

Allison and St. Joseph's College, which have been, and continue to be, potent influences in the educational history of the Province. I will confine my remarks to the High Schools and Common Schools.

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

The name *Grammar School* was given during the first decades of the century to certain advanced schools established in the towns, and the name continues to be used to designate the Secondary or High Schools, of which one is located in each of the Counties except Sunbury and Madawaska.

The first Grammar School was established in St. John in the year 1805. The Assembly granted £100 for the building and £100 per annum for the maintenance of the school. The citizens contributed liberally, for the times, to its support. In 1816, there was an additional grant by the Legislature of £150, and the St. John Grammar School became thereafter a strong and successful school at which a fairly liberal education was imparted. In my early recollection it was presided over by a man who has left the impress of his character upon the city in which he lived, and whose memory is still cherished by many of the older citizens of St. John. I refer to the late Dr. James Patterson, a scholar and a gentleman. The school is now located in a commodious and well equipped building, has a strong staff of teachers presided over by our friend and associate Dr. H. S. Bridges, and about 350 pupils.

The Charlotte County Grammar School was established in the town of St. Andrews in the year 1816. During the same year a general Act was passed to establish Grammar Schools in the remaining counties: The Governor in Council was empowered to appoint Boards of Trustees in each County, whose duty it was to establish and manage such High Schools. The subjects to be taught in these schools were the Latin and Greek Languages, English Grammar, Geography with the use of the Globes, and the practical branches of Mathematics. The trustees of each school were required to admit eight poor scholars to be instructed gratuitously.

Under the provisions of this Act, Grammar Schools were established in Westmorland County in 1820, in Northumberland County in 1822, in Kings County and Sunbury in 1823, in Queens in 1824, and in most of the other counties, as such counties were respectively organized. The High School of York County, established in 1830 as a preparatory

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