

crease of 1,027 in the total number of pupils, and of 8 in the number of school districts.

635. The expenditure for education proper amounted to \$99,902, and for construction of school houses, furniture, repairs, &c., \$13,777, making a total of \$113,679.

636. The following table shows the number of schools, teachers, and pupils in each class:—

EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1888.
COMMON SCHOOLS.

Number of Schools.	Teachers and Assistants.	Number of Pupils.	Boys.	Girls.	Average Daily Attendance.
83	83	2,542	1,373	1,169	1,309
GRADED SCHOOLS.					
13	37	3,637	1,954	1,683	1,678
HIGH SCHOOLS.					
3	4	193	78	115	106
TOTAL NUMBER OF SCHOOLS.					
99	124	6,372	3,405	2,967	3,093

637. Educational matters in Prince Edward Island are under the control of a Board of Education appointed by the Government, and of a Chief Superintendent, and are supported partly by Government grants and partly by district assessments. The Government expenditure in 1888 was \$108,846, and that of the school boards \$38,609, making a total expenditure of 147,455, being an increase of \$677, as compared with 1887.

638. The school age is between the ages of 5 and 16, and it was estimated that there were upwards of 23,000 children between those ages in 1888, of whom 22,441 attended school during some portion of the year. There was, however, a falling off in the average percentage of attendance from 54.88 per cent.

Expenditure.

Educational Statistics British Columbia.

Education in Prince Edward Island.

Average attendance.