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TO THE EDITOR.

SIR,—In one of your late papers I saw that Mr. Paget had applied to the Board of Education to establish a public school at Fitzroy, a very sensible proceeding, considering the great necessity for a school; and later that a petition signed by the residents was ready for presenting to the Board in favor of the same. Why is the Board apparently acting so cautiously in the matter? If one or more of the members would take the trouble to visit Fitzroy, and look around with impartiality, it would be impossible not to at once observe the improvements of even the last twelve months; and, as nine-tenths of the people are living on their own bit of freehold, they may be safely considered permanent residents of the place; consequently, a school in their midst may be considered their right. And, in anticipation of the Titanic Company Works opening, the place is not likely to fall into a state of insignificance as has been the case with some of the outlying townships where Government schools have been erected. Though the Board may decide to the contrary, I see no reason why a school may not be opened at once, either in the Primitive Methodist Chapel or Mr. Barriball's late residence, the latter being most suitable, as the size would allow of its being used as a teacher's residence and school-room combined.—I am, &c.,

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