

are found near Quebec, Montreal and the Chaudiere and Gaspé regions and along the Bay des Chaleurs. The Lake St. John region, the Metapedia Valley and the St. Maurice Valley offer advantageous fields for settlement. See under Agricultural Districts at the end of this book.

EDUCATION.—*Public Schools.* The dual system is in force in the Province of Quebec. In general, the Roman Catholic schools are French speaking; the Protestant, English speaking. There are three classes of Public Schools; Elementary, Model *i.e.*, Intermediate Schools and Academies. In the model schools the elementary grades are taught, and in the academies the elementary and model grades are taught. Hence a pupil may enter an academy at the alphabet stage and at the end of ten years matriculate to the University. The Government grants to the public schools have greatly increased in the last ten years. In the year 1911-12 there were 6,720 elementary, model and academy schools in the Province with an attendance of 400,036 pupils. The courses of study in the Roman Catholic schools are authorized by the Roman Catholic Committee of the Council of Public Instruction, and the courses of study in the Protestant schools are authorized by the Protestant Committee. Each Committee has the power to make regulations, with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, for the organization, administration and discipline of the schools under their control, for the division of the Province into inspection districts, for the government of normal schools, for the issuing of teachers' diplomas and for other important matters. There is therefore complete religious freedom in the Province in education.

Training Colleges for Teachers. There are 13 normal schools in the Province for the training of teachers; 12 Roman Catholic and 1 Protestant.

Universities. The chief universities are McGill (unsectarian) at Montreal, Laval (Roman Catholic), with Colleges at Quebec and Montreal, and Bishop's (Anglican) at Lennoxville.

Agricultural. The Macdonald College, Ste. Anne de Bellevue, has a school of Agriculture with a 4-years' course leading to the B.S.A. degree. In the year 1913-14 there were 123 students taking this course. The College is affiliated with McGill University