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CAP. VII.

AN ACT for the Encouragement of Education.

[Passed 10th May, 1858.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to Provide for the Encouragement of Education in this Colony : Preamble.

Be it therefore enacted by the Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, in Legislative Session convened, that from and out of such monies as may remain in the hands of the Receiver General, unappropriated, there be Granted to Her Majesty the Sum of Ten Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Five Pounds annually, which sum of money shall be yearly distributed in the proportions hereinafter mentioned, in the support of Schools established or to be established for the instruction of Children of Members of the several Protestant Churches, and of the Roman Catholic Church, in this Colony. Grant for Education
£10,525.

II. Out of the said sum of Ten Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Five pounds, the Sum of Nine Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Five Pounds shall be annually applied and expended by the several Boards of Education hereafter to be appointed, in the several districts mentioned in the subjoined Table : to Protestants, Five Thousand One Hundred and Twelve Pounds Sixteen Shillings ; to Roman Catholics, Four Thousand Four Hundred and Twelve Pounds Four Shillings ; in manner following, that is to say :— Denominational division of Educational grant.

EDUCATION APPROPRIATION FOR PROTESTANT DISTRICTS.

St. John's, East and West, extending to Upper Gully	£721 13 0
Brigus to Northern Gut, exclusive	230 11 0

Bay Roberts to Spaniards Bay Bridge	£289 13 0
Harbor Grace to Musquitto Point, exclusive	350 15 6
Carbonear, from Musquitto Point to Perry Cove	267 3 0
Bay de Verds, from Perry's Cove to Split Point	278 17 0
Trinity Bay South, from Split Point to Sugarloaf Head	191 17 0
Ditto West, from Sugarloaf to Random Head	170 0 6
Ditto North, from Random Head to South Head	
Catalina	229 5 6
Ditto East, from Catalina South Head to Cape	
Bonavista	111 1 6
Bonavista, from North Head of Bird Island to Upper	
Amherst Cove	166 5 6
Ditto West, from Upper Amherst Cove to Salvage	113 6 6
Ditto North, from Salvage to Cape Freels	231 18 0
Fogo, from Cape Freels to Change Islands	198 7 6
Twillingate, from Change Islands to Marret's Harbor	225 7 6
Morton's Harbor District, from Marret's Harbor to	
Cape John	196 19 0
Bay Bulls, from Petty Harbor South Head to La	
Manche River	0 12 0
Ferryland, from La Manche to Cape Race	9 10 6
St. Mary's, from Cape Race to Cape Dog or Bickford	2 0 6
Great Placentia, from Bickford to Fresh Water	1 1 0
Little Placentia, from first beach Fresh Water to Hay	
Stack	29 18 0
Placentia West, from Hay Stack to Dog Harbor and	
Bruley	55 17 6
Burin, from Rashoon to Little St. Lawrence	133 14 6
Lamaline, from Little St. Lawrence to Point May	34 1 0
Grand Bank, from Point May to Garnish	70 7 0
Fortune Bay Electoral District	213 9 0
Burgeo and La Poile Electoral District	259 4 0
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EDUCATION APPROPRIATION FOR ROMAN CATHOLIC DISTRICTS.

St. John's	£1405 9 8
Harbor Main	212 10 4
Brigus }	
Bay Roberts }	200 12 0
Harbor Grace	207 16 0
Carbonear }	
Bay de Verds }	277 13 0
Trinity South	25 12 0
Ditto West	19 16 0
Ditto North	42 14 8
Bonavista South }	
Ditto West }	115 5 4
Ditto North	23 13 4
Fogo	63 1 4
Twillingate }	
Morton's Harbor }	33 1 4
Bay Bulls	157 1 0

Ferryland	.....	.....	.....	.....	182	9	4
Trepassey	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	18	0
Placentia, Great	.....	.....	.....	.....	86	10	8
Ditto Little	.....	.....	.....	.....	93	10	8
Ditto West	.....	.....	.....	.....	126	17	4
Burin	}	.....	.....	.....	193	13	4
Lamaline		.....	.....	.....
Grand Bank		.....	.....	.....
Fortune Bay	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	2	8
Burgeo	}	.....	.....	.....	5	18	8
La Poile		.....	.....	.....
St. Mary's	.....	.....	.....	.....	109	17	4
					<u>£3667</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>

III. That the further sum of One Thousand Pounds be annually appropriated and expended, out of the said sum of Ten Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Five Pounds, towards the support of Commercial and other Schools, in manner following, that is to say :—

£1000 annually for Commercial Schools.

To the Commercial School at St. John's, for Presbyterians	£40
" Bay Bulls	40
" Harbor Main	50
" Brigus, in Conception Bay ..	50
" River Head, Harbor Grace ..	50
" Ferryland	50
" St. Mary's	40
" Great Placentia	40
" Burin, Catholic School ..	30
" Burin, Church of England ..	20
" Burin, Wesleyan	20
" Jersey Harbor	50
" Burgeo and LaPoile	50
" King's Cove	50
" Trinity	50
" Bonavista	50
" Twillingate and Fogo	50
" Old Perlican	20
" Heart's Content	20
" Shoal Point and Upper Island Cove	50
" Oderin	30
" Tilton and Fortune Harbors ..	30
" Seldom Come By, Protestant	20
" Muddy Hole and Shoe Cove,	
Protestant	30
" Cupids, Wesleyan	20
" Bay de Verds	50
<u>£1000</u>	

IV. That out of the Sum of Money granted in and by the second section of this Act, towards the education of children of Members of the Roman Catholic Church, there be paid annually to the Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of St. John's, the Sum of Four Hundred and

£445 for support of Convent Schools in Diocese of St. John's.

Forty Five Pounds, for the support of the Presentation and other Convent Schools, in manner following, that is to say :—

For the Convent School at Harbor Main..	..	..	..	£75
“ “ Renewse ..	..	..	..	75
“ “ Ferryland ..	..	..	..	45
“ “ Witless Bay ..	..	..	..	50
“ “ Placentia ..	..	..	..	50
“ “ Brigus ...	...	...	...	50
“ “ Burin ...	..	..	..	50
“ “ St. Mary's ....	....	....	....	50
				£445

Presentation and other Convent Schools at Harbor Grace.

V. Out of the sum of Money granted in and by the second section of this Act, towards the education of Children of Members of the Roman Catholic Church, there be paid annually to the Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of Harbor Grace, the Sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds, for the support of the Presentation and other Convent Schools, in manner following, that is to say :—

For the Convent School at Harbor Grace ..	...	....	£100
“ “ “ Carbonear ..	..	..	100
Other Convent Schools in the Diocese of Harbor Grace ..	...	..	50
			£250

Protestant Educational Districts.

VI. The Protestant Educational Districts shall be as follow : that of St. John's shall consist of the present electoral districts of St. John's, and that part of the district of Harbor Main lying between Horse Cove and Upper Gully inclusive ; that the educational district of Brigus aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Brigus lying between South side of Northern Gut in Port-de-Grave Salmon Cove, and Upper Gully ; the district of Bay Roberts from the North side of Northern Gut in Port-de-Grave to the Northern point of Bay Roberts, inclusive ; the district of Harbor Grace aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Harbor Grace lying between the South point of Mosquito and the North point of Bay Roberts ; the district of Carbonear aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Carbonear lying between the South point of Mosquito and Perry's Cove ; the district of Bay-de-Verds aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Bay-de-Verds lying between Perry's Cove and Split Point ; the district of Trinity Bay South shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Trinity lying between Split Point and Sugar Loaf Head ; the district of Trinity Bay West shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Trinity Bay lying between Sugar Loaf Head and West Head of Random ; the district of Trinity Bay North shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Trinity Bay from West Head of Random to Catalina South Head inclusive ; the district of Trinity Bay East shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Trinity Bay from Catalina South Head to Bird Island Cove inclusive ; the district of Bonavista South shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral districts of Trinity and Bonavista lying between Bird Island Cove and Upper Amherst Cove

inclusive; the district of Bonavista West, from Upper Amherst Cove to Salvage inclusive; the district of Bonavista North shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Bonavista from Salvage to Cape Freels, including Flat Island and all Islands within said limits; the district of Fogo aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Fogo from Cape Freels to Muddy Hole and Change Islands inclusive, including the Island of Fogo and all other Islands within the said limits; the district of Twillingate aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Fogo lying between Change Islands and Marrett's Harbor, including the Island of Twillingate, and the Islands within the said limits; the district of Morton's Harbor from Marrett's Harbor to Cape John; the district of Bay Bulls aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Ferryland lying between the South Head of Petty Harbor and the LaManche River; the district of Ferryland aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Ferryland lying between LaManche River and Cape Race; the district of St. Mary's aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Placentia and St. Mary's lying between Cape Race and Bickford inclusive; the district of Placentia shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Placentia and St. Mary's lying between Branch and Rashoon, Branch included; the district of Burin, all that part of the electoral district of Burin from Rashoon to Little St. Lawrence, inclusive; the district of Lamaline, from Little St. Lawrence to Point May; the district of Grand Bank, from Point May to Great Garnish; the District of Fortune Bay shall consist of and include all the present electoral district of Fortune Bay; and the district of Burgeo and LaPoile shall be divided into two districts, namely, the district of Burgeo, extending from Bonne Bay to Wreck Island, inclusive, and the district of LaPoile, extending from Wreck Island to Cape Ray.

VII. The Roman Catholic Educational Districts shall be as follows, viz: That the present electoral district of St. John's shall be the educational district of St. John's, and extend to Indian Pond; the educational district of Harbor Main shall extend from Indian Pond to Bacon Cove, both inclusive; that the educational district of Brigus aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Harbor Main lying between Bacon Cove, exclusive, and Spaniards Bay bridge, including Bay Roberts; the district of Harbor Grace aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Harbor Grace lying between the South Point of Musquitto and Spaniards Bay bridge; the district of Carbonear aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral districts of Carbonear and Bay-de Verds lying between the South Point of Musquitto and Split Point; the district of Trinity Bay South shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Trinity lying between Split Point and Sugar Loaf Head; the district of Trinity Bay West shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Trinity Bay lying between Sugar Loaf Head and Careless Harbor; the district of Trinity Bay North shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Trinity Bay from Careless Harbor, inclusive, to Cape Bonavista; the district of Bonavista South aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Bonavista lying between Cape Bonavista and Sal-

Roman Catholic Educational Districts.

vage inclusive; the district of Bonavista North aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Bonavista lying between Salvage and Cape Freels, including all Islands within the said limits; the district of Fogo aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Fogo lying between Cape Freels and Change Islands inclusive, including the Island of Fogo and all other Islands within the said limits; the district of Twillingate aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Fogo lying between Change Islands and Cape St. John, including the Island of Twillingate, and all Islands within the said limits; the district of Bay Bulls aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Ferryland lying between the South Head of Petty Harbor and La Manche River; the district of Ferryland aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Ferryland lying between La Manche River and Cape Race; the district of Trepassey aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Placentia and St. Mary's lying between Cape Race and Holyrood, exclusive; the district of St. Mary's aforesaid shall consist of and include all that part of the electoral district of Placentia and St. Mary's lying between Holyrood, inclusive, and Cape Dog; the district of Great Placentia shall consist of and include all that part of the said electoral district of Placentia and St. Mary's lying between Bickford and first Beach, and Fresh Water, both inclusive; the district of Little Placentia shall extend from first Beach and Fresh Water to Hay Stack, including Red Island, Rams Island, and Ragged Island, and exclusive of Dog Harbor and Brewley; and the district of Placentia West shall extend from Hay Stack to Burnt Island, including Dog Harbor and Brewley, Isle of Valen, Merasheen, and the other Islands on the Western Shore within the said limits; the district of Burin aforesaid shall consist of and have the same limits as the present electoral district of Burin, and extending to Burnt Island exclusive, including Oderin and Flat Islands; the district of Fortune Bay shall consist of and include all that part of the coast lying between Garnish and Cape Ray, both places inclusive; and the district of Burgeo and LaPoile shall be the electoral district of Burgeo and La Poile.

Governor to appoint
Protestant Boards of
Education.

VIII. Immediately on this Act coming into operation, it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, with the advice of the Council, to nominate and appoint, in each of the educational districts hereinafter mentioned, Five or Seven Members of the several Protestant Churches, one of whom shall be the Senior Clergyman of the said Churches actually resident or officiating in such district, to form and to be a Protestant Board of Education for such district, that is to say:—In St. John's, Brigus, Bay Roberts, Harbor Grace, Carbonear, Bay de Verds, Trinity South, Trinity West, Trinity North, Trinity East, Bonavista South, West, and North; Fogo, Morton's Harbor, and Twillingate; Ferryland, Placentia West, Burin, Grand Bank, Lamaline, Fortune Bay, Burgeo and LaPoile: Provided, that in St. John's such Board shall consist of Nine or more Members, of whom a majority shall be Members of the Church of England, and as nearly as may be of the same proportion to the Members of the Board as the number of the members of that Church bear to the number of the Protestant Inhabitants in that district; and that in other places in this Colony the majority of the Board shall be of the same persuasion of the majority of the Inhabitants, according to the latest census: Provided further, that

it shall not be necessary to appoint a Protestant Board in any district where the amount herein appropriated for such district shall be less than Twenty Five Pounds; but that in every such case, it shall be lawful for the Governor to authorise the Protestant Board most contiguous to such District to expend the sum appropriated for such district in such educational purposes as shall be most for the advantage of the same.

IX. Immediately on this Act coming into operation, it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, with the advice of the Council, by warrant to nominate and appoint in each of the Educational districts aforesaid, Five or Seven Members of the Roman Catholic Church to form and be a Roman Catholic Board of Education for such district, in which Board shall be included the Senior Superior Clergyman of the same Church actually resident or officiating within such district: Provided that it shall not be necessary to appoint a Roman Catholic Board in any district where the amount hereinbefore appropriated to the Roman Catholic part of the district shall be less than Twenty Five Pounds; but that in such case it shall be lawful for the Roman Catholic Board most contiguous to the said district to expend the sum appropriated for such district in such educational purposes as shall be most for the advantage of the same: Provided also, that it shall be lawful for any of the Roman Catholic Boards to appropriate any of their surplus funds in the support or establishment of any Roman Catholic Schools in the said Island where the same may be required: Provided also that it shall only be necessary to appoint one Board for the districts of Harbor Grace, Carbonear, Bay de Verds, and Trinity South and West, of which the Catholic Bishop of Harbor Grace shall be Chairman.

Governor to appoint Catholic Boards of Education.

X. Whenever any vacancy shall occur in any of the said Boards by the death, resignation, or absence from the Colony for Twelve Months, of any Member thereof, it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, with the advice of the Council, by warrant to nominate and appoint a fit and proper person to fill such vacancy.

Vacancies in Boards—how filled up.

XI. Such Boards of Education shall respectively have full power and authority, so soon as may be after they shall have been severally constituted, to assemble together in their respective districts, and thereon to make and adopt by-laws, rules and regulations, for the establishment and management of Schools within their respective districts, and for the appropriation of the respective sums of money hereinbefore granted, and of such sums as may from time to time be granted for the maintenance of such Boards: Provided always, that Three at least of the Members of any Board shall be present at the transaction of any business by the said Board: Provided further, that no by-laws, rules and regulations shall be of any force or effect until the same shall have received the approval of the Governor in Council.

Boards of Education to make By-laws, Rules, &c.

Proviso.

XII. The Annual Meeting of each respective Board of Education shall be held on the First Wednesday in July in each year, for the purpose of choosing a Chairman and other Officers, and of auditing accounts, and of transacting such other business as may then be necessary; and that the Chairman of each Board shall, as soon thereafter as may be, transmit to the Governor for the time being a true and

Annual and General Meetings of Boards—when to be held.

Chairman to transmit returns to Governor.

correct return of the number and position of Schools and date of establishment, the names of Teachers, salary to be paid to each, the number, names and ages of scholars, the branches taught them, the books they have used, and their progress in education, the hours of teaching and fees received; which return shall be accompanied by a detailed account of the expenditure of the Board for the past year; and any Board neglecting to transmit such returns, according to the forms to be furnished from the Office of the Colonial Secretary, on or before the last day of October following the Annual Meeting, shall not receive further payments until such default shall be remedied.

Annual and General Meetings of Boards—where to be held.

XIII. The Annual and General Meetings of the said Boards respectively, shall be holden at the following places, that is to say:—At the Town of St. John's, for the District of St. John's; at Harbor Main, for the district of Harbor Main; at Brigus, for the district of Brigus; at Bay Roberts, for the district of Bay Roberts; at Harbor Grace, for the district of Harbor Grace; at Carbonear, for the district of Carbonear; at Black Head, for the district of Bay de Verds; at Old Perlican, for the district of Trinity Bay South; at Trinity, for the district of Trinity Bay North; at Heart's Content, for the district of Trinity Bay West; at Catalina, for the district of Trinity Bay East; at Bonavista, for the district of Bonavista South; at King's Cove, for the district of Bonavista West; at Greenspond, for the district of Bonavista North; at Fogo, for the district of Fogo; at Twillingate, for the district of Twillingate; at Morton's Harbor, for the district of Morton's Harbor; at Bay Bulls, for the district of Bay Bulls; at Ferryland, for the district of Ferryland; at St. Mary's, for the district of St. Mary's; at Great Placentia, for the district of Great Placentia; at Little Placentia, for the district of Little Placentia; at St. Kairn's, for the district of Placentia West; at Burin, for the district of Burin; at Grand Bank, for the district of Grand Bank; at Lamaline, for the district of Lamaline; at Harbor Britain, for the district of Fortune Bay; at Lapoile, for the district of Burgeo and LaPoile: Provided always, that the Protestant Board for the district of Placentia shall meet at Harbor Buffet; and that General Meetings of the said Boards of Education respectively may be held at any time, on the requisition to the Chairman of any Two or more Members; or in case of the Chairman refusing or neglecting to call such Meeting within Three Days after such requisition being delivered to him, or left at his house, then such Meeting may be called by such requisitionists.

School-houses, &c., held by Boards under former Acts to vest in Boards under this Act.

XIV. The School-houses and property of Boards, under any previous Act, and not herein otherwise provided for, shall vest in and become the property of their respective successors under this Act; and that in any case where it shall be necessary to prosecute or defend any action at Law or Suit in Equity on behalf of the Board, the same may be brought or defended in the name of the Chairman.

Fees.

XV. The following scale of Fees shall be paid by the Pupils attending the several Schools to be established under the provisions of this Act, to be paid at any periods during or at the expiration of any current year to be fixed by the Master, and notified, in addition to the Salaries of the Masters, who shall make a return of the amount received to the Boards of the said Schools, namely:—each child learning the alphabet, &c., shall pay in currency at the rate of Two Shillings and Sixpence per year; each child learning to write and cypher shall

pay at the rate of five shillings per year; each child learning other and higher branches of education shall pay at the rate of seven shillings and sixpence per year; each scholar learning navigation shall pay an additional fee at the rate of ten shillings per year: Provided that if the fees be not paid to the master, he may recover the same by action in a summary manner before any Justice of the Peace, either in his own name or in the name of the Board, or any master may, with the consent of the Board, or the Chairman thereof, issue a Warrant of Distraint under his hand, directed to any Constable or other Person, and distrain the goods and chattels of the parent of any child, for the amount of fees in arrear for any such child, without action, and sell the same after three days' notice; but any Justice near the locality may, on application and good cause shewn, restore the property distrained, if the fees should not be due, or make such order as may be just: Provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the several masters aforesaid from remitting the said fees, or any part thereof, to such persons as are or may be unable from poverty to pay the same.

XVI. The Protestant Boards in the districts of St. John's, Brigus, Harbor Grace, Carbonear, Trinity Bay West, Trinity Bay North, Bonavista North and South, Fogo, Twillingate, and Fortune Bay, shall respectively, out of the sums herein before appropriated to them each year, contribute to the support of the Schools of the Newfoundland School Society within the said several districts, to the respective amounts following, that is to say:—The Board for the district of St. John's, not exceeding Seventy-five Pounds; the Board for the district of Brigus, Twenty-five Pounds; the Board for the district of Harbor Grace, Fifty Pounds; the Board for the district of Bay Roberts, Fifty Pounds; the Board for the district of Trinity West, Thirty Pounds; the Board for the district of Trinity North, Sixty Pounds; the Board for the district of Bonavista South, Thirty-five pounds; the Board for the district of Bonavista North, Forty Pounds; the Board for the district of Fogo, Twenty-five Pounds; the Board for the district of Twillingate, Sixty Pounds; the Board for the district of Fortune Bay, Fifty Pounds; which said several sums of money shall be paid Quarterly by Warrant of the Governor to the Superintendent, or the Chairman of the Corresponding Committee of the said School Society in St. John's, on the production of a certificate that a School or Schools has or have been in operation under the direction of the said School Society in such districts respectively, for the period for which the amount is or may be appropriated and made payable; and also, for one year only, the further sum of Two Hundred Pounds out of the General Protestant Grant towards support of Schools and repair of School Houses belonging to the said Society, payable in like manner as aforesaid, provided the proportionate amount from each district shall be expended in such district if there be a School or Schools therein under the superintendence of the said Society; and also a further sum of Twenty Five Pounds a-year, out of the General Protestant Grant, be paid towards the Commercial School of Brigus, and Five Pounds a-year towards the Protestant Board School in Carbonear.

Newfoundland School Society's Schools.

XVII. The Protestant Boards in the Districts of St. John's, Brigus, Bay Roberts, Carbonear, Bay de Verds, Trinity South, Trinity East, and Burin, shall respectively, out of the sums herein-before appropriated to them, each year contribute to the support of the Wesleyan

Wesleyan Methodist Schools.

Methodist Schools within their several Districts the sums following, that is to say : the Board for St. John's, Twenty-five Pounds ; the Board for Briggs, Twenty-five Pounds ; the Board for Bay Roberts, Twenty-five Pounds ; the Board for Carbonear, One Hundred Pounds ; the Board for Trinity South, Twenty-five Pounds ; the Board for Trinity East, Twenty-five Pounds ; the Board for Burin, Twenty-five Pounds ; which said sums of money shall be paid Quarterly, by Warrant of the Governor, to the Chairman of the Wesleyan Methodist Mission at St. John's, upon the production of a certificate that a School or Schools has or have been in operation under the management of the Wesleyan Methodists in such Districts respectively, for the period for which the amount is payable ; and also, for one year only, the further sum of One Hundred Pounds out of the General Protestant Grant towards the support of Wesleyan Methodist Schools, and payable in like manner as aforesaid.

Orphan Asylum, Presentation Convent and St. Patrick's Free Schools.

XVIII. The Roman Catholic Board for the District of St. John's shall appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds per annum to the support of the Orphan Asylum School, and the sum of Three Hundred Pounds per annum to the support of the Presentation Convent Schools in the said District, out of the sum herein-before appropriated to such District ; and the Roman Catholic Board in the District of Harbor Grace shall appropriate the sum of One Hundred Pounds per annum to the support of the St. Patrick's Free School in the said District out of the amount herein-before appropriated to such District ; which said sums of money shall be paid Quarterly, by Warrant of the Governor, to the respective Roman Catholic Bishops of the Dioceses of St. John's and of Harbor Grace, or the Committees of Management having charge of said Schools, upon the production of a certificate that such Schools have been in active operation for the period for which the respective amounts are payable : Provided that the sum of Fifty Pounds be paid out of the General Catholic Grant for the support of Catholic Schools in Kelligrews and Topsail.

School Board in one District may assist Board in another.

XIX. It shall and may be lawful for any of the Boards of Education established under this Act, in case they or any of them shall deem it expedient, to appropriate such portions of the funds by this Act placed at their disposal respectively, as they may be enabled so to do, towards the support of any one or more of the Schools that may stand most in need thereof, and which any such Board may deem deserving of support : Provided such Schools shall be subject to inspection and furnish Reports similar to other Schools supported under this Act.

Course of Instruction.

XX. In order to carry out an uniform course of Instruction in the Schools to be established under the provisions of this Act, the following branches shall be taught in the said several Schools, viz :— Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, English Grammar, and, where required, Geography, History and Navigation ; and also such Industrial Employment as may be directed and deemed necessary by the said Boards.

Grant for repair, &c., of School-houses, &c.

XXI. It shall and may be lawful for the Governor, by Warrant upon the Receiver General, to authorize the annual expenditure, in fair proportions between Protestant and Catholic Schools, of the sum of Two Hundred Pounds above the sum herein-before granted, to be appropriated by the said Local Boards in the erection and repair of

School Houses, in providing suitable Books, Maps, and School Furniture therefor: Provided always, that the said Books, Maps, and School Furniture, so to be distributed, shall be sold at a remunerating rate by the said respective Boards to the said several Schools, and that such Boards shall annually account for the proceeds thereof to the Governor in Council.

XXII. No grants shall be made for School Houses, unless the Inhabitants of the locality requiring the same shall contribute an equal amount in money or kind for that purpose, and that no grants shall be made for School Houses, where the legal title to the site thereof shall not be vested in the Board for the district in which such site is or may be situated.

Inhabitants to contribute for School-houses.

XXIII. It shall not be lawful for the Teachers in any of the Schools appointed under this Act, to impart to any child or children attending the same, any religious instruction which may be objected to by the parent or guardians of such child or children.

Religious instruction.

XXIV. For the purpose of training Teachers in this Colony, there shall be annually appropriated and expended a sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds out of the Public Revenue, in addition to the sums of money hereinbefore granted; whereof Four Hundred Pounds shall be paid for training Teachers for Protestant Schools, and Three Hundred and Fifty Pounds for training Teachers for Catholic Schools, in this Island; that the annual sum of Twenty Five Pounds shall be paid out of the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds, for the Board, Lodging, and Training, of any Scholar, while so being trained; that no more than two such Scholars from any one electoral district shall be paid for at the same time; and that the selection of such Scholars shall be made by the respective Protestant and Catholic Boards of Education of such district, according to such regulations as they shall adopt for that purpose, and which shall prescribe the manner of selecting such Scholars, and of obtaining security that they will become and continue Teachers in any such districts for a special period under some one of such Boards; and which regulations shall be subject in all cases to the approval of the Governor in Council, before the same shall go into operation.

Training Teachers.

XXV. Any Protestant Scholar selected and recommended to be trained as a Teacher by the Protestant Board of Education of any electoral district according to such regulations, may be Instructed, Boarded, and Lodged, in the Church of England Academy, the principal School of the Newfoundland School Society in this Island, or in the Wesleyan Training School in St. John's, as the Boards appointing and selecting such Scholars shall decide: And any Catholic Scholar, selected and recommended to be trained as a Teacher by the Catholic Boards of Education of any electoral district, may be Instructed, Boarded, and Lodged, in the Roman Catholic Academy in St. John's: and the sum hereinbefore granted for Training, Boarding, and Lodging any such Scholars shall be paid to the Superior, Principal, or Secretary, of any such Academy or School, upon his certifying that such Scholar has been in regular attendance and receiving instruction under his charge during the period for which payment is sought.

Selection of Scholars for Training.

XXVI. That a further sum of Four Hundred Pounds yearly be granted to defray the expense, including all travelling expenses, of

Grant to defray expense of inspection.

Inspecting the several common Board Schools within the electoral districts of this Island, and of procuring an annual or half-yearly report on the condition of such Schools, the number of Scholars in attendance, the branches of Education they are taught, their proficiency, the qualifications of the Teachers, the state of the School-houses, the amount of Government allowance and tuition fees received by each Teacher, and a return from each School Board of the amount of Education Funds received and expended by such Board, with such other information as may be useful in relation to such Schools, according to such instructions as may be given by the Governor in Council.

Appointment of Inspectors.

XXVII. The Governor in Council shall appoint two competent Inspectors, one being a Catholic and the other a Protestant, to inspect the said Schools, and report thereon as aforesaid; who shall be sworn, before a Justice of the Peace, well and faithfully to discharge the duties of their office, and they shall make annual reports of their proceedings to the Governor, to be laid before the Legislature at the opening thereof.

Moneys to be paid on Governor's Warrant.

XXVIII. The sums of money granted by this Act shall be paid Quarterly by the Receiver General of the Colony, in discharge of such warrants as may from time to time be issued by the Governor, in favor of any person or persons, to be applied to the purposes of this Act.

Boards may nominate persons to visit Schools in certain cases.

XXIX. Where any Board School is held at a distance from the residence of the Chairman or Members of the Board, it shall be competent for the Board to nominate any one or more fit and proper persons residing near the School, to visit and superintend the same, subject to the order of the Board and the terms of this Act.

£200 for one year for Newfoundland School Society and Wesleyan Schools.

XXX. After this Act shall have been in operation for one year, the sum of Three Hundred Pounds hereinbefore granted for one year to the Newfoundland School Society, and for the support of Wesleyan Methodist Schools, shall be appropriated, in proportion to population, among the said Protestant Educational Districts.

Commencement of Act.

XXXI. This Act shall come into operation on the Thirtieth day of June, in the Year of Our Lord one Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-eight, and not before.

FORM OF SCHOOL RETURN

To be transmitted to the Colonial Secretary on or before the 31st of October each year, in default of which no further payments to be made.

BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR DISTRICT OF

No. and locality of Schools.	Where established.	Teacher.	Salary.	No. of Scholars.		Ages of Scholars.	Branches taught.	Books used.	Hours of teaching.	Fees paid.	Remarks on progress of Scholars or other matters of interest connected with the Schools.
				Male.	Female.						

Form of School Return.

NOTE.—With this return is to be forwarded account of the monies received and paid during the past year.

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A. B. Chairman.