

distinction, I will denominate Primary Schools, and High Schools; sixteen of the former, and eight of the latter, will probably be enough to supply the whole City.

The Primary Schools should be all organized upon the same plan, and use the same books. This would save much time, and prevent a great deal of confusion; besides, by far a greater number of pupils could be taught by the same number of teachers. After having passed through a certain course of studies in the Primary Schools, the pupils should be admitted into the High Schools. I am of opinion that a much better education could be obtained, and that too in a much shorter time.

To supply these Schools with a sufficient number of scholars, who would be able to pay part of the current expenses, would not be difficult; especially, if the teachers should be selected from among those who have private Schools in different parts of the City; and I have no doubt, but that as good selections can be made here, as in any other place.

Teachers must also be induced to engage in these Schools, it being impossible to command the talented class of this profession, without properly compensating them; that in striving to save by paying the teachers reduced salaries, the respectability of the Schools will fall in the public estimation, through a want of proper exertion on their part, they not valuing their situations; and there being always a demand for their services, in various avocations; you will labour under the very great disadvantage of a continual change of teachers.

In conclusion, I will further suggest, that the rooms for the Schools be large and airy. The number of pupils that must necessarily be together, would be very injurious to the health of both teacher and scholars, in close and contracted rooms.

I remain, Gentlemen, your most obedient humble servant,

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FELL'S POINT, *Dec. 21st, 1829.*

The subscriber respectfully lays before the School Commissioners the following facts, relative to the Public Male School under his care:—

This School was commenced the 28th of last September. Between that period and the middle of November, the subscriber admitted into the establishment 86 pupils, and received for them \$86. During the same period 11 other pupils were admitted at the instance of William Hubbard, Esq. Since November 16th, the subscriber has admitted for the residue of the quarter, or until New Year's, 26 pupils, for whom he