

	Transcription of School Return, 1824 Newbridge
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The number of acres in the [parish?] computed at 12000; and the leng[th of the] parish, 8 miles by 5 in Breadth.

1. Stephenstown, Twomilehouse

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Twomilehouse, Townland Stephenstown.
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	Patt Walsh; opened 1794; held the entire year, excepting a short vacation at Christmas & Easter.
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 Catholick [sic]; appointed by the Parishioners & confirmed by the Revd. Mr. Nowlan in the station; the time appointed May 1817.
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	Master's age 25 y[ea]rs; good Character &c.; necessary qualifications for teaching & educated principally in the same school, Towmlehouse.
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 – 50 Females – 40 Protestants - Of the Established Church - none - Presbyterians – none - Of other denominations - none Roman Catholics - 90
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	40
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	60
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 read; one year req[ui]red with strict attention.
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	£20 annual income arising from the general payments of the children's payments, with the exception of 20 children paid for by Sunday's collection for the exact time which they attend.
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	Tolerably good accommodation of lime, stone & thatch, the probable expence [sic] about £30; dimensions 48 by 14 in the clear; principally constructed by the parish & part by the Master.

	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	
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	Superintended by the Revd. Mr Nowlan, RC [Roman Catholic] priest and his Curate; not visited by the Protestant Clergyman of the Parish. Frequently visited but no special days appointed. Sup[erintenden]ce confined to the instructions of the children.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	In 1817.
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	Common Books of education such as the primer; Reading Made Easy; Spelling Book; Murray's Primer, Grammar & Reader; Esop's [sic] Fables; Thomas Kempis; Think Well On't; The General Catechism approved by the Bishops. No Testaments used in 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	None.

	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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2. Swordlestown

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Swordlestown School, Townland Swordlestown.
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	Thomas Neill; opened 1818; held as above [see answer to question 2, School 1].
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 Catholick [sic]; appointed by the Revd. Mr. Nowlan in 1818.
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	Master's age 25; good character &c. &c.. educated principally in Twomilehouse.
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 – 40 Females – 30 Protestants - Of the Established Church - none - Presbyterians – none - Of other denominations - none Roman Catholics - 70
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	30
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	60
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	Same as above [see answer to question 8, School 1].
9	State the total annual income of the Master or Mistress – distinguishing	Between £15 & £20 paid by the parents of the children.

	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	
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 built of mud & thatched; dimensions 22 feet by 12; probable expence [sic] of constructing [a] similar one about 5 Guineas.
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	
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	Superintended as above [see answer to question 12, School 1].
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	In 1818.
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	Similar books used as above [see answer to question 14, School 1] such as the primer; Reading Made Easy; English Grammar & Catechism.

	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.	None.

3. Carnolway

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Carnolway School, Townland Carnolway.
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	Bartw. Rossiter & Elizabeth, his wife; held as above [see answer to question 2, School 1].
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	Protestants; appointed by Robert Latouche, Esqr.; 1815.
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	Master's age 30 y[ea]rs; good character; educated in Wicklow & School St., Dublin.
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 – 33 Protestants - Of the Established Church - 49 - Presbyterians – none - Of other denominations - none Roman Catholics - 11

6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	67
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	78
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	13 in 20 can read; a year 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	From the Association for Suppressing Vice, £11 10s.; from the Parish £11.7.6; from Robt. Latouche, Esqr. £4 11s. to Mistress.
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	Excellent accommodations; built of lime and stone & slated with ton slate; dimensions 38 feet by 17, & 10½ feet high; built by [Robt.] Latouche, Esqr.
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	With the Association for Suppressing Vice.
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	Superintended by the Revd. Mr Wade, Protestant Curate, and occasionally by the Revd. Mr. Nowlan, RC [Roman Catholic] priest.
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	In 1821 by Mr. Wade; in 1820 by Mr. Nowlan.
14	Enumerate every book and printed paper, of every description, which is or has been read, taught, or in any way used, either for	Lancaster's Spelling Book & Reading Lessons; Dublin Reading Books; New Testament of the Protestant version made

	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	use of by the children according to a Rule of 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.	[Part of the text of the reply to question 15 is missing due to the damage to the document]. The Causes which have led... RC [Roman Catholic] children attending the... are in consequence of the Test[ament]... the children and also the... the school being Protestan[t]... giving any religious inst[ruction?]... [children] these reasons ha... Nowlan to forbid any... to send their children...

4. Rosetown

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Rosetown School in the townland of Rosetown.
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	Patt Dolan opened in 1822; held as above [see answer to question 2, School 1].
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	Catholick [sic] appointed by the Revd. Mr. Nowlan, RC [Roman Catholic] priest.

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	Master's age 27 y[ea]r; good character but moderate talents.
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 – 16 Females – 11 Protestants - Of the Established Church - none - Presbyterians – none - Of other denominations - none Roman Catholics - 27
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	12
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	5 in 20 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 between £5 to £10; paid by the children's parents.
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	Bad accommodations being a mere cabin.
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	
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	Superintended by the Revd. Mr. Nowlan, RC [Roman Catholic] Priest.

	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	Taken under superintendence 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	Similar books as are used in the former RC [Roman Catholic] schools.
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.	None.

5. Kibbelin

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Kibbelin School, Townland of Kibbelin.
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 Kerney; opened 1824.
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	R[oman] Catholick [sic]; appointed by the Revd. Mr. Nowlan.
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	Mistress aged 50 y[ea]rs; and 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 – Females – 25 Protestants - Of the Established Church - none - Presbyterians – none - Of other denominations - none Roman Catholics - 25
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	
7	State the average number of pupils, during the summer of 1823	
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	8 in 20 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 form £5 to £10 p[ai]d by Parents.
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	A small cabin.
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	
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	Superintended as above [see answer to question 12, School 4].
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	In 1824.
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	Books used as above [see answer to question 14, School 4] in the RC [Roman Catholic] schools.
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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6. Newbridge School, Townland Old Connell

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Newbridge School, Townland Old Connell.
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	Thos. Morrisy; opened 1794.
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 Catholick [sic]; appointed as above.
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	Age 26 y[ea]rs; good character and necessary qualification.
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 – 45 Females – 25 Protestants - Of the Established Church - none - Presbyterians – none - Of other denominations - none Roman Catholics - 70
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	40
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	5 in 20 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; p[ai]d by the children's parents.
10	Describe the school-house – the nature of its accommodations – the materials of its	Middling accommodations; built of lime & stone and thatch; dimensions 29 feet by

	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	12; about £12 to build one of similar construction; built by parish.
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	
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	Superintended as above [see answer to question 12, School 5].
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Taken under such superintendence in 1817.
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	Books used; same as above in the RC [Roman Catholic] schools; the Primer; Reading Made [Easy], Spelling Books &c. &c., and the 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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7. Raspberry School

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Raspberry School, same Townland.
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 Hopkins; opened 1818.
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 Catholick [sic]; appointed as above [see answer to question 3, School 5].
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	Age 30 y[ea]rs; good character; qualifications &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 – 30 Females – 22 Protestants - Of the Established Church – [none] - Presbyterians – [none] - Of other denominations – [none] Roman Catholics - 52
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	36
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.	Same as above.

	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	Annual income between £15 and £20; paid by the children's parents.
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	Bad accommodations; built of mud & thatched. Dimensions 21 feet by 12; built by the parish.
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	
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	Superintended as above [see answer to question 12, School 5].
13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	Taken under such in 1818.
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	Same as above in the RC [Roman Catholic] schools.

	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.	

8. Walshestown

1	State the name of the place at which the school is held, and state the name of the townland	Walshestown School, same Townland.
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 Kavana; opened 1819.
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 Catholick [sic]; appointed as above [see answer to question 3, School 5].
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	Age 25 y[ea]rs; good character, qualifications &c.
5	State the number of pupils in attendance, on an average of 3 months preceding this return: Male	Males – 49 Females – 20 Protestants - Of the Established Church – [none]

	Female Protestants – of the Established Church; Presbyterians; Of other denominations Roman Catholics	- Presbyterians – [none] - Of other denominations – [none] Roman Catholics - 69
6	State the average number of pupils during the last winter	50
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	Same as above [see answer to question 8, School 7].
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; rec[eive]d from children's parents except 12 children being paid for from the Sunday's collection.
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	Middling accommodation; build of mud & thatched; dimensions 26 feet by 12; take about £6 to build one similar.
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	
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	Superintendence as above [see answer to question 12, School 5].

13	State the time at which the school was taken under the superintendence, as is referred to in the previous column	In 1819.
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	Same as above in the RC Schools.
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.	