

This distribution involves the consideration of a great many details, such as the reports of Inspectors, relative population of the Counties or Districts concerned, standing of the Teachers, School accommodation provided, condition of Libraries, etc.

The Text-Book Department has to see that the text-books used in the Public and High Schools are modern and are bound and printed according to the directions of the Department.

The subject of Manual Training was introduced into 26 Schools, and Domestic Science into 13 Schools.

School Libraries were established in 744 Rural School Sections.

Number of Candidates for Teachers' Certificates examined was 67,819.

Number of Public Schools requiring supervision, 5,734.

Number of Separate Schools, 412.

Number of High Schools, 139.

Number of Public Libraries, 488.

The Education Department directs legislation affecting every branch of the School system, and prepares regulations respecting text-books, hours of study, discipline, the examination, inspection, organization and management of Public Schools, High Schools, Separate Schools, Model Schools, Normal Colleges, Public Libraries, School Libraries, Domestic Science, Manual Training, Physical Culture and School accommodation. During the last five years, regulations in regard to all these matters have been revised and consolidated.

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS

The Public Institutions requiring supervision are as follows:—

The Asylums alone contain a population of 5,532, for which the Government has to provide everything required for their inmates, as fully as if they were members of a family. Contracts have to be made for food, and fuel, and light, and every other form of household expenditure. Attendants, and Medical Officers, and Guards, and Carctakers, have to be found and directed. Large farms connected with these institutions require supervision. In the five years over 250,000 persons have, in one form or another, come under the care of the Government.