

Average attendance, separate schools.

780. The average attendance at the separate schools was better than at the public schools, being 53 per cent of the total number of pupils, while the average cost per pupil, both on total attendance and on average attendance, was less than in the public schools. There were also 9 Protestant separate schools, all of which made returns, showing 10 teachers, 425 pupils, average attendance, 212; receipts, \$4,060, and expenditure, \$3,661.

High schools in Ontario, 1890.

781. The following are particulars concerning the high schools in Ontario in 1889 :—

HIGH SCHOOLS, ONTARIO, 1890.

Number of Schools.	Number of Pupils.	Boys.	Girls.	Average Attendance.	Receipts.	Expenditure.	AVERAGE COST PER PUPIL.	
							On Total Attendance.	On Average Attendance.
					\$	\$	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
120	19,395	9,686	9,709	11,437	676,895	627,208	32 34	54 84

The average attendance was 59 per cent of the number of pupils.

School houses in Ontario.

782. There were 5,768 school houses in the province, of which 2,706 were of brick or stone, 2,465 frame and 597 log. The log school houses are gradually disappearing.

Number of teachers.

783. The total number of teachers in the public schools was 8,180, being in the proportion of 1 to every 60 pupils; 2,730 were male and 5,450 female teachers. In the Roman Catholic separate schools the number was 569, being in the proportion of 1 to every 60 pupils. In the high schools the number of teachers was 452, or 1 to every 43 pupils.

Public school receipts.

784. The total receipts for public school purposes in 1890, were as follows :—

Legislative Grant.	\$ 284,327
Municipal School Grant and assessments.....	3,411,654
Clergy Reserve Fund and other sources	1,320,231
Total.....	\$ 5,016,212