

SEPARATE SCHOOLS.

Number of Schools.	Number of Pupils.	Boys.	Girls.	Average Attendance.	Receipts.	Expenditure.	AVERAGE COST PER PUPIL.	
							On Total Attendance.	On Average Attendance.
218	27,590	13,956	13,634	15,248	\$ 218,096	\$ 204,530	\$ cts. 7 41	\$ cts. 13 41

HIGH SCHOOLS.

107	14,250	7,259	6,991	8,207	458,941	429,762	30 16	52 36
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704. The figures relating to the public schools include Roman Catholic separate schools, particulars of which are also given separately. It will be seen that out of a total school population of 583,147 the number of pupils registered was 472,458, or 81 per cent., but of this number 241,189, or 51 per cent., did not attend 100 days in the year. It is provided by the Public Schools Act of 1885 that the attendance of all children between the ages of 7 and 13 years shall be compulsory for not less than 100 days in each year, but as 91,269 children between these ages did not attend for the full period of 100 days in 1885, and 5,678 children did not attend at all, it is evident that this provision is not very strictly enforced. The average attendance was 225,907, or 48 per cent. of the total number on the registers.

705. There were in the Province in 1885, 5,401 school houses, of which 2,470 were brick and stone, and the remainder of wood, either frame or log.

706. The revenue of school boards consist of legislative grants, apportioned by the inspector on the basis of average attendance; municipal assessments and interest from investments. The expenditure was \$31,838 in excess of that of