

CAP. LX.

An Act in amendment of the Laws now in force relating to Grammar Schools.

Passed 14th April 1846.

‘ WHEREAS it appears that the benefits derived from some of the Grammar Schools are not commensurate with the large sums of money annually granted for their support;’

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That from and after the passing of this Act, the Scholars in the several Grammar Schools in this Province shall be taught Orthography, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, English Grammar, Geography, English Composition, Ancient and Modern History, Natural History, Natural Philosophy, the practical Branches of the Mathematics, the Use of the Globes, the Latin and Greek Languages, and such other useful learning as may be judged necessary.

II. And be it enacted, That in every such Grammar School there shall be an average number of fifteen Scholars over ten years of age in daily attendance, and that the following Branches of Education shall be taught in the said Schools respectively: English Grammar, English Composition, Ancient and Modern History, Natural History, Natural Philosophy, Arithmetic, Geography, the Use of the Globes, Latin, Greek, and the practical Branches of Mathematics.

III. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Master of every such Grammar School to keep a true and correct Register of the names and ages of the several Scholars, and daily to mark therein the presence or absence of each Scholar, as the case may be, and to furnish the Trustees and Directors of such Grammar School, semi-annually, with a true copy of the same, and also with a Return pointing out the average number in daily attendance, with the several Branches of Education taught to each Scholar.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Trustees and Directors of the several Grammar Schools to examine and inspect the same at least once in every six months, and to make a Report of every such examination; which Report shall set forth the Master’s name, age, religious profession, and whether married or single—the Books and Apparatus used in School—the Branches of Education actually taught—the size, fitness, and condition of the building, and suitability of the furniture—the nature and extent of the religious instruction—the mode of discipline—the manner of teaching the several Branches of Education—the general state and condition of the School, with such other information as may be necessary and proper.

V. And be it enacted, That it shall further be the duty of the said Trustees and Directors, and they are hereby required to transmit semi-annually to the Office of the Provincial Secretary, all such Registers, Returns and Reports for the information of the Government, and for the inspection and examination of the General Assembly; and if it shall at any time appear from such Registers, Returns and Reports that any Grammar School is in any respect deficient and short of the hereinbefore prescribed requirements, then and in such case it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor or person administering the Government for the time being, by and with the advice and consent of Her Majesty’s Executive Council, to reduce the annual allowance for such Grammar School in their discretion, so that the same shall in no case be less than fifty pounds per annum to any one School.

VI. And be it enacted, That every part of this Act shall, after the passing thereof, be and continue in full force and effect, any other law, usage and custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

CAP. LXI.

An Act further to extend the provisions of an Act, intituled *An Act to encourage the establishment of Banks for Savings in the Province.*

Passed 14th April 1846.

‘ WHEREAS in and by the thirteenth section of an Act made and passed in the sixth year of the Reign of King George the Fourth, intituled *An Act to encourage the establishment of Banks for Savings in the Province*, it is among other things enacted, that the Debentures to be issued in pursuance of the provisions of the said Act, shall never at any time exceed the amount of ten thousand pounds, in the aggregate, for the whole Province; and that whenever the Debentures issued in pursuance of the provisions of the said Act shall amount, in the aggregate for the whole Province, to the said sum of ten thousand