

2000 for the towns we get 21,045 for the rest of the Island, or 1195 more than in 1898, and 1497 more than in 1899. The average daily attendance was 13,159. Allow 1500 for the towns, which the report for that year shows to be a liberal one, and we get an average of 11,255 in 1899.

There were 436 districts in 1889. Deduct the seven for towns and we have 429 for the country, as against 464 in 1898 or 1899, or an increase of 35 for the two later years.

There were 518 teachers in all in 1889, of whom 46 were in the towns, leaving 472 in the country, as against 520 and 521 in 1898 and 1899, or an increase of 48 and 49 respectively. Yet we have now a smaller number of enrolled pupils and a smaller daily attendance.

Of the Primary Schools in 1889 only 79 had an average attendance of less than 20, divided among the counties as follows:—

Queen's, 32; Prince, 20; and King's, 27. These had a daily average attendance of 15.92 as compared with 177 schools with an average of 14.80 in 1898, and 194 schools with an average of about 15 in 1899.

Only one district in 1889 had an average attendance of 10 or less. That was No. 45 Queen's (in the same list in 1899) with first-class teacher, average attendance 9. In that case the teacher taught only part of the year and received only \$58.47 as salary.

Now, it does seem to me that the statistics I have compiled and set out in the foregoing pages merit attention.

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Some Recollections of Richmond Bay.

EARLY in the present century the lands bordering on the shores of Richmond Bay South were cultivated. Even as late as 1835 traces of the last furrows turned could be seen. At