

Those interested will likely wish to know something of the school system of the Dominion, and let me refer to it here. The educational machinery in Canada is most complete, and all legislation, thereupon, is in the hands of the Government of the several provinces. They make admirable arrangements to meet all the requirements of the immediate province, with the result that no country can boast of the same extended educational facilities. In every township two sections, 640 acres each, of land are held in trust by the Dominion Government as school lands. The revenue derived from these, in the shape of fees, &c., augmented by Government grants, provide for the teaching staff. Wherever, therefore, a new settlement is started, and a school is required, the Government at once establishes one, free to all, provided that no less than ten children, from five to twenty years of age, are in the district. The poorest has equal rights and privileges with the richest. The schools are national, and do not recognise the religious differences of the people—unless in very special circumstances. Their superintendence is in the hands of the leading educators of the country, who are responsible for their being inspected twice a year by officials appointed for the purpose. The teachers must undergo a course of training, and receive a Government certificate, before they can be recognised as competent to teach. In addition to the public schools there are also collegiate institutes, maintained at the public expense, and free to all. When pupils have completed their education in the former they are prepared to enter the latter for training in the higher branches of study to qualify for entrance to the Normal Schools and Universities. The Professors and teachers are generally distinguished for their culture and ability. Private schools and academies are also to be found in the Dominion.

Sunday Schools are general throughout the country in connection with the different denominations. For the children's accommodation and convenience the churches are well equipped with halls, &c. But there are many union schools where the children of Christian parents of all creeds attend one Sunday School. The children have their picnics, trips, and soirees as at home. There is therefore ample, liberal, and free pro...