

On September 5th, 1793, the *Quebec Gazette* announced the opening and regulations of the Quebec Sunday Free School, under the patronage of His Royal Highness, as follows:—

"From an ardent desire of promoting the happiness and prosperity of his Majesty's faithful subjects of this Province, and from the experience of the many and great advantages that have been received from the Sunday Schools in England, under the patronage of the nobility and the Royal Family, His Royal Highness Prince Edward, has been pleased strongly to recommend to the subscriber to open a Sunday Free School for the benefit of all those of every description who are desirous of acquiring the necessary and useful branches of education, and will conform to the rules and regulations that will be made for that purpose.

"The said Free School will therefrom be opened on Sunday next, under the patronage and direction of His Royal Highness, from the hours of ten to three during the winter season, and the public may depend on every exertion on the part of the subscriber, in order to meet in every respect His Royal Highness's benevolent intentions.

"The subscriber requests those who wish to attend to give in their names as soon as possible. He may be seen every day from nine to twelve and from two to five, at the Academy in the Bishop's palace, where young people of both sexes will be taught in separate apartments, all the various branches of literature, on terms most suitable to their circumstances.

JAS. TANSWELL."

"Rule 2nd. Every one of His Majesty's subjects of whatever description, will be admitted into this school and educated *gratis*; on condition of good behaviour and conformity to such rules and regulations as may from time to time be made for the better conducting the same.

"Rule 5th. Reading, writing and the various branches of arithmetic, shall be constantly taught in both languages; and particular care taken to render the acquisition of the English language as easy as possible, to His Majesty's new Canadian subjects."

The following advertisement shows that slavery still existed in Canada, though a Bill was then before the Legislature for its abolition.