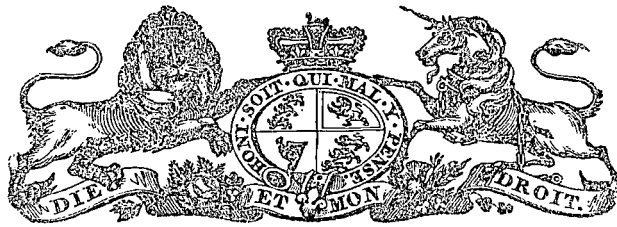


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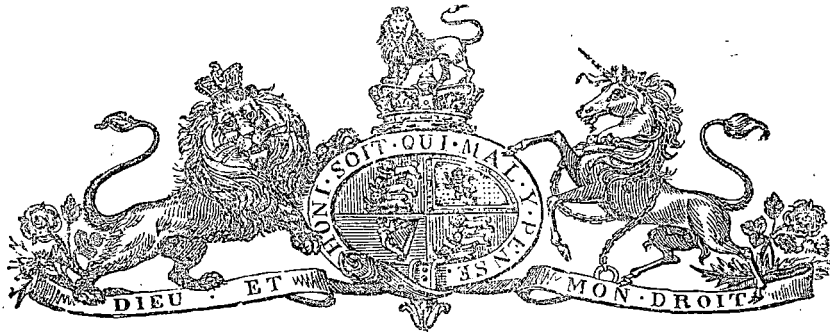
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SCHOOLMASTERS

UNDER THE SOUTHERN BOARD OF EDUCATION.

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Southern Board of Education, 15th September, 1861.

SIR,

I HAVE received, and laid before the Board, the Memorial addressed to His Excellency the Governor by the Teachers named in the margin, praying "that their Salaries be restored to the rate at which they were fixed prior to 1st January last, and that the deductions made from such Salaries during the last eight months be refunded to them;" and in compliance with the request contained in your Memorandum of the 27th ultimo, transmitting the said Memorial, I have been directed by the Board to report as follows:—

Phillip Canaway.
Edwin Pears.
George Roberts.
Joseph Roper.
James Rule.
John J. Salier.

1st. That the scale of Salaries for Teachers promulgated by the Regulations of the Board, dated 1st February, 1854, was altered in consequence of your instructions, based upon the decision of Parliament not to increase the vote for Education beyond £12,000, directing the Board to bring their expenditure within the proportion allotted by the Executive out of such Parliamentary vote for the purposes of Public Education in Southern Tasmania.

2nd. That the only two methods open to the Board by which they could carry out the instructions of the Government were, either to reduce the Teachers' Salaries, or to reduce the number of Schools, and so lessen the means of Education for the poorer classes.

3rd. That the Board preferred the former alternative; being influenced by the consideration that the Regulations of 1st February, 1854, to which the Memorialists refer, were established at a time when the cost of all the necessaries of life was infinitely greater than at present, and when the other servants of Government were receiving temporary augmentations of pay (long since withdrawn) in order to meet their increased expenditure.

The Board append statements, compiled from Returns supplied by the Memorialists themselves, exhibiting the emoluments they are at present receiving, and also their average emoluments for the previous five years; by which it will be seen that only two out of the whole number,—viz., Mr. Canaway and Mr. Roper,—are actual sufferers by the changes which the Board have effected.

The loss of income in their cases would appear to arise, in some degree at least, from fluctuations in the School Fees, and is in part attributable to their not having as yet brought into active use the Regulations of the Board for the admission of Free Scholars. The Central School (under Mr. Canaway) contains accommodation for double the number of Children who are at present under instruction; that in Harrington-street (under Mr. Roper) will accommodate fifty Children in addition to those in present attendance. The Board therefore have a right to expect that, by an increase in the number of Scholars, the emoluments of these Teachers will also increase.

Messrs. Pears and Roberts, the only two of the number of the Memorialists who were engaged in England, are at this moment, notwithstanding the reductions complained of, in the receipt of incomes in excess of their average emoluments for the five years of their engagements with the Government; which engagements expired in December last.

The emoluments of Mr. Rule, another of the Memorialists, did not in 1856 (the first year of his engagement) exceed £120. Year by year they have steadily increased, and his income for the present year, so far as can be ascertained, will hardly be below that of 1860. His emoluments for the last six months exhibit an increase of £70 per annum over his average emoluments for the previous five years.

Mr. Salier entered the service in September, 1856, as a Teacher of the Second Class. On the 1st January, 1861, he was promoted from the Second to the First Class. His

present emoluments are at the rate of nearly £20 per annum in excess of his average emoluments for previous years.

The Board cannot subscribe to the opinion expressed by the Memorialists that their official duties are too onerous to enable them to engage in private tuition. The Schools are not open for more than five days in the week, nor for more than five or six hours on those days; and they are actively assisted in the discharge of their duties by Pupil Teachers, whose salaries are paid by the Board, and for the instruction of whom they receive special gratuities.

It is notorious that many of the Teachers do engage in private tuition; and the Board are led to believe that three at least of the Memorialists are at this moment actually so employed.

On a review of the whole case, the Board do not consider that the Memorialists have grave reasons for complaint. The present average income from their Schools amounts to £256 11s. 10d.; the average emoluments of Trained Masters in England did not, by the latest Reports, exceed the sum of £94 3s. 7d., and this amount includes receipts from all *professional* sources of income *whatsoever*.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your obedient humble Servant,

MURRAY BURGESS, *Secretary*.

The Hon. the Colonial Treasurer.

SOUTHERN BOARD OF EDUCATION.

RETURN exhibiting the EMOLUMENTS of the under-mentioned TEACHERS, for each Year, from 1856 to 1860 inclusively.

NAME.	SCHOOL.	YEAR.	SALARIES.		INSTRUC- TION OF PUPIL TEACHERS.		SCHOOL FEES.		TOTAL.	
			£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Canaway, Phillip .	Central School....	1856	200	0 0	12	15 0	136	10 0	349	5 0
		1857	200	0 0	17	0 1	156	10 0	373	10 1
		1858	200	0 0	20	17 3	152	6 6	373	3 9
		1859	200	0 0	24	5 0	189	0 9	413	5 9
		1860	{ 200 0 0 }		12	3 11	96	1 1	362	3 11
			{ 53 18 11 }							
								1,871	8 6	
							Average	£374	5 8	
Pears, Edwin.....	New Town	1856	190	0 0	13	8 6	52	2 11	255	11 5
		1857	190	0 0	8	0 0	83	11 0	281	11 0
		1858	190	0 0	13	3 5	57	15 0	260	18 5
		1859	190	0 0	—	—	17	6 1	227	17 0
		Compensation	30	10 11	—	—	—	—	—	—
		1860	190	0 0	12	3 10	91	8 5	314	3 10
	Special Allowance...	20	11 7	—	—	—	—	—	—	
								1,340	1 8	
							Average	£268	0 4	
Roberts, George...	Goulburn-street ...	1856	190	0 0	—	—	57	13 8	247	13 8
		1857	190	0 0	—	—	9	13 9	199	13 9
		1858	190	0 0	—	—	24	0 9	214	0 9
		1859	190	0 0	10	0 0	74	0 3	274	0 3
		1860	190	0 0	12	15 0	74	2 7	276	17 7
										1,212
							Average	£242	9 2	
Roper, Joseph.....	Harrington-street..	1856	190	0 0	8	0 0	34	17 7	232	17 7
		1857	190	0 0	8	0 0	42	19 9	240	19 9
		1858	190	0 0	8	0 0	35	15 3	233	15 3
		1859	190	0 0	7	13 4	47	16 7	245	9 11
		1860	190	0 0	8	10 0	67	11 7	266	1 7
										1,219
							Average	£243	16 10	
Rule, James.....	Battery Point.....	1856	80	0 0	—	—	39	9 6	119	9 6
		1857	107	12 0	—	—	40	1 9	147	13 9
		1858	140	0 0	—	—	74	14 1	214	14 1
		1859	140	0 0	4	0 0	78	5 4	222	5 4
		1860	140	0 0	7	0 0	81	5 11	271	14 4
		Special Allowance ...	43	8 5	—	—	—	—	—	—
								975	17 0	
							Average	£195	3 5	
Salier, John J.....	Macquarie-street...	1856	120	0 0	—	—	51	13 0	171	13 0
		1857	120	0 0	—	—	144	18 10	264	18 10
		1858	120	0 0	—	—	99	9 3	219	9 3
		1859	120	0 0	4	13 4	88	16 0	213	9 4
		1860	120	0 0	8	0 0	81	10 7	209	10 7
										1,079
							Average	£215	16 0	

SOUTHERN BOARD OF EDUCATION.

RETURN of the Income of the under-mentioned TEACHERS who have memorialised His Excellency the Governor on the subject of their SALARIES; exhibiting the Stipends granted by the Board for Salaries, House Allowance, Special Allowance for the Instruction of Pupil Teachers, and Allowance for the Instruction of Free Scholars; also the School Fees paid to 30th June, 1861, the Fees due at the latter date, and the Estimated Amount receivable for the whole year:—

NAME.	SCHOOL.	Grant in aid by Board for Half-year ended 30th June.				Local Aid for Half-year ended 30th June.			Estimated Receipts to 31st December, 1861.			Estimated Receipts of Teachers for the year ending 31st December, 1861.	Deduct for Firing, now paid by Masters.	Net Income of Teachers.	Average Emoluments of Teachers for previous Years.	
		Master's Salary.	House Allowance or Quarters.	Instruction of Pupil Teachers.	Instruction of Free Scholars.	School Fees for Quarter ended 31st March.	School Fees paid 30th June.	TOTAL.	Board's Grant.	School Fees.	Fees due, but not paid, estimated on the Return rendered to 30th June.					
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Canaway, Phillip	Central School, Hobart	50 0 0	20 0 0	10 10 0	1 19 7	32 3 10	42 10 7	157 4 0	82 9 7	74 14 5	14 16 10	329 4 10	20 0 0	309 4 10	374 5 8	
Pears, Edwin...	New Town.....	50 0 0	20 0 0	5 2 6	—	16 11 2	36 8 2	128 1 10	75 2 6	53 19 4	34 0 0	291 3 8	10 0 0	281 3 8	268 0 4	
Roberts, George	Goulburn-st., Hobart .	50 0 0	20 0 0	6 0 0	8 1 0	22 10 0	19 9 0	126 0 0	84 1 0	41 19 0	1 16 0	253 16 0	5 0 0	248 16 0	242 9 2	
Roper, Joseph..	Harrington-street, ditto	50 0 0	20 0 0	4 0 0	4 0 11	14 16 9	15 5 9	108 3 5	78 0 11	30 2 6	—	216 6 10	5 0 0	211 6 10	243 16 10	
Rule, James....	Battery Point, ditto...	50 0 0	20 0 0	7 2 6	3 4 2	20 18 9	31 15 7	133 1 0	80 6 8	52 14 4	9 8 0	275 10 0	10 0 0	265 10 0	195 3 5	
Salier, John J...	Macquarie-street, ditto	50 0 0	20 0 0	3 10 0	5 9 0	13 11 10	18 19 2	111 10 0	78 19 0	32 11 0	5 10 0	228 10 0	5 0 0	223 10 0	215 16 0	
<i>Average Emoluments, 1861</i>														1539 11 4	1539 11 5	
<i>Average Emoluments for previous Five Years</i>														256 11 10	—	
<i>Average Emoluments for previous Five Years</i>														—	256 11 10	

NOTE.—In the case of Mr. Pears, an average taken upon his School Fees, for the Quarter ended 30th June, would increase his income to £300 Os. 8d. If Mr. Pears' salary be added thereto, their joint emoluments would amount to £340 Os. 8d. In the other cases the Masters are not assisted by their wives.

MURRAY BURGESS, *Secretary Southern Board of Education.*

Colonial Treasury, 19th September, 1861.

GENTLEMEN,

I HAVE to acquaint you, in answer to the Memorial which you have addressed to His Excellency the Governor praying that a sum may be placed on the Estimates sufficient to repay to you the deductions made from your Salaries during the present year, and, further, that His Excellency will be pleased to take such measures as may secure you the Salaries fixed by the Regulations of 1854, that the Memorial having been referred to the Southern Board of Education, that Board has reported in such terms on the claim which you have urged, as to oblige His Excellency, by the advice of the Executive Council, to decline to comply with the prayer of the Memorial.

I am, &c.,

F. M. INNES.

*Messrs. CANAWAY, PEARS, and other Teachers
signing the Memorial.*