

joyed by the Seminary of Montreal and that of Quebec with its extension in the Laval University. We have also a right to insist that some consideration should be given to the probable increase of value of such lands, had they been granted in 1801.

In an able article in the Journal of Education for Lower Canada, it is argued, that under the present system the Protestants receive more than their share of the superior education fund. But admitting the correctness of the figures given, and admitting also that the Superintendent has acted in the matter with all fairness, there would remain for consideration, in addition to the facts stated in that article, the following questions, all more or less important to a correct understanding of the position of the Protestants.

(1.) The claim of the Protestant higher institutions to grants of land, commensurate with those enjoyed by the great Roman Catholic Seminaries and their University.

(2.) How far the aids to such institutions should be based on population or number of pupils.

(3.) What institutions should be regarded as provincial and what as local.

(4.) What classes of institutions have a right to share in the superior education fund.

(5.) The grants given in former years for buildings; and the progressive diminution of some of the grants in recent years.

(6.) The conditions attached to the aids given, in some cases.

(7.) The relative proportion of the aids given and the contributions of the supporters of the Schools.

(8.) The condition and management of the lands known as the "Jesuits' estates," and of the superior education fund.

Some of these points we have already noticed, and it would occupy too much of our time to enter into others, which would require statements of figures and minute details. It is sufficient to say that they have led some of those who have given attention to the subject, to very different conclusions from those of the article referred to, with regard to the effects of the present system, while they by no means remove the fears of a change for the worse under the new constitution.