

677. The educational system of the North-West Territories is under the control of a Board of Education, appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and composed of eight members, five Protestant and three Roman Catholic, of which the Bishop of Saskatchewan and Calgary is at present the chairman. Education in North West Territories

678. No school district shall comprise an area of more than 25 square miles, nor shall it contain less than 4 resident heads of families, or a smaller school population than 10, *i e*, children between the ages of 5 and 20. Schools districts.

679. No religious instruction is allowed in any public school before 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time such instruction as is permitted by the trustees may be given, parents having the privilege of withdrawing their children at that hour, if desired. Religious instruction

680. In 1885, there were 59 organised school districts in the Territories, and in 1890 there were 236, situated as follows:— Educational statistics, N. W. T.

	Protestant.	Roman Catholic.
Assiniboia.....	145	11
Alberta.....	29	13
Saskatchewan.....	23	15
	197	39

The following comparative figures show what progress has been made of late years:—

	Schools in operation.	Teachers.	Pupils.
1887, June 30.....	111	125	3,144
1890 do.....	195	224	5,398

In 1890 the average daily attendance in all year schools was 63 per cent., and in summer schools, *i e*, schools only open from April to October, it was 75 per cent.

681. The average salary paid in all year schools was \$681.77 to males, and \$557.13 to females, and in summer schools \$475.18 to males, and \$418.85 to females. Average salaries.