Subsection 2.—Prince Edward Island

The Government of Prince Edward Island consists of a Lieutenant-Governor, an Executive Council and a Legislative Assembly. The Honourable T. W. L. Prowse, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province at Mar. 31, 1957, was commissioned to office on Oct. 4, 1950. Lieutenant-Governors since Confederation are cited in the 1951 Year Book, p. 86.

The General Assembly elected May 25, 1955, is the 48th in the history of Prince Edward Island Legislatures and the 23rd since Confederation. It has 30 members from 15 electoral districts who serve for a statutory term of five years. One-half of the Members of the Legislative Assembly are elected on a property vote. Each district elects one Councillor (elected on a property vote) and one Assembly member (elected on a general franchise vote).

The annual salary of the Premier is $6,000 and each Cabinet Minister, with two exceptions, receives $4,000; the Minister of Education and the Minister of Health each receive $3,000. Each Member of the Assembly is paid the sum of $1,450 for each session attended by him and an additional amount of $500 tax free as indemnity for expenses incurred. The Speaker is paid an additional sum of $400 and a further additional amount of $200 tax free as an indemnity. The Leader of the Opposition is paid an additional sum of $800 and a further additional amount of $200 tax free for expenses incurred by him in performance of official duties.

15.—Legislatures and Premiers of Prince Edward Island 1935-57 and Ministry as at Mar. 31, 1957

Legislatures 1935-57[1]

Date of Election	Legislature	Number of Sessions	Date of First Opening	Date of Dissolution
July 23, 1935	18th	5	Sept. 25, 1935	Apr. 21, 1939
May 18, 1939	19th	4	Mar. 20, 1940	Aug. 20, 1943
Sept. 15, 1943	20th	4	Feb. 15, 1944	Oct. 27, 1947
Dec. 11, 1947	21st	5	Feb. 24, 1948	Mar. 30, 1951
Apr. 26, 1951	22nd	6	Oct. 23, 1951	Apr. 27, 1955
May 25, 1955	23rd	[2]	Feb. 2, 1956	[2]

[1] The Ministries from 1935-57 were: 19th Ministry sworn in Oct. 14, 1933 under the leadership of Hon. W. J. P. MacMillan; 20th Ministry sworn in Aug. 15, 1935 under the leadership of Hon. W. M. Lea; 21st Ministry sworn in Jan. 14, 1936 under the leadership of Hon. T. A. Campbell; 22nd Ministry sworn in May 11, 1943 under the leadership of Hon. J. Walter Jones; 23rd Ministry sworn in May 25, 1953 under the leadership of Hon. A. W. Matheson.
[2] Legislature not expired at Mar. 31, 1957.

Twenty-Third Ministry

(Party standing at latest General Election, May 25, 1955: 27 Liberals and 3 Progressive Conservatives.)

NOTE.—Ministers are shown at date of original appointment as a Minister and at date of appointment to present portfolio, despite the formation of a new Ministry consequent upon the appointment of a new Premier. Date of appointment does not necessarily mean that the Minister was sworn in on date given.

Office	Name	Date of First Appointment	Date of Present Appointment
Premier, Attorney and Advocate General and President of the Executive Council	Hon. ALEXANDER W. MATHESON	May 11, 1943	May, 25, 1953 June 15, 1955
Minister of Public Works and Minister of Industry and Natural Resources and of Fisheries	Hon. DOUGALD MACKINNON	Sept. 16, 1939	June 15, 1955
Minister of Welfare and Minister of Labour	Hon. F. W. PHILLIPS	Apr. 3, 1956	Apr. 3, 1956
Minister of Agriculture	Hon. EUGENE CULLEN	Apr. 16, 1949	June 15, 1955
Minister of Education	Hon. KEIR CLARK	June 16, 1951	June 15, 1955
Provincial Secretary and Treasurer	Hon. B. EARLE MACDONALD	May 25, 1953	June 15, 1955
Minister of Highways	Hon. J. GEORGE MACKAY	Jan. 18, 1955	June 15, 1955
Minister of Health	Hon. M. LORNE BONNELL	June 15, 1955	June 15, 1955
Minister without portfolio	Hon. EDWARD P. FOLEY	June 10, 1954	June 15, 1955