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d s children in our public schools. With this education is combined a training in Music, or two or more suitable Trades, thus enabling our Graduates to become useful members of Society, and at the same time relieving the Country from the support of a non-working class.

A special school is required for the Blind, on account of their not being able to avail themselves of the instruction afforded in the common schools. This establishment provides for the Blind youth of the Maritime Provinces a valuable education, and should be recognized as one of the Educational Institutions of Canada, and as such, receive a direct grant from the Government of each Province in proportion to the number of pupils in attendance.

This right of the Blind, and also of the Deaf and Dumb, to participate in the benefits of Free Instruction is acknowledged and provided for in New Brunswick, Ontario and the various States throughout the neighboring Republics, and in all countries where education is controlled by the State. I trust the Board will urge this matter upon the consideration of the various Governments to whom they intend applying for a grant.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

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