

I have the satisfaction to report the schools in the several districts of our township in a healthy condition, and giving general satisfaction to the people. The trustees in each district have been anxious to provide for the wants of the pupils and to make the institution profitable for the public. The schools have all been supplied with competent teachers, who have been all punctual in their attendance. Four of our districts have good school houses of their own, and all made comfortable for the accommodation of the children. One, South Belleville, the smallest district in the township, has not been able to provide a house for their school, and have to the present time no permanent place for their accommodation which would give much interest to their institution. We have had no difficulties to contend with in our progress, with the exception of our question with the Catholic church, which matter is now before the Supreme Court, and we presume ere long will be settled to the satisfaction of all concerned, until which time we shall be somewhat embarrassed in our monetary affairs, and wish the matter arranged.

I have no suggestions to make with regard to any alterations or improvements in our school laws, with the single exception that the 12th section might be made more definite by authority. In fine, we say, we are all in favor of our public school system, and hail all its friends as our friends and well wishers.

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