

## NOVA SCOTIA.—Continued.

**Superior Schools.**—The Council of Public Instruction now divides \$400 for each county, among not more than four schools each term in competition, the conditions required being excellence in respect of buildings, formation, organizations, arrangements, and discipline, as well as teaching.

There are 5 county academies in operation : number of teachers, 30, number of pupils about 1,200. Branches taught in addition to those mentioned, under the head of "Common Schools,"—modern language, singing, drawing, and astronomy. Academies other than county academies, 10 ; teachers 36 ; number of pupils, 630.

**Colleges.**—There are seven colleges in Nova Scotia, viz : those of St. Francois Xavier, Antigonish, 4 professors, 58 students ; St. Mary's, Halifax, the Presbyterian Theological Hall, [no returns] ; Dalhousie, Halifax, 6 professors, 49 students ; Kings, Windsor, 5 professors, 29 students ; Acadia, Wolfville, 4 professors, 50 students ; and Mount Allison, Sackville, 5 professors, 21 students.

The following is a summary of the Educational grants for 1863 :—

Common Schools.....	\$67,068	Academies and Colleges.....	9,100
Superior ".....	8,700	Institutions for deaf and dumb.....	2,000
County Academies.....	2,100	Indigent Schools.....	480
Provincial Normal and Model Schools..	3,815		
Total.....			\$83,263

## PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

There is a Board of Education in Prince Edward Island, composed of nine members appointed by the Governor in Council, by whom licences to teach are granted to persons who have been five months at the Normal School, and received licences to teach. The school districts of the Island are limited by Act to 250. Every First-Class male teacher properly certificated, receives £40 Island currency for teaching for one year ; and every Second (or highest) Class male teacher £45 paid quarterly. Female teachers receive £23 and £25 per annum. All children over five years of age are entitled to attend District Schools, whose teachers receive these salaries from Government. The School Trustees may assess all householders who have a child or children between 5 and 16 years for school house building, repairs, fuel, and furniture, books or maps ; also for making up the teachers' salaries to £60 in the case of those of the highest class, and corresponding amounts in others. The teachers in Charlottetown and Georgetown are exceptionally treated, and have somewhat higher salaries.

The introduction of the Bible to be read in all the public Schools of the Island is authorized, and the teachers are required to open the schools with the reading of the Scriptures by those children whose parents desire it ; but no children are required to attend such reading, unless desired by parents.

There are two school visitors, for the eastern and western districts respectively.

The following are the statistics furnished by these gentlemen :—

	Eastern Section.	Western Section.	Total.
No. of Schools.....	153	155	313
Pupils on registers.....	5,974	5,709	11,673
Average attendance.....	3,025	3,253	6,275

There are two Colleges on the Island,—St. Dunstan's, with five Professors, and Prince of Wales', with three.

## NEWFOUNDLAND.

There are in Newfoundland, endowed by Government, on the denominational principle four Academies, (in St. John's) the Church of England, the Roman Catholic, the Wesleyan, and the general Protestant Academies ; two Grammar Schools at Harbour Grace and Carbonear where pupils of any religious persuasion may be educated ; one hundred and seventy Protestant and one hundred and two Roman Catholic Elementary Board and Commercial schools. There are besides thirteen Convent Schools for the education of Catholic females, most of these being endowed.

At the Academies and Grammar Schools the education is Classical, Mathematical, Commercial and General. At the Board Schools are taught reading, writing, arithmetic, geography, history and the other branches of an ordinary education.

The number of pupils attending the Church of England Academy is.....	33
" " " Roman Catholic College.....	83
" " " Wesleyan Academy.....	75
" " " General Protestant do.....	33
" " " Carbonear do. This Institution has not been in operation during the past year owing to a disagreement amongst the Directors or Board.	

The Protestant Board Schools number nine thousand two hundred and sixty-four (9264) and the Roman Catholic 5,639 pupils. The majority of the children leave school early and are not as regular as is desirable in their attendance. Their educational attainments are therefore below the standard placed within their reach by the bounty of the Government.

At the Convent Schools there are two thousand one hundred (2100) Catholic girls receiving instruction in reading, writing, geography, grammar, maps, globes, history, drawing, plain and fancy work of all kinds, knitting, weaving, carding, &c. ; those of the Order of Mercy teaching music, languages, etc. The attainments generally in these establishments are superior.

The following were the statistics for 1864 :—

Protestant.		Roman Catholic.	
Government Elementary Board Schools....	120	Government Elementary Board Schools....	102
" " Commercial Schools.....	3	Convent Schools.....	23
Colonial Church and School Society.....	21		
Wesleyan School Society.....	10		
Church of England.....	4		
Presbyterian Church.....	1		
Total No. of Schools.....	159	Total No.....	115
No. of Pupils.....	8,449	No. of Pupils.....	4,679