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1500 drawing books (sufficient for a year) for \$60⁰⁰ be accepted.

3.- That the two senior boys departments and the two senior girls departments of St. Patrick's school be examined on Tuesday and Wednesday 20th and 21st April.

4.- That the Halifax Academy be examined on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 28th 29th and 30th June.

Respectfully submitted

S. Henry D. Blackadar
Chairman

On motion of Commissioner Blackadar the report was received and considered clause by clause.

The clauses were severally adopted and the report on motion of Commissioner Blackadar was adopted as a whole.

The chairman submitted

the
Report of the Supervisor on Africville School
which
was read as follows.

Mr. Chairman:-

In compliance with your request I enquired particularly into the condition of Africville School with reference to the want of a proper supply of books. The majority of the pupils seemed to have no books of any kind. The teacher had supplied a few reading books.

To give a tolerably good outfit for reading and arithmetic the following books would be necessary

10 - 4th books ^{3²⁰} 6 - 3rd " ^{1²⁶} 6 - 2nd " ^{7²²} 8 - 1st " ^{1²³} (anti (H.S) ^{1²⁰} \$ 6⁶⁴

Three copies of Cassin's primary Geography would be useful to the more advanced pupils - some of whom have manifested a desire for the study. This would cost \$1³² more
I would recommend that a set of Munro's

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Reading charts be substituted in the school for those now in use and that the blackboard be utilized to a greater extent.

I find that the intermission at noon is from 12 to 1 pm. Contrary to the regulations. I believe, however, that in the peculiar circumstances of the school these hours are the most suitable and should receive the endorsement of the Board.

Respectfully submitted

S. C. McKay

Supervisor

Bellefleur, 18 March 1886

The report was referred to the committee on Teachers with power to act

Reference being made to ¶ 4 of "Instructions to the Supervisor" requiring him "To place before the Board at their semi-monthly meetings, detailed reports of the state of each school as found on the occasion of visiting. These details to be filled up under various headings in a book kept at the office" and the style of book devised for use in Dr. Cuvier's time being found ill adapted to the purpose the matter was on motion of Commissioner Blackadar and Taylor referred to the Committee on Teachers with a request to recommend a form of book better adapted to the purpose.

Reports of examination of Group 4. Brunswick St. on 10th instant were made by Commissioners Taylor, Blackadar, M. Sweeney, Delaney, Woodill, Mitchell, Sweet and Roche.

Read letter. Mar 8. from Mme M. B. Foley, principal of Summer St. School reporting her return to N.S. on 7th from her six months leave of absence and her intention to resume her duties on Monday 15th [which she did]