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#### SEPARATE SCHOOL GRANTS

"Every Separate School shall be entitled to a share in the fund annually granted by the Legislature of this Province for the support of Common Schools, and shall be entitled also to a share in all other public grants, investments and allotments for Common School purposes now made, or hereafter to made, by the Province, or the Municipal authorities, according to the average number of pupils attending such School during the twelve next preceding months, or during the number of months which may have elapsed from the establishment of a new Separate School, as compared Separate schools. The basis of 2. The \$95,000 that the Govern- ples followed at present in educawhole average number of pupils attending School in the same City, Town, Village or Township."

That is, word for word, Clause

ate Schools.

There is another consideration often not taken into account when this question is under discussion. The legislative grants to Public and Separate schools alike are of two distinct kinds-Urban and Rural. The total ance. Then the amount belonging to the Separate schools is apportioned to the individual urban Separate school boards on precisely the same basis as the amount allotted to Public schools is apportioned to the urban Public school boards. There has never been a single complaint even on the part of unscrupulous agitators that urban Separate schools anywhere in the Province have received an unduly large grant. The fact is that urban elementary schools, both Public and Separate, receive very small grants, altogether disproportionate to the grants given rural elementary schools.

There is good and sufficient reasons for this; but we shall discuss them at another time.

the whole trouble about Separate 7 school grants centres exclusively around the amounts given to Rural words to show that under the pres-Separate schools. This is a con- ent law and regulations there is no understanding of the subject, which be distributed to the schools that but it is one that does not enter into discuss it.

During the course of our educational development the Depart- schools complying with the conditions ment of Education has deemed it that entitled them to the full 40% of clearly indicated by incidents the who wise and useful in order to secure the excess over \$500. So that an already mentioned in these columns. better school buildings, better the excess over \$500. So that an already mentioned in these columns. Noteworthy amongst these was the frankly admit it. It was contrary which Correctly the excess over \$500. ventilation and lighting, better salaries for teachers, better educational standards generally, to design to specify the salaries for teachers, better educational standards generally, to specify to specify to specify the same section design the salaries for the district the section been removed by Socialist municipal design to the district the same section design the same section been removed by Socialist municipal design to the district the same section design the same section des devise certain bases for the distri- paying \$1,000 would get 40% of bodies. Such removal was char- advice of his own experts and legal bution of this grant which would \$1,000—\$500 or \$200; and of the acterized as "offensive to the domatimulate local authorities to unused balance another are suited include under the category of comstimulate local authorities to unused balance, another pro rata inant eligion of the State." The greater efforts to improve school distribution, amounting to \$184; inclusion in the cabinet of several

from time to time.

dance-has been distributed to the lower salaries. individual Separate schools on schools.

receives a salary grant—that is a of his address he said: grant based solely on the salary assessments reach \$100,000 and over, Province of Ontario." when the grant is only \$40.

to Rural schools.

rural Public schools and rural 'ignorant." Separate schools proportionately to Public schools, 8% going to rural grasp this fundamental fact. the Provincial Government to this assistant, if any, \$900 or over. If the single year of 1922.

> Now, whether through ignoror for reasons of poverty or parsimony or what not, fewer rural Separate schools, proporonly a little more than half used up when the specified allotments to each school were made.

> And the Department of Education Act as quoted in the first paragraph of the Instructions to School Inspectors on the apportionment of Legislative grants among Public and Separate Schools of the Counties, has this prescription concerning unused balances:

"If, however, in any year the amounts voted by the Legislature for the above services are insufficient to pay in full the grants as defined in Nos. 10, 11, 12 and 13 for rural schools, of the Regulations herein contained, the Minister may make a pro rata reduction, and if in any year the said amounts are more was them at another time.

We have just to bear in mind that grants, the Minister shall make a

pro rata increase in such grants. We have italicised the above

the half-baked information of many rural schools-amounting last year vary in various localities, and that speakers and writers who freely to 92% of the original grant-was such complaints indicate merely added to grants already made to the comparatively few rural Separate

earn a greater share of the provin- Supplementary Grant on salaries. party as well as the adoption of These regulations, the result of monious rural Separate school platform were further indications much thought enlightened by much | boards, the few who were generous | of good will. experience, may be and are changed reaped a double reward. It cost

precisely the same bases as the tions to make in the premises; in was Fabio Chigi who occupied the Public school grant is distributed the meantime let those interested Chair of Peter as Alexander VII. amongst the Public schools. It will try to understand the situation. from 1658 to 1667. Even today be clear, therefore, that, no matter We shall be glad to hear from during a conclave a company of the how it works out in particular rural Separate school trustees or Palatine guard is stationed in the cases, there is no ground whatever ratepayers if further information | Castile del Maresciallo under the for complaint on the part of Public | is desired. We request particularly | command of Prince Chigi, who is the Now in recent years the dominant be given when writing.

consideration with the Education A subscriber writes that Mr. perty of the Italian Government. Department has been to induce Thurston, M. P. for Victoria and As a reason for transferring the local authorities of rural schools Haliburton, undertook to enlighten Chigi Library to the Vatican the to pay higher salaries. So out of his constituents at Kinmount, Jan. Italian Ministry declares that this the ordinary grant each school 18, on this question. In the course valuable collection of books will

In addition to these ordinary ignorant than other speakers and olic circles. grants thus distributed there is a writers who have considered them-Supplementary Grant on Salaries selves competent to elucidate this perplexing subject. And we mean | the following announcement through This, again, is divided between no offense when we use the term the De Stefani news agency:

the average attendance at rural to know that the whole question accordance with his well-known Public and rural Separate Schools concerns grants to rural Separate ideas often expressed and defended for the preceding year; 92% of schools, exclusively. Others dis- in meetings of teachers and in many latter? the whole grant going to rural cussing the subject have failed to of his publications, intends to intro-

apportionment of this grant to ment paid into court-or was going cational matters. The Minister individual schools is two-fold: the so to dispose of until it got fright- insists that religious teaching must assessment of the section and the ened by the fact that instead of be the principal foundation of public salary paid. To participate to the side-stepping its political respon- education and of all moral renewal XX. of the Roman Catholic Separate fullest extent in this supplement-sibility it was inviting additional of the Italian spirit." School Act of 1863. The rights ary grant the average section adverse criticism—did not accumu- It may be a bit premature to

ate schools—is divided in pro- ary grant would be \$200; if the in these schools. A school—Public hope and salvation of Italy is the the powers of the most plausible." go about as simple priests so as to Shakespeare was a Catholic on that portion to the respective average salary were \$950, the grant would or Separate—with a teacher getting Catholic religion. school that graded low in efficiency schools. but high in salary would receive \$35 only.

So Mr. Thurston was simply a delusion that his sight was keen.

These considerations answer, also, the Toronto Telegram's query, Why don't Separate schools Earn their grants?"

are earned simply and solely by paying high salaries.

## THE MUSSOLINI MINISTRY AND CATHOLICS

Notwithstanding many evidences part of the Fascist government we in the Catholic religion. read occasionally complaints, sometimes bitter complaints, of unfair, sideration essential to that proper option; the balance, if any, must even violent, treatment of Catholics on the part of Fascist groups. It is must precede intelligent discussion; have already eccived their quota. not at all improbable that the char-The unused balance for Separate acter of Fascists and Fascism may

certain isolated local conditions. That the Mussolini Ministry itself is well disposed seems to be pretty conditions that they might thereby \$384 in all from this particular members of the Popular or Catholic

Very recently the Mussolini Minthese generous boards considerably istry decided to aggregate to the The total grant to Separate less in taxes to pay \$1,000 to the Vatican Library the Chigian schools-which as we have said is teacher than it cost the over- Library. The Chigi were for centin direct proportion to the atten- prudent, tax-fearing board to pay uries one of the most illustrious and powerful of Italian families. We have some practical sugges- Amongst its more famous members that the assessment of your section hereditary Marshal of the Conclave. The Chigian Library was the proprobably be of greater use to "Some \$95,000 of Separate school students at the Vatican library than paid and the assessment of the grants had accumulated during the elsewhere, and that included section-varying from \$200 to \$40 past number of years owing to the amongst the books are many according to the assessment of the fact that the Separate schools of volumes relating to Alexander V I. section, the highest amount going Ontario had not graded high as well as rare ecclesiastical editions to sections under \$30,000 assess- enough for the requirements of some which would go toward completing ment, grading downwards until the of the Educational Acts of the the Vatican collection. This graceful act on the part of the Government Mr. Thurston, M. P., is not more has given much satisfaction in Cath-

> Again, the Minister of Public Instruction a few weeks ago made

"The Minister of Public Instrucduce a radical reform in the princi-

enjoyed under this Act were made (whose assessment is between late during a number of years. It pin absolute faith on the new part and parcel of the Fundamental \$100,000 and \$300,000 had to pay is the unpaid balance of the amount Government's good intentions, but Law of Canada in 1867. It is conseduring the past few years, \$1000 of grants allotted by the Governit does not seem unwarranted quently beyond the competence of the will avail the dethroned Catholic Queen, all the dethroned Catholic Queen, all the men at many the entire costs of the War that several of themselves of this opportunity of that is pure and noble? Why in the governmental helm today rea- was from the outset untenable; or reducing the expense under which short, as it has been asked, are his right of Separate schools to share in this amount were paid the grant 3. The bulk of the grants to lize that Italy's history, Italy's rather, to put it more impartially, they have had to live by reason of Catholic priests such fine fellows, all grants on the basis of attendance. was, for Principal 40% of excess rural schools, whether Public or culture, the glory of Italian achieve-In accordance with this provision over \$500; for assistant, if any, Separate, is awarded on the basis ment in arts, science and letters, the total amount of ordinary grants 40% of excess over \$400. Or, of salaries alone, without any confound their inspiration and their set aside by the Province for ele- assuming the salary of a principal sideration whatsoever of the educa- source in the Catholic Church. And mentary schools—Public and Separto be exactly \$1000, the supplement—
tional standards or the work done
that in the future as in the past the
two have had to get permission to answer may not be, definitely, that

attendance at Public and Separate be 20% of the excess over \$500, or \$700 might on Departmental tests The N. C. W. C. news service schools during the preceding year; \$90; if the salary were \$800 (but and on the Inspector's report, grade seems to think that the Italian the Public school portion going to less than \$900,) the grant would be very much higher than a neighbor- Minister of Education's pronouncethe Public schools exclusively, and 20% of \$800-\$500 or \$60; on a ing school (of the same assessment) ment means that voluntary Cathothat portion allotted to Separate salary of \$700 (but less than \$800) paying \$1 000, yet this latter school, lic schools are to be placed on a other than to reduce the amount table, will help to solve this prob-which has been the subject, of making a discreditable showing on footing of equality with the State that should have gone to meet the lem. the High School Entrance and Pro- schools. This is an error. Italy's ance of the conditions of the grant, motion Examinations, roundly de- voluntary Catholic schools are few nounced as unsatisfactory by the and unimportant. France, finding Inspector, would receive from the that the so-called neutral State schools paid salaries entitling them the former would get but \$10. That ly anti-Christian, organized volunamount set apart for Urban schools to the fullest measure of benefit is if the assessment in both cases tary, or as the French call them, under this Supplementary Grant on | was from \$100,000 to \$300,000. If | free Catholic schools supported ate schools on the basis of attendThen the amount belowing Salaries. And this left the amount the assessment were in both cases entirely by voluntary subscriptions this practical suggestion: allotted to rural Separate schools between \$60,000 and \$100,000, the after paying the taxes to the State

> The Italian Minister of Public \$250 from this one source; and the Instruction has himself made his school that graded low in salary meaning clear. Asked as to how he but high in efficiency would get proposed to carry out his announced intention of making religious teaching the principal foundation of pubblind guide who was under the lic education he made this reply recently in Venice:

"In a very simple manner. At. present, parents desiring religious instruction for their children must The grants, in very large measure, effect. We intend to have religious are earned simply and solely by paying high salaries.

of pensions and separation anowances would necessarily come out instruction imparted to all children, except those whose parents, for particular reasons, request in writing after these deductions, there these deductions, there were the steamers public property. Catholics are surely as after these deductions, there were the steamers public property. that their children be dispensed."

the rosy optimism of certain credulous Evangelicals, that religious inof friendliness to the Vatican on the struction means definite instruction

# MR. ROWELL IS RIGHT

The Hon. Mr. N. W. Rowell, who was one of Canada's first delegates to the League of Nations, speaking before a joint meeting of the Canadian and Rotary Clubs at Guelph on Friday last said:

" On the question of reparations the allies first took the position that Germany should be required to pay le cost of the war. pensation to the civilian population pensions and separation allowances.

"The first result of adding Thus, because of the many parsimuch of the Popular progressive pensions and separation allowances to Germany's obligations was that it produced such a gigantic total that the allies themselves recognized Germany could not possibly pay the total claim. They, therefore, provided in the treaty that this amount might be scaled down or reduced from time to time, according to

Germany's capacity to pay.' John Maynard Keynes is an adviser to the British Treasury Chancellor of The Exchequer on the representative of the British Government at the Paris Peace Confer-

various languages. Mr. Keynes even a Phil May! pointed out the inevitable consequences of the impossible conditions of the Versailles Treaty, consequences now all to evident even to those who know nothing of the science of economics or of the intricacies and inter-relations of world finance.

upon by Mr. Rowell he said:

"If words have any meaning, or engagements any force, we had no more right to claim for those war expenses of the State, which arose out of Pensions and Separation Allowances, than for any other of 1. Mr. Thurston does not seem tion, the Hon. Giovanni Gentile, in the general costs of the war. And who is prepared to argue in detail that we were entitled to demand the

compromise between the Prime Minister's pledge to the British

Before this Mr. Keynes had said: "Mr. Lloyd George's election it aside as a residence for those contemptible villain? Why is this pledge to the effect that the Allies of the Cardinals who choose to take Henry VIII., a cruel, selfish and were entitled to demand from Ger- advantage of it. It is probable voluptuous tyrant, and Katherine, it was clear that to persuade the their official position. More than and his Protestant ministers such President (Wilson) of the conformity of this demand with our pre

couched in such equivocal terms as the maintenance of a carriage or the theory that he was an adherent delight the heart of shifty politi- automobile. Residence in the old of the Reformation. cians. But it has had no real effect palace where among other econjust and pressing claims of France, saving Lloyd George's face and humbugging the wrong-headed and writing down.

the inclusion of pensions and separation allowances in the Treaty of as they are not covered by the agreement under which Germany laid down her arms, and should not be included in the treaty. Further, as it is now admitted that Germany cannot pay even sufficient to cover the cost of restoring the devastated areas, any payments which might be made to Canada in rest.ect make in writing a petition to this of pensions and separation allowremains any further sum payable Canada, we should be prepared It goes without saying, in spite of to follow the lead of Great Britain But since the C. P. R. is a private of the Brothers of the Christian and forego this amount in the interests of a general settlement of the based our finances on the assumption that we would have to pay our own costs of the War, and the will not involve any change in our financial program.

up nothing of value; she renounces, at most, a questionable claim to

worship accorded by the unthinking ture to his purpose." multitude to some of them, we are reminded of a remark made many IT MAY be readily admitted that eminent English economist, was Smith in regard to those who toil Genevan Bible, or, at least with during the War, Deputy for the to the effect that in the matter of such liberal use of in his time in the Supreme Economic Council, and the good luck to be popular novel-thing of the past. The Bible in the official financial and economic ists." The drawer of syndicated reigns of Henry VIII. and Elizabeth His book, "The Economic Conse- Prof. Smith might be applied with To such an extent was this the case quences of the Peace," published in even greater force in that direction. that, as present-day apologists of 1920, was widely read on two Imagine if one can, a whole city a the Reformation find it convenient

the statement made that in Boston ly be unfamiliar with the mutilated the circulation of sensational news- texts that were incorporated in papers is 1,362,000, and of the every idle jibe and jest in the mar-Boston has always claimed to be the ation from that source is, neverthecentre of culture and refinement in less, a gratuitous assumption. Writing of the subject touched the United States: what would not the savants of the last century have "DID IT ever occur to this Angto say as to this manifest token of lican theorist," asks a discerning intellectual decadence! Evidently critic, "that Shakespeare's Bible the change in the racial complex- Christians are all fools? - Jack ion of its citizens has not been Cade, Costard and Holofernes, altogether for the better. But of Quince and Bottom the Weaver, what city in the United States, Parson Evans, and Falstaff-so or, for that matter of Canada, can much so that Bishop Wordsworth this not be said.

"What really happened was a Cardinals are a body of men who caustic Papist might have done."

of sectarian animosity has ever of England, writing in 1708 says he Supplementary Grant on Salaries schools were not only not neutral impractical idealist, Wilson; it gave attempt of the Toronto Telegram strong reasons for the assertional come under our notice than the tionately, than rural Public alone the sum of at least \$200; while but positively and often aggressive-Catholics by publishing in its Catholic and as to the Bard himself, Mr. Rowell then went on to make columns, without comment, an the truth probably is that, he was a enlarged half-tone reproduction of Catholic at heart, but during his "Canada's substantial claim to a contemporary, the North West to himself, and refrained from share in the reparations is based on Review, announcing the equipment antagonizing the powers that were. by the Canadian Pacific Railway Not a lofty attitude certainly, or of its ocean going steamers with one worthy of imitation. Every Versailles. Canada should relinder of its ocean going steamers with quish all claims under these heads, facilities for the celebration of Mass.

CATHOLIC PASSENGERS have long been at a disadvantage in this regard as compared with the facilities for public worship available by others, and the steamship company's action in putting an end to this state of affairs is no more than much entitled to consideration as those of other religious persuasions. corporation, and has a right to Schools has been convoked to assemble at the Mother House in ests of a general settlement of the whole question of reparations and inter-allied debts. Fortunately for us the Government of Canada, both as the sheerest impertinence. The during and since the War, has manifest intention, of course, was the most widely representative to insinuate that special favor educational conventions ever held.

The delegates, to the number of own costs of the War, and the failure to receive any sum from Germany on account of reparations absurd.

The delegates, to the number of ninety-two, come from nearly every country in the world and represent every phase of educa-

Mr. Rowell is right. Acting on again up for discussion. An Ang- schools. Mr. Rowell is right. Acting on again up for discussion. An Ang-schools, and colleges; normal, his suggestion Canada really gives lican apologist lays heavy stress commercial, technical, agricultural, upon the Bard's familiarity with the Genevan Bible, and argues there-from that he was undoubtedly a from that he was undoubtedly a dumb; working boys' homes, and an assuredly bad debt. But she Protestant. "His personal study of young men's societies and makes a significant gesture of that volume, his indebtedness to it, Europe, Asia, Africa, North and international good will that may and his reverence for it" point, in South America will be represented, rms. Subse-persuaded have a very real influence in this gentleman's estimation, to the representation being strengthening the hands of those one conclusion that Shakespeare one conclusion that Shakespeare gium, Spain, United States, was an adherent of the "reformed" Canada. The United States who put their faith in justice and dectrines. The reverend scribe, have six representatives and Canada Christian charity rather than in however, proves too much, for if it four. The Christian Brothers of Ontario will be represented by military force in international tre- be that he was, as alleged, familiar Reverend Brother Bernard, Provin with this particular version, how is cial.

NOTES AND COMMENTS | it that he satirizes so unmercifully Reverning to the almost fabul. the abuse of private interpretation ous incomes of writers in this gen- of the Scriptures? "There's no eration who cater to the popular damned error but a sober brow will demand for amusement and excite- write a text on," for example or, ment, and to the species of hero- "The devil himself can quote Scrip-

years ago by the late Goldwin Shakespeare was familiar with the for a higher end. This remark was those portions of it which were made income especially, they "had not effort to make the Catholic Faith a "comic strips" for the daily papers was so bandied about and textually had not then blossomed into full distorted as to have become a veriflower, but the contrast noted by table scandal to the sober-minded. continents, and was translated into generation ago running wild over to forget, a statute was passed in Henry's reign forbidding its use among the "common people." Pointing in the same direction is Shakespeare, therefore, could hard-"more serious" papers but 75,000. ket place. That he drew his inspir-

takes him to task for irreverence, as a great number of Genevan texts THE PREVALENT idea in the minds are put in the mouths of his knaves of some people that the Roman and hypocrites, exactly what a pass their lives in state and luxury Or, if Shakespeare were a Protestwill receive somewhat of a jolt ant, it may be further asked, why electorate to claim the entire costs from a recent despatch from Rome. are all his pure and lofty charof the War and the pledge to the One of the practical steps taken by acters Catholic? Why the Catholic contrary which the Allies had given Pius the Eleventh in regard to the Henry V., an ideal prince, and restoration of the old palace of King John, who swaggers and the Holy Office is the setting of rails against the Holy See, a one of them have felt keenly the clowns? Why is the pervading high cost of living prevailing since tone throughout his plays sym The compromise arrived at was avoid the expense incidental upon account, but it certainly shatters

> scrutiny for centuries, may never be definitely known. Richard No smaller or meaner exhibition Davies, a clergyman of the Church a paragraph from our Winnipeg active life in London kept that fact other circumstance of his life, nevertheless, taken with the internal evidence of the Plays, effectually disposes of the idea that he was an adherent of the Reformation.' On the contrary, the weight of evidence goes to substantiate Richard Davies' affirmation that he died a Papist."

### GENERAL CHAPTER OF THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS

A General Chapter of the order tionists will, undoubtedly, be one of represent every phase of educa-tional activity and "boy work" THE RELIGION of Shakespeare is carried on by the Christian Brothers, including primary schools, high the countries having the largest United States, and