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SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND PUPIL TEACHER CENTRES.
INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

Southgate County School

School No. _____
S.C.8179/21.

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REPORT ON ART.

Though it is always better that the Art-teaching of a School of this size should be in one person's hands, it cannot be said that the five lowest Forms taken by a member of the regular Staff are less well taught than they would be if taken by the more fully qualified Art Master who visits the School three days in the week, or that in this case the work as a whole suffers in consequence of this division of the teaching. What shortcomings there are, are due rather to defects in the plan of the course, the somewhat disconnected, and irregular way in which the different branches of the work are done. The matter was very fully discussed with the Art Master and various suggestions made which, if adopted, should not only increase the interest of the pupils but the general quality of the work done. The chief needs are more definite and methodical teaching of Colour in its decorative aspects and some field for the application of this and the design lessons. Script Writing and Lettering furnish the most ready and suitable means for this in mixed classes.

Every Form has a double period lesson each week up to and including VD. After that only those girls who have shown particular interest or ability carry the study further. Undoubtedly some boys lose a good deal by stopping short at this point and if possible something should be done to give

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them a similar opportunity.

The Art room is of rather an awkward shape but is otherwise a good room for classes of reasonable size. It is sufficiently furnished with desks of a convenient pattern.

