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MANITOBA. A school system of a liberal character was organized in the "prairie province" in the first session of its first parliament in 1871. A provincial board of education was constituted, with two superintendents, — one a Protestant, and the other a Roman Catholic, — and aided by a grant of six thousand dollars. The rapid influx of population, however, demands and receives increased legislative and local appropriations. The Presbyterians, Methodists, Church of England, and Roman Catholics, have their denominational institutions; and already a Provincial University has been organized, on the model of Halifax and London Universities, for the purpose of holding examinations, and giving degrees. The educational future of the great North-west is full of promise.

BRITISH COLUMBIA. The school system of British Columbia was organized in April, 1872, and was modelled largely upon that of Ontario. The legislature struck a liberal key-note by the generous vote of forty thousand dollars a year for educational purposes. This is designed to supersede the levying of rates by school trustees, and to cover, in part at least, the cost of school erections.

Thus, in each province of our young Dominion have been laid, broad and deep, in their public-school systems and institutions for higher learning, the foundations of national greatness and prosperity. The universal diffusion of the elements of education, and the union of intellectual culture with moral worth; an intelligent love of the noble country which is ours, and an earnest endeavour to seek its highest welfare; a generous love of liberty, and a firm resolve to maintain the self-government of the people through their freely chosen representatives in the councils of the country, — these shall be the pledges of the stability of our institutions, these shall be the corner-stone of our national greatness.