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BIENNIAL REPORT
OF THE PRESIDENT OF
Hawaii (King)
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
TO THE
LEGISLATURE OF 1866. *for the*
years 1864/66.

To the Legislative Assembly of the Hawaiian Islands :

As required by law, I have the honor to present a report of the business and transactions of the Board of Education, since the last prorogation of the Legislative Assembly, until the end of the biennial term. Immediately after the passage of the law under which the Board is now working, the Board appointed to the office of Inspector General of Schools, Hon. A. Fornander.

Common Schools.

The number of Common National Schools, at the date of this report, is 226; and the average number of children attending is 7,367; of which 4,114 are boys, and 3,253 are girls. Of these schools there are 29 exclusively girls' schools, with an average attendance of 750 children.

Previous to the month of March, last year, there were but 15 girls' schools in the country, of which 7 were in Honolulu, 2 in Waiālua, Oahu, 3 in Lahaina, and 1 each in Waikapu and Hana, Maui, and in Koloa, Kauai. During the last year, the two in Waiālua have stopped for want of funds, while 16 more girls' schools have been formed, as follows: 11 on Hawaii, 1 on Maui, 2 on Oahu, 1 on Molokai, and 1 on Kauai. The greatest impediment to this most necessary division of the sexes in schools, has been the want of suitable, well-conducted female teachers. No institute or seminary for training women for that office existing, the majority of those now appointed may not possibly come up to that standard of excellence which the Board could desire; but, considering themselves fortunate in having succeeded in separating the sexes in so many schools, during so short a time, they will adopt such measures hereafter as will

secure the services of as large a number of well-trained female teachers as can possibly be employed.

The Board look upon the successful and speedy division of the Common Schools into boys' and girls' schools, as of great importance to the future well-being of this people, and they have, therefore, given as much attention as possible to that object.

Another great want of the common schools, is the lack of good suitable school-houses. The district school-funds, in all but three or four districts, were unable to meet this want. The Board, therefore, desiring to awaken the sympathy, and enlist the co-operation of the parents, resolved, that in every locality where a new school house, or thorough repairs for an old one were needed, if the district should contribute one-half of the cost thereof, the Board would contribute the other half, out of such monies as were at its disposal. In several places already this resolution has been well received and promptly responded to. Under this resolution, new houses are now building, or funds being collected by the parents for building, in twenty places, fifteen of which are on the island of Hawaii alone, three on Kauai, and one each on Maui and Niihau.

There is another circumstance in connection with public school houses to which the Board wish to call your attention and that of those whom it may concern. In many places the schools, for want of special buildings, are kept in the meeting houses or chapels of the Protestant or Catholic population residing on the land. To the building of some of these, the district school-funds have contributed, but not to all; some of these stand on Government school lots. The result is that in almost all these places, the public schools are merely tenants at will of this or that religious denomination, and in more than one instance, have received notice to quit. Another result of this absence of proprietary right on the part of Government, is that these houses being looked upon as really and especially religious edifices, and not as national school houses, are avoided by the parents and children of denominations different from that one which owns the building. It is necessary to provide as far as possible for *all* the people the advantage of a common school education. But to accomplish this purpose, and to work uniformly and efficiently throughout the country, it is absolutely necessary that the common schools should come to be regarded as strictly neutral ground in religious matters.

The Board have thought proper to raise the wages of teachers of common schools, in order to make it worth their while to keep their schools *well* during the time that they are open, thinking eight or nine months' schooling a year, *well* attended

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to, more beneficial to the children than a whole year's schooling badly attended to, and frequently interrupted. They have deemed it necessary to raise them in their own respect, as well as in that of their neighbors, and to make them feel that honor as well as profit may be attained by a punctual and faithful discharge of their duties. Whenever the locality and opportunities were favorable, a system of labor among the scholars has been promoted, as contributing not only to physical health, but also to the procuring of school books, slates, etc., for the scholars, and making them interested in the cultivation and adornment of their own schools and school land.

Higher and Select Schools, in which Hawaiian is the language of instruction.

LAHAINALUNA SEMINARY.—This institution originally founded by the A. B. C. F. M., and afterwards transferred by them to the Government,—has undergone an entire change of teachers and a great amount of repairs and improvements within the last year. Rev. Mr. J. F. Pogue, the principal, and Mr. S. T. Alexander, the assistant, having resigned during the biennial term now expiring, the Board appointed Rev. S. E. Bishop, first as assistant, and afterwards as principal, and Rev. C. B. Andrews, as assistant. The dwelling houses of the teachers, being very much out of repairs, have been put in a good and comfortable condition; and one of the dormitories of the students having been overthrown by the severe gale in December last, a new and more substantial building is now being constructed in its place, which will together with other necessary repairs cost about \$4,000.

The number of students attending this institution at the time of this Report is seventy-three. Coming, as they do, from the middle classes of the Hawaiian people, the Board is desirous that not only their literary acquirements, but also their domestic and social training, during their sojourn at the Seminary, should be such as, by accustoming them to habits of refinement and usages of civilized life, will enable them, on issuing from the institution, to meet on equal terms with those of foreign birth and foreign education who may come in competition with them in the various pursuits of after life.

While Mr. S. T. Alexander was engaged as assistant at Lahainaluna, the cultivation of sugar cane by the students was successfully commenced, and last year, about eleven acres of cane were cut, realizing \$1,200.

The whole expenditure of the Board on Lahainaluna for the two years ending March 31, 1866, has been \$10,077 24, of which amount, \$1,021 81 have been expended in repairs and improvements on teachers' dwellings, \$4,000 are being expended as

above stated, and the remaining \$5,055 43 have been expended in pay of teachers and support of the institution during the period above mentioned. The Seminary is in a flourishing condition.

HILO BOARDING SCHOOL FOR HAWAIIAN BOYS.—This institution, situated at Hilo, Hawaii, is assisted annually by the Board of Education, with the payment of the salaries of the principal and assistant. This is a Hawaiian High School, principally for the benefit and accommodation of youths from the various districts of Hawaii proper. It is under the charge of Rev. D. B. Lyman. The number of students attending is seventy-six.

This school continues to be most efficacious for good. The energy of its teacher has not been abated by age, whilst his experience and happy influence over his scholars, are appreciated by the Board in the highest degree as being of NATIONAL advantage. The venerable principal is assisted by his daughter, who has engaged in the service with most untiring and devoted zeal.

WAIOLI SELECT SCHOOL FOR HAWAIIAN BOYS.—This institution situated at Waioli, Kauai, is under the care of Mr. A. Wilcox. Owing to the great diminution of scholars in this school, it has received no support from the Board since June 30th last, beyond the produce of the land appropriated for that school, and worked by the scholars.

The school house belongs to the Board, but not the land on which it is situated.

The Board has now under consideration the subject of enlarging this school so as to accommodate say twenty-five boarders, and to place it in a position to qualify young men to become teachers in the Common Schools of Kauai, of which a great want is felt. The number of scholars attending this school is twenty-four.

THE WAIALUA FEMALE SEMINARY.—This school is situated in Waialua, Oahu, under the care of Rev. O. H. Gulick. This school is supported by the A. B. C. F. M., and numbers fifty scholars.

In the above four schools, the Hawaiian is the language of tuition. At Lahainaluna, Hilo and Waioli, however, the English language is taught in classes with great diligence and success.

On the English Schools, in which English is the language of instruction.

I beg to make the following report :

ON HAWAII.

MRS. SHIPMAN'S GIRLS' SCHOOL, HILO.—This school is sit-

uated at Hilo, Hawaii, in the charge of Mrs. Shipman. It is the only school of its kind known to the Board on all Hawaii. It has fifteen scholars, and has as yet received no aid from the Board.

HILO ENGLISH DAY SCHOOL.—This school is kept on the premises belonging to the Board, and is supported partly by a grant of \$500 annually from the Board. Mr. H. R. Hitchcock is the principal, and the school numbers forty-five boys and seventeen girls.

ENGLISH DAY SCHOOL, WAIMEA, HAWAII.—Kept by Miss Lyons. Number of scholars, 17.

ON MAUI.

LAHAINA FEMALE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.—This school is conducted by a religious Sisterhood in connection with the Episcopal Church. It numbers thirty-one scholars, and has received from the Board a semi-annual capitation grant, and \$270 in aid of improving the premises.

MAKAWAO FEMALE SEMINARY.—Situated at Makawao, Maui, this seminary is under the charge of Mrs. J. P. Green and Miss Parker. Twenty-nine scholars are boarded and taught at the seminary. It receives a semi-annual capitation grant from the Board.

LAHAINA ENGLISH DAY SCHOOL.—This school kept on the premises occupied by the English Mission, is under the direction of Mr. G. W. Hart, and is supported partly by a grant of \$500 per year from the Board. The number of scholars on the roll of this school is sixty-two; the average attendance is fifty-five.

The Rev. Geo. Mason has likewise opened a boarding school for boys at Lahaina, and has now ten scholars.

ENGLISH DAY SCHOOL, LAHAINA.—Kept on the Roman Catholic Church premises by Rev. Raymond Delalande, number of boys attending 23.

ENGLISH DAY SCHOOL, MAKAWAO, MAUI.—Kept by Rev. J. P. Green.

MOLOKAI ENGLISH DAY SCHOOL, KALUAAHA.—Kept by Miss Paris.

ON OAHU.

THE ROYAL SCHOOL AT KAHEHUNA.—This school, houses and premises, situated in Honolulu, are owned by the Board, and under the charge of Mr. J. R. Kinney, principal; Mrs. A. W. Allen, teacher of the primary department, and Miss M. E. Andrews and Miss Louisa Brickwood, assistants. This school is wholly at the expense of the Board. The number of schol-

ars is seventy, in the higher department; and fifty in the primary department. It is exclusively a boys' school, the Board having separated the sexes last year, and changed what was formerly known as the Honolulu Free School, into the *Mililani Girls' School*. The Board consider themselves exceedingly fortunate in the selection of teachers for this school, and regard it as most creditable to the teachers.

MILILANI GIRLS' SCHOOL.—Situated in Honolulu. This school, house and premises are owned by the Board of Education, but the annual expense of the teachers' salaries is borne by the Honolulu District School Fund. The school is under the charge of Miss S. F. Corney, principal, and Mrs. Caroline Kinney, teacher of the primary department. There are thirty-three girls in the higher, and thirty-eight girls in the primary department. This school likewise is in a very satisfactory condition.

OAHU COLLEGE.—Situated at Punahou, near Honolulu. This institution owes its existence to the A. B. C. F. M., to donations in the United States, and to the liberal grants towards its endowment, by the Hawaiian Government. It is a chartered institution, to which the Hawaiian Government appoints two of the trustees. Besides the grants of land made for its endowment, the government maintains three scholarships at the College. W. D. Alexander is the President, Prof. and Mrs. E. P. Church and Miss Coan are the teachers employed. Most of the students board at the college, their number is forty-seven, of which thirty are boys and seventeen are girls.

KAALAA COLLEGE, PAUOA.—Situated in Kaalaa, near Honolulu, under the charge of Rev. E. Ibbotson. This school contains twenty-six scholars, (boys,) and since its commencement in 1864, has received \$250 in aid from the Board.

MAKIKI FAMILY SCHOOL.—Situated at Makiki, near Honolulu. This school is under the charge of Miss Maria Ogden, and numbers twenty-one girls. The house and premises belong to the Board, who contribute to the support of the school by a semi-annual capitation grant, in addition to which, the Board paid in December last, \$300 as a grant in aid of repairs, etc.

AHUIMANU COLLEGE.—Situated in Koolaupoko, Oahu, under the charge of Rev. R. A. Walsh, and principally supported by the Roman Catholic Mission. The number attending is fifty-three, all boys. The Board has this year voted \$400 in aid of this institution.

SISTERHOOD OF THE SACRED HEARTS.—The sisterhood of the above religious order maintain two girls' schools in Honolulu. One is a boarding school with twenty-seven scholars; the other is a day school with fifty-six scholars. The Mother Superior has also kindly received a number of Hawaiian grown

girls, instructing them in female work and deportment, so as to be qualified to become teachers in the common schools, where the sexes have been separated. So far, no charge has been made either to the pupils or the Board for such instruction.

FORT STREET ENGLISH DAY SCHOOL.—This school is under the charge of Mr. M. B. Beckwith, and numbers forty-six scholars, thirty-two boys and fourteen girls.

MRS. CORNEY'S BOARDING SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.—Situated in Pauoa. Is under the care of Mrs. Corney, and numbers five scholars.

ENGLISH DAY SCHOOL, WAILUA.—Kept by S. S. Boys, it numbers five boys and ten girls.

ENGLISH DAY SCHOOL, WAIALUA.—Kept by J. W. Nakuina. It numbers eight boys and seven girls.

ENGLISH DAY SCHOOL, WAIANAË.—Kept by Mr. Kauhane. Number of scholars, fifteen.

Besides the above, there are the following English schools in Honolulu, viz.: Mr. W. Gulick's, thirteen scholars; Mr. Donald Walsh, twenty-five boys; Mr. J. T. Doyen, twenty-five boys; Mr. Jos. Watts, twenty-one boys; the Kaahumanu school, seventeen boys and five girls; and Mrs. Armstrong's school, eight boys and six girls.

ON KAUAI.

KOLOA FAMILY SCHOOL.—The Inspector General in his report to the Board, speaks in very high terms of the above institution. It is under the care of Mrs. J. W. Smith and Miss Knapp, assisted by the Misses Smith. It numbers twenty-five girls. The Board pays a semi-annual capitation fee towards the support of this school, and granted the sum of \$250 in aid of enlarging the buildings of the institution.

KOLOA ACADEMY.—Rev. D. Dole, principal. Number of scholars fourteen.

HANAËI ENGLISH SCHOOL.—This school is under the charge of Miss Louise Johnson. The house belongs to the Board, but the site belongs to the A. B. C. F. M. The Board has voted a subsidy of \$500 per annum towards the support of said school. It numbers twenty-seven boys and seventeen girls.

ENGLISH DAY SCHOOL, HANAËI.—This school has lately been established on the Princeville Estate. It is under the charge of Mr. J. Kavanagh.

In conformity with Sec. 30th, of the Act of the 10th of January, 1865, the Board is now taking active measures to establish, in the neighborhood of Honolulu, a Boarding School for

Hawaiian youth, under the Government supervision. The means placed at the disposal of the Board by the last Legislative Assembly, will merely admit of a modest beginning, but it is their intention gradually to enlarge this establishment, and to devote to its extension whatever sums they can possibly spare from the fund, applied for in the Appropriation Bill.

The Board have in the meantime selected eight young boys of promising intelligence, whose parents have surrendered them to the Board, during their minority, and are hoping to receive the surrender of a greater number. These boys have been placed at select institutions until the school now contemplated shall be ready to go into operation, and will form the nucleus round which will be gathered those who may be found worthy, from the district and other schools, to be promoted to this institution.

THE REFORMATORY SCHOOL—Has been established as directed by the Legislative Assembly. The cost of establishing and maintaining the same will be seen by reference to the annexed exhibit of expenditures of the Board. The site selected was at Kapalama, which has been found to be very suitable. The proximity of the place to the city of Honolulu was the reason for selecting the site, so that the school would be more immediately under the supervision of the Board. At first the school did not apparently prosper, but by the personal endeavors of the members of the Board, and of their immediate officers, the school is gradually becoming to be of that benefit which the Legislature contemplated. There are at present in the school fifteen boys, who are being trained in habits of industry, as well as receiving a fair literary education. These boys are well cared for, and the Board trusts that for them, as well as many others hereafter, a useful manhood for some who otherwise would have been lost, will richly repay the State for the care of them. There have been at the school since its establishment fifteen boys and two girls. The school is rapidly growing in favor with those having unruly children to care for, and the magistrates daily understand better the uses and advantages of the institution.

The Board venture to hope that a committee of your Honorable Body will pay this institution a visit, when they inspect the other public institutions at the capital. Mr. and Mrs. Hyde have the direction and care of this establishment.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

(Signed,)

M. KEKUANA OA,

President of the Board of Education.

DISBURSEMENTS.

To appropriation for Haw. and English Schools		\$24,000 00
By amt. paid for support of schools, other than Common Schools, for two years ending Mar. 31st, 1866.....	\$11,810 08	
By amt's paid as grants in aid of the establish- ment, and repairs of schools, other than common.....	11,425 13	
By paid to aid in erecting and completing new school houses on Hawaii.....	284 79	
" " " " " " Oahu	90 00	
" " " " " " Kauai	390 00	
	<u>\$24,000 00</u>	<u>24,000 00</u>

To appropriation for Industrial and Reforma- tory School.....		\$6,000 00
By amt. expended in building.....	\$2,200 00	
" paid for furnishing, repairs, plowing, clothing, food, etc.,.....	1,249 29	
" paid salary of Director.....	1,200 00	
" " rent to March 16, 1866.....	432 00	
Total expenditure.....	<u>5,081 29</u>	
Balance unexpended.....		918 71
	<u>\$6,000 00</u>	<u>\$6,000 00</u>

* RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR COMMON SCHOOLS.

1864.—Bal. in hands of Treasurers Jan. 1,.....	\$20,522 67
Receipts during 1864.....	27,104 83
Total.....	<u>\$47,627 50</u>
Expenditure during 1864.....	\$31,438 63
Balance in hands of Treasurers Jan. 1, 1865.....	16,188 87
	<u>\$47,627 50</u>
1865.—Balance in hands of Treasurers Jan. 1.....	\$16,188 87
Receipts during 1865.....	29,513 99
Total.....	<u>\$45,702 86</u>
Expenditure during 1865.....	\$30,681 16
Balance in hands of Treasurers Jan. 1, 1866.....	15,021 70
	<u>\$45,702 86</u>

Owing to the decease of the late school agent for South Kona, Hawaii, the Reports for that district for the last two quarters of 1865 have not been received ; for that reason the disbursements for that period are not included in the above statement.

SCHOOL FUND.

Amt. of School Fund in Hawaiian Treasury, March 31, 1866.....	\$20,923 38
Amt. of Bills Receivable.....	3,709 00
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Whole amt. of Scool Fund drawing 12 per cent. per ann.	\$24,632 38
Amt. received from sales of school lands and deposited in Hawaiian Treasury on Exchequer Bonds, bearing interest at the rate of 9 per cent. per annum.....	2,100 00
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Total amt. of School Fund.....	\$26,732 38

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

To Cash on hand March 31, 1864.....	\$1,773 03	
“ Sales of school books.....	3,002 64	
“ Royal School tuition.....	473 90	
“ Hae Hawaii.....	2 50	
“ Sales of School lands.....	1,730 40	
“ Interest and Rent.....	6,448 20	
“ Bills Receivable.....	2,912 50	
“ Andrews' Dictionary.....	25 00	
“ Lahainaluna Subscription.....	45 00	
“ Balance of appropriation drawn and devoted to the establishment of a Boarding School for boys.....	3,244 68	
By paid on acc't of copper-plate engraving..	8 00	
“ Remitted on acc't of school books.....	2,205 42	
“ Royal School.....	3,580 90	
“ Expended for purchase, printing and binding school books.....	2,546 92	
“ Deposited on School Fund.....	986 90	
“ Amt. paid rents, etc.....	74 43	
“ Lahainaluna Subscription.....	24 00	
“ Deposited on Exchequer Bonds.....	2,100 00	
“ Balance on hand March 31, 1866.....	8,131 28	
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	\$19,657 85	\$19,657 85