

Government grants and partly by district assessments. The Government expenditure in 1892 was \$114,570, and that of the school boards \$36,542, making a total expenditure of \$151,112, being a decrease of \$4,329, as compared with 1891.

1428. The school age is between the ages of 5 and 16, and it was estimated that there were upwards of 24,000 children between those ages in 1892, of whom 22,169 attended school during some portion of the year. These figures show a decrease of 161 in the number of pupils enrolled, but the daily average attendance increased from 12,898 to 12,986, and the average percentage of attendance from 57.75 per cent to 58.58 per cent. The number of vacant schools in 1892 was 1, while in 1882 there were no less than 19. An Arbor Day was established in 1886, but the results have not yet been very extensive.

1429. The following table is a summary of the educational statistics of the province in 1892 :—

EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1892.

| SCHOOLS.                      | Number of Schools. | Number of Teachers. | Boys. | Girls. | Total Pupils. | Average Attendance. |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------|--------|---------------|---------------------|
| <i>Queen's.</i>               |                    |                     |       |        |               |                     |
| Primary schools . . . . .     | 155                | 155                 | 3,493 | 2,976  | 6,469         | 3,596               |
| Advanced graded schools . . . | 16                 | 32                  | 724   | 606    | 1,330         | 805                 |
| First class schools . . . . . | 6                  | 12                  | 267   | 237    | 504           | 320                 |
| Charlottetown public schools  | 3                  | 29                  | 839   | 586    | 1,425         | 1,110               |
| Total . . . . .               | 180                | 228                 | 5,323 | 4,405  | 9,728         | 5,831               |
| <i>Prince.</i>                |                    |                     |       |        |               |                     |
| Primary schools . . . . .     | 128                | 128                 | 3,028 | 2,680  | 5,708         | 3,199               |
| Advanced graded schools . . . | 9                  | 18                  | 400   | 276    | 676           | 443                 |
| First class schools . . . . . | 4                  | 11                  | 246   | 236    | 482           | 301                 |
| Summerside public schools . . | 3                  | 11                  | 340   | 255    | 595           | 419                 |
| Total . . . . .               | 144                | 168                 | 4,014 | 3,447  | 7,461         | 4,362               |
| <i>King's.</i>                |                    |                     |       |        |               |                     |
| Primary schools . . . . .     | 104                | 104                 | 2,133 | 1,913  | 4,046         | 2,207               |
| Advanced graded schools . . . | 5                  | 10                  | 191   | 164    | 355           | 225                 |
| First class schools . . . . . | 4                  | 13                  | 334   | 245    | 579           | 361                 |
| Total . . . . .               | 113                | 127                 | 2,658 | 2,322  | 4,980         | 2,793               |