

bers. and 6 Normal and Model schools, with 1,264 students. There were also in operation 8 Art schools, with 1,108 pupils. In connection, also, with and under the supervision of the Educational Department, were 139 mechanics' institutes and free libraries, with 226,443 volumes. The number of members was 16,094.

526. The second Friday in May in each year has been set apart under the name of Arbor Day, for the purpose of planting trees and improving the school grounds. In 1885 on that day 38,940 trees and in 1886 34,087 trees were planted.

527. The total number of pupils attending Public, Separate and High, Normal and Model schools in Ontario, not including colleges and private schools, was 503,939, an increase of 16,168 as compared with 1885.

528. Educational matters in the Province of Quebec are under the control of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, assisted by a council consisting of 35 members, and divided into committees for the management of Roman Catholic and Protestant schools, respectively. The schools are maintained partly by local taxation and partly by Government grants, and are individually controlled by local boards or by the local clergy. As previously stated, religion is assumed to be the basis of education, and the various Roman Catholic religious bodies and institutions are largely interested in such matters. Out of a total number of 569 uncertificated male teachers, 502 were Roman Catholic clergy, or members of some religious institution; and out of 6,121 uncertificated female teachers, 5,541 were nuns and sisters belonging to Roman Catholic Conventual institutions. The following table gives the number of educational establishments of all grades in the Province, and of the pupils who attend them:

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