

between those ages did not, during 1891, attend school for 100 days, the period appointed by the Act. The largest number of offenders was naturally in the rural districts, the proportion to the total number of absentees being 86 per cent. This will doubtless soon be remedied, as by the Ontario Truancy Act of 1891, all children between 8 and 14 must attend school for the full term.

1386. The following table gives particulars concerning the Roman Catholic separate schools in Ontario in 1891 :—

ROMAN CATHOLIC SEPARATE SCHOOLS, ONTARIO, 1891.

Number of Schools.	Number of Pupils.	Boys.	Girls.	Average Attendance.	Receipts.	Expenditure.	AVERAGE COST PER PUPIL.	
							On Total Attendance.	On Average Attendance.
					\$	\$	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
289	36,168	18,438	17,730	20,795	320,387	278,687	7 70	13 40

1387. The average attendance at the separate schools was better than at the public schools, being 57 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.

1388. There were, also 11 Protestant separate schools, all of which made returns, showing 11 teachers, 535 pupils, average attendance 300, receipts \$6,610, and expenditure \$5,784.

1389. The following are particulars concerning the high schools in Ontario, in 1891 :—

HIGH SCHOOLS, ONTARIO, 1891.

Number of Schools.	Number of Pupils.	Boys.	Girls.	Average Attendance.	Receipts.	Expenditure.	AVERAGE COST PER PUPIL.	
							On Total Attendance.	On Average Attendance.
					\$	\$	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
126	22,230	10,892	11,338	13,448	828,578	761,566	34 26	56 63