England has two metropolitans and eighteen bishops, and about 1,000 clergy. The first colonial see established in the British Empire was that of Nova Scotia, 1787. In 1793 the Canadas were erected into a separate see. In 1839 the See of Toronto was established. In 1849 Rupert's Land received its first Anglican bishop, and British Columbia received its first in 1859. New Brunswick became a see, independent of Nova Scotia, 1845.

The Presbyterians became united as the Presbyterian Church in Canada in 1875. The Methodists were first united into one ecclesiastical organization in Canada in 1883.

The census returns showed that the number of clergymen of all churches in Canada, in 1891, was 7,164, an increase of 735 in the ten years.

## EDUCATION.

Under the British North American Act, 1867, the right to legislate on matters respecting education was placed in the hands of the governments of the several provinces, the rights and privileges of denominational and separate schools then existing being specially protected.

Subject to the approval of the Provincial Government, all regulations for the public and high schools are made by the Minister of Education. These schools are under the control of local boards of trustees, elected by the ratepayers, and are allowed to have none but certificated teachers. Education of children between the ages of 7 and 13 is compulsory for not less than 100 days in the year, but the law is by no means as strictly enforced as is desirable in the educational interests of the province. The following table gives particulars respecting the public schools of Ontario in the years 1877 to 1895, Roman Catholic separate schools being included :—

| ₩EAR. | Number<br>of<br>Schools<br>Open. | School<br>Population<br>between<br>5 and 21<br>Years<br>of<br>Age. | Total<br>Number<br>of<br>Pupils<br>Registered. | Boys.   | Girls.  | Average<br>Attend-<br>ance. |
|-------|----------------------------------|--|--|---------|---------|-----------------------------|
| .877  | 5,140                            | 494,804  | 490,860  | 261,070 | 229,790 | 217,184                     |
| .878  | 4,990                            | 492,360  | 489,015  | 260,400 | 228,615 | 224,588                     |
| .879  | 5,123                            | 494,424  | 487,012  | 259,056 | 227,956 | 219,442                     |
| .880  | 5,137                            | 489,924  | 483,045  | 255,677 | 227,368 | 220,068                     |
| .881  | 5,238                            | 484,224  | 476,268  | 251,661 | 224,607 | 215,264                     |
| .882  | 5,203                            | 483,817  | 471,512  | 246,966 | 224,546 | 214,176                     |
| .883  | 5,252                            | 478,791  | 464,369  | 243,671 | 220,698 | 215,561                     |
| 884   | 5,316                            | 471.287  | 466,917  | 244,532 | 222,385 | 221,861                     |
| .885  | 5,395                            | 583,147  | 472,458  | 249,175 | 223,283 | 225,907                     |
| .886  | 5,437                            | 601,204  | 487,496  | 257,030 | 230,466 | 239,044                     |
| .887  | 5,506                            | 611,212  | 493,212  | 259,083 | 234,129 | 245,152                     |
| .888  | 5,569                            | 615,353  | 495,323  | 259,485 | 235,838 | 245,789                     |
| 889   | 5,623                            | 616,028  | 500,815  | 263,047 | 237,768 | 253,943                     |
| .890  | 5,718                            | 617,856  | 496,565  | 259,519 | 237,046 | 251,307                     |
| .891  | 5,826                            | 615,781  | 491,741  | 256,674 | 235,067 | 257,642                     |
| 892   |                                  | 595,238  | 485,670  | 253,091 | 232,579 | 253,830                     |
| 893   |                                  | 592,503  | 481,068  | 250,856 | 230,212 | 259,426                     |
| 894   | 5,977                            | 593,840  | 483,203  | 251,918 | 231,285 | 268,334                     |
| 895   | 5,994                            | 600,615  | 484,551  | 253,108 | 231,443 | 271,549                     |

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