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stances too numerous to detail in this Report. Besides the Common School Law subjects the country people to all the above mentioned conditions, and to much more rigorous ones still, before they can be entitled to claim the Government grant in favor of their Schools; and I do not see any plausible reason why the citizens of the towns should not be subject to the same restrictions, whenever they wish to obtain an aid from Government, in favour of Institutions which they are generally better provided with, on account of their resources, which are many compared to those of the people inhabiting the country.

The annual sum appropriated for the City of Montreal, as its share of the £30,000, according to its population, is.....	£1594	9	1
And the sum which it has received for several years, under special Acts, is	671	2	2
And, should the above mentioned conditions be complied with, the total sum to which it would be every year entitled in favor of its different Institutions, exclusively of M ^c Gill College, would be.....	£2265	11	3

Now, for the purpose of submitting all these Institutions to effectual control, a conformity to the above conditions would, in my humble opinion, be the most equitable mode of action, and the most conducive to the attainment of satisfactory results to all parties.

The annual sum appropriated for the City of Quebec as its share of the £30,000, according to its population, is.....	£1128	17	6
And the sum which it has received for several years, under special Acts, is	746	13	4

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<i>Brought up.....</i>	£1875	10	10
And should the same conditions be complied with, the total sum to which it would be every year entitled in favour of its different Institutions, would be.....	£1875	10	10

In making the above calculations, I have not included the sum which is paid every year to the Secretary of the Royal Institution residing in Montreal or elsewhere, as it is of a general nature.

There is a very interesting class of persons which I should have wished to bring under Your Excellency's notice, and these are the Deaf and Dumb, who, unhappily, do not find in this country those ingenious means of instruction by which they are taught what they owe to themselves, to society, and to their Creator; but I have not been able to procure sufficient statistical information to enable Your Excellency to judge of the expediency of establishing a School in their favor for Lower Canada alone, or for the whole Province.

In order that Your Excellency may see at once the amendments which, in my opinion, ought to be made to the Education Bill presented to the House in 1843, I have made in the margin of a copy thereof accompanying the present Report, a note of those which I have herein referred to, as well as several little alterations in the details, which tend to abridge the proposed law or to facilitate its working.

The whole is nevertheless humbly submitted.

(Signed,) J. B. MEILLEUR,

EDUCATION OFFICE,
Montreal, 18th November 1844.