

	Transcription of School Return, 1824 Mountmellick
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1. Mountmellick

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Mountmellick, Town of Mt. Melick, Parish School under the Provisions of 28 th Henry 8 th Cap. 15.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	James Fitzgerald since 1810; through the year, Sundays excepted and Christmas vacation.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Protestant; appointed by the Revd. Thos. Pigott in the year 1810.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	The Master is 33 years of age; of a fair character; teaches Reading, Writing & Arithmetic; trained in Kildare Place.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 39 Females – Protestants - Of the Established Church - 37 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics - 2
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	24
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	40
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	18 in 20 can read; as the Master reports, it would take from 6 to 9 months to make a child read.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Annual income about £20, of which £12 are paid by Vestry Rates; the scholars pay 3d., 2d. & 1 penny per week; there are 15 free.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The Walls are built with Lime & Stone and Thatched; ample Desks and Forms. The School room is 24 feet in length and 12 in breadth; is attached to Master's dwelling house; one of a similar construction would probably cost £20.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions,	In connexion [sic] with no society.

	confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	The Revd. Thomas Pigott, Rector of the Parish, superintends. The Revd. Francis Short, his Curate, occasionally visits.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Under the superintendence of the Revd. Thos. Pigott since 1812.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	23 Dublin Reading Books; 36 Dublin Spelling Books; 11 New Testaments, Protestant Version; 24 Scripture Lessons; 3 Church Catechisms. Originally provided by the Revd. John Baldwin, deceased. 5 Copies Gough's Arithmetic, partly provided by Children's Parents.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within	I have not heard at present of any interference with the religious opinions of the children, except that of their being obliged occasionally to read the Scripture in the Kildare St. School, which we consider an abuse likely to produce bad consequences, but which we tolerate at present in the hope of being shortly able to

	the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	provide a school in which there will be a master of their own professions & who will teach their own creed.
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2. Mountmelick

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Mountmelick; Town of Mt. Melick.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	Eleanor Fitzgerald; appointed in the year 1822. School is kept through the year, Sundays & Christ[ma]s vacation excepted.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Protestant.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	The Mistress is 35 years of age; educated in Ballyhupahawn within 5 miles of Mt. Melick in the Queen's County; of a fair character; teaches reading, writing and arithmetic.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – Females – 24 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 22 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics - 2
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	14
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	20
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	14 in 20 can read; it would take from 4 to 10 months to make a girl read, as the Mistress reports.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the	Annual income about £10; there are £3 as a gratuity paid by the Kildare Street Society; the scholars pay 3 pence and 2 pence per week.

	scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The Walls are built with Lime & Stone & Slated; the Room is 18 feet long and 13 wide with ample Desks and Forms. The School Room is part of dwelling house; the dwelling house at first probably cost £150.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	Society for Promoting the Education of the Poor in Ireland (Kildare Street, Dublin); the rules of which we presume are faithfully adhered to.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	Patron, the Revd. Francis Short, Curate of Mountmelick.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Under the Sup[intendenc]e of the Revd. Francis Short since 1822.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period	Arithmetic as published by the Kildare Street Society; 6 Dublin reading books; 12 Dublin spelling books; 6 Scripture lessons; all supplied by the Kildare St. Society; 6 New Testaments, Protestant version, being a grant from the Mt. Melick Female Bible Association.

	within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	

3. Mountmelick

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Mountmelick Free School, Town of Mt. Melick.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	John Dawson, Master; Susana Dawson, Mistress.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Appointed by a Committee.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	The Master's age 37 years; the Mistress' [age] 28 years, as they state. The Master was trained at Kildare Place, the Mistress trained by him; of fair character; apparently qualified.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	From 31 st May to 1 June, average: Males – 16 Females – 20 Now in Class list: Males – 16 Females – 24 Protestants of the Established Church - 34 Roman Catholics - 26

6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	60
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	194
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	10 in 20 can read; Children would take from 6 to 9 months to read; they could read monosyllables in abo[ut] [4] months.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	The Master & Mistress conjointly £36 8s. per annum with residence & fuel to which is added generally a yearly gratuity by the Society for Promoting the Education of the Poor of Ireland viz. the year 1823, the Master Rec[eive]d £5 and the Mistress £10; the am[oun]t rec[eive]d from the scholars in 1823 £18.13.5; in 1824, for 11 weeks £0.15.2; children of tradesfolk are required to pay 2 pence per week, the poor Class pay for each child, one penny, Orphans and destitute Children are taken gratis.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The House consists of 7 Rooms, 2 with an open Communication, one applied to the Males & 2 of equal seize [sic] to the Females, one to a Committee, one for lumber & 2 for teachers' residence, and no communication save merely at the door of entrance. There are 8 Desks with Forms & 8 unattached, 15 detached [Forms], 4 work tables, 4 monitors' seats, 2 small children's do.; School Rooms 24 feet by 12; second 13 by 11; the females' two rooms, each 24 feet by 12; the Walls of Lime & Stone, & slated, boarded floors; house of a similar const[ructio]n would probably cost £250.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	Society for Promoting the Education of the Poor of Ireland.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school	This School is under the superintendence of a Committee of Ladies & Gentlemen, the Protestant & Roman Catholic Clergy included, embracing many Gentlemen of the Country.

	by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Female School Established 4 th February 1822; The Male April first 1822.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	There are 16 Copies of the 1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd part of the Kildare Street spelling book, Kildare St. reading books, 23 Scripture lessons, printed by Blekinsop, 22 Histories & Large Number of Alphabets and spelling lessons paisted [sic] on boards, all furnished by Kildare Place; 17 Testaments, Protestant Version, furnished by an Auxiliary brand of the Bible Society.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	

4. Mountmelick

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Mountmelick; Town of Mt. Melick.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	Anne Jane Beale; about 1812; through the year, Sundays excepted.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Society of Friends called Quakers; opened school or her own acc[oun]t.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	The Mistress 26 years of age; educated in Mountmelick; teaches reading, writing and arithmetic; of a good character.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 5 Females – 27 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 6 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - 22 Roman Catholics - 4
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	30
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	30
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	14 in 20 can read; it would take from 4 to 12 months to make a child read.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Annual Income about £44 per year; scholars pay 8s. [1½d.] and 5s. 5d. per quarter of a year.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The Walls are built with Lime & Stone and slated; the school Room is part of dwelling house about 18 feet in length and 13 wide with ample Desks and Forms; fitted up at the expense of Proprietor's Parents.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what	In no Society.

	circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	Mistress Sole Proprietor.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Since Commenc[emen]t.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	4 Copies Gough's Arithm[eti]c; 30 Pennsylvania & Carpenter's spelling books; 8 Copies of the New Testament, Protestant Version; one Bible at large; Quaker Catechism & no other taught; books provided by the children's parents.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your	

	opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	
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5. Mountmelick

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Mountmelick; Town of Mt. Melick.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	William Mullin; Master first opened Nov[embe]r 1820; school held on all week days during the year.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Society of Friends commonly called Quakers; and is the founder of the School.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	The Master is 28 years of age; was educated in Mt. Melick in the Queen's County; teaches Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, use of the Globes, Geometry, Trigonometry, Classics &c. &c.; is of a fair Character.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 30 Females – Protestants - Of the Established Church - 13 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - 15 Roman Catholics - 2
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	25
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	22
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	All instructed in reading previous to their being entered as scholars.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Annual income about £410.

10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	Ample Desks & Forms; Recesses with shelves for papers; slates & a Bookcase. The Walls are built with Lime & Stone & Slated, Plastered & Ceiled, boarded floor. Air pipes and ventilator. Probably cost £100; fitted up at the expense of the Proprietor.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	Not connected with any other institution of society.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	Master Sole Proprietor.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Since commencement.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes	12 Copies of the New Testament, Protestant Version; the Histories of England, Greece & Rome; Valpy's Latin & Greek Grammars; Murray's English Grammar & Exercise; Clark's Introduction; Ovid's [Metamorphoses]; C. Nepos; Cesar [sic] &c. &c. &c. Thompson's, Gough's & Joyce's Arithmetic; Jackson & Deighan's Bookkeeping; Telemachus; Gil Blas; Murray's English Reader; Natural History; many of the narratives published by the Kildare Street Association; Tracts, Moral & Religious.

	which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	

6. Mountmelick

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Leinster Provincial School, Mountmelick, Town of Mt. Melick.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	Henry Ferris, Master; Jane Shannon, Mistress; first opened about 35 years past.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	The Master is a Protestant, the Mistress a Quaker; said Society founded the school.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	The Master is 23 years of age; was educated in Trinity College Dublin; Mistress age 23 years; was educated in Mountmelick.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 19 Females – 18 Protestants - Of the Established Church - - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations – 37 Quakers Roman Catholics -
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	37
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	40

8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	The Children can all read; they are allowed to enter at the age of eight years and remain until the[y] attain the age of 14 years.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	The school is supported by annual subscriptions and donations from the Society of Quakers, also some Legacies, and bills of admission for each Child which cost £10 are paid by their friends or the Monthly Meeting to which the Children belong; a few pay the annual am[oun]t, about £24 per annum, say for 40 children at least £960 per annum.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The School House is large and capable of accom[modatin]g 60 children comfortably; the Walls are built with Lime & Stone & Brick, & slated; Boys' schoolroom is flagged, 33 feet in length and 17 broad; Girls' schoolroom a little more than 20 feet square and boarded floor. I believe it cost £1800 at least to erect it; cannot state the cost with accuracy; the entire expense has been paid by the Society of Friends.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	This School is not connected with any other Institution, Association or Society, but that of Friends.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	This Institution is under the Controul [sic] of the Quarterly Meeting of the Society of Friends of the Province of Leinster, and Governed by a Male & Female Superintendent; both are of the Society of Friends. There is no superint[endenc]e exercised over the school by the Protestant Minister or Curate or by the Roman Catholic Priest or Coadjutor, nor by any dissenting Minister whatever. John Morris is the male superintendent; Eliza Walpole the female.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Ans[were]d in the foregoing.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for	Lilies Grammar &c. &c. &c. The Bible at large of the Old & New Testament; the Translation used by the Established

	amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	Church (being the Protestant Version) of which there are a number of Copies, 8 of the Old and 10 of the New; Murray's English Grammar, [Exercises], Introduction & Readers; the General History printed for the use of the Kildare St. School; the Histories of England and Rome; Goldsmith's Geography; Robinson's Ancient & Modern History; Gough's Arithmetic; the [Arithmetic] Grammar; Deighan's Bookkeeping; Bonycastle's Mensuration &c. &c. &c. with Tracts, Moral and Religious; Ample Books.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	

7. Mountmelick

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Mt. Melick Methodist Sunday School, Town of Mountmelick.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	James Baskerville, Superintendent; about the years [sic] 1810; school kept on Sundays only.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Methodist.

4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	Superintendent 35 years of age.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 83 Females – 70 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 153 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics -
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	50
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	126
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	16 in 20 Can Read.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	The school is supported by one annual subscription for the purpose of procuring Premiums for the Children.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	Methodist Preaching House.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	Methodist Society.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of	This Institution is under the Controul [sic] of the Methodist Preachers. Occasional Visitors, Mrs. Jackson, Fitzgerald & Warburtons; Mrs. Joseph Boothe, Doctor Doxey & Nathaniel Jackson.

	superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Under the Superinten[denc]e of the Methodist Preachers' Senior Comm[ittee].
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	10 Bibles of the Old & New Testament, the translation used by the Established Church; 100 Testaments, Protestant Version; 150 Hibernia Sunday School Society spelling books; no other books used. Books supplied by the Hibernian Sunday School Society for Ireland.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	

8. Grange

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Sunday School, Townland Grange.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	Parish Priest & Revd. Michl. Sheehy, Coadjutor, superin[tendent]s. Masters appointed out of the Confraternity; Mistress' [sic] also; school is kept on all Sundays and Holy days from 10 to 12 o'clock in the forenoon & also from 4 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon of the Summer season.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Catholicks [sic].
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	Ans[were]d in No. 2 & No. 11.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 300 Females – 200 Protestants - Of the Established Church - - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics – 550
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	450
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	550
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Taught gratis.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	Chapel of Mountmelick.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any)	The Society of the Confraternity of the Christian Doctrine. Introduced into this Parish about 34 years past, the members of which are Masters & Mistress' [sic] of

	with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	the Sunday Catechistical School, the principles of which are faithfully adhered to.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	This Institution is always under the superintendence of the resident Priests.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Ans[were]d in the foregoing.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	The Library consists of 86 Volumes; the New Testament, Douay Version; Memorial of a Christian Life; Moral Entertainments; Goldsmith's Instruction for Youth; Parsons' Christian Directory; Butler's [Postu...] Works; Sincere & Christian Elevation of the Soul; Temporal & Eternal Life of Christ; Imitation of Christ &c. &c. &c. with ample Catechisms; such children as are not able to purchase them, are supplied gratis by the Revd. Anthony Duane, [Parish Priest].
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which	

	such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	
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9. Mountmelick

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Town of Mt. Melick; Townland Mt. Melick.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	Richd. Jacob; about 50 years past; through the year (Sundays and Holydays excepted).
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Roman Catholic; first open[e]d by the Master.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	75 years of age; educated in Mountrath in the Queen's County; teaches Reading, Writing & Arithmetic & Bookkeeping; of a fair character.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 30 Females – 7 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 7 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics - 30
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	20
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	40
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	14 in 20 can read; it would take at least from 6 to 9 months to make a child read.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Annual Income about £20, paid by the chil[dren]'s Parents at the rate of 5s. 5d., 4s. 4d. & 3s. 3d. per quarter of a year & 5d., 4d. & 3d. by the week.

10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The Walls are built with mud & Thatched, 19 feet in length and 11 in breadth; clay floor. There are 4 Tables with ample Forms or seats, one of a similar construction would probably cost £10.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	Not connected with any Institution or society.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	Master Sole Proprietor.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Proprietor.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes	6 copies of Gough's Arithm[eti]c; 30 Universal spelling books; 7 Primers [sic]; 4 Reading Made Easy; 2 New Testaments, Protestant version; Murray's English Grammar with a few Natural Histories of Beasts and Birds; 12 Catholic Catechisms.

	which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	

10. Mountmelick

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Mountmelick; Town of Mt. Melick.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	Valentine Dunne; since 1821; through the year, Sundays & Holy days excepted.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Roman Catholic; is the founder of this school.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	45 years of age; educated in the City of Limerick; teaches Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Bookkeeping, English Grammar, Geography, Geometry &c. &c.; of a fair character.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 20 Females – 23 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 19 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics - 24
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	20
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	36

8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	19 in 20 can read; about 6 to 10 months to make a child read.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Annual income about £40; rates 5s. 5d. & 4s. 4d. and 11s. 4½d. per quarter of a year.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The School Rooms are part of Master's dwelling house; the Walls are built with Lime & Stone, & Slated, and boarded floors. Coved & Ceiled. The males' schoolroom is 18 feet long & 12 broad; Females' Do.; the house cost about £150.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	Not connected with any society.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	Master Sole Proprietor.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Proprietor.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what	4 Copies of the New Testament, Protestant Version. I believe the scholars were made presents of them by the Sunday School; [Preps.?]; Gough & Voster's Arith[meti]c; Jackson's Bookkeeping; Goldsmith's Gram[ma]r of Geography; Murray & Davis English

	sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	Grammar &c. &c., Universal Spelling boo; Spectator; Scott's Lessons; Children's Guide to Heaven; Natural Histories of Birds & Beasts; Moral Lessons &c. &c. &c.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	

11. Mountmelick

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Mountmelick; Town of Mt. Melick.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	John Donahoe; 1824; through the year, Sundays and Holy days excepted.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Roman Catholic; is the founder of the school.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	37 years of age; educated in Rosenallis in the Queen's County; teaches Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Bookkeeping, Geometry.

5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 27 Females – 16 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 4 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics – 39
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	None.
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	None.
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	10 in 20 can read; would take from 5 to 9 months to make a child read.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Annual income about £12 a year; Rates, 5s., 3s. 3d., & 2s. 2d. per quarter of a year, & 5 pence, 3 & 2 pence by the week.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The Walls are built with Lime & Stone, & Thatched; 2 Tables, 7 Forms or seats; cost about £15.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	Not connected with any Society.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister,	Master Sole Proprietor.

	and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Proprietor since comm[encemen]t.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	30 Universal, Dublin, Society & Pennsylv[ani]a spelling books, 4 Reading Made Easy, 7 Primmers [sic], 16 Catholic Catechisms.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	

12. Mountmelick

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Mountmelick, Town of Mt. Melick.
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2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	Anne Shannon; sole proprietor; in which she has presided these 37 years.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Society of Friends, commonly called Quakers.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	About 56 years of age; well educated.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – Females – 14 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 1 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations – 13 Quakers Roman Catholics -
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	18
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	18
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	All can read [except one, who is only six years of age].
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Terms 28 Guineas per year, for each Pupil.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The Establishment is wholly [sic] Anne Shannon's; the house is commodious; built with brick [& stone] & slate & is three stories [sic] high; the number of Dormitories, five, which are well aired and ventilated; the school room is 26 [feet] long & 18 wide.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated	Society of Friends, called Quakers.

	from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	Anne Shannon, Proprietor.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Proprietor.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	The Holy Scriptures, the books approved of and issued by the Society of Friends, with many of the best authors, both English & French, on Religious & Historical subjects.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school –	

	the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	
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13. Mountmelick

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Mountmelick; Town of Mt. Melick.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	Maryanne Howe; March 1824 through the year, Sundays & Holy days excepted.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Roman Catholic; is the founder of the school.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	20 years of age; educated at the Boarding School of Mrs. Despard & Mr. James Dunne, Portarlinton in the Queen's County; teaches Reading, Writing, French & Music &c. &c.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 1 Females – 5 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 3 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics - 3
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	None.
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	None.
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	All can [read].
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	The scholars pay at the rate of £1.2.9 and 10s. 10d. per quarter of a year.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and	The Establishment is wholly [sic] M. Howe's; the schoolroom is part of her Father's dwelling house; the walls are built with Lime & stone, slated & ceiled,

	breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	boarded floor; ample Table & Chairs; is 21 feet long & 16 broad.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	In no Society.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	Maryanne Howe, Sole Proprietor.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Proprietor.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	Murray's English Grammar; Pennsylv[ania]a Spelling books; French Grammars, Vocabularies & Spelling Books; Goldsmith's History of Rome & Geography; Scott's Lessons; Telamachus [sic] &c. &c. &c.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman	

	Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	
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Parish of Coolbanagher

14. Commons of New Church, Dangan

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Commons of New Church, Townland Dangan.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	James Brennan; first opened 15 th Sep[temb]er 1823; through the year, Sundays & Holy days excepted.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Roman Catholic; the Revd. Robt. Vicars is the founder; recommended by Thos. Kelly, Esqr.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	25 years of age; Trained in Kildare Place; is of a fair character; teaches reading, writing, arithmetic &c. &c.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 19 Females – 12 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 7 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics – 24
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	40
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	Spring quarter, 62
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion.	15 in 20; can read from 9 to 12 mo[nth]s to make a child read.

	State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	As yet, rec[eive]d no gratuity from any society, Revd. Robt. Vicars gave three pounds; the scholars pay 2 pence per week.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	This School is under the Controul [sic] of the Kildare St. Society; Revd. Robert Vicars, Rector of the Parish of Coolban[aghe]r & Mrs. C. Kemmis of Knightstown, Superintend[ent]s, S[i]r Walter W. Borrowes, Bart., John Cope Chetwood, Esqr., Woodbrook, Richd. Warburton, Garryhinch, Esq., & the Revd. Anthony Duane, occasional visitors; no stated days. This should be in No. 12 – see next number.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	Society for Promoting the Poor in Ireland, Kildare St., Dublin, the principles of which we presume are faithfully adhered to. No. 10: 42 feet long, 16 wide; walls are Lime & Stone, & Thatched; clay floor, 13 Desks, 12 Forms, 4 Shelves & one table. Kildare St. Society gave £40 towards the building of the above school; Revd. R. Vicars the residue; states it cost £120.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	See No. 10.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	On the 15 th Sep[tembe]r 1823, as in the foregoing.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what	12 copies of the New Testament, Protestant version, 18 Scripture Lessons, 54 Spelling Books from the Kildare St. Society, 54 Historical books, 30 printed tablets, 36 Dublin spelling books from the Hibernia Society; 5 Goug[h]'s & 2 Voster's Arithm[eti]c, 2 Murray's Grammar;

	sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	[Barrcave's?] Euclid; Hawney's Meas[urement]; Abstract of Walker's Diction[ary]; no Catechism allowed during school hours.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	

15. Grange

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Grange, Townland Grange.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	Joseph McRedmond; about 1817; through the year, Sundays and Holy days excepted.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Roman Catholic; succeeded John Moore who was the founder.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	27 years of age; educated in Frankford in the King's, Killeety, County Limerick, & Charleville, Co. Cork; teaches Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Gram[ma]r, Geometry, Algebra &c. &c. &c.; of a fair Character.

5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 56 Females – 20 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 16 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics – 60
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	40
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	50
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	15 in 20 can read; would take from 5 to 9 months to make a child read.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Annual Income about £37; Rates paid by the scholars are 10s. 10d., 4s. 4d., 3s. 3d. & 2s. 2d. per quarter of a year; 3 pence & 2 pence by the week.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	Walls are built with Lime & stone, & Thatched clay floor; 20 feet in length & 11 in breadth; Desk, 2 Tables, 5 Forms; a house of a similar construction would probably cost £20.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	In no Society.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister,	Master Sole Proprietor.

	and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Proprietor.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	Gough, Voster & Deighan's Arithmetic; Jackson's Bookkeeping; Hawney's Meas[urement]; Simpson's Euclid; Murray's English Grammar; Scott's Lessons; Speakers; one New Testament, Protestant version, given by the Hibernia Sunday School; 16 Universal spelling books; Primmers [sic]; Catholic Catechisms & Protestant Catechisms; with a few Natural Histories of Birds & Beasts &c. &c.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	

16. Achragar

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Achragar; Townsland Achragar.
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2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	John Flannigan; 1822; through the year, Sundays & Holy days excepted.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Roman Catholic, first opened the school.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	26 years of age; educated in Dublin; of a fair character; teaches Reading, Writing & Arithmetic.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 36 Females – 24 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 8 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics - 52
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	30
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	70
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	16 in 20 can read; from 5 to 9 months to make a child read.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Annual Income about £14; the Scholars pay at the rate of two shillings per quarter of a year.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The Walls are built with Mud; 26 feet in length & 11 in width; Clay floor & Thatched; one Table & 4 Forms, probably cost £10.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated	In no Society.

	from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	Master Sole Proprietor.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Proprietor.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	2 Gough's; 2 Voster's; 20 Universal spelling books; 12 Primers; 10 Reading Made Easy; 20 Catholic Catechisms; 1 Protestant Catechism.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school –	

	the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	
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17. Derry Cloney

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Derry Cloney, Townland of Derry Cloney.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	John Gahagan; year 1821; for the summer season of each year.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Roman Catholic, first opened the school.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	27 years of age; educated in Mountmelick; is of a fair character; teaches Reading, Writing & Arithmetic.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 30 Females – 17 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 1 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics - 46
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	None.
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	40
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	5 in [20 can read]; from [6 to 10 months].
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Annual Income about £8; the scholars pay 3s. 3d. & 2s. 2d. per quarter of a year.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at	The Walls are built with Mud; Clay floor; one Table & 4 Forms; cost about £8; is 18 feet in length & 12 in width.

	whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	In no Society.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	Master Sole Proprietor.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Proprietor.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	12 Universal spelling books; 2 Dublin spelling books sent gratis from Mt. Melick Kildare St. School; 5 Reading Made Easy; 12 Primers [sic]; 8 Catholic Catechisms.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or	

	Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	
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Parish of Coolbrack

18. Clonoughado

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Clonoughado Sunday School; Townland Clonoughado.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	Rev. Ant[hon]y Duane and Revd. M. Sheehy, Superintendents; Masters & Mistress' [sic] appointed out of the Confraternity; on all Sundays and Holy days from 8 to 9 o'clock in the forenoon; & also from 4 to 5 in the afternoon of the Summer season.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Roman Catholics.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	Ans[were]d in No. 2 and No. 11.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 90 Females – 60 Protestants - Of the Established Church - - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics – 150
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	60
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	150
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3	

	in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Taught Gratis.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	Chapel of Clonoughado.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	The Society of the Confraternity was introduced in this Parish about 34 years past; the Members of which are Masters and Mistress' [sic] of the Sunday Catechistical School, the principles of which are faithfully adhered to.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	This Institute is always under the Superintendence of the resident Priests.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Ans[were]d in the foregoing.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied.	The Library consists of 30 Volumes; the Old & New Testament, Douay Version; Horneyhold on the Sacraments & Command[ment]s; The Sincere & Devout Christian; Elevation of the Soul &c. &c. &c.; with ample Catechisms; such children as are not able to purchase are supplied gratis by the Revd. A. Duane, P[arish] Priest.

	In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	

19. Clonoughado

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Clonoughado; Townland Clonoughado.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	Paul Brady; 1822; through the year, Sundays & Holy days excepted.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Roman Catholic, first opened the school.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	26 years of age; educated in the County Cavan; of a fair character; teaches Reading, Writing & Arithmetic, & Bookkeeping.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return:	Males – 28 Females – 14 Protestants

	Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	- Of the Established Church - 1 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics - 41
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	28
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	35
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	10 in 20 can read; from 6 to 10 months to make a child read.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Annual Income about £12; the children pay 1s. 8d., 2s. 2d. & 2s. 6d. per quarter of a year.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The walls are built with Lime & Stone, and Thatched, Clay floor; 21 feet long & 11 broad; one Table & 6 Forms; probably cost £8.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	In no Society.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	Master Sole Proprietor.

13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Proprietor.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	Gough & Voster's Arithmetic; 17 Universal spelling books; 2 Prim[e]rs; 3 Reading Made Easy; Scott's Lessons; Enfield's Speaker; Roman History; a few notable Histories of Birds & Beasts; 20 Catholic Catechisms.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	

20. Lacken

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Lacken, Townland Lacken.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened –	James Lynch; 1819; through the year, Sundays & Holy days excepted.

	and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Roman Catholic, first opened the school.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	23 years of age; educated in Ballyroan in the Queen's County; of a fair character; teaches reading, writing & arithmetic; & bookkeeping.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 30 Females – 20 Protestants - Of the Established Church - - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics - 50
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	30
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	45
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	15 in 20 can read; 9 to 12 months to make a child read.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Annual Income about £12; the children pay 1s. 8d. & 2s. 2d. per quarter of a year.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The Walls are Mud, Clay floor; 26 feet long and 11 broad; one Table & 4 Forms; probably cost £8.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	In no Society.

12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	Master Sole Proprietor.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Proprietor.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	Gough & Voster's Arithmetic; 20 Universal spelling books; 12 Primers [sic]; 10 Reading Made Easy; 20 Catholic Catechisms; one Protestant Catechism.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or	

	diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	
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21. Mountmelick

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Mountmelick; Town of Mt. Melick.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	Eliza Murphy; these 20 years past; school kept through the year, Sundays and Christmas vacation excepted.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Protestant; is the founder of the School.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	50 years of age; of a fair character; teaches reading and writing.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 12 Females – 12 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 9 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics – 15
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	6
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	10
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	7 in 10 can read; it would take from 6 to 12 months to make a child read.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	The Children pay 3 pence and 2½ pence per week.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The Walls are built with mud; the school room is part of the Mrs. dwelling house; there are 4 Tables and 6 Forms; the Room is about 16 feet in length & 10 in breadth; Clay floor; probably cost £10.

11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	In no Society.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	Mrs. Proprietor.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Proprietor.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	4 Universal spelling books; 3 Hibernia Do., got Gratis from the Methodist Sunday School; 5 Reading Made Easy; 7 Primers [sic]; 3 Testaments, Protestant Version, sent Gratis from the Sunday School.
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any	Observ[ation]s: This School should be in the Parish of Mt. Melick. (It is so inserted in the Original).

	increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	
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22. Mountmelick

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Mountmelick; Town of Mt. Melick.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	Eleanor Carrol; since 1822; through the year, Sundays and Holy days excepted.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Roman Catholic; is the founder of the school.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	About 38 years of age; of a fair Character; teaches Reading and Writing.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 14 Females – 12 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 10 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics - 16
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	15
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	28
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	2 in 20 can read; it would take from 6 to 12 months to make a child read.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the	The children pay three halfpence per week.

	income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The schoolroom is part of a dwelling house, about 10 feet square, for which the sum of ten pence is paid by the week. There are 4 seats.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	In no Society.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	Proprietor.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Proprietor.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the	4 Pennsylvania spelling books; 6 spelling books, first part compiled by the Sunday School Society for Ireland; given gratis by the Mt. Melick Methodist Sunday School; 10 Primers [sic]; 6 Reading Made Easy.

	greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	As above [see answer to question 15, School 21].

23. Grange

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Grange, Townland Grange.
2	State the name of the Master or Mistress – at what time the school was first opened – and on what days, and what periods of the year, the school is held	Hugh [O’Riely]; since 1822; through the year, Sundays and Holy days excepted.
3	State the religion of the Master or Mistress – and by whom (if any one) he or she was appointed to the school, and when	Roman Catholic; is the founder of the school.
4	State the age, character, and qualifications of the Master or Mistress, and where he or she was educated, and whether trained in Kildare Place, or elsewhere, and where	About 45 years of age; was educated in the Co. Monaghan and Mt. Melick; teaches Reading, Writing & Arithmetic; is of a fair character.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	Males – 20 Females – 9 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 4 - Presbyterians – - Of other denominations - Roman Catholics - 25
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	40

7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	50
8	State the proportion of children in the school who can read – whether 2 in 20, 3 in 20, 4 in 20, or in what other proportion. State also the average time required in this school to teach a child to read	12 in 20 can read; it would take from 6 to 12 months to make a child read.
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing salaries or annual gratuities, if any, and from what sources they proceed – the income arising from payments by the scholars – and the rates of payment required from them	Annual Income amounts to about £9 per annum; the scholars pay at the rate of 2 pence & three half pence per week.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its construction – and the probable cost of constructing one of similar size and materials at present – State the length and breadth of the school-room – State also at whose expense, and out of what funds, the school-house was constructed	The Walls are built with Lime and Stone, & thatched, Clay floor; 17 feet in length and 9 in breadth, 4 Forms or seats; one of a similar construction would probably cost £10.
11	State the associations, societies, charitable foundations, or institutions, confraternities, convents, or persons in any, and what religious orders, (if any) with which each school is in connexion – and at what time, and under what circumstances such connexion was formed – state also whether the rules prescribed by such associations &c. have been faithfully adhered to, or deviated from in any and what respects, and by whom, and when	In no Society.
12	State the names, ranks and situations in life, of local or other patrons, or superintendents, if any, of each school, - and the nature, extent, and occasions of their superintendence – and state in particular, the nature and extent of superintendence exercised over the school by the Protestant minister and curate, or by the Roman Catholic priest or coadjutor, or by any dissenting minister, and whether they have regular days for visiting the schools, and what days	Proprietor.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Proprietor.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for amusement or instruction, within the school, at the time of making this return, or	One Copy Voster's Arithmetic; 21 Universal spelling books; 4 Primers [sic]; 3 Reading Made Easy; 13 Catholic Primers [sic].

	within 6 months previous to it, so far as you can learn – and state – from what sources, and in what manner, and at whose expense they have been supplied. In case the Scriptures are used, state whether it is the Bible at large, or the New Testament alone – whether the translation used to be that of the Established Church, or the Douay Version – how many copies of each are used in the school at the period of making the return – what was the greatest number of each at any period within the 6 months next preceding, (as far as you can learn) - and state any causes which may have led to the increased or diminished use of them within the school	
15	State whether any steps have been taken in the school, by whom, at what time, and in what manner to induce Roman Catholics to become Protestants, or Protestants to become Roman Catholics - state fully your observations as to any increase, diminution, or secession of pupils, which has taken place, either within the present year, or at any period, during the last few years – the causes to which such are to be attributed – the mode in which they have been effected – your opinion as to the probability of their being permanent – the sentiments and dispositions of the people as to the attendance of their children at the school – the extent and degree to which any endeavours to induce such increase or diminution have been successful or otherwise – and any further general observations which you may deem it expedient to offer.	As above [see answer to question 15, School 21].