

## PRIVATE SCHOOLS.

### PEMBROKE SCHOOL, BALTIMORE, *December 4th, 1866.*\*

Pembroke School has been in operation since September, 1863. During the first year the number of students was 56, the second year 96, the third year 90, the fourth year 107, in the third month of the session.

The average age of students is about 13 years. Probably no Private School in Baltimore has ever secured so large a patronage in so short a time.

It is the design of the Principal to erect upon ground already secured for the purpose, a commodious School Building, which, in adaptation to its object, shall be equal, if not superior to any Private Institution in the City.

JAS. C. KINEAR, *Principal.*

*PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN CECIL COUNTY—F. A. ELLIS, President.*—The select Female Schools at Fair Hill and Zion have been established by the Rev. J. H. Johns, a Presbyterian Clergyman, and are taught by young ladies, two at Fair Hill and one at Zion. The teacher at Fair Hill receives \$300 a year and her board; the other, being a teacher of Drawing and Music, receives a salary somewhat higher. The teacher at Zion receives a salary of \$300 and her board. It is the design of the patrons of these Schools, as I understand, to place them under the charge of the School Board so soon as we are prepared to establish graded schools in their localities, and the necessary buildings can be supplied. The other schools, named in the Report, are all small schools, kept by ladies in their own houses, except that of B. F. Heath, in Port Deposit, who has, I believe, some 30 or 35 scholars.

*PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN DORCHESTER COUNTY—ROBERT F. THOMPSON, President.*—The Female Seminary in Cambridge is very flourishing, and the Academy is prosperous, though not so successful as it ought to be in a town as large as Cambridge. Private Schools are poorly maintained. Some 8 schools were started the Fall term as subscription schools, but the most of them closed for want of support and on account of sickness, before the end of the term; I therefore make no report above.

*PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN HOWARD COUNTY—S. K. DASHIELL, President.*—I addressed a circular to each Private