

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Educational matters in Prince Edward Island are under the control of a Board of Education consisting of the Government, Chief Superintendent of Education, and the Principal of the Prince of Wales College, and are supported partly by Government grants and partly by district assessment.

The following table is a summary of the educational statistics of the province, 1888-1903 :—

Year.	No. of School Departments in Operation.	No. of Teachers.	Pupils Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	Percentage of Attendance.	EXPENDITURE.		
						Government.	School Board.	Total.
						\$	\$	\$
1888.....	512	509	22,478	12,248	54·89	108,346	38,609	147,455
1889.....	523	518	23,045	13,159	57·10	108,092	37,810	145,902
1890.....	529	529	22,530	12,490	55·43	113,626	37,610	151,236
1891.....	531	531	22,330	12,898	57·75	111,154	35,629	147,783
1892.....	538	538	22,169	12,986	58·58	114,570	36,542	151,112
1893.....	543	543	22,292	12,960	58·13	118,106	34,592	152,698
1894.....	556	553	22,221	12,849	58·00	122,077	37,854	159,937
1895.....	561	559	22,250	13,250	59·56	121,781	39,426	161,201
1896.....	569	569	22,138	13,412	60·58	124,048	34,809	158,893
1897.....	579	579	21,845	12,978	59·44	128,663	32,781	161,444
1898.....	581	581	21,852	13,377	61·58	129,818	33,215	163,033
1899.....	582	582	21,550	12,941	60·05	125,531	31,537	157,068
1900.....	586	586	21,289	13,167	61·86	129,113	34,054	163,167
1901.....	589	589	20,779	12,330	59·34	128,288	36,647	164,935
1902.....	588	588	20,303	12,884	61·93	127,495	38,827	166,322
1903.....	572	572	19,956	12,112	60·69	123,919	42,698	166,617

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

The educational system of the North-west Territories is administered by a Department of Education, which is under the control of one of the members of the Executive Council, who is officially designated as the Commissioner of Education.

The law provides that no school district shall comprise an area of more than 25 square miles, nor shall it contain less than four resident heads of families, or a smaller school population than 12, *i.e.*, children between the ages of 5 and 16.

No religious instruction is allowed in any public school before 3.30 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time such instruction as is permitted by the trustees may be given, parents having the privilege of withdrawing their children at that hour, if desired.

In 1903 there were 998 school districts in the Territories, and 494 male teachers and 658 female teachers.

amount of teachers' salaries. †By amendment to School Act in 1891, city districts were required to refund one-half of amount of teachers' salaries, and meet all other expenses connected with their schools. §By amendment to School Act in 1893, city districts are required to pay all expenses connected with the maintenance of the schools, and are allowed a per capita grant of \$10 on the average actual daily attendance. They are also given the provincial revenue tax. ††Includes expenditure on Normal School of \$5,548 and cost of educating Deaf and Dumb, \$3,208.