sta | ted. | 121 |
| Lennoxville, Bishop's College | Bishops of Quebec and Montreal, Trustees and Council | 3 |  | 17 | 17 |
| Nicolet College | Five Directors............ | 13 | 157 | 137 | 294 |
| Point Levy, College of Notre Dame.. |  | 12 | 228 | 17 | 245 |
| Rigaud, do of Vaudreuil.... | Clerks of St. Valeur | 7 | 22 | 78 | 100 |
| St. Anne de la Pocatière, Kamouraska. St Marie de la Beauce, Beauce .. ... |  | 19 | 81 | 83 | 164 |
| St. Michel, Bellechasse . . . . . . . | School Commissioners | 5 | 120 | $2{ }^{\circ}$ | 142 |
| St. Francis, Richmond | Trustees | 4 | 18 | 14 | 32 |
| St. Hyacinthe Collcge | Corporate Body | 24 | 170 | 173 | 343 |
| St. Marie de Monnoir College |  | 6 | 82 | 14 | 96 |
| St. Vincent de Paul, Laval College |  | 4 | 110 | 5 | 115 |
| St. Thérèse College | Corporate Body | 14 | 88 | 51 | 139 |
| Terrebonne, Masson College |  | 12 | 169 | 20 | 189 |
| Verchères College | School Commissioners | ${ }_{2}^{6}$ | 152 | ${ }_{106}^{12}$ | 164 |
| St. Marie's College, Montreal | Corporate Body | 15 | 124 | 45 | 169 |

RETURN of HIGH SCHOOLS in LOWER CANADA


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RETURN of EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN LOWER

| NAME of INSTITUTION, | GOVERNING BODY. | Teachers. |  | SCHOLARS. |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 㝕 |  | Boys. |  | Girls. |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Not } \\ & \text { CLaSSED. } \end{aligned}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Un- } \\ \text { der } \\ 16 . \end{gathered}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Over } \\ 16 . \end{gathered}\right.$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Over } \\ 16 . \end{gathered}$ |  | Over <br> 16. |
| Aylmer Academ | 7 Directors | 2 |  |  |  |  |  | 33 | 15 |
| Abenaki Indian School | Indian Missionary | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 24 |  |
| Beloil Superior do | School Commissioners. | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  | 54 |  |
| Berthier Ácademy ... | Trustecs .... . . | 2 |  |  |  |  |  | 80 | 12 |
| Beauharnois Girls' Academy. <br> do Boys' do .. | Sisters . |  | 5 | 119 | 1 | 142 | 9 |  |  |
| Baie St. Paul, Convent .... | Sisters . . |  | 3 |  |  | 80 |  |  |  |
| Buckingham Acädemy | Trustees |  |  | 22 | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| Bedford School . . . . . | do | 2 |  | 26 | 8 |  |  |  |  |
| Colonial C. and S. Society School | The Society |  |  |  |  |  |  | 35 | 15 |
| Clarendon School... | Trustees . . . . . . . . . . |  |  |  |  |  |  | 9 |  |
| Clarenceville Academy | 9 Directors | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  | 47 | 29 |
| Charleston do | 8 Trustees | 1 | 3 |  |  |  |  | 90 | 77 |
| Cassville Sclect School .... | 5 do | 2 | 3 |  |  |  |  | 32 | 27 |
| Chambly Girls' do .... | Convent . |  | 4 |  |  | 60 |  |  |  |
| Cacouna Sisters Academy | Not in operation. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cap Santé Girls' School .... | Curé .......... |  |  |  |  | 45 | 5 |  |  |
| Academy | Curé and Trustees . . . . | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| Cowansville Femnle Academy. | Committce of Directors |  | 2 |  |  | 25 | 29 |  |  |
| Commercial School, Quebec. | Mr. Juneau. . . . . . . . . . |  |  | 96 | 16 |  |  |  |  |
| Danville Academy | 3 Trustees elected .... | 1 | 3 |  |  |  |  | 32 | 34. |
| Deschambault, St. Joseph .. | School Commissioners . | 1 | 1 | 34 |  | 30 |  |  |  |
| Dudswell School ........ |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 27 | 3 |
| East Farnham Academy | 5 Trustees . . . . . . . . | 2 |  | 26 | 28 |  |  |  |  |
| Granby do .... | Special Commissioners. | 2 | 1 | 25 | 28 | 36 | 16 |  |  |
| Gentilly Superior School | Trustees . . . . . . . . . . |  | 1 |  |  | 55 | 1 |  |  |
| Knowlton Academy... | TheClergyman in charge | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  | 35 | 10 |
| Long Pointe do . | Not in operation. . . . . . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lorette Indian School, Females <br> do $\qquad$ | Indian Missionary .... |  |  | 23 |  | 20 |  |  |  |
| Longueuil Female Academy. | 5 Sisters . . . . . . . . . . . . . |  | 29 | 2 |  | 267 | 26 |  |  |
| L'Islet Male School . . . . . . . | Commissioners |  |  | 89 | 10 |  |  |  |  |
| do Female do | do ..... |  | 2 |  |  | 89 | 1 |  |  |
| Laprarie Academy | School Commissioners. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10 |
| Montreal School of St. Jacques | R.C. Bishop, and Com- mittee of $15 \ldots .$. |  |  | 208 |  | 155 |  |  |  |
| do American Presbyterian Free School | Trustees | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| do B. and C. School .. | Committee |  | 1 | 134 |  | 143 | 3 |  |  |
| do National do .. | do .......... | 1. | 1 | 56 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Montmagny Female Academy. | School Commissioners- |  | 5 |  |  | 15 |  |  |  |
| Normal and Model School, Montreal | Colonial C. \& S. Society |  | 12 |  |  |  |  | 340 | 20 |
| Nicolet Female School. | School Commissioners . |  | 3 |  |  | 77 | .... |  | $\ldots$ |

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EDUCATION at BYTOWN, of PUPILS from COUNTY of OTTAWA, Expended on 4 Schools, attended by 220 Pupils ......... $£ 10000$

No Reports have been received from the following Institutions:-


## JOHN LANGTON, <br> Auditor.

May 9, 1856.

## RETURN

To an Address from the Legislative Assembly, of the 5th instant ; for Copies of Complaints prepared against C. Cimon, as School Inspector.

> By Command.

GEO. ET. CARTIER,

Secretary.

Secretary's Office,<br>'Toronto, 19th May, 1856.

## [Translation.]

To His Excellency the Govenor General, \&c., \&c.,
The Petition of the undersigned inhabitants of the Parish of Malbaie, in the County of Charlevoix:-

## Hexbly Sheweth;

That Cléophe Cimon, Esq., of the Parish of Murray Bay, has been appointed School Inspector for the County of Charlevoix, ever since this office has been created in Lower Canada. That in their opinion, in order to fill this office of School Inspector, it is requisite that the incumbent be an educated person, and one who possesses a certain degree of influence, in order to be able to command the respect and confidence of the School Commissioners, the Teachers, and of the people in general with whom the Inspector has to have intercourse, so as to forward the patriotic views of the Government, to insure the progress of education throughout the country. That it is with regret that your Petitioners, devoted supporters of education, feel themselves bound to complain of the School Inspector for the County of Charlevoix, on account of his deplorable want of education, the little influence he commands over the School Commissioners, and the unbecoming manner in which he treats every one, and especially the Teachers, who are superior to him in attainments.

That your Petitioners bitterly deplore that education has made so very little progress in this County, and attribute it entirely to the want of education in the School Inspector.

That your Petitioners beg of Your Excellency to be pleased to examine the affidavits annexed to this Petition, and which contain but a very small part of all the accusations which they have to make against this Inspector, and Your Excellency cannot fail to be convinced of the truth of the allegations contained in this Petition.

That affairs have come to such a pass, that the School Commissioners will no longer hold any communication with the said Inspector, and have decided to act as if there were no School Inspector in the place, which would be much to be deplored, as your Petitioners can understand how much a good School Inspector might advance the cause of education in the County.

Wherefore, your Petitioners venture to hope, that Your Excellency will be pleased to take their Petition into Your serions consideration, and in your justice and love of education, to dismiss from office the present School Inspector. Your Petitioners renture to expect, after serious consideration on the part of Your Excellencr, that their Petition and representation may be granted.

And with all respect and gratitude,

> Your Petitioners will ever pray.
(Signed,) PIERRE HARVEY, and 74 others.
Malbaim, 5th October, 18 ă5.

Province of Canada, ( PIERRE Hapvey, Merchant, heretofore Church-warDistict of Qubbec. 1 den of the Parish of St. Etienne de la Malbaie, residing Couxty of Sagcenay. Therein, Lientenant of Militia, after having been duly swom upon the Holy Evangelists, did depose and say :-
That he was present at a meeting of School Rate-payers which was held at Malbaie, in School House No. 1, in February, to take into consideration the complaints brought by Cléophe Cinon, Esquire, School Inspector, and his family, against a qualified Teacher.

That the said Cléophe Cimon was present at the said meeting, and behaved himself in a manner altogether unbecoming and revolting, by shewing a rancorous hatred towards him, and making use of offensive, and insulting expressions. At length he behaved himself in so passionate and immoderate a manner, as well against the said Teacher as the said Rate-payers, as to draw upon himself the indignation of part of the Meeting, who declared his demeanor to be immoderate and disrespectful, and inconsistent with the situation he holds, and this deponent considered him so to outstrip the bounds of his duty, as well of a citizen as of the office he occupies, that he ordered him to be silent.

That this Deponent sees no change in the progress of education, and the reason thereof is, that the said Cléophe Cimon is not esteemed by the Rate-payers, and that the School Commissioners can pay no attention to him, as he has not the slightest shadow of sympathy with them.

That this deponent does not hesitate to declare, that the said Cléophe Cimon is not peaceable in the transaction of business, that on the contrary, he excites animosities, difficulties, and obstacles in every point, and that he does not possess the esteem of the majority of the inhabitants of the County.

That it is to deponent's knowledge that he was Secretary-Treasurer to the School Corperation; that there was a great deal of difficulty between him and the School Commissioners, with regard to money matters, in October, 1850; that he was obliged to return a sum of money as appears by the books of the said Corporation, and that he was forced to resign his situation as such. In a word, the said deponent does not consider, as is stated in the allegations of the Petition, that he can fulfil the Office of School Inspector with profit to the public, and in such a manner as the importance of such an office requires.

And further this deponent saith not, and hath signed at Malbaie, this 11th day of October, 1854.
(Signed,) PIERRE HARVEY.
Sworn before me, at Malbaie, the aforesaid day and year.
(Signed,) Andre Harvey, J. $P$.

Protince of Caxida, jLOUIS DIDIER TREMBLAY, Shoemaker, residing District of Quebec. Countr of Sagutarar. $\int$ on the Holy Evangelists, did depose and say:-
That he was present at a meeting of the school rate-payers, which took place in School House No. 1, in February last, to take into consideration complaints brought by Cléophe Cimon, Esquire, School Inspector and his family, against a Teacher who was qualified in every respect.
That the said Cléophe Cimon was present and behaved himself in a manner altogether unbecoming and revolting; that he insulted the Teacler by shewing an inveterate hatred against him, and made use of injurious and offensive language, which also tended to destros his character; at length he conducted himself in so passionate a manner, as well against the rate-payers as against the Teacher, that he drem upon himself the indignation of the meeting, who found that he behared himself in a very immoderate and disrespectful mamer for the situation he fills.
That the said Deponent has not perceived any progress or advancement in the cause of Education, and since the appointment of the said Cléophe Cimon, to the Office of School Inspector, because the said Cléophe Cimon has neither weight nor influence with the School Commissioners, because he is not esteemed by the rate-payers, and because Deponent, not as much from his own private judgment as on account of public rumors, does not consider him fit and qualified to advance the cause of Education.
That the said Deponent does not hesitate to say that the said Cléophe Cimon is not considered, and does not conduct himself in a peaceable manner in the management of business, that he excites animosities, difficulties, and disputes, on every point, in all business in which he meddles.

That the said Deponent does not in the least hesitate to say, that the said Cleophe Cimon does not possess the good-will of the majority of the inhabitants of the County, and of not even a twelfth-part of the inhabitants of the Parish of Malbaie.

That it is to Deponent's knowledge, that Cléophe Cimon was Secretary-Treasurer of the School Corporation; that there was a great deal of difficulty between him and the School Commissioners, concerning some money matters; that he, Deponent, has seen in the books of the Corporation, that a sum of money was remitted by the said Cléophe Cimon; that after the difficulties were settled, the said Cléophe Cimon resigned his situation. In short, the said Deponent, as is stated in the above Petition, which he contends to be true, does not consider him in any wise to be a person qualified and able to fulfil the Office of School Inspector.

And further Deponent saith not, and hath signed at Malbaie, this 11th day of October, 1854.

> (Signed,) DIDIER TREMBLAY.

## Sworn before me at Malbaie, the above-mentioned day and year. <br> (Signed,) Axdrew Harvey.

Province of Canaida, $/ \mathbf{W E}$, LOUIS MALitais, Farmer, and ANDREW District of Quebec, $W$ HARVEY, Merchant, heretofore School Comuis County of Suguevay. sioners for the school Municipality of St. Etienne de la Malbaie, having been requested by several inhabitants, rate-payers to the said schools, and thinking it our duty to accede to the said request, after having been duly sworn on the Holy Erangelists, do depose, and say, That we were present at a meeting of the rate payers, which took place in February last, to take into consideration the complaints brought by Cléophe Cimon, Esquire, School Inspector, and his family, against a teacher qualified in every respect.
That the said Cléopbe Cimon, instead of behaving himselfin a manner befitting his station, shewed an inveterate hatred against the teacher, and insulted him by using unbecoming language. At length he behaved himself in so revolting and so immoderate a manner, as well towards the teacher as towards the rate-payers, as to draw upon himself the indignation of all the Assembly.
That we do not see any prospect for the good and progress of education, because the said Cléophe Cimon has no weight or influence with the School Commissioners, and is not esteemed by the rate-payers.
That we in no manner hesitate to state, that the said Cléophe Cimon does not possess the sympathy of the majority of the inhabitants of the County, nor more than one-sixteenth part of the inhabitants of Malbaie.
That it is to our knowledge that he was Secretary-Treasurer of the School Corporation; that he was a defaulter in money matters; that he was forced to resign his situation. In short, we do not consider him, (in accordance with the allegation of the above Petition,) a proper person to fill the Office of School Inspector.
And further we say not, and have signed these presents, for the use and benefit of all parties concerned, at Malbaie, this 7 th October, 1854.
(Signed,) LOUIS MALTAIS.
" ANDRE HARVE
Sworn before me, at Malbaie, the above-mentioned day and year.
(Signed,) Tromas Smard, J.P.

Province of Canada, L OUIS MaLTAIS, Farmer, heretofore School ComDistrict of Quebec. $\mathbf{L}^{\text {L }}$ missioner, and PEPIN GAGNON, also School County of Sagueany. Commissioner, for the Parish of Malbaie, residing therein, after having been duly sworn did depose and say :-
That they were present, in their capacity of School Commissioners, at a meeting of School Commissioners, held on the 21st October last, at the office of Jean Gagné, Esquire, Secretary-Treasurer of the School Corporation, at which Cléophe Cimon, Esquire, School Inspector, was invited to act in concert with the Commissioners, and have an understanding with them, upon the plan and style to be adopted for the erection of a School House.
That during the discussion and understanding which took place relative to the style and plan in which the said School House should be built, and the name it should bear, Mr. A. 'Beaudry, Priest and Curate of the said Parish, President of the said Commissioners, gave very plausible, wise, and acceptable reasons why the said School House sliould be bivilt, merely as an Elementary School House.

However, the said Cléophe Cimon, rose, commenced by addressing the President, in a manner altogether unbecoming, molested him, and insulted him to such an extent, that the Commissioners were indignant at his brutal and unrestrained conduct. He further abused the President in gross and unseemly terms, and the Commissioners condemned the plan he proposed. At length he appeared and behaved himself in a manner so disrespectful, as well for the office he holds, as to the person he was addressing, that the said Deponents found that he lowered himself, and were of opinion that he was not a fit person to come to an amicable conclusion.

That your Deponents do not consider the said Cléophe Cimon to be a person qualified to fulfil the office of School Inspector, because he cannot agree with the parties interested, because he has no influence whatever, and is held in very little estimation in the office he fills.

That they have perceived no change since the appointment of the said Cléophe Cimon in the progress of education, and sincerely believe that, if the office of School Inspector were filled by a person qualified and respected, there would be an improvement made, and that education would extend and progress. And further Deponents say not. And the said Louis Maltaise hath signed, the said Pepin Gagnon having declared that he cannot write or sign his name.

| (Signed,) | LOUIS MALTAIS. |
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|  | PEPIN his $\underset{\text { mark. }}{\substack{\text { maGNON. }}}$ |

Malbare, this 7th day of October, 1854.
Sworn before me, at Malbaie, the above mentioned day and year.

> (Signed,) André Harver, J.P.

## Education Office, <br> Montreal, 10th May, 1856.

Sir,-I have the honor to transmit to you, for the information of His Excellency the Governor General, copy of a letter addressed by me to the principal signer, of the Petition, complaining of Mr. Cimon, School Inspector.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(Signed,) P. J. O. CHAUVEAU.
Superintendent of Education.

[^30]Education Ofrice,<br>Montreal, May 15th, 1856.

Gentlemen,-Your Petition to His Excellency the Governor General, praying for the removal from Office of Mr. Cimon, School Inspector, having been transmitted to me with orders to enquire thereinto, and report thereupon, I was bound, in the first instance, to communicate it to the Officer against whom you complain.

Having obtained from lim some explanations concerning the only heads of accusation which are set forth in a precise manner in your Petition, I think it my duty to inform you thereof, and at the same time to invite you to let me know the particulars of the other accusation which are set forth in too general a mannor.

You complain, in the first place, that Mr. Cimon has neither the education nor the influence requisite for the duty he performs. It is necessary that you should set forth, to me, particular facts to shew, according to you, that the Executive Governmenthave been led into error, concerning the fitness of the person whom they have appointed.
You also accuse Mr. Cimon of comporting himself in an unbecoming manner towards the rate-payers in general and the teachers. It will also be necessary to support this very general accusation by particular facts, and it is especially essential that you should designate those of the teachers who have to complain of the insults the Inspector has offered them.

The assertion, that the little progress that education has made in your District, is due to the conduct of the Inspector, is rather a conclusion drawn from the other allegations, than a distinct ground of accusation, and it is not useless for me to obscrve, that on this subject you do not cite any particular instance of negligence on the part of the Inspector in the discharge of his duty.

Your Petition does not set forth any other particular grounds of accusation than the preceding ones, but calls the attention of His Excellency to four affidavits which accompany it.

These depositions contain a repetition of the assertions contained in the Petition and only contain two new grounds of complaint, precise enough for me to inquire into them, and which tend to say, the first, that the Inspector behaved himself in an unbecoming manner at a meeting of the School Commissioners, held in the course of the month of February, 1853; the second, that he was guilty of embezzlement when employed asSecretary-Treasurer of the School Commissioners of Malbaie, previous to his appointment as Inspector.

With regard to the first point, Mr. Cimon informs me, that at the time of the circumstance mentioned, (a circumstance which, at the time of your complaint, had already taken place more than two years back) he was not acting as, and did not pretend to act as, Inspector, but that he had gone there to make a complaint against a brutal treatment received by one of his nephews at the hands of a teacher. He denies having acted in the manner described by you, and adds, that if he did express himself in severe terms concerning the School Commis-
sioners and the teacher, he did so on account of the very legitimate indignation he felt at the moment.

I am very desirous of knowing what you have to say in reply to this defence.
With regard to the second point, although the alleged embezzlement has nothing to do with the conduct of Mr. Cimon as School Inspector, I have, nevertheless, on account of the seriousness of the charge, thought it my duty to take notice of it.

Mr. Cimon denies cver having employed the moneys of the Commissioners to his private profit, and assures me that the accounts were settled in a satisfactory manner. I find in the Records of the Department, a correspondence between my predecessor, the School Commissioners, and their former Secretary-Treasnrer, which on the whole, seems to corroborate Mr. Cimon's Statement.
The Commissioners appear to admit the sufficiency of the settlement of the Accounts, and the matter in which the former Secretary-Treasurer was to have obtained his acquittal seems to have been settled by the parties, since after the 23rd July, 1851, the affair was not heard of. The letter of my predecessor which bears that date, took for an admitted fact that the accounts were settled in a valid manner, and did not bring forth any recrimination on the part of the Commissioners. In this case, as in that of bad-conduct, which you accuse Mr. Cimon of holding towards the teachers, it appears to me that your accusations should at least be supported by the testimony of the parties who would have had the most to suffer, and who ought to have been the first to complain.

I shall wait for whatever you have to reply on the whole before sending in my Report to the Execative.

- I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,
(Signed,) P. J. O. CHAUVEAU, Superintendent of Education.

Messrs. André Harvey, and others,
The signers of the Petition against Mr. Cimon, Inspector.
(True Copy.)
(Signed, P. J. O. CHAUVEAU.


[^0]:    * The table $\mathbf{F}$ gives the total of Institutions as 2888, and of pupils 132,769 . I have reason to believe that these figures come nearer the truth. There is in Appendix A an apparent anomaly in the result of the addition of the three classes into which the pupils are divided, with respect to reading, compared to the total number of those frequenting the schools. This probably arises from the Inspectoss having classified only those who were present at the time of their visits.

[^1]:    * I owe these approximative figures for the year 1855 to Mr. Hodgins, Deputy Superintendent for Upper Canada, who very obligingly furnished me with every information I required.

[^2]:    * This large proportion is due in great part to the inspection district of Mr. Child; as it is certain that the development of that part of the country is progressing much more rapidly than the rest, it is probable that the increase in the number of children from five to sixteen is still greater than has been supposed; I therefore put down this figure under reserve.

[^3]:    *For these statistics I owe my acknowledgments to the Rev. Mr. Villeneuve I am also under obligations to the Rev. Mr. Casault. Grand Vicar and Rector of the Laval University; to Profeseor Dawson, Pincipal of McGill College; to Mr. Hicks, Principal of the Normal English School; to Mr. Toussaint, Principal of the College of St. Michel to Mr. Fitton, Secretary of the Board of Agriculture and of Statistics ; to Mr. Juncau, Secretary of the Association of Tenchers at Quebec, for the important information which they have furnished me often even on subjects not connected with their respective institutions.

    + Inaugural Discourse for 1855 by Profeasor Dawson of YeGill College.

[^4]:    * This total of 132,769 pupils makes a proportion of 56 per cent. of the children from five to sixteen years old, instead of 53, as given by the number 126,677 of Table B. The proportion for Upper Canada is 76, and for the United States 66.

    The same figure from Table Fives a proportion of more than one-sixth of the whole population according to the Census of 1852, even after making allowance for the omissions mentioned in the note at the foot of Table B.

    The following data, with the exception of whal refers to Lower Canada, are taken from an article receatly published by Mr. Hodgins in the American Journal of Education:

    Number of persons to one pupil: Maine, 3; Upper Canada, 4, 4; Denmark, 4, 6; United States, 5, 6 ; Sreden, 5, 6 ; Saxony, 6 ; Prussia, 6. 2 ; Iower Canada, 6, 7 ; Norway, 7 ; Great Britain, 7,5 ; Belgium, 8,3 ; France, 10,5 ; Austria 18, 7 ; Hollaud, 14 , 8 ; Ireland, 14,6 ; Greece, 18 ; Russia, 50 ; Epain, 65 ; Portugal, 81, T.

[^5]:    * It has been impossible for me to ascertain the number of volumes contained in the libraries of these establishments, but it must be considerable, if I may judge from the fact that the Convent of the Con' gregation of Notre Dame at Montreal, which is the parent institution of that order has for its own share more than 9000.

[^6]:    * A Lecture delivered before the Members of the Mechanic's institute, by the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Montreal.
    $\dagger$ Lamartine " Voyage en Orient."

[^7]:    * There will be found, in the Report of Mr. Bruce, a Statistical Table of the Protestant Schools of Montreal and in the Reports of MM. Bardy and Plees statistics of the Catholic and Pro estant schools of Quebec. The Report of Mr. Valade also contains information respecting the Catholic schools of Montreal.
    $\dagger$ Twenty municipalities have made no returns of the books in use; and more than a hundred have made very incomplete returns.

[^8]:    * Proportion of the populaticn whose children attend the schools of the Commissioners could not be ascertaione

[^9]:    * No Government Grant received.

[^10]:    * To these may be added, 12,410 pupils attending the Grammar Schools and other Educational InstiIutions See Table R., pages 204-5, post.

[^11]:    * See Appendix Li, in the Annul Report for 1854, p. 231 .

[^12]:    * Yet I see in the columns of the ultra-advocates of separate schools, statements to the effect that: there are several essential particulars in which the case of the supporters of separate schools in Upper Canada is badin comparison of the supposters of "dissentient" schools in Lower Canada-statements which are groundless and delusive, and put forth to justify the high-handed hierarchical proceedings which have been allopted to subvert our school system, or make it the ally of one particular church against the great majorty of the people of Upper Canada.

[^13]:    The of ene wh is included in thene amounts which was not ramod last year.

[^14]:    * Not reported in 1854
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[^15]:    F 179 Common School Libraries, sub-divided into 509 Libraries at least.
    In addition to the above, the sum of $£ 113,99$ was expended for book-cases and the salaries of librarians.
    This is the total amount for 1850 and 1855.9 .

[^16]:    $\therefore$ ：An Approximation only－no specific information having．been received by the Department．

[^17]:    * Note.-Were each local superintendent to do so, many of the difficulties in obtaining correct finan-? cial and general reports from trustees, would speedily be done away with

[^18]:    * Note.-The 9th section of the supplementary echool Act of 1853, provides a remedy.

[^19]:    * By the Registration is meant the whole number that have attended the Schoole during the year.

[^20]:    * It must be remembered that all the School time is occupied in Recitation. The time as given throughout these tables does not include home-study, by which the lessons are exclusively prepared.

[^21]:    * For a list of the University Scholarships, see the note to No. 1, of Appendix D, on page 312.

[^22]:    - The following are the scholarships offered at the Matriculation Examinations in the University:

    In the Faculty of Arts-(for subjects of Examination see p. 318) 4 of the value of $£ 30$ per annum each, in the Greek and Latin languages with History and Geography; 4, of the value of $£ 30$ per annum each, in Mathematics; 2, of the value of $£ 30$ per annum each, in the English and French languages, with History and Geography; 1, of the value of $£ 30$ per annum, in the Elements of Natural Philosophy and Chemistry; 4, of the value of $£ 30$ per annum each, for general proficiency in the subjects for all studente (i. e. all subjects not classed under the head of "Honors and Scholarships.")

    In the Department of Agriculture-3 of the value of $£ 30$ per annum each.-The subjects of examination are as follows, viz: English Grammar and Composition; Arithmetic, including Mensuration; Outlines of English History to the present time; Outlines of Roman History to the death of Nero; Outlines of Grecian History to the death of Alezander; Outlines of Modern Geography.

    In the Department of Civil Engineering-3.
    In the Faculty of Law-4; and
    In the Faculty of Medicine一3, of the value of $£ 30$ per annum each
    $\dagger$ The Upper Canada Ifunicipal Corporation Act of 1849, 12 Vict., chap. 81, section 41, enacts that the municipal council of each county shall hare power and authority to make a by-law or by-laws for each, all, or any of the following purposes, that is to say:-

    Thirdly. For the purchase and acquirement of such real property as may be required for county grammar sehool purposes, and for the erection, preservation, improvement, and repair of county schoolhouses, for the use of grammar schools, in such parts of the county, or within any city or the liberties thereof, lying within the boundaries of such county, as the wants of the people most require; for the sale and disposal of the same when no longer required; and for making such provision in aid of such grammar schools as they may deem expedient for the advancement of education in the same.

    Fourthly. For making some permanent provision for defraying, out of the public funds of each county, the expense of the attendance at the seat of the University of Toronto, and of that of Upper Canada College and Royal Grammar Sohool there, of such and so many of the pupils of the different publit grammar schools of such county, as shall be desirous of, and in the opinion of the respective masters of such grammar schoole, shall be of competent attainments for entering into competition for any of the scholarships, exhibitions, or other similar prizes offered by such University or Oollege to competition amongst such pupils; but which pupils, from the inability of their parente or guardians to inour the

[^23]:    * See the subjects on page 314.
    $\dagger$ 'The trustees can avail themselves of the recommendation on this subject, and the forms provided by the Council of Public Instruction for Upper Canada, in regard to Common Schools. See Cominon. School Regulations, published in the Appendix to this Report.

[^24]:    * 1. This regulation applies to union grammar and conmon schools, as the law provides for the union of common schools with grammar schools, not the uniou of the latter with the former. In all cases, therefore, in which common schools are united with the grammar schools, the union schodls are subjected to the regulations which are here prescribed in respect to grammar schools.

    2. It should be observed that the several clauses of the eleventh section of the grammar school Act. empower bonteds of trustees to preseribe any duties, or make any regulations, in connection with theirrespectire schools, which are not provided for by, or are not inconsistent with, the genernl regulationg. prescribed by the Council of Public Instruction, and approved by the Governor in Council.
[^25]:    - Oaly a popular knowledge of these subjects is required.

[^26]:    - Ouly a popular knowledge of these subjects is required.

[^27]:    * Omitting fractions.

[^28]:    * Montague is a Township in the County of Lanark.
    $\dagger$ Bedford, Olden and Oso are Townships in the County of Frontenac.

[^29]:    * This Township being under a Board of School Trustees the Local Superintendent is appointed by that body.

[^30]:    The Honorable the
    Provincial Secretary, Toronto.

