

action will set at rest the complaints and doubts expressed in some quarters as to the laxity of administration by the School Boards, and the labours of the Commission will place the public in a position to understand the exact condition of the schools.

*The Sherbrooke Schools.*—The different schools under the Board of Protestant School Commissioners opened on Monday, September 4th, with a rather unusually large number in each. The Young Men's Academy opened with 28 pupils, the Young Ladies' Academy opened yesterday with 25, the Central School with 218, the Primary School, North Ward, with 42, the Primary School, East Ward, with 41. The new school of the Roman Catholic School Commissioners will open next week in charge of the Christian Brothers. The College opened on the 1st, and the other primary schools on the same day.

*The Education Question.*—*Le Courrier de Canada* had lately a well-considered article, dwelling largely on the overcrowding of the liberal professions, and advising all guardians of youth in the national interest, especially as regards this Province, to educate the rising generation for the many other branches of art and industry which are necessary to build up the greatness and prosperity of the country. It is willing that all youths inclined toward the religious vocation should have every facility to gratify it, as it considers that the present numbers of the clergy will soon be inadequate to supply the demand for pastors necessitated by the rapid settling up of the country, and especially of the North-West; but it holds that while there is a sufficiency of the higher educational institutions to fit out young men for the ministry, the bar, or medicine, we have not anything like enough of elementary and industrial schools to benefit our poorer classes, and generally to promote the interests of our creative industries, as well as to spread the taste among our youth for something more practical than the forum or the political hustings. In view of the fact that Quebec, as well as Ontario, will be called upon before many years to supply our immense territories in the North-West with an enormous quantity of manufactured goods of all kinds, and as good mechanics and skilled workmen will be in great demand, this article is the more welcome.

*New Educational Enterprise.*—The Laval University has purchased from Mr. C. S. Cherrier the piece of ground facing St. Denis street, between Dorchester and St. Catherine streets, and are, as soon as possible, to commence building upon the site. They will proceed slowly with their buildings, erecting them as their means permit.

*Protestant Board of School Commissioners.*—At the regular meeting of the above Board for the month of September, Mr. Stephens submitted details of an arrangement by which Jewish children