

General elementary and secondary education throughout the Dominion, in so far as it is publicly controlled, is carried on, except in Quebec, in free schools supported by general taxation. These schools may be divided into 12 grades, 8 of which are normally considered to be elementary and 4 secondary, these 12 grades each taking the average pupil one school year to complete, so that an average pupil, entering school at 6 years of age, would finish his secondary school course at 18.

An historical summary of the enrolment and average attendance in the elementary schools of Canada from 1824 to 1925 is given by provinces in Table 3. The totals of pupils enrolled in all provinces in the years 1867, 1871, 1881, 1891 and 1901 are approximations based in certain cases upon provincial statistics for the nearest available years.

3.—Historical Summary of Enrolment and Average Attendance in Schools in Canada, by Provinces, 1824-1925.

TOTAL NUMBER ENROLLED—1824-1925.

| Years.    | P.E.I. | N.S.                | N.B.                | Que. <sup>1</sup>   | Ontario. <sup>4</sup> | Manitoba           | Sask.   | Alberta.             | B.C.             | Canada.   |
|-----------|--------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|---------|----------------------|------------------|-----------|
| 1811..... | -      | -                   | -                   | -                   | -                     | -                  | -       | -                    | -                | -         |
| 1824..... | -      | 5,514               | -                   | -                   | -                     | -                  | -       | -                    | -                | -         |
| 1829..... | -      | 12,000              | -                   | 15,410              | -                     | -                  | -       | -                    | -                | -         |
| 1835..... | -      | 15,292              | -                   | 37,000              | -                     | -                  | -       | -                    | -                | -         |
| 1845..... | -      | -                   | 15,924              | -                   | -                     | -                  | -       | -                    | -                | -         |
| 1846..... | -      | 33,960              | -                   | 60,000 <sup>2</sup> | -                     | -                  | -       | -                    | -                | -         |
| 1850..... | -      | -                   | -                   | -                   | 151,891 <sup>3</sup>  | -                  | -       | -                    | -                | -         |
| 1852..... | -      | -                   | -                   | -                   | 179,857               | -                  | -       | -                    | -                | -         |
| 1861..... | -      | 23,652              | 27,982              | -                   | -                     | -                  | -       | -                    | -                | -         |
| 1864..... | -      | 35,465 <sup>2</sup> | 30,632              | -                   | -                     | -                  | -       | -                    | -                | -         |
| 1866..... | -      | 50,574              | 30,263              | -                   | -                     | -                  | -       | -                    | 401              | -         |
| 1867..... | -      | 65,869              | 31,364              | -                   | 403,339               | -                  | -       | -                    | -                | 718,000   |
| 1868..... | -      | 68,612              | 31,988              | 205,530             | -                     | -                  | -       | -                    | -                | -         |
| 1871..... | -      | 75,995              | 33,981 <sup>2</sup> | -                   | -                     | 817                | -       | -                    | -                | 803,000   |
| 1872..... | -      | 73,638              | 39,837              | -                   | 462,630               | -                  | -       | -                    | 514 <sup>2</sup> | -         |
| 1873..... | -      | 74,297              | 42,611              | 216,992             | -                     | -                  | -       | -                    | 1,028            | -         |
| 1876..... | -      | 79,813              | 64,689              | -                   | 499,078               | 2,734              | -       | -                    | 1,685            | -         |
| 1881..... | 21,501 | 78,828              | 65,631              | 227,935             | 490,404               | 4,919 <sup>2</sup> | -       | -                    | 2,571            | 891,000   |
| 1885..... | 22,414 | 85,714              | 68,367              | -                   | 502,840               | 15,928             | 2,553   | -                    | 4,471            | -         |
| 1891..... | 22,330 | 83,548              | 68,992              | 265,513             | -                     | 23,871             | 5,652   | -                    | 9,260            | 993,000   |
| 1892..... | 22,169 | 85,077              | 68,909              | 265,535             | 508,507               | 23,243             | 6,170   | -                    | 10,773           | 993,383   |
| 1894..... | 22,221 | 98,701              | 69,648              | 274,915             | 506,726               | 32,680             | 10,721  | -                    | 12,613           | 1,028,225 |
| 1895..... | 22,250 | 100,555             | 68,761              | 286,180             | 509,213               | 35,371             | 11,972  | -                    | 13,482           | 1,047,784 |
| 1896..... | 22,138 | 101,032             | 68,297              | 293,584             | 506,515               | 37,987             | 12,796  | -                    | 14,460           | 1,056,809 |
| 1901..... | 20,779 | 98,410              | 66,689              | 314,881             | 492,534               | 51,888             | -       | -                    | 22,615           | 1,083,000 |
| 1903..... | 19,856 | 98,768              | 65,951              | 326,183             | 487,880               | 57,409             | 33,191  | -                    | 24,499           | 1,113,837 |
| 1904..... | 19,031 | 96,886              | 65,278              | 329,606             | 494,351               | 58,574             | 41,033  | -                    | 25,787           | 1,120,606 |
| 1905..... | 19,272 | 100,252             | 66,897              | 335,768             | 487,635               | 63,287             | 25,191  | 24,254               | 27,854           | 1,149,909 |
| 1906..... | 18,986 | 100,332             | 66,635              | 341,808             | 492,644               | 64,123             | 31,275  | 28,784               | 28,522           | 1,173,009 |
| 1907..... | 19,636 | 100,007             | 66,422              | 347,614             | 493,701               | 67,144             | 37,622  | 34,238               | 30,039           | 1,196,013 |
| 1908..... | 18,012 | 100,105             | 66,383              | 352,944             | 501,641               | 71,031             | 47,086  | 39,653               | 33,223           | 1,230,169 |
| 1909..... | 18,073 | 101,690             | 67,735              | 367,012             | 507,219               | 73,044             | 55,116  | 46,048               | 36,227           | 1,272,204 |
| 1910..... | 17,932 | 102,035             | 68,184              | 374,647             | 510,700               | 76,247             | 65,392  | 55,367               | 39,670           | 1,310,117 |
| 1911..... | 17,397 | 102,910             | 68,951              | 389,123             | 518,605               | 80,848             | 72,260  | 61,660               | 49,451           | 1,356,879 |
| 1913..... | 17,555 | 105,269             | 69,663              | 411,784             | 542,822               | 83,679             | 101,463 | 79,909               | 57,384           | 1,469,752 |
| 1914..... | 19,069 | 106,351             | 70,622              | 435,895             | 561,927               | 93,954             | 113,985 | 89,910               | 61,957           | 1,552,976 |
| 1915..... | 18,402 | 107,768             | 72,013              | 448,087             | 569,030               | 100,983            | 122,862 | 97,286               | 64,284           | 1,601,703 |
| 1916..... | 18,362 | 109,189             | 73,007              | 464,447             | 560,340               | 103,796            | 129,439 | 99,201               | 64,570           | 1,622,351 |
| 1917..... | 18,190 | 109,032             | 71,981              | 463,390             | 561,865               | 106,588            | 142,617 | 107,727              | 65,118           | 1,648,508 |
| 1918..... | 17,861 | 108,097             | 71,782              | 467,508             | 564,655               | 109,925            | 151,326 | 111,109              | 67,516           | 1,669,776 |
| 1919..... | 17,587 | 106,982             | 71,029              | 486,201             | 584,724               | 114,662            | 164,219 | 121,567              | 72,906           | 1,738,977 |
| 1920..... | 17,354 | 108,096             | 72,098              | 495,887             | 604,923               | 123,452            | 174,925 | 135,750              | 79,243           | 1,812,618 |
| 1921..... | 17,510 | 109,483             | 73,712              | 512,651             | 632,123               | 129,015            | 184,871 | 124,328 <sup>4</sup> | 85,950           | 1,869,943 |
| 1922..... | 18,323 | 114,229             | 77,774              | 530,705             | 654,893               | 136,876            | 188,935 | 142,902              | 91,919           | 1,951,556 |
| 1923..... | 17,742 | 114,458             | 78,753              | 537,406             | 667,922               | 142,389            | 194,313 | 148,045              | 94,888           | 1,995,866 |
| 1924..... | 17,281 | 111,594             | 79,265              | 541,485             | 671,311               | 144,491            | 204,154 | 147,373              | 96,204           | 2,013,158 |
| 1925..... | 17,427 | 112,352             | 80,145              | -                   | -                     | 145,834            | 206,595 | 147,796 <sup>6</sup> | 97,954           | -         |

<sup>1</sup> Common School System formed. <sup>2</sup> Free School System established. <sup>3</sup> Primary schools only. <sup>4</sup> Not including vocational schools. <sup>5</sup> Half year only. <sup>6</sup> Including Private Schools.