

foster homes and free family homes. It was therefore decided that statistics of children in foster homes, etc., under the care of the children's aid societies and juvenile immigration societies should also be obtained.

**Day Nurseries.**—As far as could be ascertained, 19 day nurseries were in operation in Canada on June 1, 1931. The day nursery is becoming an important factor in the field of social welfare, not only caring for children in the nurseries while the mothers are at work, but also rendering valuable service as employment agencies. As might be expected, the largest number of day nurseries are found in our two largest cities, Montreal and Toronto. Of the 19 day nurseries reporting, 1 is in the province of Nova Scotia, 7 are in the province of Quebec, 8 in Ontario, 2 in Manitoba and 1 in British Columbia. The Montreal Day Nursery has been in existence since 1888, while the Crèche D'Youville, Montreal, dates from 1754. No new day nurseries have been opened since 1920. In that year day nurseries were opened in Hamilton, Ont., and in London, Ont. Almost all day nurseries are maintained by public funds, donations and fees. The fees charged vary from 5 cents to 25 cents a day per child.

The number of days' care provided is the most reliable measure of service given in the day nursery field. It is interesting to observe that the number of children in day nurseries on June 1, 1931, corresponds closely to the average daily population for the year, which indicates that the parents utilize the day nurseries with regularity.

Nine day nurseries acted as women's employment agencies and show a total employment secured of 52,683 days with total earnings of \$114,746.

Summary statistics of institutions for the care of children are given in Table 5.

##### 5.—Summary Statistics of Institutions and Agencies for the Care of Dependent and Neglected Children, by Provinces, June 1, 1931.

Type of Institution.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<b>Orphanages—</b>										
Total number of institutions.....	2	9	6	39	28	13	5	3	9	114
Number reporting.....	2	9	6	39	28	13	5	3	9	114
Inmates June 1, 1931.....	125	564	484	6,011	1,756	877	222	348	537	10,908
<b>Homes for Adults and Children—</b>										
Total number of homes.....	-	5	10	39	13	3	-	1	3	74
Number reporting.....	-	5	10	39	13	3	-	1	3	74
Children in Homes, June 1, 1931..	-	107	227	3,136	723	95	-	122	52	4,465
<b>Institutions for Deaf, Dumb and Blind—</b>										
Total number of institutions.....	-	2	-	5	2	1	-	-	1	11
Number reporting.....	-	2	-	5	2	1	-	-	1	11
Inmates June 1, 1931.....	-	284	-	708	441	175	-	-	79	1,687
<b>Day Nurseries—</b>										
Total number of institutions.....	-	1	-	7	8	2	-	-	1	19
Number reporting.....	-	1	-	7	8	2	-	-	1	19
Children in care, June 1, 1931.....	-	30	-	1,961	382	81	-	-	59	2,513
<b>Child-Placing Agencies and Societies—</b>										
Total number.....	2	13	4	1	56	4	3	4	3	90
Number reporting.....	2	13	3	1	54	4	3	4	3	87
Children in care, June 1, 1931.....	102	1,336	308	228	9,680	1,744	263	151	736	14,548
<b>Juvenile Immigration Societies for Children of British Birth—</b>										
Total number.....	-	2	1	2	9	1	1	1	1	18
Number reporting.....	-	2	1	2	9	1	1	1	1	18
Children in care, June 1, 1931.....	-	234	293	2,296	2,986	187	130	128	63	6,314