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FOURTH REPORT

OF THE

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FOR

PROMOTING THE EDUCATION

OF THE

Poor of Ireland:

TO WHICH THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR, ENDING THE 30TH
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OF CORRESPONDENCE, &c. &c.; AND A LIST OF
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LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

I. The name of the Institution shall be "*The Society for promoting the Education of the Poor of Ireland.*"

II. The *object* of the Society is to diffuse throughout this Country, a well ordered system of Education for the Poor, which shall combine economy of time and money, and bestow due attention on cleanliness and discipline.

III. The leading *principle* by which the Society shall be guided, is to afford the same facilities for Education, to all classes of professing Christians, without any attempt to interfere with the peculiar religious opinions of any.

IV. In order to obtain the object proposed, the Society will use the following *means*: it will establish and maintain a model School, on an extensive scale in the metropolis; which shall at the same time exemplify the system of Education recommended by the Society, and serve as a seminary for the instruction of persons to act as Teachers; it will also assist in procuring properly qualified Schoolmasters, and will provide suitable books, stationary, and other articles necessary for Schools, at reduced prices.

V. As it is conceived that Schools best adapted to the wants and circumstances of Ireland, are those in which the appointment of Governors, Teachers, and Scholars, shall be uninfluenced by religious distinctions ; where the Scriptures without note or comment shall be read ; but all Catechisms and books of religious controversy excluded ; in which the morals of the pupils and instructors shall be anxiously attended to ; where habits of decency and of cleanliness shall be considered indispensable ; where Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic, shall be taught in a cheap and expeditious manner, and in which good order and regular discipline shall be duly enforced ; the *Funds* of the Institution shall be devoted to the support of such Schools alone ; but the Society is willing to communicate information, and afford such assistance as shall not diminish its resources, to any seminary for the instruction of the Poor.

VI. The Society shall consist of a Patron, Vice-Patron, President, Vice-Presidents, Committee, Treasurer, Trustees and Secretary, and also of Honorary Members, Guardians, Members for Life, and Annual Members, together with such inferior officers, as may be deemed necessary for conducting the affairs of the Society.

VII. Every Person Subscribing £50. at one time, or who shall by any additional payment encrease his annual Subscription to that sum shall be a *Guardian* of the Society.

VIII. Upon any Legacy of £50. being paid to the Treasurer, the Executors of the person bequeathing such Legacy shall be Guardians.

IX. Every Person giving a benefaction of Ten Guineas, shall be a *Member for Life*.

X. Every Person subscribing One Guinea annually, shall be a *Member during the continuance of such Subscription*.

XI. The Committee shall have the power of nominating such persons as shall render essential service to the Society, or shall be active in promoting objects similar to those of the Society, *Honorary Members*.

XII. The *Annual Meeting* of the Members of the Society, shall be held in Dublin, on such day after the 30th of April, in each year, as the Committee shall judge expedient, when the proceedings of the foregoing year shall be reported, the Accounts presented, and a Treasurer, Trustees, Auditors of Accounts, and Committee chosen. Ten days notice of such meeting shall be given in the public Newspapers.

XIII. A *Special General Meeting* of the Members of the Society, may be called at any time, at the requisition of the Committee, or of any Ten Members, on addressing a Letter to the Secretary, specifying the object of the Meeting: Ten days notice shall be given in three public Newspapers

of any such intended meeting, and of the purpose for which it is called.

XIV. Six *Trustees* shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting, from amongst the Members of the Society, in whom may be vested the property of the Society: these Trustees shall be liable to be displaced at any Annual General Meeting.

XV. A Treasurer shall be elected at each Annual General Meeting, from amongst the Members of the Society.

XVI. Five *Auditors* shall be appointed at each Annual General Meeting for the purpose of auditing the Accounts of the Society, of whom not more than Two shall be Members of the Committee: Three shall form a Quorum.

XVII. A number not exceeding Thirty-one Members resident in Dublin or its vicinity; shall be elected at each Annual General Meeting; who, together with the Patron, Vice-Patrons, President, Vice-Presidents, and Treasurer shall constitute a *Committee*, to superintend the affairs of the Society, and to appoint all its Officers, except the Treasurers, Trustees and Auditors.

XVIII. The Committee shall have power to elect from amongst the Members of the Society, resident in the different Counties and principal Towns in Ireland, such persons as they shall think fit to associate with themselves, in order the more effectually to obtain and communicate such information as may serve to promote the object of the

Institution : the Members so selected shall be privileged to attend at the deliberations of the Committee.

XIX. The Committee shall fill up such *vacancies* as may occur in their own body ; elect from amongst themselves a Secretary or Secretaries, and appoint a Deputy Secretary and Collector, and such other Officers as they shall deem necessary, for conducting the affairs of the Society.

XX. *All Orders for Payments* on account of the Society, shall be signed in Committee by three Members thereof.

XXI. The Committee shall have the *Accounts of the Society* entered in books to be kept for that purpose ; and in like manner the *Proceedings of the Society*, at its Annual and Special General Meetings, shall be entered in another book to be kept for that purpose : all which books shall be laid on the Table at the Annual General Meetings, and shall be at all times open to the inspection of Subscribers.

XXII. An *Annual Report* of the Proceedings of the Society, its Laws and Regulations, with an Account of the state of its Funds, and a List of Subscribers and Benefactors shall be published as soon as conveniently can be, after each Annual General Meeting.

XXIII. None of the Laws of the Society shall be altered or repealed; nor shall any new Law be enacted, except at an Annual General Meeting, or at a Special General Meeting called for that purpose: and no new Law shall be deemed valid or acted upon, unless confirmed at the Annual General Meeting, or at a subsequent Special General Meeting, convened expressly for that purpose, at an interval of one Month at least after the preceding Meeting.

AT THE
FOURTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THIS
SOCIETY

Held at the

ROTUNDA,

On the 4th Day of JULY, 1816.

*The RIGHT HON. the EARL of CHARLEMONT, V.P.
in the CHAIR.*

THE Report from the Committee of the past year was read by the Secretary, and the accounts of the Institution up to the 30th April last, having been presented, it was unanimously

RESOLVED—1st. That the Report just read be received and adopted, and that it be printed under the Direction of the Committee for the ensuing year, together with such Appendix and Statement of accounts as they shall deem necessary.

2d. That whilst we cannot suppress the grateful sense we entertain of the liberality with which the Legislature have promoted the Cause of Education, by Grants in aid of some branches of the Institution,

we must at the same time regret the continued inadequacy of our Funds, derived from private Donations and Subscriptions, to the general purposes of the Society ; the more especially as it is from the exercise of private benevolence alone, that the ordinary expenditure of the Society is supplied.

3d. That the Committee for the next year, be instructed to use their best efforts to extend this Society, to advertise its objects and principles, and to obtain additional funds by means of private Subscriptions and Donations.

4th. That our Committee for the ensuing year, be empowered to take such measures as may be necessary to complete the proposed junction with the South Eastern District School Society.

5th. That our warm thanks are due and be presented to that philanthropic association, "the Edinburgh Society, for promoting the Education of the Poor in Ireland ;" for their very generous contribution of £70. British to the funds of this Society.

6th. That our grateful thanks are also due and be presented to the venerable father of the Imperial House of Commons, Whitstead Keene, Esq. for his very liberal donation of £100 ; and that we trust his example will not fail to stimulate other absentee proprietors of Estates in Ireland, to similar acts of benevolence.

7th. That viewing the exertions which have been made by our Committee during the past year, to

extend and augment the resources of the Society, we cannot permit them to go out of Office, without expressing our full approbation of their conduct in the execution of the trust reposed in them.

8th. That our cordial Thanks are due, and are hereby returned to our Treasurers, the Right Hon. David La Touche and Co. ; and to our Secretary, J. D. Jackson, Esq. for their zealous attention to the interests of the Society, and that our Treasurers be requested to continue their services during the ensuing year.

9th. That the following Gentlemen be appointed Auditors for the ensuing Year, viz.*

10th. That the following Gentlemen be appointed our Committee for the ensuing year, with power to add Six to their number if the encreased business of the Society shall require it, viz.†

11th. That the following Gentlemen appointed at the last Annual Meeting, be the Trustees of the Society, and that we do approve of having Six Trustees.‡

12th. That the 12th Law of this Society, relative to the time of holding the Annual Meeting of the Society as altered last year be now confirmed.

* For their names see page 5.

† For their names see page 6.

‡ For their names see page 5.

13th. That the 17th Law of the Society, so far as it directs "Twenty-one Members, resident in Dublin or its vicinity, to be elected at each Annual Meeting," be altered to "A number not exceeding Thirty-one Members resident in Dublin or its vicinity ; shall be elected at each Annual General Meeting ; who, together with the Patron, Vice-Patrons, President, Vice-Presidents, and Treasurer, shall constitute a *Committee*, to superintend the affairs of the Society, and to appoint all its Officers, except the Treasurers, Trustees and Auditors."

CHARLEMONT, Chairman.

The Earl of Charlemont having left the Chair, and John Doherty, Esq. having been called thereto, it was Resolved unanimously,

That the Thanks of this Meeting be given to the Right Hon. the Earl of Charlemont, for his kindness in taking the Chair at this Meeting, and in accepting the Office of one of the Vice-Presidents of this Society:

JOHN DOHERTY.

FOURTH REPORT,

&c.

YOUR Committee in submitting the Report of the proceedings of the Society, during the past Year, consider it superfluous to repeat the principles upon which the Institution is founded, they having been already so fully detailed in your former Reports: and will content themselves now with stating, that experience fully evinces the wisdom which guided the Institution in its formation; for, to the liberality which affords “the same facilities for Education to all classes of professing Christians, without any attempt to interfere with their peculiar religious opinions”—they attribute in a great degree the success which the efforts of the Society have met with:—a success which from its steady and gradual progress, affords a prospect, that the benefits which the Institution is conferring on the Country will be both permanent and extensive.

In detailing the transactions of the year, it is with peculiar pleasure your Committee are enabled to inform the Society, that during it, your general funds derived from Donations and Subscriptions have increased, notwithstanding the distresses of the times, which in many instances, restrained them from soliciting aid in the usual manner;

and may have disabled many benevolent persons from affording assistance, who would otherwise have been disposed to come forward without solicitation; and that during the same period, supplies applicable to particular branches of the Institution, have been obtained from new sources as stated in a subsequent part of this Report.

The Subscriptions for the year amounted to the sum of £133. 3s. 6d. and the Donations to the sum of £303. 17s. 6d.; in which is included a Donation of £70 British, received from that truly philanthropic Institution, "the Edinburgh Society for promoting the Education of the poor in Ireland," whose anxiety for this country's welfare, so fully entitled them to the thanks unanimously voted at your last Annual Meeting; and which, together with the very liberal Donation above mentioned, cannot fail to awaken the attention of the most heedless in this country, to the subject of National Education, and to excite throughout it the warmest gratitude for such distinguished and disinterested munificence.

Having adverted to the increased means of the Society, your Committee have also the satisfaction to state, that though their exertions during the last year have been chiefly directed to the future operations of the Society, and to the qualifying it, as soon as possible, to occupy with effect the extensive field of usefulness which appears daily to enlarge before it, yet they have, during the same period, afforded more assistance to Schools throughout the country than in any former year; having trained and sent out eighteen Masters, in addition to those already supplied by the Institution, and having furnished articles for the use of Schools to the amount of £231. 4s. 10½d.; being a larger sum than that produced by their sales during the preceding, or any former year; the details of which, together with a list of the Schools supplied are annexed, in the appendix to this Report:—in addition to which your Committee beg leave also to state, that the Society is in Correspondence with

112 Schools through the Country,* and that the depository established at Cork, during the year, for the sale of Lessons, Stationary, &c. has succeeded so far as to justify the formation of similar stores in other large towns; a measure which they recommend to the consideration of their Successors, as one likely to be attended with beneficial results.

In the last Report of the Society, the then Committee stated, "that having in a great measure, failed of procuring through individual bounty sufficient funds, and not having any prospect of being more successful within any reasonable time—they had determined to apply for Parliamentary aid, in order to procure a fund for the erecting of a suitable building for a Model School, and a Seminary for the instruction of Masters, and had framed a Petition to the House of Commons for that purpose."—Pursuant to which determination, your Committee have now to inform the Society, that a Petition was accordingly presented, setting forth the principles and objects of the Society, and stating the absolute necessity which occasioned the application; and Parliament has been pleased to grant the sum of £6980 for the above-mentioned objects; in consequence of which, your Committee have been busily employed in procuring a suitable piece of ground on which to erect such building; but as much time has been occupied by the business in its different stages—your Committee are anxious to state to the Society, the various causes which have delayed its conclusion to the present time. In the first instance, difficulties presented themselves in determining upon an eligible site, your Committee being desirous in this respect, to follow, strictly, the suggestions of their Predecessors, as contained in the Third Report of the

* The Committee think it will be interesting to subjoin a few extracts from the Correspondence, tending to shew the various wants of Schools throughout the Country, and the usefulness of your Institution in supplying them—but to avoid prolonging the Report, they will be found in the Appendix.

Society; and having, after some time, fixed upon a lot sufficiently extensive, well situated, and commanding an approach from every side, and having agreed for it at an annual rent, which they considered moderate, an unexpected delay was occasioned by the words, "*purchasing land*," being those used in the appropriation act.

A serious doubt having thus arisen respecting the power of your Committee, to take ground subject to a rent, and it ultimately appearing to them advisable to comply, *strictly*, with the words of the Act; a new delay was occasioned by the proprietor being in France, on whose return it was at length agreed to *purchase* his interest for the sum of £1853; which is at the rate of 18 years purchase, allowing one for building:—the treaty having been thus concluded, your Committee, acting on behalf of the public, felt themselves bound to require the strictest satisfaction as to title; while making the necessary investigation into which, a new and unforeseen obstacle occurred, in the death of the late Lord Fitzwilliam, (who was the head landlord of the greater part of the lot agreed for by the Committee,) in consequence of which event, the persons in this country in whose custody the title-deeds of the estate had been placed, felt themselves unauthorised to permit the requisite inspection of them; but this difficulty also, having been at length obviated, your Committee were enabled to complete the purchase, and have now the pleasure of informing the Society, that the Committee for the ensuing year, may at once commence proceedings for erecting the necessary buildings thereon.—Your Committee have also to state, that the money granted by Parliament, has not in the mean time been unproductive, for having memorialled the Lords of the Treasury they obtained it, for the purpose of making it fructify, until it should be required by the Society, and did accordingly in November last, lend out £5000 of it on Government Security, at £6 per cent. interest.

Kildare-street, the intended site of the Model School, being in a central part of the South Eastern District of Dublin, and it being the intention of the Society, to connect with its objects a School for the Education of the poor of the District in which it should be placed, it naturally suggested itself to your Committee, and to that of the South Eastern District School, (which School is not calculated to afford accommodation to the numerous candidates for admission, and whose resources were not adequate to enlarge their establishment) that a junction would be for the mutual advantage of both Institutions: whereupon it was agreed between the Committees to recommend such junction to their respective Societies, pursuant to which the South Eastern District Society entered into resolutions, which will be found in the Appendix, for carrying this measure into effect; and your Committee, on their part, beg leave to recommend to this meeting, to empower the Committee for the next year, to complete this arrangement; whereby you will acquire the means of, at once, putting your system into action, on the Model School being erected.—You will obtain the funds of that Institution in aid of yours, and will also have an opportunity of selecting from the Managers of that excellent Society, several most zealous and intelligent promoters of the cause of Education, whose experience and exertions will be peculiarly valuable in the superintendence of the Model School, and seminary for training School-masters.

In the Report of last year, it was mentioned that a Dictating Spelling-book, and a System of Arithmetic had been arranged, and were nearly ready for the printers; the former of these works has been since printed, and will be found to be a most useful addition to your publications for Schools; but it has been deemed advisable to defer printing the latter for the present, with the view of including in it some of the improvements lately introduced into this branch of Education.

While on the subject of Publications, it remains for your Committee to call your attention to a measure of the utmost importance, as connected with the increasing Education of the country.

It has long been matter of regret with most of those who have paid attention to the subject of Education in Ireland, that moral and instructive Books were, on account of their very scanty supply, and their high price, placed, in a great measure, beyond the means of the lower orders of the people, while books of an injurious and immoral tendency, from their great supply and extreme cheapness, are easily obtained by the most needy. To remedy this evil, the best mode that suggested itself to your Committee, and in which they were confirmed by the 14th Report of the Commissioners of Education, was to afford an adequate supply of moral and instructive books, at a price sufficiently moderate to ensure their coming into the market, at least on equal terms with those of a pernicious tendency. The remedy was obvious, but the means of supplying it, far beyond the funds of the Society to afford at present, and under the existing necessities of all classes in the country, the time appeared to be very far removed indeed, when the Society would be enabled, from private subscriptions alone, to bear the expense of a supply of such works on sufficiently cheap terms; while the bad effects from pernicious publications were daily becoming more alarming, and in the opinion of many, threatening to convert the Education of the poor into an evil of worse tendency, than that which their instruction is intended to remove.

Under these circumstances your Committee submitted a petition to the House of Commons, stating the nature of the case, and praying aid “to enable this Society to provide and distribute moral and instructive books, and to assist them in diffusing an improved system of education, amongst the lower orders of the people of Ireland;”

in which petition, as in the preceding, the principles on which your Society are pledged to act, were most explicitly declared, as also your determination to adhere to them; and which principles, your Committee feel happy in stating, have now been sanctioned in two instances by the legislature, they having with cheerfulness assented to the prayer of the petition, and granted the sum of £6000 for the last-mentioned purposes.

In stating these grants, your Committee conceive that they would be wanting in their duty, if they did not direct your attention to the liberal and enlightened view which the government and the legislature have taken of the subject of Education in this country, and if they did not express how much the gratitude of the Society is due to them, for the readiness with which they have extended aid to this Institution; and fully recognizing those principles upon which you are pledged to act, have confided to you the expenditure of these sums for such important purposes; nor can they pass by without notice the support which the instruction of our poor has met with, on different occasions, during the present Session, from several Members in both Houses of Parliament, distinguished alike for their pre-eminent talents, and their ardent desire to promote the best interests of Ireland.

While your Committee directed their attention to those objects, they were not inattentive to obtaining individual aid; and in addition to the customary efforts, so far as circumstances would permit them to be pursued, they have to mention that they addressed memorials to the several London Companies, possessing estates in the North of Ireland, and although they have not received answers to their applications, (sufficient time not having elapsed since the memorials were transmitted,) they yet entertain most sanguine hopes of shortly receiving assistance from the liberality of these bodies. They have also made direct application to several of the absentee proprietors of estates,

And though in many instances, they have not been favoured with answers, they yet cannot but flatter themselves, that ere long, the Noblemen and Gentlemen comprehended in this class, will give their attention to the subject—that they will see the great importance of a well regulated system of national education, especially in a country deprived of the influence and example of so large and wealthy a portion of her Gentry,—that, deeply interested as they are in the morality and security of this part of the empire, they will assist in promoting the instruction of our poor, and thus establish on the most firm foundation, the peace, the prosperity, and the happiness of the country.

Your Committee, here, with pleasure bring under the view of the Society, the extremely liberal donation of that benevolent and highly respectable character, Whitshed Keene, Esq. (the father of the House of Commons,) who transmitted to your Treasurer, through his Banker, the sum of £100. together with a letter strongly approving of the principles of your Society.

Your Committee beg leave also to state, that, pursuant to the suggestions of the last Committee, they have not been unmindful of the formation of an auxiliary Society in London, similar to that established in Edinburgh, and that they have, in furtherance of this object, with the aid of some zealous and intelligent persons in England, endeavoured to follow up the measures adopted by their Predecessors; but the same causes which checked their exertions in procuring Subscriptions in Ireland, operated likewise, in the sister country, and induced the friends whom they consulted there, and whose assistance will be essentially necessary in this business, to recommend the postponement of the plan to a more favourable opportunity; to which recommendation your Committee have considered it most advisable to accede.

In conclusion of this part of the Report, your Committee have great pleasure in drawing the attention of the Society

to the Resolutions of the Grand Jurors of Tipperary and Waterford, passed last Summer Assizes, in which these most respectable bodies at once advertised your objects through their great and extensive counties, and gave to your efforts the sanction of their valuable support and approbation.

It remains for your Committee to mention, that in consequence of the increased business of the Society, on the various grounds herein detailed, and particularly on account of the two grants received from Parliament, and the duties which in consequence have devolved on the Committee, it has been requisite to procure apartments, in the neighbourhood of the intended buildings, for a temporary depository, and for a place where the Committee and Sub-Committees can hold their meetings; and it has also become necessary to obtain a more intelligent person than was heretofore employed, for the purpose of keeping the accounts, assisting in the correspondence, and transacting the other business of the Society. Your Committee also beg leave to suggest, that on the same account, it will be necessary to increase the Committee for the next year, to the number of twenty-five; as the great accumulation of business, will require the attention of a portion of its members to each respective branch.

Having thus detailed your proceedings during the past year, and the progress which the Institution has made, towards the attainment of the great national objects which it has in view, your Committee are anxious to state to the Society and the public, that while your want of funds for promoting particular branches of the Institution, which it was advisable to forward without delay, induced your Committee to apply in these instances for Parliamentary aid, that the sums so received must be confined, *strictly*, to objects connected with the purposes for which they have been granted; and that for the expenses of the Society, in all its other various and important branches—for its ad-

vancement and its permanency—it is still dependent upon the Subscriptions, the zeal, and voluntary co-operation of individuals. Your Committee, have therefore, to recommend to the Society, and to the Committee for the ensuing year, to use their best efforts to obtain the aid of the public, in forwarding the great cause in which you are engaged; and which, upon the whole, your Committee feel, has advanced to a state that may inspire its friends with the most confident hopes, of its soon affording the strongest proofs of success.—The lower orders seek Education, with avidity—to the middling and upper orders, it is every day appearing of increased importance, and receiving additional friends and support; while Parliament has extended its aid to it, with a liberality suited to the high character of the Legislature of the greatest Empire in the world, in the most enlightened age of its existence.

Your Institution has wisely met and assisted the growing temper of the times—you have calmly advanced with them—used no force—expressed no impatience—the progress of Education, since you commenced your efforts, has been gradual but steady, as is the growth of every thing, destined to be great and permanent:—but, though gradual, your Committee trust that its effects will, at no distant day, be sensibly felt throughout the country—that the oldest amongst us, may yet hope to witness much of our ignorance and its consequences dissipated—while those who are still young, may expect to see this, *eminently*, an educated, a moral, and a happy country.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

AND

APPENDIX.

*Account of Receipts and Disbursements of the Society
for the year, ending the*

RECEIPTS.

In Treasurer's hands,	£105	13	7
Subscriptions,	133	3	6
Donations,	303	17	6
Ditto, for building a Model School,	1	0	0
Books, Stationary, &c. Sold,	231	4	10½
Interest on a Treasury Bill,	5	0	0
Due to Mr. Todhunter for Pencils,	29	1	5
— — Richard Jones, for Sundries,	12	9	2

£821 10 0½

Grant from Parliament to build a Model School, £6980 0 0

Account of the Effects of the Society for Promoting the

Books, Slates, &c. on hands,	£228	9	9
A Treasury Bill for	100	0	0
Treasurers owe,	185	19	8½
Due by Collector,	£ 0	0	3
— R. Jones, Salesman	22	19	4½
— J. Humphreys,	3	0	7½
		26	0 3
	£540	9	8½

*for Promoting the Education of the Poor of Ireland,
30th April, 1816.*

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for articles bought last year,	£11	1	0
— — Salaries,	227	14	2½
— — Printing, Stationary, and Advertising	101	8	6
— — Rent for Apartments for Committee Meetings, &c. 1812, and 1813,	24	12	11
— — Contingencies,	17	13	2½
— — Slates, Pencils, &c. £141	8	9	
— — Paper, &c.	67	8	0
— — Books, &c.	7	10	4
	216	7	1
— — Commission on Sales of Books, &c.	10	13	2
Due by Treasurer,	£185	19	8½
— — R. Jones, Account Sales,	22	19	4½
— — J. Humphreys,	3	0	7½
— — Collector,	0	0	3
	211	19	11½
	£821	10	0½
Lent on Government Security,	£5000	0	0
In the Bank of Ireland,	1980	0	0
	£6980	0	0

Education of the Poor of Ireland, on the 30th April, 1816.

Due Model School Fund,	£176	9	1
— for Slates, Pencils,	29	1	5
— — Ditto, and Commission on Sales,	12	9	2
Nt. Property of the Society,	322	10	0½
	£540	9	8½

The foregoing Account has been examined by us, and found correct.

SAMUEL BEWLEY,
WILLIAM DISNEY,
THOMAS CROSTHWAIT. } AUDITORS.

APPENDIX,

A Table of the Names of the young Men who have
from the 30th April, 1815,

Number.	Name.	Commenced attending	Left School	Recommended by
21	William Bestick.	June 20, 1815.	August 7, 1815.	Samuel Bewley, Esq.
22	Frederick Mack.	June 28, 1815.	Sept. 9, 1815.	Luke Magrath, Esq. }
23	Daniel Mullowny.	July 11, 1815.	Sept. 7, 1815.	H. I. M. Mason, Esq. }
24	Francis Moore.	August 3, 1815.	Sept. 19, 1815.	J. Gibbons, Esq.
25	Thomas M'Collum.	August 5, 1815.	August 21, 1815.	J. L. Foster, Esq.
26	William Cassel.	August 10, 1815.	Sept. 29, 1815.	Sir Walter Burrows.
27	James Stokes.	August 22, 1815.	Sept. 22, 1815.	Doctor Thorpe.
28	Edward Stephens.	Sept. 30, 1815.	Nov. 4, 1815.	Joseph Pim, Esq.
29	Barth. Rossiter.	Oct. 13, 1815.	Nov. 13, 1815.	John D. La Touche, Esq.
30	Benson M'Granahan.	Nov. 7, 1815.	Dec. 11, 1815.	John D. La Touche, Esq.
31	Joseph Dobbs.	Nov. 11, 1815.	Nov. 30, 1815.	Lord De Vesci.
32	Thomas Rossiter.	Nov. 14, 1815.	Dec. 26, 1815.	Samuel Bewley, Esq.
33	William Allin.	Nov. 17, 1815.	January 1, 1816.	J. D. Jackson, Esq.
34	James Lindsay.	March 6, 1816.	April 20, 1816.	James Scott, Esq.
35	John Ormsby.	April 23, 1816.	Engaged at his trade } since May 6. }	J. D. Jackson, Esq.
36	William Batterton.	May 14, 1816.	July 5, 1816.	Samuel Bewley, Esq.
37	Jeremiah Collins.	May 14, 1816.	Absent since 22 June.	Samuel Bewley, Esq.
38	Murtagh Connor.	May 24, 1816.		Lord Clonbrock.

No. I.

been trained as Masters in the Seminary of the Society, to the 30th of April, 1816.

For what School.	Age.	Commenced teaching.	Religion.	Number of Children.		When Established
				Male.	Female.	
Woodbrook, King's Co.	22	1816	Protestant.	60	60	1816
{ Waiting for appointments.	16	1815	Protestant.			
	21	1815	Catholic.			
Balnaleck, W. Meath.	20	1815	Protestant.	30	30	
Tullyvin, Co. Cavan.	34	1814	Protestant.	200	100	
Portarlington, Queen's County.	30	1815	Protestant.			1815
Louth.	45	1815	Protestant			
Gorey, Co. Wexford.	21	1813	Catholic.			1815
Harristown, Co. Kildare	22	1815	Protestant.	38	12	1815
Letterkenny, County Donegal.	29		Protestant.			
Abbeyleix, Queen's Co.	18		Protestant.	150	60	1815
Ardee, Co. Louth.	23	1816	Protestant	35		
Youghal, Co. Cork.	18	1812	Protestant.	110	50	1807
Castlereagh, Co. Mayo.	21	1816	Protestant.			
Waiting an appointment.	20		Protestant.			
	29	1816	Protestant.			
	36		Catholic.			
	29	1815	Catholic.			

APPENDIX, No. II.

Names and Situation of Schools which have been supplied with Books, Stationary, &c. from the Depository of the Society.

<i>Names of Schools, and under whose direction.</i>	<i>Articles supplied.</i>
Abbeyleix, Lord De Vescei,...	Slates, pencils, paper.
Anne's Parish, Dublin, Parishioners,	Pencils.
Armagh, Count De Salis,....	Lessons, slates.
Anabaptists schools through Ireland,	Slates and pencils.
Barmeath, Louth, Sir E. Bellew	Lessons, slates, pencils.
Belfast, Committee of School,	Lessons, slates, pencils.
Baldoyle, Co. Dublin, Clergy	Do. Do. Do.
Banbridge, county Down, Committee of School,	Lessons, paper, school-marks, Slates.
Ballyroan, Queen's co. Hon. and Rev. H. Packenham,	Pencils, slates.
Bull-lane, Dublin, Committee of School,	Pencils.
Black Castle, county Meath, Mr. Ruxton	Paper, slates, pencils.
Bridge-street Chapel, Clergy...	Slates, pencils.
Bush Mills, county Antrim, George A. Rea, Esq.	Lessons.
Ballitore,	Paper.
Bangor, Rt. Hon. Robt. Ward,	Lessons, pencils, school-marks, Hints for School Rooms.
Baymount, Howth, Clergy...	Slates, pencils.
Balinalack, W. Meath Committee of school,	Lessons, slates, pencils, school-marks.
Blessington, Mr. Edw. Parsley	Slates, pencils.
Ballybeg, J. S. Curry, Esq. M.P.	Lessons, slates
Bandon,	Lessons.
Brunswick-street Male Asylum, Legislature,	Slates.
Grumlin Parish, Parishioners,	Paper, slates, pencils.

Names of Schools, and under whose direction.

Articles supplied.

Clondalkin, Dublin, Thos. Pleasants, Esq.....	Lessons, slates.
Carrick on Shannon, Rev. Archdeacon Digby	Slates, pencils, alphabets, Lessons, pencils.
Clarendon-st. Chapel, Clergy, Clonfert, Bishop of Clonfert..	Lessons.
Cross Downey, county Cavan, Captain Nesbit	Lessons, slates, pencils, paper, quills.
Clontarf Female school, Clergy Castlecomer, Countess Dowager of Ormond	Pencils.
Celbridge, Rev. Walter Burgh..	Lessons, slates, paper.
Collon, co. Louth, Mr. Foster	Paper.
Claine, Kildare, Patrician Society	Lessons.
Drogheda, Committee	Paper.
Dromore, Mr. George Gardner,	Lessons, paper, school-marks.
Dromoland, co. Clare, Lady O'Brien,	Slates, paper.
Dunlavin, Committee	Lessons, slates, pencils, school-marks.
Drumsilla, Cavan, Miss Irwan..	Slates.
Dublin free schools, Committee,	Lessons, hints for school-room.
Dundalk, Rev. Mr. Thackeray	Lessons, slates, pencils, paper, school-marks.
Ennis, Rev. Wm. Young....	Lessons.
Flood Hall, Kilkenny, Mr. Flood,	Lessons.
Francis-street chapel, Clergy..	Lessons, slates.
Forbes-street, Do.....	Lessons, slates, pencils.
Freshford, Kilkenny, Rev. Mr. Lodge,	Pencils.
Foundling Hospital, Legislature	Lessons, slates, pencils, school-marks.
Fermanagh Lady Caledon....	Slates, pencils.
Gaybrook, Mr. Smith.....	Lessons, slates, pencils.
Glasscally, Kildare, Mr. Rawson.	Paper, slates, pencils, lessons, alphabets.
Gilford, Rev. John Johnston...	Lessons, alphabets.
Glamore, Wicklow.....	Lessons.
George's-hill Nunnery, Nuns...	Slates.
Hilsborough, Rev. Mr. Montgomery	Pencils.
Henrietta-street, Committee...	Lessons.
Hanover-street, East, Monks...	Slates.
James's-street Nunnery, Nuns...	Slates, pencils.
Island-bridge, Mr. Bagott....	Pencils, slates.
Kilkenny, Earl of Ormond.....	Pencils.
	Paper, slates, pencils.

<i>Names of Schools, and under whose direction.</i>	<i>Articles supplied.</i>
Knocktopher, Rev. Hans Hamilton	Lessons.
Kells, Mr. Wolfe.....	Slates, pencils.
Kilkenny, Mr. Nowlan.....	Lessons, slates, pencils.
Kildare, Lady Emily La Touche	Lessons, paper, slates, pencils, quills.
Killucan, Westmeath, Rev. Mr. Wynn,	Paper, slates, quills.
Lilligan, Leitrim, Mr. Godly..	Lessons, paper.
Loughgall, Mr. Oliver.....	Slates.
Limerick, Committee.....	Lessons, paper, slates, pencils, school-marks,
Lurgan, Mrs. Brownlow.....	Lessons, paper, slates, pencils.
Loughlinstown, Committee	Lessons, slates, pencils.
Lisburn, Armagh, Mr. Coulston,	Slates, pencils.
Moneybeg, Rev. Samuel Downs,	Lessons, slates.
Monasterevan, Rev. Chas. Moore	Slates.
Mooretown, co. Louth, Mr. Pendleton,.....	Paper, slates, pencils.
Mallow, Cork, Mr. Haines.....	Lessons, hints for school-rooms.
Mary's parish, Parishioners....	Slates, pencils.
Mitre-alley, Irish and English schools, Mr. William Allen..	Paper, slates, pencils.
Mountrath, Rev Mr. Hally....	Slates, pencils, school-marks.
Meath-street chapel, Clergy	Slates.
Mohill, co. Leitrim, Luke White, Esq.....	Paper, slates, pencils.
Murrough of Wicklow, Mr. Seymour,	Lessons, alphabets.
Malpas-street, Committee....	Paper, slates, pencils.
Newtown Mt. Kennedy, Lady Hariot Daly.....	Paper, slates.
Navan, Mr. Ruxton.....	Lessons, slates, pencils, hints for schools.
North-strand, Dublin, Rev. Mr. Boote	Lessons, slates.
Newcastle, Mr. Edward Carte,	Lessons.
New Ross, Committee.....	Paper.
Newtownards, Lady Castlereagh	Lessons, slates, pencils.
Newtownbarry, Mr. Barber....	Lessons.
Orphan House, Paradise-row, Committee,	Paper, quills, slates, pencils.
Portaine, near Swords, Mr. George Evans.....	Slates.
Powerscourt, Rev. Mr. Daly..	Lessons, slates, pencils.
Portarlington, Committee,....	Lessons, slates, pencils, paper, hints for schools.

<i>Names of Schools, and under whose direction.</i>	<i>Articles supplied.</i>
Plunket-street, Committee,....	Slates, pencils.
Rossdrock, Wexford, Rev. Mr. Henson.....	Lessons, paper, pencils.
Rostrevor, Newry, Miss Bal-four	Lessons, paper, slates, pencils.
Rockcurry Monaghan, Miss Thomas,	Paper, slates, pencils.
Raheney, female, Rev. Francis Fox	Lessons, slates, school-marks, hints for schools.
Rostellan, Marchioness of Thomon,	Paper, quills.
Sligo, Mr. W. C. Armstrong...	Slates, paper, lessons, school-marks.
South Eastern District Schools, Committee... ..	Pencils, slates.
Tralee, co. Kerry, Mr. William Fitzgerald,	Lessons, slates.
Tallagh, Committee.....	Lessons, slates.
Waterford, Mr. Richard Allen	Paper, school-marks.
Wigton, England, Committee...	Lessons.

APPENDIX, No. III.

THE COMMITTEE would repeat the request made in the Report of last year, "that all persons applying for articles disposed of at reduced prices, for the use of Schools, may send answers to the following Queries, in writing, with such other information respecting the circumstances of their schools and the situation of the neighbouring poor, as they may deem useful."*

QUERIES.

1. WHAT is the name of the School?
2. In what Parish and County?
3. What is the nearest Post Town?
4. When was the school established?
5. How many Scholars, { Male?
Female?
6. Under whose direction is the school placed?
Whether of an Individual or Committee? State the names. {
7. How many masters and mistresses are paid, and what is the amount of their salaries? {
8. What is the probable annual income? State how it arises. {
9. Do the scholars pay any thing for their education?—if so, what sums weekly or quarterly? {
10. Is the school held daily, weekly, or otherwise?
11. Are the Sacred Scriptures used in the school; and if so, has the edition used any note or comment? {
12. What other books are used in the school, for the purpose of instruction? {
13. Is any catechism taught in the school? if any, what? {
14. Is there any distinction on account of religious opinions, in managers, instructors, or scholars? {

* For an example of the manner of complying with this request, see "Extracts of Correspondence," at pages 30, 40.

APPENDIX, No. IV.

*Extracts from Correspondence.**Copy of a Letter from J. P. Esq. to J. D. Jackson, Esq. Secretary.**Castletown, June 9, 1815.*

SIR,

HAVING seen a reference in a little book called "Hints and Directions for building School-rooms, published by order of the Society for promoting Education, to you as their Secretary, allow me to request your advice and instruction, as to what the probable expense of building a School-room, capable of containing one hundred and fifty children at least, might be; as I am about establishing one in this Village, by means of the liberality of Lord Ossory, whose estate it is; if you could provide me with a plan and estimate that might be accomplished at an expense not exceeding £100. or £120. you would very much oblige me, and facilitate the object I have in view.

I wish of course that it may be somewhat *ornamental*, so as it does not add much to the expense. I think 45 feet by 50 ought to contain that number, (150) but I perceive from the "Hints," that 25 feet in breadth would be *almost necessary*. At the same time I have seen a School carried on by Lord De Vesci, incomparably well, and I am sure it was not *near so wide*. I have had a young man instructed in the system in School-street, to act as master; and if I succeed here I shall establish another on Lord Lansdowne's Estate at Mountrath.

I have the honor to be, &c.

J. P.

Extract of a Letter from Mr. E. T. to J. D. Jackson, Esq. Secretary.

SIR,

I HAVE seen the Report of the Society for Educating the Poor for 1814, for which you are Secretary; and having long had a wish to see a School upon your most excellent plan, established in this town, I have presumed to communicate a few thoughts, with the hope of getting advice upon this important subject.

This town has made several attempts to get up Sunday Schools, but the unhappy division by various parties has interfered, and all have failed; most persons see the folly of this at present, and seem willing to unite; this I can discern, but am afraid to interfere, not having sufficient weight or influence to lead; and knowing, that except a

few of the leading people begin any thing of a public nature, they will not engage in it; then the inferior people remain inactive, and consequently pecuniary aid will not be obtained.

How shall I act under such circumstances? I have won over several of my own rank, but still I fear to proceed. I have influence with some of the rich, and wish to procure a few of the reports to put into their hands: this may excite exertion, and lay aside their party zeal, but I have not these. I borrowed the one mentioned above for a few days in a distant town, and I am unwilling to let it out of my hands lest it may be lost. How shall I procure a few copies of the last Report of your Society, and that of the Lancasterian, held in the Rotunda lately; your Society give no pecuniary aid? does the Lancasterian assist in this way?

My motives for these questions are, that I may be enabled by some means to excite a general inclination to attempt a School of this truly useful sort. If any pecuniary aid can be had, I think informing the people of this will do, and if not, I wish to effect the purpose by the Reports if possible, or by both if they can be had.

It now occurs to me to ask, would it be right to send a few copies of your Reports and Books to every town where you were sure you could get the individuals to whom they were sent, to be faithful to your Institution?

I do hope you will not think the entire contents of this unworthy of some notice. I know your time is precious, and I only hope for a short letter, but full as to the necessary information I want.

You will excuse my ignorance upon the points I allude to, being far from Dublin, where only, information of this kind can be had.

I am Sir,

Your's, &c.

E. T.

Portarlinton, May 29, 1815.

Copy of a Letter from A. N. Esq.

Cork, June 27, 1815.

DEAR SIR,

I SHOULD thank you to send me when an opportunity presents itself, another set of reading lessons; when I have the pleasure of meeting you at the Assizes I can settle with you for it and those you were already kind enough to send me. I hope this summer to have an opportunity of shewing you of what great use they have been to some of the poor Schools in the vicinity of Youghal.

Your's Sincerely,

A. N.

To J. D. Jackson, Esq.

Extract of a second Letter from Mr. E. T. to J. D. Jackson, Esq. Sec.

SIR,

I AM truly glad to have it in my power to inform you, that our School is in rapid progress. All the wealth and respectability of the town have formed a Committee of fifteen, with Sir Walter Burrowes as Chairman; and have entered into resolutions to establish a Daily and Sunday School, and are also subscribing handsomely.

As I am in the act of writing, I would pray your indulgence in sparing a little of your precious time to communicate information to us, how we had better proceed, and to strengthen our hands; this will be better done in your answer to Sir Walter, or by writing to our Committee, (directing your letters for them to our Secretary, Mr. P. Campbell of this town;) than by any other other mode of communication; this will I believe help us forward, and bring the School-street Institution, into still higher repute in this country. I intend to endeavour to excite a disposition in the inhabitants of Rathangan, Edenderry, and other towns, where I think I have a little influence, to get up Schools. Your letters may assist me if directed as I mention. Your letter which I was favoured with, and your kind attention to mine, in directing the Reports to different people here as requested, had more effect than could be supposed would arise from such unlikely means. I should hope that you will take those hints just as I wish, merely to shew you the disposition of the people here, as you may not know them. They are generous in a high degree, and very humane, fond of doing good acts; but even the poorest of the people are not without some considerable pretensions as to rank in life.

I am Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

E. T.

J. D. Jackson, Esq.

&c. &c.

From R. N. Esq. M. P. to J. D. Jackson, Esq. Secretary.

Sept. 5, 1815.

SIR,

THE School of Rathmore being almost destitute of Books, I shall be greatly obliged by your sending me a set of Lessons, the new Spelling Book of 60 tablets and Reading Book of 100. Underneath is the answer to the Queries:

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|-------|----|---------|------------------|
| Query | 1. | Answer. | Rathmore School. |
| — | 2. | — | County Kildare. |
| — | 3. | — | Naas. |

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|---------|---|---|
| — 4. — | — | About 6 years ago. |
| — 5. — | — | About 120 boys, and from 20 to 30 girls, in winter not above 60 boys, and 12 or 14 girls. |
| — 6. — | — | Rev. Mr. Walsh, and Miss Nevill. |
| — 7. — | — | The Master gets £30. per annum from Erasmus Smith's funds, the Mistress £10. from Mr. Nevill, the School Master has a free house and garden, the Usher gets the profits. |
| — 9. — | — | Some of the Scholars pay 4s. a quarter, others only 3s. 4d. in which case they are not taught to write. |
| — 10. — | — | Daily. |
| — 11. — | — | The Scriptures without note or comment. |
| — 12. — | — | At present there are not any Books except 3 copies of Gough's Arithmetic, and 2 or 3 tattered Spelling Books. The Kildare Bible Society have supplied them with 20 Testaments gratis. |
| — 13. — | — | The protestants are catechised every Sunday, and go to Church with the Usher. |
| — 14. — | — | No distinction is made on account of religious opinions. The master is a protestant, the mistress a catholic. |

If there is any other information necessary, I shall have much pleasure in communicating it.

I have the honor, &c.

R. N.

Extract of a Letter from A. N. Esq. to J. D. Jackson, Esq. Sec.

Youghal, Nov. 14, 1815.

MY DEAR SIR,

I HOPE you will excuse the trouble I give you, in soliciting your attention to the bearer of this letter William Allin, who is a very well disposed young man, and being intended for the future manager of our Free School here, is going to be trained for that purpose at your Institution. Prendergast has been of great use to us, and will act as our assistant to the School in Allin's absence: were it not for his youth, I could probably have got him appointed as master to some Country School; with his assistance I have made some improvement in the Country Schools, you may remember in the vicinity of this town, for whose use I got the Lessons from you.

It is delightful to behold the progress that Education is making in this part of the world, and it is in a great measure to be attributed

to the kind assistance of your excellent Institution. The Duke of Devonshire's Agent is to have a Free School on the new plan at Lismore.

If in addition to those Cards you have already printed, some taken from the pious works of Fenelon, Gothe, Bossuet and Massillon were added, there would be no impediment to adapting your system.

Your's, &c.

A. N.

Copy of a Letter from the Rev. R. R. to J. D. Jackson, Esq.

SIR,

A FEW of my Parishioners having subscribed for the establishment of a School, in a part of the Parish situate at a distance from the Church; and having seen by the almanack that you are Secretary to a Society in Dublin, established for the promotion of the education of the lower orders, and which professes an inclination to assist in forwarding that object, as far as their funds will permit; I am directed by the Subscribers to apply to you on the subject, and to beg to know, whether any and what assistance can be afforded them in their exertions. They also beg to be informed, on what terms they can be supplied with some School-Books, Slates, and other necessities requisite for such an establishment; I shall feel much obliged by as early a communication as may be convenient, and please to direct, &c.

I have the honor, &c.

R. R. Rector of P. Co. Waterford.

Copy of a Letter from H. H. Esq. to J. D. Jackson, Esq.

Dec. 30, 1815.

SIR,

I BEG leave through you, to address an application to the Committee of "the Society for promoting the Education of the Poor of Ireland," for some moderate pecuniary assistance, towards the building and fitting up of three new School Houses, and towards adding rooms for the master to another, in which a School is already established, under the care of an excellent teacher.

I expect that two of the new ones, and the addition to the third, will be finished early in the Spring, and the other begun and finished immediately after them; that is, as far as the building, slating, doors and windows; but I find that our private Subscriptions, with every exertion I can make, will fall short of finishing

and fitting up the *inside*, either of the School rooms or the rooms for the Masters. I trust your Committee will feel, that in granting aid to those Schools, they will materially forward the objects of the Society, "the Education of the Poor;" and that at a trifling expense, as I think, that with æconomy, a sum of £50 or £60. would enable us to make the four establishments very complete; and with this assistance, I have no doubt but that they will be permanent, as our work is extremely well executed and of the very best materials.

The principal part of the funds already obtained, has arisen from a Subscription of £30 to each house by Mr. Stewart, on whose estate they are building. The Schools will be situated in four different townlands, at a good distance from each other, in one of the most populous parishes in Ireland, that of Tullylish, in the County of Down, and the three new ones in places where the want of education, has from time immemorial been extremely felt, these townlands being occupied almost entirely by a few master-weavers, and an immense train of journeymen and their families.

The plan of the School-rooms is, in every respect, (though on a small scale,) that recommended by your Society; the situations are elevated and dry, the floors are to be of clay mixed with lime; the fire-place at one end, and the door, the master's desk, and the windows exactly as stated in the Society's Hints. The School-rooms are 30 feet long by 16 feet wide, and nine feet to the wall-plate; and I hope through the kindness of your Committee, to be able to get the rooms ceiled to the height of the collar-brace, the walls plastered, and desks and floors as recommended by the Society, and also to finish the inside of the rooms for the masters, enclose and gravel a spot round the house, &c.

I beg leave to add, that we have got and make use of the Lessons or sheets sold at School-street, and intend to use the Slates in teaching writing and cyphering; that we intend in the School-house, where a daily School is at present kept, to revive a Sunday School which has fallen to the ground, to transfer to another, a large Sunday School held for the last five years in a mill in the neighbourhood, and to open similar ones in the other two whenever they are ready, all to be under the patronage and in connexion with that most excellent institution, *the Hibernian Sunday School Society*.

I am, Sir, &c.

H. H.

To J. D. JACKSON, Esq.

Copy of a Letter from W. D. and J. C. Esqrs. relative to the Moyallon and Stramore Schools.

ANSWERS to the Queries which the Committee of the Society for promoting the Education of the Poor of Ireland, request of all

persons on Committees, who make application for articles disposed of at reduced prices for the use of Schools.

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| Query | 1. | Answer | Moyallon and Stramore Free School. |
| — | 2. | — | Parish of Tullylish, County of Down. |
| — | 3. | — | Gilford. |
| — | 4. | — | Moyallon School opened in November 1788,
Stramore opened in October 1788. |
| — | 5. | — | Those Schools contain 110 Males and 47
Females. The Female School at Moy-
allon contains 53 Females, aggregate 195. |
| — | 6. | — | A Committee, James Christy, John Christy,
Thomas Christy Wakefield, George
Phelps, William Dawson and William
Boyce, Esqrs. |
| — | 7. | — | Two Masters at £55. per annum, one of
these has a House and Garden; a Mis-
tress at 10 guineas per annum, House
firing and benefit of work. |
| — | 8. | — | The annual income at present arising from
private Subscription, may amount to
£30. and the annual amount which may
arise from the Children's payment
£22. 15s. From the commencement to
the spring of 1815, both Schools were
free of charge to the Scholars; but in
consequence of a falling off in the Sub-
scriptions, it was necessary to make a
small charge; to prevent jealousy, it was
thought best to charge all, even the very
poorest, and in so doing, we do not find
that the number of Scholars are lessened,
nor that the poorest are deprived of in-
struction. |
| — | 9. | — | Those best able pay 2d. per week, next do.
1d. and the poorest and largest number
$\frac{1}{2}$ d. each. |
| — | 10. | — | Daily. |
| — | 11. | — | The Scriptures have been used in the Schools,
without note or comment, written or oral
from the commencement. |
| — | 12. | — | One set of Lancaster's edition of Freame's
Scripture Instruction, Lancaster's Arith-
metic, Gough's Arithmetic, Book-keep-
ing, Hawney's Mensuration, Universal
Spelling Book, Mason's Spelling Book,
Murray's Reader, Enfield's Speaker,
Watts's Hymns, the Wealthy Farmer, &c. |

- 13. — No Catechism taught in the schools.
 — 14. — No distinction is made on account of religious opinions; one master is a Catholic, and the other by profession a Quaker.

It is with pleasure we have to communicate, that in consequence of our strict impartiality in choosing masters by their qualifications, without regard to their religious profession, we find the parents of the children are alone influenced in their choice of which school they send their children to, by their opinion of the master's abilities, without regard to any thing else.

For ten years back, until last summer, the master of one school was of the Established Church, and the master of the other a Catholic.—We think it was well it so happened, as it fully evinced our impartiality in this respect. Indeed our whole desire has been to instruct the children in school learning, without striving to convert them to any religious sect, and we have all along seen the good effects of our so doing, both in our schools and in the neighbourhood.

We request that the Society may let us have six dozen of slates, a set of Lancaster's arithmetic, and one dozen of his Freame's Scripture Instruction, two of the spelling books as used in the School-street Institution, two sets of marks for the schools, and a quantity of pencils.

Signed, on behalf of the said Committee, by
 W. D. and J. C.

Moyallon, January the 23d, 1816.
 To J. D. JACKSON, Esq.

It may be added, that some years since, both our houses were burned, with all their furniture, books, &c. which was occasioned by leaving the fuel too near the fire. It cost us several hundred pounds to rebuild them, which loaded us with a debt, some of which we still lie under.

By the answer to the 8th query you will observe, that our income falls short of the expenditure; but we hope to be able to encrease the former.

Copy of a Letter from Mr. J. M. to J. D. Jackson, Esq. Sec. &c.

SIR,

I BEG leave to inform you, that a few gentlemen in this neighbourhood and town of Ballybay, have, at a considerable expense fitted up a school-room, for the purpose of educating the poor after the manner and plan laid down by Joseph Lancaster, and have just got it completed with all the necessary lessons, &c. &c. for, and ready to receive a master. Now Sir, having made this state-

ment, what is now wanting is an experienced teacher of this system of Education; a man of good, moral, and exemplary conduct. To you Sir, we now look, and make known our want of this necessary supply.—The school is wanted to be immediately put forward; numbers of poor children are waiting its being opened; the names of 120 are already put down; you therefore see the urgency, and I would request your immediate reply for my guidance and report to our Committee, who wait anxiously the result of this application. If necessary I can give you satisfactory reference in Dublin as to the respectability of the gentlemen who compose this undertaking, and also beg leave to mention to you that there is a small fund remaining in order to enable us to give any master that is sent us, or that we can procure, a small salary.

Waiting your reply, I am Sir, &c.

J. M——, Sec.

Extract of a Letter from T. R. Esq. to J. D. Jackson, Esq.

Limerick, April 18, 1816.

MY DEAR SIR,

I WRITE to you in your official capacity of Secretary to the Society for Educating the poor of Ireland. In the House of Industry, in the county there have been accumulated a number of children, who are left in contact with all that is most vicious and miserable in human Society, and deprived of either employment or instruction. Some attempts have, it is true, been made, to give them education in the several charity schools of the city; but this intercourse between the inmates of the house and the world, has been productive of the most fatal consequences. One unfortunate girl in particular, was within the last week seized by a profligate woman, and sold at market as a prostitute for a few ten-penny pieces.

The regulating Committee who conduct the House, have therefore resolved to establish a school within the House. An excellent school-master, educated by one of your colonists, in School-treet, at our Lancasterian school, has undertaken the care of the intended foundation; and as the funds of the House (not having encreased since the year 1771) are inadequate to our purposes, a small subscription of £20, or £30 has been obtained to set us up.—Out of this fund we shall pay your Society for your set of lessons, slates, pencils, &c. every thing in short, necessary for a school of 100 children. Will you be so kind as to have these matters packed up and forwarded to us as soon as may be convenient, and let me know when a remittance for the amount can be made.

I was very much gratified at seeing a noble school founded at Adare by Windham Quin, Esq. 80 feet long, and it is augmented

still further by a girls' school, in a transept building—the school-room is formed out of the refectory of one of the old abbies.

I make no apology for this intrusion upon your time, as I feel certain, that with you, my motives are a sufficient justification.

I have the honor, &c.

T. R——.

Copy of a Letter from J. A. Esq. to J. D. Jackson, Esq.

Cappoquin, April 9th, 1816.

DEAR SIR,

HAVING a desire to establish a Sunday School in this neighbourhood, I shall feel much obliged for any information you can give me relative to it; and also what are the assistances the Sunday School Society afford to promote it.

I should consider the Lancasterian plan, the better mode, but do not know where to get instructions, not understanding it myself, nor having an opportunity of seeing it put in practice.

I am convinced you will give me every information, and also, if it be possible, through the Society, get me a person who would arrange the plan. We have the Society ready; likewise a school house.

Your's very truly,

J. A——.

Extract of a Letter from H. H. Esq. to J. D. Jackson, Esq.

May 2, 1816.

MY DEAR SIR,

I BEG you will accept my sincere thanks, for the very kind manner in which you have been so good as to communicate to me, the answer of the Committee for the Education of the poor, to my application for aid towards finishing, or fitting up, four school-houses in the parish of Tullylish; and I beg leave, through you to state, in reply to their enquiries, that the daily schools will be conducted entirely on the principles recommended by the Society. All comments on the Scriptures, and all catechisms, or books inculcating the peculiar tenets of any Society of Christians, being carefully excluded.

This assurance will, I hope, be sufficient to satisfy the Committee, that their object and principles will never be lost sight of; and I trust they will not object to Sunday Schools being held in the same houses, while carried on in connection with, and under the control and direction of the H. S. S. Society—taught by gratuitous teachers, with the assistance of the resident Master.

If we are so fortunate as to obtain from your Committee the small assistance which I have solicited, in behalf of four establishments, formed for the sole purpose of educating the poor, I feel that it will have a most pleasing and salutary effect on the minds of the people around, in shewing them that in the midst of the despondency which they at present feel, owing to the depreciation under which both our agriculture and manufactories labour, the best interests of their children are not neglected.

I am, my dear Sir,
&c. &c.

H. H.

To J. D. JACKSON, Esq. Sec.

Copy of a Letter from A. H. to Peter Digges La Touche, Esq. one of the Committee of this Society.

School-house, Donegal, 23d April, 1816.

SIR,

I BEG leave with great respect to acquaint you, for the information of the gentlemen who compose the Committee for Promoting the Education of the poor of Ireland, that I am master of the Donegal school, in which upwards of one hundred pupils are taught Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic, gratis—particularly they are instructed in the Holy Scriptures, divested of all sectarian distinctions. As it appears by a printed paper which I received at the Donegal Post-office, that the object of the Society is to promote the establishment and facilitate the conducting of schools, wherein the poor of Ireland may be instructed in reading, &c. I have requested the Rev. A. Hamilton, Vicar of Donegal, to wait on you, and from him you may receive such information as may be necessary respecting my sobriety, attention, and general conduct as a school master.

Mr. Cupples, Inspector General of the Post-office, also visited my school, (one hundred and twelve pupils present) and heard the New Testament read; and after having seen the devout and orderly behaviour of my pupils, directed me to request, that you would refer to him for his opinion as to the progress the pupils had made in reading, &c. As the education of the poor of Ireland is your object, and as the Society of which you form a part, have considered it highly important that schools should be opened, divested of all sectarian distinctions in every part of the arrangement; and as I am conscious of having (as far as my weak capacity would admit) complied with the above stated rules and regulations, I beg leave to make the following request:

That you will have the goodness to send to the Donegal school a few Bibles, Testaments, and Spelling-books; a few rheams of

paper and one dozen of slates—and if convenient, be so good as to put into the hands of the Rev. A. Hamilton, a small sum of money to assist in having the school-house supplied with writing-tables, benches, seats, &c. &c. which shall be thankfully acknowledged; and it will greatly tend to promote and encourage my feeble exertions in the education of the pupils who compose the Donegal school.—And the wise disposer of all events, will reward your humane efforts in promoting religious instruction among the poor.

I am, Sir,

With very great respect and esteem,

Your obedient humble Servant,

A. H—,
School-master.

From J. J. Esq. to J. D. Jackson, Esq. Sec.

SIR,

I BEG leave to address you on a subject which interests a great many persons here besides myself. About the beginning of last October we established a national school in this town, for the education of the children of the poor of every denomination, which has been attended with very promising success, both as to the friends who have taken an active part in its behalf, and the number of boys who have still pressed forward to avail themselves of the advantage to be derived from it. Besides getting a master, regularly instructed in the improved system under Mr. Veevers, to superintend the school, there are a Patron and a Chairman, along with a Committee of 20 gentlemen, who generally visit the school every day, in rotation, and transact other necessary business belonging to it, and it is partly at their desire that I trouble you with this letter.

We beg to observe, Sir, that on account of a considerable and rapid increase of pupils in the course of the summer, (the present number being above 100) we are aware, that the school-room will not be half large enough to contain them, and therefore wish immediately while the season permits, to build an addition of a sufficient size to answer the purpose. Now this desirable and important object we have in view to ameliorate the circumstances and amend the dispositions of our poor countrymen, cannot be accomplished through our own exertions merely, independent of foreign aid, not only because our funds are nearly exhausted by the unavoidable expences incurred by fitting up the present room, paying the master his stipend, &c. but also because the town and neighbourhood had a little before to encounter the heavy expense of erecting three churches and one chapel. We therefore, without such assistance, must reluctantly decline this undertaking which we have so much at heart, and must abandon the hopes of carrying on the school even in its present limited state, as the house has recently

changed its proprietor who is going to make such alterations as will exclude us from the present approach to it. Along with other accommodations, we have had an architect to inspect the place, and his estimate of the cost to which the projected enlargement would come, amounts to about £60, but even to so much, under the present circumstances, we find ourselves inadequate. Having written to Mr. Parnell for his advice and co-operation on this subject, which naturally engages our attention in a degree equal to its importance, I am happy to state, that he enters into it with all the warmth of a benevolent heart, and it is at his recommendation chiefly that I take the liberty of applying to you, as the proper medium through which to convey our sentiments to the Committee, and our hopes of a favourable result, founded on the humane purposes of your most excellent Institution.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your very obedient and obliged humble Servant,
J. J——, Treasurer.

From Mrs. M. S. to J. D. Jackson, Esq.

SIR,

HAVING seen by the third Report of the Society for promoting the education of the poor of Ireland, that you are to be addressed on this occasion, I beg leave to inform you, that I have erected and furnished a school-house, and procured teachers, male and female, (highly recommended from the Lancasterian school, Youghal) solely at my own expense. It is free for so many scholars of my own choosing—the majority pay at the rate of one penny per week, or less, according to the number sent from each family. As the members are daily increasing, although the present house contains nearly 100 children, it will be necessary to make an addition to it, or to exclude several who may wish to come. I therefore beg you will have the goodness to inform me if the above Society would give me any assistance on this occasion, and if I could get Testaments or any other necessary for the school, through the Dublin establishment on moderate terms. This neighbourhood being very thinly inhabited by gentry, I have no one to call upon likely to give me any contribution. The Rev. Mr. Bell, Rev. Mr. Swayne, or Rev. Mr. Pack, all of Youghal, will, I am certain, at any time inform you of the very great necessity of this Establishment.

I am, Sir,
Your very obedient humble Servant,
M. B. S——.

Extract of a Letter from A. H. to J. D. Jackson, Esq.

Drimrat, 18th June, 1816.

SIR,

WITH thankfulness I acknowledge the receipt of your letter to the 10th inst. with the inclosure, and humbly beg you will have the goodness to present my unfeigned thanks to the Committee for the encouragement they were pleased to give me, and I trust my feeble exertions to promote useful knowledge among my pupils, upon due enquiry, will merit their decided approbation. Should my regulations not exactly correspond with the plan of the Society, on my receiving the necessary documents, I shall with pleasure comply with them, and with the assistance of God continue to act accordingly. My Sunday school offers well, and as it is the first was ever established in this part of the country, it is numerously attended. You will oblige me if you present my humble respects to Mr. Parnell, and let him know I shall thank him for the documents as mentioned in your letters. As I have already stated my manner of teaching, &c. in my day school, I shall only state the manner in which my Sunday school is taught, together with the time I commence teaching, &c. As I am clerk of the church, and reside a mile from the school-house, it is not convenient for me to attend in the morning, therefore when the service of the church is concluded, I go into the school-house and commence teaching exactly at 2 o'clock; my eldest daughter teaches the girls, and I teach the boys, who are in the alphabet, spelling, and spelling-book reading classes; at the same time the Testament classes rehearse the chapter they are to read. I then cause my Testament classes to read alternately; but before they begin (for I read with every class myself) I exhort the pupils to read with reverence, thankfulness, and humility.

I am sorry to inform you, that most of my pupils who attend the day-school are very poor, and are not able to purchase any books, and as my yearly salary (Mr. Robinson's donation) does not exceed £12, I cannot afford to assist in purchasing any.—Should I be so fortunate as to receive a small salary from the Institution as mentioned in your letter, I would gladly take books for part of it. What is at present wanting to complete the school-room, is a table 12 feet long, and 6 forms, a window and shelves, or a small chest to hold the books; and I fear the sum will be thought too great, as I fear not less than eight pounds will be sufficient. If I was of ability, I think I would fit it up myself; but I have not the means, and there are but few who are careful to have the poor instructed; and should I not receive a single shilling, I shall continue to teach as I have done, that is, keep my school for all who choose to attend, free of any expense, as I never yet asked a poor man for money, for my having taught his child to read the Holy Scriptures.

I request you will have the goodness to write when convenient, and let me know if the Society or Societies will assist me; and I also request you will let me know what certificates are necessary.—What I write is the truth; but being an entire stranger to these Committees or their laudable methods of proceeding, I hope, if I have made an improper request, I shall be refused and pardoned, but not despised.

I am, Sir,
With gratitude and respect,
Your humble Servant,
A. H—, School master.

To J. D. JACKSON, Esq. Dublin.

Answers to the Queries sent to A. H.

1. Donegal parish school.
- 2, and 3. Parish of Donegal, and county of Donegal, Donegal town.
4. 126—66 males, 60 females.
5. I teach the school daily myself: salary about twelve pounds; sometimes less;—my daughters assist me on the Sabbath.
6. Daily and on the Sabbath.
7. There are three Bibles in the school, but no Bible with a comment.
8. Scripture histories, spelling-books, primmers, &c.
9. No.
10. No distinction; all are taught to worship the Lord in spirit and in truth, and to hate sin.

N. B. I have fifty Testaments, but that is not a sufficient number, as I have no books for the Sunday school.

A. H.

APPENDIX, No. IV.

Extract from the Proceedings and Report of the South Eastern District School Society, at the last Annual Meeting, held at the School-house, Stephen's-Green, S. Jan. 15, 1816,

THE HON. JUDGE MAYNE, IN THE CHAIR.

The Report of the Committee for the year 1815, having been presented and read, it was unanimously Resolved,

I. That the Report now read meets our warmest approbation; that it be accordingly adopted, and printed, under the direction of the Committee for the ensuing year, together with the statement of Accounts now presented, and a List of the Subscribers and Benefactors to the Institution.

II. That being deeply impressed with a conviction of the advantages which must result to society from the spreading of well-ordered Education amongst the lower orders, we feel peculiar satisfaction in observing the progressive extension and improvement of the South Eastern District Schools.

III. That we do therefore highly approve of the steps taken by our late Committee, in conjunction with the Committee of the Society for Promoting the Education of the Poor, towards providing the means of instruction for all the poor children of this populous district of the metropolis.

IV. That our Committee for the ensuing year be empowered to form a permanent connection between this Society and the Society for Promoting the Education of the Poor; provided the Model Schools of that Society be placed in a convenient part of this district, and that the designation of the South Eastern District School be retained, with any addition which may be necessary.

V. That our acknowledgments are due to ALEX. FERRIER, Esq. our Treasurer, and that he be requested to continue his valuable services until the proposed junction of the two Societies shall have taken place.

VI. That our grateful thanks be presented to the Ladies who presided over and visited the Female School, to whose constant and anxious superintendence during the last year, the great improvement in that valuable part of our Institution is, in so great a measure, attributable.

The Society then proceeded to elect the Committee and other Officers for the ensuing year.

The Hon. Judge MAYNE having left the Chair, and PETER BURROWS, Esq. having been called thereto,

Resolved, VII. That the cordial thanks of this Meeting be presented to the Hon. Judge MAYNE, for his kindness in taking the Chair, and for the interest which he has taken in the welfare of this Society.

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT.

“ You are aware from the Report of last year, that the number of boys seeking admission to your school, was so great that all could not be received, and that it consequently became necessary to keep a list, on which the names of the applicants should be entered, who should be admitted according to priority of application. There are at present above 150 names on the list; and your Committee are confident, that the number applying for admission would be still greater, if the school were open for the reception of all; several being deterred from entering their names, when they perceive that so many must be preferred before them. Your Committee were therefore desirous to erect a more capacious building, but the inadequacy of your funds compelled them to abandon that project, as unattainable, within any reasonable length of time; they have, however, the satisfaction of stating, that a proposal made by the Society for Promoting the Education of the Poor of Ireland, has opened to them, a prospect of being enabled to afford instruction to every poor child within this district. It being the intention of that Society immediately, to erect a Model School in some part of the metropolis, which should answer the twofold purpose of producing general advantage throughout the country, by exhibiting a perfect specimen of the modern improvements, in the mode of conducting schools, and of local benefit, by directly imparting the blessing of education to the surrounding poor; the Committee of that Society, proposed a union of the two Institutions, as the most effectual means of accomplishing the common object of both; and as the intended Model School is to be conducted, in every respect, on the principles on which your Society are pledged to act, your Committee gladly assented to the proposal, provided the School should be placed in this neighbourhood, and that the name of the South-Eastern-district-School should be retained, superadding thereto, what may be necessary to express the objects of the Society for Promoting the Education of the Poor of Ireland. Since this proposal was made, the Education Society have agreed for the purchase of a large piece of ground, in the rear of the site on which Shelburne House lately stood, which being a most eligible situation for

the poor of this district, affords an additional argument in favour of the proposed junction of those two Institutions.

The number of boys now on the attendance roll is 299, of whom 189 have been present in school at the same time; the number admitted during the last year has been 304, exclusive of 150 now on the supernumerary roll; and the total number admitted since the opening of the school in Digge's-lane, (19th January, 1812,) has been 1304. The number of girls now attending is 315, of which 216 have been assembled at school on the same day; the number admitted in the course of last year, was 334, and the entire number of admissions in the female school since its establishment in Stephen's-green, (8th November, 1813,) has been 850; making a total of 2154 children, who have received instruction through your means, in the short period of four years.

LIST

OF

DONATIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS,

Received from April, 1815, to April, 1816.

	Donations.			Subscriptions.		
	£.	S.	D.	£.	S.	D.
A.						
Arabin, Henry Esq. Clare-street,				1	2	9
Archer, Sheriff Dame-street,	5	0	0			
B.						
Blackburne, Francis Esq. Lower Gardi-				1	2	9
ner-street,						
Beatly, Francis Esq. Mountjoy-square,				1	2	9
Barry, Mrs. Merriion-square, West,				1	2	9
Barry, Rev. Philip, Ditto,				1	2	9
Barrington, John Esq. Britain-street,				2	5	6
Barrington, William Esq. Fleet-st.				1	2	9
Bewley, Samuel Esq. Suffolk-street,				2	5	6
Burrowes, Peter Esq. Leeson-street,				2	5	6
Bennett, R. Esq. Molesworth-street,				1	2	9
Bushe, C. R. Solicitor Gen. Ely-place,	5	13	9			
Bellew, William Esq.	1	2	9			
C.						
Clarke, Dr. and Family, Granby-row.				4	11	0
Cavendish, Hon. George Treasury,				1	2	9
Connor, Roderick Esq. N. Cumberland-st.				1	2	9
Crampton, Philip Esq. F. T. C. College,	2	5	6			
Corbett, Francis Esq. Mountjoy-square,				1	2	9
Crothwaite, Thos. Esq. Fleet-street,				1	2	9
D.						
Daly, Hon. Judge Rutland-square,				2	5	6
Digby, Thomas Esq. Mount-pleasant,				1	2	9
Duffy, John Esq. Ball's-bridge,				3	8	3
De Vesci, Rt. Hon. Viscount,	22	15	0			
E.						
Evans, Hampden Esq. N. Gt. Georges-st.	25	0	0	1	2	9
English, William Esq. Meath-street,				2	5	6
Edinburgh Society for Educating the Poor						
of Ireland, Edinburgh,	76	13	0			
F.						
Flood, Patrick Esq. Lower Mount-street,				1	2	9

	Donations.			Subscriptions		
	£.	S.	D.	£.	S.	D.
Fayle, Joshua Esq. Greenmount,				2	5	6
Fayle, Robert Esq. Thomas-street,				1	2	9
Foster, R. Esq.				1	2	9
G.						
Grace, Sheffield Esq. Oxford,	2	0	0			
Guinness, Arthur Esq. James's-gate,				2	5	6
Guinness, Benjamin Esq. Ditto,				2	5	6
Guinness, Wm. L. Esq. Mountjoy-square,				2	5	6
H.						
Hall, James Frail Esq. 57, Sackville-st.				1	2	9
Hall, James Esq.						
Harding, William Esq. Lower Mount-st.				1	2	9
Hogan, W. C. Esq. York-street,				1	2	9
Hamilton, Henry Esq. Fitzwilliam-st.				2	0	0
J.						
Johnston, Serjeant Harcourt-street,	5	13	9			
Jebb, Richard Esq. Granby-row,				2	5	6
Jackson, J. D. Esq. Leeson-street,				1	2	9
K.						
Kildahl, Nicholas Esq. Baggot-street,				1	2	9
Keene, Whitshed Esq. England,	100	0	0			
L.						
Lady, a per H. J. M. Mason, Esq.	2	0	0			
La Touche, Peter Digges Esq. Bank,				2	5	6
La Touche, Peter Jun. Esq. Ditto,				2	5	6
La Touche, George Esq. Ditto,				2	5	6
La Touche, John David Esq. Ditto,				1	2	9
La Touche, James Digges Esq. Ditto,				1	2	9
Lefroy, Thomas Esq. Leeson-street,				1	2	9
Lanigan, Robert Esq. Harcourt-street,				1	2	9
Lefanu, William P. Esq. Camden-street.				1	2	9
M.						
M'Guire, Edward Esq.	1	2	9			
Mason, H. J. M. Esq. Kildare-street,				2	5	6
Mason, W. M. Esq. Harcourt-street,				1	2	9
M'Kay, Miss				1	2	9
Magrath, Mrs. Grenville-street,				2	5	6
Magrath, Miss Ditto,				2	5	6
Magrath, Luke Esq. Ditto,				1	2	9
M'Dougall, Henry Esq. Harcourt-street,				1	2	9
Maxwell, H. Esq. Ball's Bank,				1	2	9
Maguire, Alexander Esq. Bolton-street,				2	5	6
M'Donnell, Randal Esq. Allen's-court,				1	2	9
Mills, Dr. Thomas Dominick-street,				1	2	9
Molloy, J. Scott Esq. Capel-street,				2	5	6

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N.						
Newport, Sir John Bart. Waterford,				4	11	0
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Orpen, Dr. Thomas Frederick-street,				1	2	9
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Pollock, — Esq. Fishamble-street,	10	0	0			
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Pim, Thomas Esq. William-street.				2	5	6
R.						
Ryan, S. J. Esq. Lower Mount-street,				1	2	9
Ruxton, R. Esq. Navan,				1	2	9
S.						
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Staples, Thomas Esq. Gt. George's-st. N.				1	2	9
Scott, James Esq. Merrion-square,				1	2	9
Scott, Edward Esq. Ditto,				1	2	9
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Sparrow, Lady Olivia	20	0	0			
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Torrens, R. Esq.				1	2	9
Thompson, Mrs. W. Charlemont-street,				1	2	9
Thompson, Mrs. R.				1	2	9
Thompson, Thomas Esq	2	5	6			
Thompson, F. Esq. Merrion-square,				1	2	9
Todhunter, William Esq. Holles-street,				2	5	6
W.						
Warren, R. B. Esq. Lower Mount-street,				1	2	9
Walker, Miss Merrion-street,				1	2	9
Wybrant, Mrs.	1	2	9			
Whitshed, Admiral,	20	0	0			
An unknown person at the last annual Meeting, per J. D. La Touche, Esq.				1	2	9
£303 17 6			£133 3 6			

The following Subscriptions for the past year, have been received since the 30th April, to which date the Accounts of the Society are made up :—

	£.	S.	D.
Rev. B. Swete, Cork,	1	2	9
Rev. Archdeacon Maunsell, Limerick,	1	2	9
R. S. Carew, Esq. M. P.	2	5	6
Joseph Jacob, Esq. Waterford,	1	2	9
Thomas Rice, Esq. Mount Trenchard, Limerick,	2	5	6

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THIS Society is a voluntary Association of persons of various religious communions, formed for the purpose of diffusing the blessings of well-ordered Education amongst the labouring classes of this Country.

THE leading principle on which it is pledged to act, is to afford the same facilities for Education to every denomination of Christians, without interfering with the peculiar religious opinions of any.

WITH this view the Society is anxious to promote the establishment, and assist in the support of Schools, in which the appointment of Governors and Teachers, and the admission of Scholars, shall be uninfluenced by religious distinctions;—in which the Scriptures without note or comment shall be read by *all* the scholars who have attained a suitable proficiency in reading, excluding catechisms and books of religious controversy;—in which the Peasant and Artizan may obtain information *suited to their stations in life*, without encroaching materially on their time or their means;—in which the morals of Pupils and Instructors shall be attended to, and principles of truth and honesty inculcated; in which the poor shall be accustomed to habits of decency and cleanliness; and in which they shall be taught to fix their attention exclusively on whatever business they may be engaged in, and inured to that kind of regular discipline and good order, which is of such essential value to those who must earn their bread by their industry.

SUCH is the description of Schools which the Society conceives best adapted to the wants and circumstances of this Country: it is hoped it will be perceived, that in such seminaries the labouring classes may obtain suitable instruction, without any attempt being made to disturb their religious opinions; and the children of the poor being thus associated together without distinction, may thereby learn to regard each other without prejudice, and to indulge a charitable feeling for their neighbours, of whatever religious persuasion they may be.

BUT although an anxious consideration of the circumstances of this country, has convinced the Members of the Institution, that *particular* religious instruction ought not to be introduced into the Schools, yet the Society is fully sensible of the value of such instruction, as forming an indispensable branch of Education; and the parents and pastors of the children are earnestly recommended to impart to them such religious instruction *out of school hours*, as they may think fit.

THE Society has established a Model School in Dublin, on an extensive scale, which is intended to exemplify the system of Education recommended by the Society, and also to serve as a seminary for training School-masters.

THIS seminary is open for the admission of all persons properly recommended, and desirous of learning the improved method of teaching, without any charge being made for tuition, and also without any condition being imposed as to the regulations of the schools in which they may afterwards be engaged. The time required to communicate sufficient information in this way, to a man who has been previously qualified to teach in the ordinary manner, is from four to six weeks; and where masters are to be educated for schools established on the principles recommended by the Society, and their conduct whilst attending the Model School, shall be deserving of encouragement, the Society will defray the expenses of such persons, whilst travelling to and from Dublin, and during the period of their tuition, provided, however that, in no instance, a larger sum than five guineas shall be so expended.

As the most perfect system of instruction, must be of comparatively little value, where the master is incompetent, the Society anxiously recommends all persons desirous of having School-masters of their own nomination, trained in the Seminary; to be exceedingly careful in the selection of the individuals for that purpose. Their age should not be less than eighteen, nor more than thirty years: they ought to have a competent knowledge of the rudiments of spelling, reading, writing, and arithmetic; in temper they should be patient; in disposition mild, but firm; of diligent habits; of unblemished moral character; and fully convinced of the importance of inculcating on the young mind a love of decency and cleanliness, of industry, honesty and truth.

No person can be admitted into the Model School, and *maintained at the expense of the Society*, until he shall have been examined by the head master, and if on such examination he is found deficient in the above qualifications, he will not receive any grant from the Society. It is therefore *particularly requested*, that no person shall be sent to the Seminary to be trained as a master, without being provided with the means of defraying his expenses, in case he should not be qualified for admission.

THE Society cannot at present afford pecuniary aid towards the *building* of School-houses, nor can they assist very largely in the support of Schools, but where buildings are erected, and Schools conducted on the principles recommended by the Society, it *contributes* to the expense of finishing and fitting up such School-houses, and furnishing them with the necessary apparatus of Desks, Forms, &c. &c. &c.

PERSONS to whom pecuniary grants for Schools are made, are requested to take notice, that the amount of such grants cannot be paid, until a *particular* account of the *actual expenditure* of the amount granted, authenticated by the signatures of two respectable persons residing in the neighbourhood of such Schools, shall have been forwarded to the Committee.

BOOKS of instruction and amusement, Paper, Slates, and Pencils, are also granted to *such* Schools on fit occasions; and all these articles may be procured at the Depository of the Institution, at *low prices*, for the use of *any School for the instruction of the Poor*.

WITH respect to the Books distributed by the Society, it has carefully selected such only as are calculated to convey general instruction and amusement, without imparting or interfering with any *peculiar* religious opinion.

As the Society cannot, in any instance, do more than *contribute* to the expense of Schools, it is strongly recommended that *local associations* should be formed for the support of Schools in the neighbourhood of the members of such Associations, and also for the purpose of occasionally inspecting the progress of the scholars, and the *conduct of the masters*: without such superintendence, it is greatly to be feared, there will be many deviations from the system, which ought to be strictly adhered to in those Schools.

It is also recommended, that in all cases the children should be required to pay a *small* sum weekly. By such means the funds of the School will be augmented; the poor will set a higher value on the instruction imparted to them, than they probably would, if they were entirely indebted

to the bounty of others for their education; and a habit of looking to their own exertions for their support, will be cherished in their minds, which will prove of essential value to them throughout life.

PRINTED Queries to be answered by persons applying for aid for Schools, may be procured at the Society's Depository, Kildare-place; which queries must be answered before any grant can be made either for School or School-master: and it is requested, that all letters for the Society, transmitted through the Post Office, shall be directed as follows:—

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