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## REPORT.

Department of the Interior, Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C., November, 1877.

SIR: I have the honor to submit my eighth annual report, covering the year 1877.
During the year, education, in connection with other great interests, has continued to suffer from the hard times. The depreciation in the value of investments has reduced the income of even the best endowed institutions. Poverty has rendered it impossible for many young persons to pay tuition or other expenses at school and has compelled them to finish their studies prematurely. The appropriations for public schools have been decreased in many directions, sometimes to the great injury of their efficiency, as when the reduction of teachers' salaries has put poor teachers in the place of good ones, or when the school year has been shortened or the course of study abridged; but, on the whole, the systems of free public instruction in the different States have given new proof of their fitness to our wants as a people by what they have accomplished, in spite of the present financial distress and widespread unrest.

## CONFLICT OF CAPITAL AND LABOR.

In my last report I noted the occasion we had, as a people, to congratulate ourselves that the first century of our national history was closing with so great freedom from the evils that have arisen in older civilizations from the conflicts between capital and labor. Unfortunately, the possibilities of these evils pointed out by eminent educators and other students of social science have become realities as never before among us. Singularly enough, the lesson taught by these outbreaks has apparently in some cases stopped short of tracing them to their source in individual character, and has failed also to discover the part to be performed by education as a means of protection against their recurrence.
In some communities where mob violence became most destructive, we have witnessed the surprising spectacle of unusual efforts, sometimes aided by thoughtful persons, to cripple or paralyze the local public school system. We cannot review these events without reaching the conviction that capital, patriotism, and statesmanship, each and all, should be more far-sighted.
In the shadow of these untoward events we may fitly recall the great Stein, amid the evils under which Prussia was struggling, when enumerating in his political testament the considerations fitted to elevate and preserve the state. He says:
Most is to be expected from the education and instruction of youth. Could we by a method grounded on the internal nature of man develop from within every spiritual gift, rouse and nourish every noble principle of life, carefully avoiding one sided culture; could we diligently nurse those instincts, hitherto so often disregarded with shallow indifference, on which the force and dignity of man rest, ${ }^{*}{ }^{*}{ }^{*}$ then might we hope to see a generation grow up vigorous both in body and soul, and a

Some speak of our liberty and the institutions fostered by it as in their very nature a sufficient guarantee of the perpetuity of our blessings and an ample guard against all the ills incident to other forms of government. The experience of this year should
suffice to dissipate this idea, and to bring us back to the conviction that our safety is only in the most vigilant use of every instrumentality fitted to assure the training of each child in the land in virtue and intelligence and in the pursuit of some useful and honorable vocation. The evils here recalled are not limited to the action of great mobs; they are found also in some form in the path of the thousands of "nomadic paupers" who wander about the country.
It will not be amiss for the educator to recall the conditions which have attended the growth of these evils elsewhere. We are glad to believe that the horrors of the French revolution of 1793 would be impossible among us; but it should be remembered that there has been no lack of bread in our land while we have witnessed these crimes of the mob and the "tramp." Indeed, it may be doubted whether we have sufficiently reflected upon the enormities possible in our communities if the systematic vagrancy of the ignorant, vicious, and criminal classes should continue to increase; since the great size of our country and its facilities for travel will afford to any who choose to leave their own neighborhoods for such evil purposes unusual opportunities for committing crime and mischief unrecognized.
There is, no doubt, a lesson for us in the statement made by the famous Fletcher of Saltoun and used by Lecky, ${ }^{1}$ to the effect that in 1698 there were in the little country of Scotland two hundred thousand people begging from door to door, besides a great many poor families, very meanly provided for by the church boxes, with others who by living upon bad food fell victims to various diseases. A similar lesson may be learned from a similar condition of affairs in the other small country of Ireland. Arthur Dobbs, in 1731, computed the number of strolling beggars in a single year at thrirtyfour thousand. ${ }^{2}$

Do not the warnings which we may derive from such experiences in other countries emphasize the conclusion that all interests require such a training for every child in the community as to turn him aside from the current which bears on to these evils? How can we resist the conclusion that his physical, intellectual, moral, and industrial training should be most efficiently arranged and carried forward to establish for him safeguards against a life of idleness, vice, or crime? Moreover, even if it be granted that we have never suffered, as did the French before 1793, from royal and aristocratic oppression, and that we possess and enjoy the largest reasonable liberty for all classes, still the educator, in reasoning upon the acts of violence which have occurred among us during the year, may well ask what the consequences might have been had these disturbances been preceded here, as they were in France, by a series of dry seasons and bad crops, and theso poor crops themselves injured or destroyed. Indeed, for the instruction of all patriotic teachers, M. Taine's picture of these events may well be contrasted with what has actually occurred here.

In each event we must come back from the mass to the individual, and from the adult to the child, in order to do the work of preventing such evils.

Here our most common maxims are eloquent:

> 'Tis education forms the common mind: Just as the twig is bent the tree's inclined.

The mind of every child must be formed for all that'is good before him and armed against all that is evil. All his powers must be developed to resist misfortune and wrong. Capital, therefore, should weigh the cost of the mob and the tramp against the expense of universal and sufficient education.

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## CORRESPONDENTS OF THE OFFICE.

The following summary gives the number of the correspondents of the Office, showing the sources of the information contained in these reports:
Statement of educational systems and institutions in correspondence with the Bureau of Education in the years named.

|  | 1870. | 1871. | 1872. | 1873. | 1874. | 1875. | 1876. | 1877. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| States and Territories | 37 | 37 | 44 | 48 | 48 | 48 | 48 | 48 |
| Citie |  | 249 | 325 | 533 | 127 | 241 | 239 | 241 |
| Normal schools | 53 | 65 | 98 | 114 | 124 | 140 | 152 | 166 |
| Business colleg | 26 | 60 | 53 | 112 | 126 | 144 | 150 | 157 |
| Kindergärten |  |  |  | 42 | 55 | 95 | 149 | 177 |
| Academies |  | 638 | 811 | 944 | 1,031 | 1,467 | 1,550 | 1,650 |
| Preparatory schools. |  |  |  | 86 | 91 | 105 | 114 | 123 |
| Colleges for women | 33 | 136 | 175 | 205 | 209 | 249 | 252 | 264 |
| Colleges .......... | 266 | 290 | 298 | 323 | 343 | 385 | 381 | 385 |
| Schools of science | 17 | 41 | 70 | 70 | 72 | 76 | 76 | 77 |
| Schools of theology | 80 | 94 | 104 | 140 | 113 | 123 | 125 | 127 |
| Schools of law | 28 | 39 | 37 | 37 | 38 | 42 | 42 | 45 |
| Schools of medicine | 63 | 82 | 87 | 94 | 99 | 104 | 102 | 106 |
| Public libraries. | 156 | 180 | 306 | 377 | 676 | 2, 200 | 2,275 | 2,440 |
| Museums of naturol history. |  |  | 50 | 43 | 44 | 53 | 54 | 55 |
| Museums of art |  |  |  | 22 | 27 | 27 | 31 |  |
| Art schools. |  |  |  |  | 26 | 29 | 30 |  |
| Institutions for the deaf and dumb. | 34 | 36 | 37 | 40 | 40 | 42 | 43 | 45 |
| Institutions for the blind... | 10 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 28 | 29 | 29 | 30 |
| Schools for the feeble-minded |  | 8 |  | 7 | 9 | 9 | 11 | 11 |
| Orphan asylums, \&c |  |  | 77 | 180 | 269 | 408 | 533 | 540 |
| Reform schools | 28 | 20 | 20 | 34 | 56 | 67 | 63 | ${ }^{6}$ |
| Tota | 831 | 2,001 | 2,619 | 3,449 | 3,651 | 6,085 | 6,449 | 6, 750 |

It will be observed that all the systems and institutions here included publish either reports or catalogues or both.
A complete list of the American correspondents of this Office would embrace two important additions to the foregoing summary, viz: (1) many thousand county superintendents and members of school boards and of collegiate and scholastic faculties who do not issue separate printed publications, but who correspond with the Office and desire its publications; and (2) a large number of writers and students who often assist the Office without expecting other remumeration than its publications.

Mail matter.-The following table shows the amount of mail matter handled during the year:

## Mail matter sent.

Letters, written ..... 6,500Letters, printed7,500
Acknowledgments of documents received ..... 6, 000
Documents (packages) ..... 15,000
Total ..... 35,000
Mail matter received.
Original letters (inquiries, requests, \&c) ..... 4, 000
Replics to inquiries of the Office ..... 5, 000 ..... 5, 000
Rcceipts for documents sent ..... 15, 000 ..... 6,000Documents (packages)30,000

Those correspondents who indulge special expectations in regard to the Office should not forget the terms of the law under which it was organized. It requires the collecting of "such statistics and facts as shall show the condition and progress of education in the several States and Territories, and the diffusion of such information respecting the organization and management of school systems and methods of teaching as shall aid the people of the United States in the establishment and maintenance of efficient school systems, and otherwise promote the cause of education throughout the country."

As has bcen well said, "the Office may be termed a clearing house of educational information." But, however comprehensive its duty in regard to collecting and disseminating information, it provides for no exercise of authority and none should be expected from it. It may be reasonably anticipated that its plans will be comprehensive and its methods characterized by the utmost fairness. However great the interest of the Office in any one part of its duty, it must have greater concern for the whole. The guide to its conclusions must be the light that shines from the lamp of our entire educational experience as a people. To the ardor of enthusiasts in different departments of educational labor this light may not always be characterized by the heat they would desire, but it is, on that account, the safer. When this Office commenced its work there was before the country no standard for a national educational report. These reports, made from year to year, furnish the facts upon which there may hereafter be formed a fair judgment of what such a report should be; made under all the embarrassments of the past, they have demonstrated the possibility of a national report. They show how the light from all phases and conditions of education may be gathered up and reflected for the benefit of the whole country. Some results are already very apparent.

1. The remarkable unanimity of coöperation received by the Office from those engaged in every grade of our educational work, shows how universal is the conviction that such an Office is desired.
2. It indicates that, according to the judgment of our educators, the present plan of work is, in the main, the right one.
3. There has been a gratifying progress in simplifying and systematizing the nomenclature used in educational publications, but this makes what is yet needed in this dircetion still more apparent.
4. It moreover disposes of the fallacy that the gathering of information is a grasping after power.
5. The improvement in our educational nomenclature and in other conditions of statistics most essential to their value affords ground for hope that our teachers and educational officers may anticipate in the near future such clear and full demonstration of some of the leading principles in the establishment and conduct of institutions and systems of education, by the people and for the people, as to relieve themselves of the uncertainties which often embarrass them now and well-nigh defeat their efforts. In these valuable contributions of data essential to the formation of a science of education among us, each contributor, unmoved by any authority or expectation of pecuniary reward, may fairly adopt the language of Bacon, when he says, "I hold every man a debtor to his profession; from the which, as men of course do seek to receive countenance and profit, so ought they of duty to endeavor themselves, by way of amends, to be a help and ornament thereunto." ${ }^{1}$
It should be remembered that the Office has never had sufficient force to prepare the work expected of if under the law. In preparing its reports the only direct reward that it can promise its correspondents is a copy of the document in which their contributions are printed, but this is not always ordered by Congress in sufficient numbers for this purpose. Of late, also, its means for collecting statistics and publishing Circulars of Information have been greatly restricted. There has, however, been a

[^1]steady increase (1) in the value of the work prepared by its regular clerks, (2) in the value of the contributions forwarded free by its collaborators, and (3) in its collection of books and appliances illustrative of education.

In the embarrassments arising from lack of means to publish needed information, all that has becn possible with the force of the Office has been done to make manuscript replies to inquiries. Not a few of thesc have required much time and a command of material nowhere else possible in the country. Indeed, were there no work to be done on the annual report or on Circulars of Information, the current calls on the Office would now absorb the working capacities of its entire force.

## THE ABSTRACTS. ${ }^{1}$

The abstracts which immediately follow this part of the Report of the Commissioner and precede the statistical tables of the appendix are prepared from the printed material furnished by the corrcspondents of the Office and from the numerous educational journals published in the United States. The printed matter thus examined and summarized annually is more than seventy thousand pages. It has been practicable, with the present force of the Office, to assign only two persons to this labor, a number inadcquate to its preparation; especially as a very large number of inquiries demanding elaborate replies can be answered only in this division of the Office.

## SCHOOL REPORTS.

I do not think that these documents are so carefully studied anywhere else in the country. There can be no question of their superior merit if they are compared with any other State or city documents. Often the intelligence and stability of local educational sentiment can be estimated by the strength and value of these reports. The beneficial effect upon school administration of a proper expenditure of effort and money in this way can hardly be attained by any other method of communicating the same information. It may be considered settled that in a republic school officers must promote the training of the people in sound ideas respecting educational theories and practice with as much care as they promote the instruction of the young in their schools. Careful students of school reports frequently are surprised by the total misconception and misrepresentation of many persons as to their use and value. ${ }^{2}$

[^2]The sale of sehool reports is sometimes advocated among us by those who have heard of the sale of public documents in other countries. The policy of selling documents may be good if the Government desires to let those who cannot buy such books live in iguorance of public affairs, thus limiting a knowledge of its conduet to a ruling class which has means to purchase at will. A mouarchy or an aristocracy moy find such a policy expedient, but a republic may well hesitate before adopting it. Indced, the preparation and free distribution of reports on edueation is a part of the general policy which underlies our free public school systems. To matters of education the law of supply and demand does not apply. Says Lecky:
Thus education, in its simplest form, which is one of the first and highest of all human intercsts, is a matter in which government initiation and direction are imperatively recoguizcd, for uuinstructed people will never demand it, and to appreeiate education is itself a consequence of education.
Lord Macaulay, in a speech on edueation in the Honse of Commons, felieitously remarked on this topic:
If, they say, free competition is a good thing in trade, it must surely be a good thing in educatiou. The supply of other commodities-of sugar, for example- is left to adjust itself to the dcmand; and the consequence is that we are better supplied with sugar than if the government undertook to supply us. Why, then, should we doubt that the supply of instruction will, without the intervention of the government, be found equal to the demand?

Never was there a more false analogy. Whether a man is well supplied with sugar is a matter which couccrns himself aloue. But whether he is well supplied with instruction is a mattcr which concerns his neighbors and the state. If he canuot afford to pay for sugar, he must go without sugar. But it is by no means fit that, becanse he cannot afford to pay for education, he should go without education. Between the rich and their instructors there may, as Adam Smith says, be free trade. The supply of music masters and Italian masters may be left to adjust itself to the demand. But what is to become of the millions who are too poor to procure without assistance the serviees of a decent schoolmaster?

## SCHOOL AND COLLEGE CATALOGUES.

The annual eatalogue is a very common publication among all classes of institutions of learning. The study of the very great number of them aceumulated in this Office reveals the fact that they do not always cnable the recciver to address the institutions which issue them. Every catalogue should, it seems, contain somewhere the post office address of the institution which publishes it. It appears from our correspoudence that many of the older iustitutions have not eomplete sets of their own catalogucs. Many institutions, forgettiug the historical value of these publications, fail to send them to libraries where they would be preserved and comc iuto use in future research. As a rule, catalogucs published at the present time give the course of study that it is proposed to accomplish in the year represented by the issue. Why shonld they not give the course of study accomplished in the year previous to their issue, and thns supply an important element in any estimate or consideration of educational progress? The careful study of these catalogues required in the work of the Office also suggests that they might accomplish more effectively the purpose for which they are published by including in each anuual issue a brief, strong paper by some member of the faculty on some educatioual subject.
In reference to that class of eollege catalogues known as "triennial," many questions are suggested. They give many facts of value; but does not the progress of educatioual inquiry demand important changes? The language of these is usually Latin. If they we issued solely for scholars there might be some excuse for continuing to print them in Latin, but, in addition to the information they give to persnus who read that language, they are expected to show to others what the institution has done in training men for different pursuits in life, and thus to furnish a basis for the judgment and choice of those seeking education for themselves or their friends. Why not, then, give the information in plain Euglish? Most of these catalogucs designate the clergy and those who have received medical degrees; so they note, perhaps, those who have become members of eertain learned societies. There seems to be no good
reason why they should not treat all the alumni qlike, noting the occupation and giving the last known place of residence of each. By the use of symbols and abbreviations much more information of value to the student, the historian, and the college could be printed in a space no greater than that at present used.

## STATISTICS.

The statistics published in the appendix to these annual reports have been collected by this Office every year in the following way: A printed form containing a series of inquiries and spaces for mnswers is sent to the head of every system and institution on the lists, which is returned by the head thereof with the answers inserted in writing. These are transcribed into the tables; from these the summaries here presented have been made.

The influence of this extensive system of keeping the accounts of education is already apparent in many directions:

1. The accounts are better kept.
2. They are better understood by those who keep them. It is not surprising that those who are inexact in their methods should find something to disturb them in keeping an accurate record of their educational work, but when this has been well done none have a higher appreciation of its value.
3. New officers are specially aided in taking up their duties by greater fulness and accuracy of records.
4. The public is better able to inform itself in regard to every phase of education. There is in most people a fondness for fair and frank dealing. In the recent serious assaults upon many local systems of education, not a few would have been overturned had the records of the past ten years been as imperfect as those of the previous decade.
5. No man now need blunder on account of the narrowness of his own experience or observation. He has within his reach the recorded experience of forty-four million people; he need not err in estimating the relation of his work or of his system or school to that of others, or to the whole educational working force of the country.
Statistical summary of institutions, instructrrs, and students, as collected by the United States Bureau of Education, for 1872, 1873, and 1874.

|  | 1872. |  |  | 1873. |  |  | 1874. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{\dot{x}} \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & \dot{0} \\ & \dot{0} \\ & \dot{0} \end{aligned}$ |  | 㥻 | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{a} \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{0} \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ |  | \% |
| City schonls | ( ( ) | 23, 194 | 1, 215, 897 | (b) | 27, 726 | 1, 564, 663 | (c) | 16, 488 | 976, 837 |
| Normal schools | 98 | 773 | 11, 778 | 114 | 887 | 16, 620 | 124 | 966 | 24, 405 |
| Commercial and busincss | 53 | 263 | 8,451 | 112 | 514 | 22, 397 | 126 | 577 | 25,892 |
| colleges. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kindergärten......... |  |  |  |  |  |  | 55 | 125 |  |
| Iustitutions for secondary | 811 | 4,501 | 98, 929 | 944 | 5, 058 | 118, 570 | 1,031 | 5,466 | 98, 179 |
| instruction. |  |  |  |  |  |  | 91 | 697 | 11,414 |
| Preparatory schools........ | (d) | (d) | (d) | 86 | $\begin{array}{r}690 \\ \hline 120\end{array}$ | 12,487 | 91 209 | 2,285 | 11,414 |
| Institutions for the superior instruction of women. | 175 | 1,617 | 11,288 | 205 | 2, 120 | 24, 613 | 209 | 2,285 | 23,445 |
| Universities and colleges .. | 298 | 3, 040 | 45,617 | 323 | 3, 106 | 52, 053 | 343 | 3,783 | 56, 692 |
| Schools of science. | 70 | 724 | 5,395 | 70 | 747 | 8, 950 | 72 | 609 | 7, 244 |
| Schools of thcology | 104 | 435 | 3,351 | 110 | 573 | 3,838 | 113 | 597 | 4,356 |
| Schools of law ... | 37 | 151 | 1, 976 | 37 | 158 | 2,112 | 38 | 181 | 2,585 |

a 326 citics were included in 1872, which had a population, according to the ninth census, of $8,036,937$. $b 533$ cities, towns, and villages were included in 1873, which had a population of $10,042,892$. c 127 cities, containing 10,000 inhabitants or more, were included in 1874; their aggregate population was $6,637,905$.
$d$ Included in the institutions for secondary instruction.

Statistical summary of institutions, instructors, and students, \&c.-Continued.

|  | 1872. |  |  | 1873. |  |  | 1874. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 䫆 |  |  |  |
| Schools of medicine, of dentistry, and of pharmaey. | 87 | 726 | 5,995 | 94 | 1,148 | 8,681 | 99 | 1,121 | 9, 095 |
| Institutions for the deaf and dumb. | 36 | 267 | 4,337 | 40 | 289 | 4, 534 | 40 | 275 | 4,'900 |
| Institutions for the blind... | 27 | 513 | 1,856 | 28 | 545 | 1,916 | 29 | 525 | 1, 942 |
| Schools for feeble-minded ehildren. |  |  |  | 9 | 213 | 758 | 9 | 312 | 1,265 |
| Orphan asylums, industrial sehools, and miscellaneous charities. | 77 | 852 | 10,324 | 178 | 1,484 | 22,107 | 269 | 1,678 | 26, 360 |
| Reform sehools. | 26 | 331 | 4,230 | 34 | 579 | 6, 858 | 56 | 693 | 10, 848 |

Statistical summary of institutions, instructors, and students, as collected by the United Statos Bureau of Education, for 1875, 1876, and 1877.


[^3]The above may be called a summary of the summaries which will be given in this part of my report. In considering the inquiries possible in this report, it should be borne in mind that only a limited number of the inferences that may be justly drawn from its facts are mentioned or even hinted at in these summaries. Moreover, however great the effort to condense into the report the great mass of trustworthy statements furnished to the Office, and thus to convey the largest amount of information possible, it should be remembered that there is always in view, in all this work, as a special object, the promotion of the thorough study of cducational statistics, with the hope that these may be steadily advanced toward perfection, and thus bccome more and more valuable to all who seriously seek right educational theory and practice for themselves, their children, their country, or their State.
In taking up the following mass of figures it is not improper, therefore, to recall the observations made some years ago by that eminent scientist Dr. Ficker:
School statistics include an exhibit of the actual state of education and its results at a certain given moment, with a view of ascertaining the laws which regulate them. The very name, which, perhaps, would better be "edncational statistics," shows the importance as well as the difficulty of the sulject, which has recently, more than ever before, occupied the attention of statisticians.

It may well be asked whether there can be any educational statistics, and it has seemed doubtful whether statisticians, with the means at their command, could successfully enter a field where the exhibit of mere facts would least of all seem sufficient. Education, however, is not altogether beyond the statistician's reach. Tables are certainly the most important but not the only element of his exhibit. He may also give existing facts and results obtained in the form of a brief summary, only it should be borne in mind that he has to deal with a summary of facts and the development of laws. On no other field of inquiry, perhaps, will he have to weigh each expression so carefully in order to avoid even the appearance of mixing individual opinions with his exhibit of facts or of merely coloring them according to his own point of view.

The fact that there are limits beyond which statistics cannot go, must not deter the statistician. Even in that part of statistics which occupies itself most with mere figures, financial statistics, there are points which the statistician cannot reach.

Should no attempt be made to give educational statistics bccause they also have their limits; becanse it will be difficult, if not absolntely impossibie, to give all the individual methods of instruction or the free form of scientifie activity at a university? Most assuredly not, for, even if only attempts are made, the way may be cleared and the limits of inquiry more clearly defined.
The development of statistics as a science has convinced statisticians that there is only one admissible method of giving facts, viz, the comparative method, the results of which gain all the more trustworthiness the wider the range from which facts have been gathered.
The question as to whether there can be any educational statistics naturally leads to the question of the possibility of international educational statisties.
It cannot be denied that the best and noblest blossom on the tree of human culture, the development of the intellect and of morals, blooms in every country on its own ground and under peculiar conditions. The educational system of a nation bears, therefore, in cvery country its own distinctive impress, to understand which thoroughly would require a retrospective view as well as a study of the present condition. The same difference observable in the financial, military, or commercial state of nations may also be seen in their different educational systems.

The way in which education develops itself in a country will be the only sure standard of measuring the intcllectual development of its inhabitants. The gathering and exhibiting of the facts which express this development are thcrefore synonymous with the statistics of a nation's most cherished treasure, its intellectual development. And as there is only one true intellectual development, though showing itself in different forms, thus there can also be only one way of statistically representing it. Educational statistics must, thercfore, besides schools, in the proper sense of the word, also include all other institutions for the promotion of science and art.

International educational statistics must therefore have regard to institutions which may exist in one and not in another state, where, it may be, cducation has not yet reached a sufficiently high degrce of development or where peculiar circumstances prevent the establishment of certain institutions of learning; provided only that such facts form really essential points in the educational systen of a nation-for educational statistics are not to be a mere curiosity shon. Since there is no doubt, then, as to the feasibility of exhibiting the educational statistics of a country, it will much less be doubted that such an exhibit will exercise a beneficial iufluence on educatiou itself.

Here, also, as in so many other respects, it proves true that good statistics are the common property of the whole nation. Napoleon I said: "Statistics mean the keeping an exact account of a nation's affairs, and without such an account there is no safety." And Guethe said: "I do not know whether figures govern the world, but this I do know-they show how it is governed."

Good educational statistics will show the present generation occupied with caring for a future one; it will faithfully depict a nation's hopes and fears connected with this care, and will thereby enable states and individuals to preserve the intellectual heritage of centuries long gone by, and transmit it to the coming generations. Educational statistics alone can show the way out of the bewildering maze of different educational systems; they will be of more than ordinary importance in a state occupied with a reform of its educational system. All such reforms would build on a very unsafe foundation if they had not been preceded and were not constantly accompanied by most exhaustive educational statistics.

Dr. Engel, the eminent director of the Prussian Bureau of Statistics, under the head of methods of exhibiting the results of statistical inquiry, enumerates (1) descriptive exhibit, (2) tabular exhibit, and (3) graphic exhibit.

In preparing these reports I have not been unmindful of this threefold presentation of results, but the means at the command of the Office have not permitted that use of graphics which I have desired. A few, however, of an inexpensive character, are introduced in connection with the summarics which follow.
Table I.-Part 1.-Summary (A) of school age, population, enrolment, attendance, of.c.

| States and Territories. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alabama. | 7-21 | 369, 447 |  | 141, 230 | 101, 676 | 82 |
| Arkansas | 6-21 | 190, 282 |  | 31, 150 |  |  |
| California | 5-17 | 200, 066 | a200, 066 | 147, 863 | 89, 539 | 147 |
| Colorado | 6-21 | 21,612 |  | 14, 085 | 8,141 |  |
| Connecticat | 4-16 | 137, 099 | 114, 249 | 119, 208 | b75, 822 | 177.5 |
| Delaware | 5-21 | 35, 649 |  | 24, 061 |  |  |
| Florida | 4-21 | c74, 828 |  | 26,052 | 16,720 |  |
| Georgia | 6-18 | 394, 037 |  | 179, 405 | 115. 121 |  |
| Illinois | 6 -21 | 992, 354 |  | 694, 489 | 420, 031 |  |
| Indiana | 6-21 | 694,706 | 521, 030 | 498, 726 | 298, 324 | 128 |
| Iowa. | 5-21 | 568, 026 | 365, 493 | 421, 163 | 251, 372 | 145 |
| Kansas | 5-21 | 232, 861 | 135, 750 | 157, 919 | 118,612 | 108 |
| Kentueky | d6-20 | 512, 808 |  | 248, 000 | 160, 000 | 110 |
| Louisiana | 6-21 | 260, 033 |  | 85, 000 | 54, 390 | 135 |
| Maine | 4-21 | 217, 417 |  | 155, 428 | 104,318 | 117 |
| Maryland | 5-20 | 276, 120 |  | 150, 276 | 75, 726 | 184 |
| Massachusetts | 5-15 | 297, 202 |  | 307, 832 | 222, 704 | 176 |
| Michigan | 5-20 | 469, 444 |  | 357, 139 | 210, 000 | 148 |
| Minnesota | 5-21 | 238, 362 |  | 162, 551 |  | 82 |
| Mississippi | 5-21 | 324, 989 |  | 160, 528 | 97, 302 | e77 |
| Missouri | 6-20 | 725, 728 |  | 394, 848 | 182, 000 | 60 |
| Nebraska | 5-21 | 92, 161 |  | 56, 774 |  | 127 |
| Nevada | 6-18 | 8, 475 |  | 5,521 | 3,832 | 142.8 |
| New Hampshire | 4-21 | 73,418 |  | - 68, 035 | 47, 921 | 92 |
| New Jersey. | 5-18 | 318, 378 |  | 198, 709 | 107, 961 | 184 |
| New York | 5-21 | 1, 586, 234 |  | 1, 023, 715 | 559,537 | 178.5 |
| North Carolina | 6-21 | 408, 206 |  | 201, 459 | 104, 173 | 60 |
| Ohio | 6-21 | 1, 027, 248 | 757, 440 | 722, 240 | 448, 100 | 160 |
| $a$ Number between 5 and 17. <br> b For the winter ; 68,588 for the summer. <br> c In 1873. |  | $d$ For colored population the school age is from 6 to 16. <br> c In the counties; in the cities, 200 days. |  |  |  |  |

Table I.-Part 1.-Summary (A) of school age, population, fe.-Continned.


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Diagram No. 1, showing the different school ages in the States and Territories during 18i\%.


The above diagram shows that there are seventeen different school ages in the States and Territories, of which the longest, from the fourth to the twenty-first year, extends aver seventeen years. The shortest, from the eighth to the fourteenth year, covers a peciod of six years only.

The first is practically too long for any public school system which does not include superior instruction, and the last is as evidently too short to allow the timely and effectual training which every child should receive. The period of ten years between the sixth and the sixteenth year, which is approved by many of our best educators as the most suitable for public elementary and secondary education, is indicated by the dotted lines which cross the diagram horizontally.

Diagram No. 2 shows on the left what percentage of the population of legal school aye in the several States and Territories was in daily average attendance; and on the right what percentage of said population was enrolled in the public schools. The fact that the school age varies widely in different states not only partially accounts for the relative positions of the States indicated in the table, but also explains how it is that in Massachusetts more than 100 per cent. of the children of school age are reported eurolled.
The percentage of daily average attendance is not given in the States of Arkansas, Delaware, Minnesota, Nebraska, South Carolina, Texas, and Wisconsin, and in the Territories of Dakota, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Washington, and Wyoming.



Table I.-Part 1.-Summary (B) of the number of teachers employed in the public schools, and the average salary of teachers per month, in the respective States and Territorics.

| States and Territories. | Number of teachers employed in public schools. |  | Average salary of teachers per month. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Male. | Female. | Male. | Female. |
| Alabama | $(4,145)$ |  | \$22 65 | \$22 65 |
| Arkansa | 639 | 187 | 5000 | 4000 |
| Califormia. | 1,184 | 1,983 | 8378 | 6968 |
| Colorado | 183 | 250 | 5610 | 5145 |
| Connecticut | 753 | 2,354 | 6455 | 3620 |
| Delaware | 270 | 231 | (30 75) |  |
| Florida | 375 | 182 |  |  |
| Georgia | a3, 267 | a1, 633 |  |  |
| Illinois | 9, 162 | 12, 836 | 4617 | 3223 |
| Indinna | 8,109 | 5,465 | 6127 | 3920 |
| Iowa. | 7,348 | 12,518 | 3488 | 2869 |
| Kansas | 2,772 | 3, 279 | 3319 | 2982 |
| Kentucky. | 1,600 | 2,700 | 4000 | 3500 |
| Louisiana | 767 | 740 | 4500 | 3500 |
| Maine | 2, 253 | 4,543 | 4184 | 2564 |
| Maryland. | 1, 243 | 1, 663 | 4195 | 4195 |
| Massachusetts | 1,118 | 7, 390 | 7564 | 3304 |
| Michigan | 3,781 | 9, 220 | 4254 | 2745 |
| Minnesota | 1,711 | 3, 031 | 3675 | 2831 |
| Mississippi | $(4,125)$ |  | $2919 \frac{1}{2}$ | 29 192 |
| Hissouri. | 5, 904 | 3, 747 | $(30,00)$ |  |
| Nebraska | 1, 571 | 2, 158 | 3546 | 3180 |
| Nerada | 36 | 77 | 11263 | 8520 |
| New Hampshire | 591 | 2, 955 | 3837 | 2471 |
| New Jersey. | 954 | 2, 356 | 6378 | 3704 |
| New York | 7, 850 | 22, 311 |  |  |
| North Carolina | 1, 728 | 654 | 3000 | 3000 |
| Ohio | 10,855 | 12, 148 |  |  |
| Oregon | 720 | 502 | 5000 | 3500 |
| Pennsylvania | 9, 096 | 11,556 | 3738 | 3230 |
| Rhode Island | b294 | 6987 | 8069 | 4591 |
| South Carolina. | 1,639 | 1,035 | 2832 | 2687 |
| Tennessee | 3,741 | 1, 260 | 2853 | 2853 |
| Texas | $c(3,100)$ |  | $c(5300)$ |  |
| Vermont. | 720 | 3, 608 | 3444 | 2160 |
| Virginia | 2, 967 | 1,773 | 3310 | 2737 |
| West Virginia | 2,797 | 890 | 3489 | 3209 |
| Wisconsin ... | $(9,858)$ |  | d40 48 | d26 35 |
| Total number of teachers in States | $(257,454)$ |  |  |  |
| Arizona | $6 \quad 25$ |  | 10000 | 5000 |
| Dakota | 100 | 154 |  |  |
| District of Columbia. | 31 | 299 | 9617 | 7121 |
| Idaho... |  |  |  |  |

a These items, compiled from later returns, were inserted after the completion of the table in the appendix.
$b$ Includes toachers in evening schools.
c In 1875.
$d$ In'the counties; in the cities the average salaries are: of men, $\$ 108.20$; of women, $\$ 35.98$.

Table I．－Part 1．－Summary（B）of the number of teachers employed in the public schools， \＆．c．－Continued．

| States and Territories． | Number of teachers em－ ployed in pulb． lie schools． |  | A verage sal． ary of teachers per month． |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Male． | Female． | Male． | Female |
| Montana． | 36 | 64 | （ ${ }_{\text {W } 64}$ | 32） |
| New Mexico | 132 | 15 |  |  |
| Utah | 232 | 238 | \＄4500 | \＄22 50 |
| Washington | 134 | 145 | 4000 | 3000 |
| Wyoming． | 21 | 27 | （71 | 66） |
| Indian： |  |  |  |  |
| Cherokees | （9） |  | 4280 | 4280 |
| Creeks． | 10 | 18 | 4000 | 4000 |
| Choctarts | （5） |  | 2600 | 2600 |
| Seminoles． | 4 | 1 | 5000 | 5000 |
| Total number of teachers in Territories | （1，8 |  |  |  |
| Grand total． | （259， | 296） |  |  |

Table I．－Part 2．－Summary（A）of annual income amd expenditure，fo．

| States and Territo－ ries． |  | Annual expenditare． |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Salaries of superin- } \\ & \text { tendents. } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $$ |  |
| Alabama | \＄417， 243 |  | \＄7， 500 | \＄ 384,993 |  | \＄392， 493 |  |
| Arkansas | 212，000 |  |  | 73， 166 |  | 119， 403 |  |
| California | 3，610，162 | \＄221， 539 | （a） | 2，149， 436 | \＄378，754 | 2，749， 729 | \＄5，933， 244 |
| Colorado | 198， 975 | 49，36\％ |  | 140，780 | 25， 111 | 215， 256 | 472， 98.3 |
| Conneeticut | 1，506， 219 | 181， 760 | 35,000 | 1，058， 682 | 234， 781 | 1，510， 223 |  |
| Delaware | 216， 225 |  | 1，800 | 114， 027 | 102， 198 | 218， 025 | 450，957 |
| Florida | 94， 104 | 14，639 | 6， 748 | 74，628 | 5， 707 | 101， 722 |  |
| Georgia | 434， 046 |  |  |  |  | b400， 153 |  |
| Illinois | 9，640， 340 | 598， 755 | 75， 922 | 5，000， 000 | 1，713， 919 | $7,388,596$ | 17，783， 929 |
| Indiaua | 4，873， 131 | 611， 739 |  | 3， 049,094 | 1，012， 933 | 4，673， 766 | 11， 876,730 |
| Iowa | 5，349， 029 | 906， 523 | （a） | 2，953， $64 \overline{5}$ | 1，337， 258 | 5，197， 426 | 9，204， 189 |
| Kansas | 1，570，755 |  | 20， 000 | 824， 966 |  | c1，328， 376 | 4，337， 654 |
| Kentucky | 1，827， 575 | 5，000 | 25,000 | 1，000， 000 | 100， 000 | 1，130， 000 | 2，300， 000 |
| Lonisiana | 467， 368 |  | 8,000 | 295， 504 | 66， 325 | 369， 829 | 736，575 |
| Maine | 1，067， 104 | 62， 766 | 30,814 | 951， 877 | 125， 211 | 1，170，668 | 3，022， 722 |
| Maryland | 1，637， 583 | 251， 339 | 28， 250 | 1，085， 063 | 272， 931 | 1，637， 583 |  |
| Massaehusetts | b5，481， 598 | 4，787 | 54，984 | d871， 857 | 430， 255 | 5，582， 519 |  |
| Michigan． | 3，792， 122 | 339， 230 |  | 1，941， 338 | 907， 345 | 3，187， 913 | 9，450， 000 |

aIncluded in teachers＇salaries．
$b$ These items were inserted in this summary after the complction of the table in the appendix．
The income reportch for Massachusetts is only an approximation made by the secretary of the State
board of edueation，the expenditure for Washington Territory is an estimate made by this Bureau，and the expenditures for Georgia and Utal are from later returns．
cItems not all reportcd．
d Only a partial report．


Table I.-Part \%. Summary (A) of annal income and expenditure, se.-Continned.

a Items not all reportod.
$b$ lhese items were inserted in this summary after the completion of the table in the appendix. The income reported for Massachusetts is only an approximation mado by the secretary of the State board of education, the oxpenditure for Washington Territory is an estimate made by this Bureau, and


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Table I．－Part 2．－Summary（B）of per capita expenditure．

| States and Territories． |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cherokees（Indian Territory） | \＄24 78 | \＄35 76 | \＄62 70 |  |  |
| Massachusetts ．．． | 1526 | 1462 | 1985 |  |  |
| California | 1374 | 1859 | 2819 | u\＄13 74 | a＊14 04 |
| Choctaws（Iudian Territory） | 1262 | 2562 | 3896 |  |  |
| Montana ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1105 |  |  |  |  |
| District of Columbia | 1090 | 1624 | 2116 | 1185 | 1426 |
| Rhode Island．．． | 6909 | b12 13 | 61759 |  |  |
| Colorado | 795 | 1220 | 2110 |  |  |
| Iowa．．． | 790 | 1067 | 1787 | 1229 | 1405 |
| Nebraska | 751 | 1219 |  |  |  |
| Illinois | 745 | 1063 |  |  |  |
| Ohio．． | 721 | 1070 | 1725 | 846 | 1012 |
| Michigan． | 605 | 1080 | 1352 |  |  |
| Indiana． | 590 | 823 | 1376 | 787 | 918 |
| Vermont | 581 | 734 | 1185 |  |  |
| Kansas． | 570 | 841 | 1119 | $978 \frac{1}{3}$ |  |
| New Jersey | 530 | 849 | 1564 |  |  |
| Maine． | 511 | 715 | 1065 |  |  |
| Maryland | 507 | 932 | 1850 |  |  |
| Oregon．． | 477 | 532 | 796 |  |  |
| Washington | 382 | 924 |  |  |  |
| Kentucky | 200 | 400 | 500 |  |  |
| Virginia． | 198 | 466 | 811 | 311 | 320 |
| Tennessec． | 158 | 370 | 491 |  |  |
| Georgia | 110 | 242 | 377 |  |  |
| Alabama | 102 | 272 | 308 |  |  |
| North Carolina | 682 | 139 | 269 |  |  |
| Arizona |  | 2038 | 3173 |  |  |
| Delaware |  | 965 |  |  |  |
| New Hampshire． |  | 734 | 1440 |  |  |

$a$ Per capita of popnlation between 5 and 17．$b$ Current expenditure only uned in these calculations．
GENERALIZATIONS BY YEARS AND BY TOPICS WITHOUT REFERENCE TO STATES．
Statistical summary showing the school population，enrolment，attendance，income，expenditure， \＆．．，for 1873，1874，1875，1876，and 1877，as collected by the United States．Bureau of Edu－ cation．

|  | Year． | Number report－ ing． |  | In States． | In Territo－ ries． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | States． | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Territo- } \\ \text { ries. } \end{gathered}\right.$ |  |  |
|  | 1873 | 37 | 11 | 13，324， 797 | 134，1：8 |
|  | 1874 | 37 | 11 | 13，735， 672 | 109， 378 |
| School popmlation． | 1875 | 36 | 8 | 13，889， 837 | 117， 685 |
|  | 1876 | 37 | 8 | 14，121， 526 | 101，465 |
|  | 1877 | 38 | 9 | 14，093， 778 | 133，970 |

## SCHOOL STATISTICS OF STATES AND TERRITORIES. XXIII

Statistical summary showing the school population, $\delta \cdot$.- Continued.

|  | Year. | Number reporting. |  | In States. | In Territo. ries. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | States. | Territories. |  |  |
| Fumber emrolled in public schools. | 1873 | 35 | 10 | 7, 865, 628 | 60. 968 |
|  | 1874 | 34 | 11 | 8, 030, 772 | 66, 00 |
|  | 1875 | 37 | 11 | 8, 678, 737 | 77, 12 Z |
|  | 1876 | 36 | 10 | 8, 293, 563 | 70, 175 |
|  | 1877 | 38 | 10 | 8,881, 848 | 72, (\%) ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| Number in daily attendance . | 1873 | 31 | 5 | 4, 166, 062 | 33, 677 |
|  | 1874 | 30 | 4 | 4, 488, 075 | 33, 489 |
|  | 1875 | 20 | 5 | 4, 215,380 | 36,428 |
|  | 1876 | 27 | 5 | 4, 032, 632 | 34, 216 |
|  | 1877 | 31 | 4 | 4, 886, 289 | 33, 119 |
| Number of pupils in prirate schools | 1873 | 22 | 5 | 472, 483 | 7, 859 |
|  | 1874 | 13 | 5 | 352, 460 | 10,128 |
|  | 1875 | 13 | 5 | 186, 385 | 13, 237 |
|  | 1876 | 14 | 3 | 228, 867 | 9,137 |
|  | 1877 | 12 | 4 | 203, 082 | 6,088 |
| Total number of teachers ........................ | 1873 | 35 | 6 | 215, 210 | 1,511 |
|  | 1874 | 35 | 8 | 239, 153 | 1,427 |
|  | 1875 | 36 | 9 | 247, 423 | 1,839 |
|  | 1876 | 37 | 9 | 247, 557 | 1,726 |
|  | 1877 | 37 | 9 | 257, 454 | 1,842 |
| Number of male teachers........................ $\{$ | 1873 | 28 | 5 | 75, 321 | 529 |
|  | 1874 | 28 | 7 | 87, 395 | 499 |
|  | 1875 | 31 | 8 | 97,796 | 656 |
|  | 1876 | 32 | 9 | 95, 483 | 678 |
|  | 1877 | 33 | 9 | 97, 638 | 706 |
| Number of female teachers ....................... | 1873 | 28 | 5 | 103, 734 | 786 |
|  | 1874 | 28 | 7 | 129, 049 | 731 |
|  | 1875 | 31 | 8 | 132, 185 | 963 |
|  | 1876 | 32 | 9 | 135, 644 | 898 |
|  | 1877 | 33 | 9 | 138, 228 | 986 |
| Pablic school inccme .......... ................... $\{$ | 1873 | 35 | 10 | \$80, 081, 583 | \$844, 666 |
|  | 1874 | 37 | 10 | 81, 277, 686 | 881, 219 |
|  | 1875 | 37 | 8 | 87, 527, 278 | 1, 121, 672 |
|  | 1876 | 38. | 9 | 86, 632, 067 | 717, 416 |
|  | 1877 | 37 | 9 | 85, 959, 864 | 906, 298 |
| Public school expenditures ........................ | 1873 | 36 | 10 | 77, 780, 016 | 995, 422 |
|  | 1874 | 35 | 9 | 74, 169, 217 | 805, 121 |
|  | 1875 | 34 | 9 | $80,950,333$ | 982, 621 |
|  | 1876 | 36 | 10 | 83, 078, 596 | 926,737 |
|  | 1877 | 37 | 8 | 79, 251, 114 | 982, 34 |
| Permanent school fund ........................... $\{$ | 1873 | 28 | 1 | 77, 870, 887 | 137, 50 |
|  | 1874 | 28 |  | 75, 251, 008 |  |
|  | 1875 | 28 | 3 | 81, 486, 158 | 323, 236 |
|  | 1876 | 30 | 2 | 97, 227, 909 | 1,506,961 |
|  | 1877 | 20 | 2 | a $100,127,865$ | 2, 10C, ¢C |

[^4] howerer, does not include the funds of Mlinois, Lonisiana, New Hanpshire, and Ohio, not reported in 1877, which amounted in 1876 to $\$ 10,108,246$. Including these funds as reported last year we have tho figure given above.

## XXIV

## REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION.

## BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE EDUCATIONAL CONDITION OF TIE STATES.

The comparisons made under this head are, as a rule, between the school years 1875-76 and 1876-77.
NEW ENGLAND STATES - MAINE.

Here, once again, we find a considerable deerease in the reported number of youth of school age, with a like decrease in the number registered in summer sehools; but the averige attendance in these summer schools was 1,876 greater than in the preceding year, while in winter schools there were 2,962 more enrolled and 1,677 more in average attendance. Then, notwithstanding diminished reeeipts for schools and consequent diminution in the pay. of teachers, the number engaged in teaching was greater than in 1875-76, and more of them were graduates of normal sehools, an indication of improving quality. The number of such normal graduates engaged, it appears, might have been eonsiderably greater had not a mistaken parsimony led to the engagement of poor teaehers at low rates in preference to giving more skilled teachers reasonable wages.

NEW HAMPSHRE.
According to returns from the seleetmen in this State, the youth between 5 and 1.5 appear to be 12,159 less than at the last report, while there were 1,336 more enrolled in publie sehools, 246 more in private schools, and 266 fewer attending no school. Male teaehers were more numerous and the proportion of teaehers trained in normal schools was greater; while the number of sehools inereased by 64 , one of them a town high sehool. Fewer sehool-houses were reported unfit for use and the number supplied with blackboards was 10 greater. At other points there was a deeline: smaller average attendance in the schools, smaller number in the higher branches, 34 fewer graded sehools, slight deerease in the average term of sehools, diminution of teaehers' wages, and falling off in receipts and expenditures.

## VERMONT

With 152 fewer youth of school age $(5-20)$ we yet find 695 more of that age in public sehools, an increase of 2,028 in the total emrolment and of 5,844 in average daily attendance - a most ereditable record. With 26 more public sehools, the average sehool term was increased by one day and a tenth, and a larger proportion of male teaehers was employed in the schools; there were also greater reecipts for the support of the sehool system - an unusual thing in these hard times. With the exeeption of the number of children of school age, the only falling off was in the number of female teachers (largely made up by the increase of males), in the wages paid teaehers, and in the general expenditures on the sehools.
massachestris.
Advance in most respects eontinues to be the order of the day. Notwithstanding a decrease of 4,459 in the number of her youth of sehool age, Massaehusetts enrolled 2,056 more in public day schools and had 3,801 more in average attendanee than in 1875-76; accommodating this inereased enrolment and attendanee in 14 more ordinary day schools and 4 more publie high schools; although, from some cathse unexplained, there were 131 fewer teaehers reported in the day schools than in the previous year. ${ }^{1}$ The evening sehools were fewer by 22, and yet had 81 more teachers and 2,192 more pupils than in $1875-\%$. The unincorporated private sehools inereased by 44 , and the estimated average attendance on them by 715 ; but the incorporated academies seem to have lost in number of sehools as the others gained, and to have had upon their rolls 1,837 fewer pupils; the tuition fees of both classes of these private scheols fell off very considerably.

[^5]
## RHOUE ISLAND.

Advance here too is apparent, the public selools enrolling 631 more pupils and having 541 more in average attendance, besides higher proportionate increase in the enrolinent and attendance in evening schools. There were also $1 \%$ more school buildings, 31 more public day schools ( 30 of them graded), 24 more teachers in the day schools and 27 more in evening schools, with only a slight falling off in wages, and, what is musual in these times, an increase in the expenditure on the sehools notwithstanding a slight decrease in the income.

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Comecticnt had 1,910 more youth of school age, 102 more of them enrolled in public day schools and 364 more in other schools, 1 more public school, 7 more graded schools, 39 more school-houses in good condition, 20 more teachers in winter and 21 more in summer, with 124 more continued in the same school; the only dinimutions were in teachers' wages and in the receipts and expenditures for public schools.

## mDDLE ATLANTIC STATES - NEW YORK.

With a slight increase in the school population, we are met here by an apparent decrease of 43,484 in the enrolment in public schools, due to the omission of duplicate eurolments in the New York City schools. Allowing for this change, the enrolment is increased instead of bcing lessened, and the average daily attendance was 17,927 greater than in 1875-76. In most other respects there is comparatively little change, this great State holding well its previous stand as to the number of schools and of teachers, and somewhat lengthening the average school term, notwithstanding a much smaller income for the support of schools and consequent decrease of teachers' wages. A strong effort to bring about a change from the existing district system to a town system, which failed for the year, will still be firmly advocated.

## NEW JERSET.

The children of school age mumbered 3,552 more than in 1855-76, the public school enioment 2,457 more, the average daily attcudance 4,441 more, outrunning the increase of school population. The increase of public schools was 14; of departments in them, 35 ; of sittings for pupils, 2,601; while private and church schools fell oft considerably in number, though the enrolment in those remaining was increased. Fewer teachers for publie schools were licensed in the year because a higher standand was maintained, an improvement in quality being justly held more important than an increase of numbers. As elsewhere, diminished receipts for schools compelled an unfortunate reduction in the pay of teachers, though the decrease was not very great.

## PENNSYLVANIA.

There being no arrangements in this State for ammal school census, the number of school age cannot be determined from year to year. As to emrolment and attendance in the public schools for 1876-77, the record seems to indicate some arrest of the great progress which preceded the centennial year, for although the eurolment reached 5,007 more than in $1875-76$, it fell short by 7,305 of the increase in that year over the preceding one ; while the werage attendance, 3,121 less than in 1875-76, forms a marked contrast with the increase in that itcm $(26,870)$ which appeared in 1875-76 over 1874-'75. The pupils in private schools also fell off 1,325 , when the provious year had shown an increase of 1,058 . Of course, in view of the hard times, there were smaller receipts and expenditures for school purposes and much of the cutting down of teachors' wages noted elsewhere. Other things indicate gratifying progress : 236 more public schools, 333 more of them graded, 331 more with miform text books, 1,532 more in which drawing is tanght, 494 more in which vocal musie forms a study, and 185 more in which some higher branches are tanght, with 460 more public school teachers.

DELAWARE.
The public school reports in this State being biemial and none being due till the close of 1878 , the information respecting the schools in $187 \%$ is limiter. The facts presented show, however, an inerease of 2,474 pupils in the public sehools and of 71 teachers. The items of income and expenditure for the sehools and of pay for teachprs are nearly the same as in the previons year.

MARYLAND.
Here, as in Pennsylvania, from the want of a sehool eensns, we can tell nothing as to growth or decrease in the population of school age; but the report for 1876-if shows 4,078 more pupils in the pablie sehools, 2,657 more in daily average attendance, 84 more sehools for whites and 20 more for colored youth; to meet this inerease, 56 more teachers to instruet new classes formed, 2 days' more time for teaching, and (an exeeption to the rule during the year) an inerease, although not a large one, in both receipts and expenditures for State sehool purposes, the teachers suffering only the slight reduction of 30 cents in their average monthly salaries.

でIRGINIA.
Here there was an inerease of 5,118 in number of pupils enrolled, of 2,600 in average daily attendance, of 134 in number of schools taught, and of 120 in that of teachers employed, with a decrease of $\$ 19,332$ in expenditures for publie sehools, of $\$ 1.85$ in the arerage monthly pay of men, and of $\$ 3$ in that of women.
southeirn atlantic states-Nontil carorina.
In North Carolina there has been an increase of 13,807 in school population and of 2,699 in enrolment; a deerease of 512 in the number of teachers employed, of $\$ 24,561$ in receipts for publie schools, and of $\$ 46,450$ in expenditures.

> SOUTII CAROLINA.

In South Carolina the figures show a deerease in all important points since $18 \tilde{r a n}_{0}^{\circ}-76$. The number of youth of school age is less by 9,843 ; that of enrolment in public schools, by 20,689 ; that of publie sehools taught, by 293 ; that of teachers employed, by 394 ; the publie sehool reeeipts fell off $\$ 267,907$ and the expenditures $\$ 197,850$.

GEORG1A.
Georgia makes no report for 1877 as to the condition of pmblie sehools, the entucational reports there being biennial. A letter from Superintendent Orr, however, states, in general terms, that the publie school system is steadily gaining ground.

FLORIDA.
Sinee the printing of the abstract for this State the statisties for 1876-'77 have come in. They show a decrease of 1,843 in the youth of sehool age; an inerease of 5,031 in the enrolment in publie sehools, of 5,152 in the average attendance, of 271 in the mmm ber of teachers employed, of 216 in the number of publie schools, and of $\$ 37,618$ in the expenditure for them - an eneouraging record.

> GULF S'CATES - ALABAMA.

The school statisties from Alabama show an eneouraging advance in 18\%\%. There is an apparent decrease of 35,779 in sehool population, but this results ehief? from a ehange in the legal sehool age, which now ineludes youth from 7 to 21, instead of from 5 to 20 , as formerly. There is an inerease of 14,337 in the number enrolled in public schools, of 1,012 in the munber of schools reported, of 2 days in lengith of term,
of 374 in the number of teachers employed, of 65 cents in their average monthly pars, of $\$ 79,966$ in the receipts for school purposes, and of $\$ 55,277$ in the expenditures.

## NISSISSIPPI.

In Mississippi there was adecrease reported of 30,930 in school population, of 14,024 in colored youth attending public schools, of 14,207 in average enrolment, of 3 days in the arerage term of comntry schools, and of $\$ 10.67 \frac{1}{2}$ in the average monthly salary paid teachers. There were, on the other hand, 8,340 more white youth in the schools than last year, 25 more days of school term in cities, and 696 more white teachers and 454 more colored teachers employed. There was, too, a reported increase in the public school income of $\$ 55,564$ and in expenditnue of $\$ 63,455$.

LOUISIA:NA.
In Lonisiana, with an increase of 10,693 in public school enrolment, of 2,075 in average attendance, of 38 days in the school term, of $\$ 14$ in the monthly pay of men teaching and of $\$ 4$ in that of women, there was a decrease of 8,655 in school population, of 108 in the number of teachers employed, of $\$ 308,641$ in the receipts for school pmerposes, and of $\$ 406,180$ in the expenditures.

## TEXAS.

In Texas the figures show a decrease from $18 \% 5$, the date of the last report, of $83,8.37$ in school population (largely if not wholly the to a change in the school age from $6-18$ to $8-14$ ), of 15,515 in emolment, of $\$ 230,153$ in expenditure, and of 12 days in the school term. The only items which offset these are those of public schools reported and of the expenditure on each pupil enrolled, the schools numbering 389 more than in the year 1875-76 and the expenditure for each pupil increasing by 23 cents.

## northern central states - nebraska.

Nebraska has for some years past printed no school report, aud has had to struggle with the impoverishment from drought and locusts which in 1874 and 1875 put a sudden check to her previonsly swift advance. The Legislature, from this impoverishment, cut down the school tax in 1875 from 2 mills to 1 mill on the dollat, and made other changes which greatly roduced the resources of the public schools. The State superintendent thinks, however, that in $187 \%$ the aspect of school affairs was brightening, and that there are the begimnings of a fair progress mpward and onward in the schools.

## MNNESOTA.

Minnesota reports an additional enrolment in the schools which exceeds the 10,000 increase of school population, 22 more school-houses, a school term longer on an average by 4 days, 339 more teachers in public schools, an increase of the pas of men teachers, with all average decrease in that of women of 79 cents a month. The returns from local officers are not sufficiently full and accurate to determine whether income and expenditure for public schools increased or decreased, but there seeme to have been somo decrease.

## WISCONSIN.

Wisconsin reports an increase of $3,57 \%$ children of school age, of 8,97 in the public school enrolment of these, besides 112 above or under age. There were, too, 21 more State school-houses, 40 more of brick or stone, 127 more with good outhuildings, more graded schools, more that supplied text books to their pupils, larger valuation of school property, and larger receipts and expenditures for schools. There was hardly any falling of except in the length of the school term, the pay of women teachers in the cities, the general pay in combty schools, and the attendance in private schonls.
mohigan.
The figures here show a large proportionate increase, for, although the population of school age was only 469,444 in $1876-77$, that was an atvanee of 9,636 on the number for $1875-76$, while the additional enrolment in the public schools $(12,043)$ and the additional arerage attendance in them $(10,000)$ more than overtook the advance in the census of school children. Then, too, though there were 8 fewer graded schools reported, the number of ungraded ones increased by 121, the number of school-houses by 147 , the sittings in them by 5,096 , and the teachers numbered 167 more, with a larger proportion of them men than in the jear before. This, noreover, does not include private schools, of which there were 11 more reported, with an increase of 10 teachers and of 925 pupils. The pay of men teaching in the public schools, however, fell off $\$ 5.96$ a month on an avcrage and that of women 83 cents a month, while school receipts thronghout the State decreased by $\$ 275,680$ and the expenditures by $\$ 277,884 .{ }^{2}$

10 WA.
This vigorous young State of the West plucks the palm for 1876-'77 from the hands of the greatest castern ones, showing an increase over 1875-'76 of 13,939 youth of sehool age, of 22,338 registered in public schools, of 22,057 in average attendance, of 565 publie schools, of 9 days in the average length of the sehool term, of 388 public school-houses, of 814 teachers, and of $\$ 908,844$ expenditure for schools. A diminution of $\$ 38,495$ in the receipts for public schools seems as nothing in comparison with these great gains, and so does the slight dcerease of 473 in the attendance on private schools. The male teachers had their pay eut down $\$ 2.49$ on an average a month; women's pay was raised about 60 cents a month, a necessarily smaller rate because they are much more numerous.

## ILLINOIS.

In Illinois there are biennial reports in even years, so that full statistics cannot be had for the odd one. But the few given show steady progress: 18,765 more children of school age, 27,043 more onrolled in public schools, 10,000 more in private schools, moblie school-houses increased by 390 and the receipts for the support of such schools by $\$ 1,191,873$; the only falling off was in the number and pay of teachers (this last not going so far as in many other States), in the expenditures for schools, and in the estimated value of school property, put lower probably to correspond with the shrinkage of values in general.

INDIANA.
The full statistics of this State are presented only in the alternate, even years, a brief abstract of them going to the governor in the odd years. Those for 18\%\%, compared with the faller ones of 1876 , seem to show dcerease in important points. Thus, though the jouth of school age numbered 15,476 more and the teachers employed 103 more, there were 17,544 fewer pupils reported as enrolled in the State schools and 15.844 fewer in average daily attendance, with a decline of $\$ 210,196$ in school income and of $\$ 247,319$ in school expenditure, the wages of male teachers diminishing on an average $\$ 1.93$ a month and those of women $\$ 2.20$. These showings form a trying contrast to those of the year beforc, when, except in the pay of male teachers, there was a large advance at all these points.

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The statistics of 1876-\%7 show that the school population of Ohio ( $1,027,248$ ) increased only 1,613 over that of the preceding year, her enrolment fell off 723 , and the average attendance in her 15,000 public schools did notkeep pace with that in her much less numerons private schools. There was an increase in some other things, but a proportionately small one; 36 more public school-houses, $55: 3$ more public school rooms, 157 more teachers, and 185 more permaneatly employed; the teachers suffered, however, on the whole, a considerable apparent decrease in their salaries, and, as in other large States, the receipts and expenditures for schools fell off, to the extent of $\$ 729,230$ in receipts and $\$ 426,136$ in expenditures.

## SOUTHERE CENTRAL STATES - WEST VHRGINIA.

West Virginia shows an inerease of 4,863 in school population, of 8,204 in pupils enrolled, of $\$ 107,167$ in school income, and of $\$ 88,112$ in expenditure. There were 110 more public sehools in operation than the previous year and 232 more teachers. The average attendance, on the other liand, was 4,190 less; the average monthly pay of men teaching was deereased by 14 eents and that of women by $\$ 1.32$.

## KRNTUCKY.

In this State there was an increase of $13,7 \% 7$ in sehon population, with a decrease of 17,607 in arerage attendance and of 59 in the number of school-honses built. The income for public school purposes was greater by $\$ 313,786$ and the estimated value of school property by $\$ 330,000$.

TENNESSEE.
Here there has been an increase of 8,327 in scholastic population, of 33,463 in enrolment, of 16,358 in average daily attendance, of 707 in the number of public schools, of $\$ 41,870$ in the valuation of school property, and of 791 in number of teachers employed, with a decrease of $\$ 3.65$ in their average inonthly pay. Receipts for schools fell off $\$ 120,312$ and expenditures $\$ 37,148$.

## MISSOURI.

The failure of the Legislature to provide for the printing of the amual State report for 1877 deprives us of the opportunity to compare the educational condition with that of the preceding year. Hannibal, Kansas City, St. Joseph, and St. Louis send statisties and printed statements which indicate educational activity and progress, St. Louis particularly, with her excellent school system, almost redeeming by her steadfastness of advance the comparative sluggishness in school affairs of some other portions of the State.

> KANSAS.

In 1877 there was an increase of 19,884 in south of school age, of 10,695 in the envolment in publie schools, and of 28,716 in the average daily attendance. ${ }^{1}$ There were also 127 more sehool-houses, 475 more teachers, 4.5 more days in the average school term, an increase of $\$ 2.79$ in the average monthly pay of women, and a reduction of ouly 47 cents in that of men. Income for schools was $\$ 326,067$ larger, expenditure for them $\$ 129,939$ greater than in the preceding year; and almost everything indicates adrance, except that the available and the estimated permanent sehool funds show a decrease.

Statisties from Arkansas, received since the alostract for that State went to press, indicate an increase for $1876-77$ of 14,437 in the number of youth of school age, of 17.480

[^7]in the carolment in publie sehools, of 365 in the number of teachers cmployed, and of 523,928 in the expenditures for the school system; but a decline of 1,015 in the mumber of sehool-houses reported, of $\$ 194,892$ in the cost of these, and of $\$ 118,069$ in the receipts for school purposes.

> STATES ON THE PACIIIC SLOPE-CALIFORNLA.

In Califormia there was an increase during the year of 15,280 in youth of sehool age, of 9,115 in publie school emrolment, of 6,148 in average daily attendance, and of 713 emrolled in private schools. The number not attending any sehool was greater by 6,01:, while that of Mougolian children in sehool has decreased by 117. There was an increase of 187 in the number of schools tanght, of one day and four-tenths in their arerage length, of 23 in the number of sehool-houses ereeted, of 185 in that of teachers employed, and of 84 who were normal school graduates. The average monthly pay of men shows a decrease of $\$ 1.22$ and that of women an increase of $\$ 1.53$. The total receipts for school purposes were $\$ 307,559$ greater than the previons year, while the expenditure was $\$ 108,871$ less.

## NEVADA.

The school statistics for Nevada show progress in all important respects except in that of the length of school term, which was decreased by 14 days. There was an increase in sehool population of 937 , in public sehool enrolment of 439, in average daily attendance of 546 , in attendance on private schools of 231 , with a decrease of 69 not attending any school. The monthly wages paid teachers was $\$ 3.71$ greater, and the receipts for public sehools were increased by $\$ 7,418$ and the expenditures for them by ${ }^{1} 1,46 \%$.

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Here the tignres show an increase in all points. While the school population is only 2. 176 more than in 1876, the enrolment in public schools has increased by 18,158 , the arerage daily attendance by 14,824 , the receipts for public sehools by $\$ 38,551$, expenditures by $\$ 7,980$, and the number of teachers cmployed by 196 .
colorado.
Coloralo presents only brief statistics of its schools for $187 \%$. These seem to show decline in sehool population, enrolment, income and expenditure, and pay of men teaching, with some increase of average attendance in the sehools and a considerable one ( $\$ 3.45$ ) in the average monthly pay of women. But the statistics, as the superintendent says, are not complete from the Mexican counties of the State, and he very properly declines to piece them out by any guessing.

EDUCATIONAL CONDITION OF THE TERRITORIES.

|  | 1875-76. |  |  | 1876-77. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | School population. | Enrolment. | Average attendance | School population. | Enrolment. | Average attendance. |
| Arizona | 2,955 | 1,213 | 900 |  | 903 | 580 |
| Dakota | 10, 396 | 5, 410 |  | 11,046 | 6, 431 |  |
| District of Columbia. | 31, 671 | 19,629 | 14,907 | 31, 671 | 21, 204 | 16,318 |
| Idaho. | 2, 777 | 2,724 |  |  |  |  |
| Montana. | 4,238 | 2, 734 | , 2,000 | 4,892 | 4,595 |  |
| New Mexico.. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Utah | 30, 900 | 19, 886 | 13,608 | 30,792 |  |  |
| Washington | 11,000 | '7,500 |  | 12,997 | 19,79 5,385 | 13, 42. |
| W yoming. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

From the above comparison, it appears that Dakota, the District of Columbia, and Montana had a larger number of children in school in 1877 than in the previous year, while in Arizona, Utah, and Washington Territories the attendance was smaller. Washington, however, with a greater school population and fewer children emolled, reports an increase in the number of schools and teachers and in the length of sehool term. New Mexico and Wyoming furnish no information upon which a comparison of school statistics for the two years can be based. A statement, however, has been received from the governor of Wyoming, Hon. J. W. Hoyt, giving a very encouraging account of the condition and efficiency of the schools there.

## DISTRICT OF COLUDEAL.

In the District of Columbia, notwithstanding serious obstacles, there has been a substantial advance. As shown by the above figures, there was an increase of 1,635 in the number of children enrolled and of 1,411 in average attendance. There were also 1,483 more seats provided than the previous year. Some of the buildings occupied by schools are entirely unfit for school purposes, hindering the success of the teachers and imperilling the health of the children. The good of the schools and the honor of the country imperatively demand at the capital of the nation appropriate buildings sufficient for the education of all the children entitled to attend. The advance in the qualificatious of teachers is gratifying, and has been specially promoted by the establishment of a normal sehool for girls. The addition of high schools to the present grades of instruction would greatly increase their efficiency and supply opportunities specially needed by the youth of the District.

## ALASKA.

Although the people of Alaska so far as not "uncivilized" are graranteed by treaty the rights of American citizens, the Territory remains altogether without the application of law in the protection of lite, person, or property, or provisions for the organization of society, save so far as the revenue laws of the United States have been extended to it . Two schools are maintained according to contract among the Aleuts engaged in the seal fisheries; beyond this no Government provision is made for education. The following letter deserves special attention:

## Office of the Rocky Mountain Presbyterian and Home Missions for the Terbitories, Denver, Colo., December 27, 18 万ั?.

Dear Sir: Knowing your interest in everything that pertains to the education of the masses, permit me to call your attention to Alaska.
On the 30 th of March, 1867, Alaska was purchased from Russia for $\$ 7,200,000$. On the 28th of May the purchase was ratified by the United States Scnate, and on the 18 th of October the country became a portion of the United States.
As it is the latest of our territorial acquisitions, so it is the least known. Indeed, the interior regions of the country away from the Yukou River are as unknown as any portion of Africa. The coast and island section has been explored somewhat by the United States Coast Survey and the Yukon River by the scientific corps of the Western Union Telegraph expedition of 1864 to 1867.
The explored portions of the country have been foumd to be rich in fur, lumber, coal, copper, sulphur, petroleum, amber, silver, and gold. It has also raluable fisheries. During the coming year capitalists are expected to establish a cannery for salmon at Clawock at an expense of $\$ 100,000$. Other parties are interested in establishing a stamp mill for the reduction of gold at Sitkal, and still others in developing valuable copper mines on Karta Bay. Thas the resources of the country are commencing to attract attention.

The native population of Alaska is variously estimated, from 26,000 to 70,000 . In the northerm and central section of the country they are evidently of Esquiman descent; in the sonthern and island regions, of Indian descent. They are, however, in civilization, far in advance of the blanketed Sioux of Dakota. In the northern country they reside in permanent underground houses called topeks. On the southern coast they have large plank barríbora, or houses above.ground. They have also, to some extent, adopted Luropean styles of dress. Many paint their faces with oil and lamplack, which gives them a repulsive appearance. Polygamy is common anoug
the rieh. Feasts are given on the ereetion of a new house, marriages, births, naming of ehildren, deaths, \&e. These feasts consist of daneing, singing, and feasting. $\hat{\AA}$ summary cure for crying babies is to hold them in the sea until they cease crying. Children on the coast are bathed in the sea daily, and learn to swim about as soon as they learn to walk. The ineurable sick and old are sometimes killed. They have a great rariety of household utensils made from the horns of mountain sheep and goats, from the fossil ivory of their country, and from wood. Some of these are claborately carved.

Rnssia gave them govermment, sehools, and the Greek religion, hut when the rountry passed from their possession they withdrew their rulers, priests, and teachers while the United States did not send any others to take their places. Alaska, 1o-day, has neither eourts, rulers, ministers, nor teachers. The only thing the Uniterl states have done for them has been to introduee whisky. So that the Alaskan ean answel as it is said a Chippewa did when asked if he was a clnistian Iudian, "No, I wishky Injen."

The first selool was established by Shelikoff on the Island of Kodiak, the pupils receiving instruetion in the Russian language, arithmetie, and religion. This was about 1792. A fow years later one was established in Sitka. In 1841 an ecelesiastieal school was opened in Sitka, whieh in 1845 was raised to the rank of a seminary. Little was taught in the sehools besides the rites of the Greek Clureh aud the art of reading the eeelesiastical characters. In 1860 a colonial school was ojened with 12 students. Th 1862 it contained 27 students, only 1 of whom was a native. In 18.99 a girls' sehool was established for orphans and children of the employes of the Fine Company; in 1862 it had 22 pupils. In 1825 a school was established on Unalaska Island for natives; in 1860 it had 30 boys and 43 girls. A school at Amlia Inlame in 1860 , had 30 pupils. A sehonl-house was buile on the Lower Yukon, but had no pupils. Sinee the American occupation these schools have been broken up. On the St:al Islands, over a thonsand miles from Kodiak, the Alaska Commercial Company has maintained schools at St. George with an average attendance of 18 scholans mud at St. Paul with an average of 20 pupils. The great mass of the popalation were left, however, without any edncational adrantages, and were rapidly losing what they hart gained in the Russiau sehools.

Last summer I visited the sonthern coast of Alaskin in the interests of the Pres? ${ }^{-1}$ terian Board of Home Missions. and placed Mis. A. R. McFarland in charge of a school eommencer by the natires thomselyes at Fort Wrangell. I met among the natives many indicatious of a great desire for schools. Eady next year we expect to send Rev. J. G. Brady and Miss Kelloges to Sitka to establish a sehool there, and, if possible, also Rev. S. Hall Koung to assist in the work at Fort Wrangell. Alreaty the attendance at Fort Wrangell is excelient, and we have every assurance of success at both places, and an invitation to men schools at other points. At Wrangell, which is a eentral place for many miles up and down the eoast, there should be an industrial school, and we expect soon to commence it in a small way. Indeed, it is absoIntely necessary in order to give shelter to the jomig school girls, who wonld atherwise be sold by their mothers for purposes of prostitution.

Several points should be specially noted:
(1) We find here the pratice of parents solling their danghters at the age of 12 or 14 years for purposes of prostitution.
(2) The belief in witcheraft is all prevalent, and our teachers have had to interfere to sare the lives of those acensed, and who were actually being tortured to death.

Surely it is appalling to find such praetices existing in our land and exciting so little attention. This leads me to say -
(3) That there is no law in Alaska, as the jurisdietion of the eourts lias not been extended over that eomutry.
(4) It should be eonstantly kept in mind that these people, even in their prosent iguoranee and degradation, are self-snpporting; that they do not need from the General Government food, elothing, or annuities, but only gridance and aid in securing sehools, improving their industries, and acquiring the arts and enstoms of civilized life.
(5) It is of interest to those engaged in promoting Indian civilization and who have eneountered the embarrassments of tribal relations to know that there is no neeessity for reeognizing these relations.

Please do what you ean to awaken an interest in belalf of that portion of onv combtr. I hope to make another trip there as early as eiremmstances will permit.

SHELDON JACKSON,
Superintemitent of Pieshyterian Missions in the Tervitories.
Hon. Jomn Laton,
Commissioner of Ethuctlion.

In order to comprehend the difficulties encountered by the friends of universal instruction in the States where slavery has been more recently abolisherl, certain facts should be remembered:
(1) That the interests of slavery did not permit the instruction of the colored people.
(2) That during the existence of slavery the universal education of the whites was felt to be in some sense a source of danger to the progress of slavery.
(3) That as a consequence the philosophy of education in its comprehensiveness was not understood; the facts which illustrated the benefit of universal education could not and did not exist for those communities.
(4) When, therefore, slavery passed away and the several States where it had existed attempted to establish universal education, there was (a) a lack of its methods, (b) of its philosophy, and (c) of its results, either upon individuals or upon society, as regards its advantages in promoting virtue and social order or in producing wealth.
(5) All the questions that arose were eomplicated by the influence of race prejudice. This is nothing new; it is only what has occurred in other lands, and, indeed, elsewhere in our own country, as, for example, will be found in studying the history of the efforts to educate the colored people in New York City.
(6) The eolored people on their part entertain erroneous anticipations of what education is and what it was to do for them; and not a few intelligent whites wero influenced by the idea that education as offered to the negro would destroy him as a laborer. Indeed, they were not familiar with the effect of education upon the laborers of any race.
(7) Added to all these was the feeling of extreme poverty. ${ }^{1}$
(8) The progress noted in the summaries given should be studied in the light of these facts. It is plain that those results could not have been accomplished without a change of position on the part of many leading minds. Indeed, it has been true that an honest study of the facts has been followed with the approval of the great principle which underlies the most successful system in the country.

The many questions of race discussed among us render of peculiar interest all facts in regard to the progress of education among the colored people. Special attention is invited to the following tables:

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## E—III

XXXIV REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION．

## Table showing the comparative population and enrolment of the white and colored races in the public schools of the recent slave States for 1876－77．

| States． | White． |  |  | Colored． |  |  |
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| Alabama．．．．．．．．． | a236， 520 | 86，485 | 37 | a168， 706 |  | 39 |
| Arkansas．． | 143， 949 | b23， 895 | 17 |  |  | 17 |
| Delaware | 31， 849 | 22， 22，398 | 70 | 43,518 3,800 | 67,255 1,663 | 17 |
| Florida ． | 40，606 | 614，948 | 37 | 42，001 | b16， 185 | 44 |
| Georgia． | 218， 733 | 107， 010 | 49 | 175， 304 |  | 39 |
| Kentucky． | c459， 253 | 228， 000 | 50 | c53， 126 | 19，107 | 28 36 |
| Louisiana．． | d88， 567 | b45， 000 | 51 | d108， 548 | 640，000 | 37 |
| Maryland． | e213， 669 | 125， 737 | 59 | e63， 591 | 24，539 | 39 |
| Mississippi | 150， 504 | 84，374 | 56 | 174，485 | 76，154 | 44 |
| Missouri． | 692， 818 | 381， 074 | 55 | 32， 910 | 13， 774 | 42 |
| North Carolina． | 267， 265 | 128， 289 | 48 | 141， 031 | 73， 170 | 52 |
| South Carolina． | 83， 813 | 46， 444 | 55 | 144， 315 | 55， 952 | 39 |
| Tennessee | 330， 935 | 171， 535 | 52 | 111， 523 | 43， 043 | 39 |
| Texas． | f 135， 430 | 85， 620 | 63 | f 30,587 | 23，432 | 77 |
| Virginia | 280， 149 | 140， 363 | 50 | 202， 640 | 65， 043 | 32 |
| West Virginia | a178， 780 | a120， 657 | a67 | a5， 980 | a2， 847 | $a 48$ |
| District of Columbia | 20，671 | 15，310 | 74 | 11，000 | 5，954 | 54 |
| Total | 3，573， 511 | 1， 827,139 |  | 1，513， 065 | 571， 506 |  |

## a For 1875－＇76．

$b$ Estimated by the Bureau．
$c$ For whites the school age is $6-20$ ；for colored，6－16．
$d$ Exclusive of that of New Orleans．
$e$ Census of 1870.
$f$ The school age in Texas at our last report was $6-18$ ；it has been made 8－14，considerably lessening the school population．

Statistics of institutions for the instruction of the colored race for 1877.

| Name and class of institution． | Location． |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| normal schools． |  |  |  |  |
| Rust Normal Institute． | Huntsville，Ala | Meth | ， |  |
| State Normal School for Colored Students． | Huntsville，Ala |  | 2 |  |
| Lincoln Normal University | Marion，Ala |  |  |  |
| Emerson Institute | Mobile，Ala． |  | 3 | 120 |
| State Normal School for Colored Students． | Pine Bluff，Ark | Cons | 2 | 147 |
| Normal department of Atlanta University | Atlanta，Ga．．．． |  | 2 | 83 |
| Lewis High School． | Macon，Ga．． |  |  | 108 |
| Haven Normal School． | Waynesboro＇，Ga |  | 3 4 |  |
| Peaborly Normal School． | New Orleans，La． | Meth | 4 | 125 |
| Baltimore Normal School for Colored Pupils | Baltimore，Md．．． |  | 3 | 134 |
| Centenary Biblical Institute． | Baltimore，Md． | Meth | 4 | 134 77 |
| Tougaloo University and Normal School | Tougaloo，Miss | Cong | 8 | 106 |

## Statistics of institutions for the instruction of the colored race for 1877-Continued.

## Name and class of institution.

Lincoln Normal Institute State Normal Sehool for Colored Students Bennett Seminary
St. Augustine's Normal School
Shaw University
Avery Normal Institute
Fairfield Normal Institute
Freedman's Normal Institute
Le Moyne Normal and Commereial School ....
Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute.
Richmond Institute
Richmond Normal School for Colored Pupils
Miner Normal School
Normal department of Howard University
Normal department of Wayland Seminary

## Total

institutions for secondary instruction.
Trinity Sehool
Talladega College
Cookman Institute
Clark University
St. Augustine's School
La Têche Seminary
St. Frances Aeademy for Colored Girls .........
Scotia Seminary .......................................
St. Augustine's School. ....................
Williston Aeademy and Normal School
Albany Enterprise Academy.
High Sehool for Colored Pupils
Wallingford Academy
Brainerd Institute
Benediet Institute
Brewer Normal Sehool
Claflin University.
Canfield School
Nashville Institute
Wiley University
St. Stephen's Sehool
St. Philip's Sehool
St. Mary's School

## Total

universities and colideges.
Atlanta University
Berea Collcge.
Leland University
Straight University
New Orleans University
Shaw University

| Location. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jefferson, Mo |  | 6 | 122 |
| Fayetteville, N. C |  | 3 | 71 |
| Greensboro', N. C. | Meth | 2 | 75 |
| Raleigh, N. C. | P. E | 4 | 127 |
| Raleigh, N. C | Baptis | 5 | 240 |
| Charleston, S. C | Cong | 9 | 315 |
| Winnsboro', S. C | Presb |  | 340 |
| Maryville, Tenn | Friend | 13 | 204 |
| Memphis, Tenn | Cong | 9 | 295 |
| Hampton, Va | Cong | 14 | 274 |
| Riehmond, Va | Bapti | 5 | 104 |
| Richmond, Va |  | 6 | 232 |
| Washington, D. C |  | 2 | 27 |
| Washington, D. C | Non-s | 3 | 74 |
| Washington, D. C | Baptist. | (b) | (b) |
|  |  | 119 | 3,785 |
| Athens, Ala ................ | Cong . . |  | 139 |
| Talladega, Ala............... |  | 10 | 236 |
| Jacksonville, Fla . | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Cong . .... } \\ & \text { Meth . . } \end{aligned}$ | 3 | 62 |
| Atlanta, Ga | M. E..... | 4 | 110 |
| Savannah, G | P. E...... 3 |  | 75 |
| Baldwin, La | Meth ............. |  |  |
| Baltimore, Md | R. C.............  <br> Presb .... 8 |  | 95 |
| Concord, N. C |  |  | 128 |
| Now Berne, N. C | P. E...... 2 |  | 224 |
| Wilmington, N. | Cong ..... 5 |  | 84 |
| Albany, Ohio | Non-sect .. ....... |  | 23 |
| Charleston, S. C |  |  | 224 |
| Charleston, S. C | P. E...... 4 |  | 220 |
| Chester, S. C. | Presb ..... |  | 277 |
| Columbia, S. C | Baptist ... 4 |  | 117 |
| Greenwood, S. C | Cong . . . . . ...... |  | 49 |
| Orangeburg, S. C | M. E...... 4 |  | 120 |
| Memphis, Tenn | P. E...... 1 |  | 100 |
| Nashville, Tenn | Baptist... 6 |  | 195 |
| Marshall, Tex | M. E...... |  | 53 |
| Petersburg, Va | P. E ...... |  | 150 |
|  | $\text { P. E...... } 2$ |  | 86 |
| Washington, D. C | P. E.............. |  | 40 |
|  |  | 66 | 2,807 |
| Atlanta, Ga | .. Cong ..... | . | 33 |
|  |  | - c13 | 129 |
| New Orleans, La | Baptist ... | - | 4 |
| New Orleans, La | . Cong . .... | . 7 | 223 |
| New Orleans, La | . Meth | c12 | 110 |
| Holly Springs, M | . Meth | 6 | 130 |

$a$ In addition to the aid given by American Missionary Association, this institate has an appropriation from the State.

## XXXVI REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION.

Statistics of institutions for the instruction of the colored race for 1877-Continued.


Summary of statistics of institutions for the instruction of the colored race for 1877.



Summary of statistics of institutions for the instruction of the colorcd race for 1877－Cont＇d．

| States． | Schools of medi－ cine． |  |  | Schools for the deaf and dumb and the blind． |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \％ | 离 | \％ |  | ¢ ¢ \＃ ¢ H | \％ |
| Louisiana． | 1 | 5 | 8 |  |  |  |
| Maryland． |  |  |  | 1 | 11 | 31 |
| North Carolina |  |  |  | 1 | 14 |  |
| Tennesseo | 1 |  | 18 |  |  |  |
| District of Columbia． | 1 | 7 | 48 |  |  |  |
| Total．． | 3 | 12 | 74 | 2 | 25 | 99 |

Table showing the number of schools for the colored race and enrolment in them by institu－ tions without refercnce to States．

| Class of institution． | Schools． | Enrolment． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Public schools | a10， 792 | a571， 506 |
| Normal schools ． | 27 | 3，785 |
| Institutions for secondary instruction． | 23 | 2， 807 |
| Universitics and colleges． | 13 | 1，270 |
| Schools of theology．．．． | 17 | 462 |
| Schools of law． | 2 | 14 |
| Schools of medicine．． | 3 | 74 |
| Schools for the deaf and dumb and the blind． | 2 | 99 |
| Total．． | 10， 879 | 580， 017 |

$a$ To these may be added 315 schools，having an enrolment of 16,548 ，in reporting free States，making total number of colored public schools 11,107 and total enrolment in them 588,054 ；it will be observed that this augments the total number of schools above given by 315 and the enrolment by 16,548 ，making the total number of schools，as far as reported to us， 11,194 ，and total number of the colored race under instruction in them， 596,565 ；this，however，does not include the colored public schools of those States in which no separate reports are nado．

PEABODY FUND．
Table showing the amount and disposition of the sums disbursed from the Peabody fund from 1868 to 1877，inclusive．

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1868 | \＄4， 750 | \＄2， 700 | \＄3， 550 | \＄8， 562 |  | \＄1， 000 | \＄1，338 | \＄8，700 |  |  | \＄4，800 |  | \＄35， 400 |
| 186 | 12， 700 | 6， 350 | 7， 800 | 9， 000 | \＄1， 850 | 5，700 | 9， 000 | 10，500 |  | \＄4， 300 | 11， 900 | 10， 900 | 0 |
| 1870 | 10，300 | 7，650 | 3， 050 | 6，000 | 6， 950 | 5，950 | 5，600 | 5， 000 | \＄1， 000 | 11， 050 | 15， 050 | 13， 000 | 90， 600 |
| 71 | 15， 950 | 8，750 | 2，500 | 3，800 | 6，550 | 5， 800 | 3， 250 | 12，400 |  | 9， 200 | 22， 650 | 9，1 | 100， 000 |
| 1872. | 29，70c | 8，250 | 500 | 6， 000 | 6，200 | 9， 900 | 4， 550 | 11， 500 |  | 12， 250 | 23， 250 | 17， 9 | 130，000 |
| 1873 | 36，700 | 9，750 | 1，500 | 13， 750 | 7， 700 | 6，000 | 6， 800 |  |  | 11， 400 | 27， 800 | 15， 7 | 137， 150 |
| 1874 | 31，750 | 14，300 | 200 | 6， 500 | 9，900 | 9，700 | 6， 700 | 2， 750 | 1，000 | 3，600 | 33,100 | 15， 1 | 134，600 |
| 1875 | 23， 350 | 16， 900 | 100 | 9， 750 | 1，800 | 2， 200 | 5，400 | 1，000 | 1， 350 | 1，500 | 27， 150 | 10， 500 | 101， 000 |
| 1876 | 17， 800 | 8， 050 | 4， 150 | 3，700 | 1， 000 | ，5，500 | 9， 950 | 2， 000 | 4，450 | 1， 000 | 10， 100 | 8， 600 | 76， 300 |
| 1877 | 18， 250 | 4，900 | 4，300 | 4，000 | 6，500 | 3， 700 | 5，990 | 2，000 | 10， 800 | 6， 300 | 15,850 | 6，810 | 89，400 |
| Total． | 201， 250 | 87，600 | 27， 650 | 71， 062 | 48， 450 | 55， 450 | 58，578 | 55， 850 | 18， 600 | 60，600 | 191， 650 | 107，710 | 984， 450 |

This unparallcled benefaction, administercd by the trustees through their agent, Rev. Barnas Sears, D. D., LL. D., continues its great work of aiding those cities and towns that help themselves to edueational privileges fur their youth. The above figures, covering a period of ten years, are most sliggestive of the vast good accomplished. ${ }^{1}$

## TOWNSHIP SCHOOL SYSTEM.

The oldest Ameriean educational idea was that of Massachusetts, which looked to an elementary school in every town containing 50 householders, with a grammar school where there were 50 more householders. A somewhat more reeent but more widely spread idea was to have ordinary schools for every township, a higher school for every county, and a college or university for every State. The township was the unit of the whole school system, and many thonghtful men are questioning whether it ought not to be restored to that position, instead of being broken into incohesive fragments called school districts, as is common now. Some arguments for such a restoration are as follows:

1. The present district system involves almost neeessarily numerous poor schoolhouses, beeause the few people in a district cannot generally afford a good one. The population being scanty, sehools are small, with imperfect classifieation of the pupils and recitations too numerous and too short for fair results. Poor teaching is inevitable, from the need of getting for each little school the cheapest teacher to be had; and yet a great proportionate expense is incurred on the whole, since in the case of every two school-houses where one would satisfy all real wants, there must be two teachers, two fircs, and two sets of furniture, besides the cost of the unnecessary building. With all this, too, there is frequent uncertainty as to ill surveyed and ill marked district boundaries, involving uneertainty as to which district is to collect the tax and edueate the children, and great liability to disputes and bickerings on this account. And then there is perfect eertainty of often having in the district board men unfit to supervise and help a school.
2. The township system, on the other hand, providing boundaries settled by indisputable surveys, removes all ground for disputes on that point; it affords an opportunity to obtain for the township a school board of intelligent and good men, and through sueh a board better management of sehool funds, better choice of teachers, better arrangement and gradation of the schools, and wiser supervision of them.
These being the invariable characteristics and results of the two systems, a number of the States are endeavoring to get rid of the district and substitute the township system. The voice of the State superintendents is believed to be uniformly in favor of the change. ${ }^{2}$

## FREE TEXT BOOKS IN FREE SCHOOLS.

From a desire to extend to every child the full advantages of publie instruction, the laws of thirteen of our States make provision for supplying indigent pupils with the

[^9]dren as a loan, to be returned in the best condition possible to the school boards after use, and to be passed on from session to session and from child to child. The benefits derived from this arrangement have becn so many and so various as to give rise to considerable discussion of the question whether the system of a frec supply of books by school boards would not better be made universal, instead of partial and discriminating, as it is.
The advocates of a system of free supply urge in favor of it that it saves expense, the books being purchased at wholesale; that it saves time, enough books for cerery seholar being thus available at the opening of each term; that it secures for a district a desirable uniformity of text books, making the work of teachers greatly casier and more effective than in other cascs; that it thus promotes better classification of pupils, so that more time can be given to each class; that it increases the attendance on the schools; and, fually, that it prevents expense and annoyance when a pupil goes from one district to another.
In view of these advantages, our two largest cities, New York and Philadolphia, have for a long time furnished free books, and smaller cities, such as Bath and Lewiston in Maine, Fall River in Massachusetts, Newark and Patorson in New Jersey, have followed their example, with the happiest results. Four of the States, too, now explicitly provide for allowing the system of free supply. Maine, Massachusetts, ani Wisconsin leave the matter to be decided by district or town moctings and city councils and the local school boards; and New York authorizes city boards to furnish books to pupils out of any money provided for the purpose. In most of the remaining States the laws are silent on this point, except, as bcfore mentioncd, where a supply for poor pupils is allowed. But in California, Iowa, Michigan, New Jersey, and Pemnsylvania the State superintendents express themselves as decidedly in favor of furnishing free all the books needed. Superintendent Carr, of California, further ventures the opinion that in the silence of the law there is no obstacle in the way of the adoption by any district of the frce plan; and probably, in almost ary State, districts would bo allowed to decide the matter for themselves, provided that proper notice be given beforehand to the people of the intention to discuss and determine the question at a specificd time.

DEVELOPMENT OF SUPERVISION IN EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS.
History constantly affirms the necessity of cducation to the permanence and progress of every administrative system. The Christian church, it is well known, instituted a formal organization for the training of its officers in their respective duties, and, as long as its supremacy over the state was allowed, assumed also the cducation of the officers of government. The University of Paris, the University of Vicnna, the schools and colleges of the Jesuits, were instances of the cluurch's exercise of this incstimable power. Gradually, states recognized that education is one of the chicf forces in their possession, and resolved to apply it to the whole people. These successive aims, ceclesiastical, political, popular, were combined in the educational system of Prussia.
The power which the church had derived from education, Frederick the Great directed to the general good and glory of the state; the salient provisions of his system were, on the one hand, the beginning of normal schools supplying special training for officials, and, on the other, compulsory education insuring an intellectual training to every individual. Step by step, the other states of the Old World are adopting the efficient system out of which came the present supremacy of Northern Germany in European affairs.

In the history of our own country, education presents an impressive record. Says President Quincy in his History of Harvard College: "The first necessities of civilized man, food, raiment, and shelter, had scarcely been provided; civil government and the worship of God had alonc been instituted, when the great interests of education engaged the attention of the colonists of Massachusetts."

The proofs of this immediate concern are the colonial laws of 1642 and 1647, formally enacting what had already been practically established, and makiug Harvard College the expressive crown of a well ordered system of public instruction.

Like the Hebrew, the Puritan syllabled his patriotism and his adoration in a single expression, "If I forget thee, O Jcrusalem!" Schools and college were in his conception the common nursery of state and church, developing by the same process the citizen and the christian, since in a community where the privilege of electing officers and holding office was vested exclusively in freemen, and where none could be freemen but church members, the two characters were comprehended in one. Education formed necessarily an inherent element of the administrative policy. To these early movements in our colonies may be traced the cducational ideals that pervade our history.

In the complete separation of church and state, however, while the provisions for education continue and multiply, its aims and its control have been involved in singular confusion; ncvertheless, in the irregular development throughout the States, the tendency to efficient supervision has maintained itself in continuons life, sometimes obscured by opposition, sometimes firmly marked, but always traccable.
At first the only distinct and separate officer in the affairs of church and state set apart to education was, under the clergy, the teacher. Afterward, as education developed in towns, it came under the control of the same committee or officers as other civil affairs of the town.
By degrees the school came to be recognized as so important in itself, so distinct in its objects from other branches of administration, that the necessity to the state of setting apart for school government a class of officers especially fitted for educational responsibilities was fully admitted; the town school committees followed.
As the duties of school supervision increased and forced themselves upon the attention of the State, for a time they were treated as subordinate and committed to some one of the State officers who had other duties, as, for example, the secretary of state; but these experiments invariably proved detrimental to education and unsatisfactory to the people; and it is generally a disadvantage for a man to advocate a rcturn to such provisions. To-day the State that should abolish or cripple separate State supervision of education and commit it to another officer of the State would be universally condemned among educators as going backward. The development of this important principle can be better understood by the particular account of the successive movements in New York.
In 1795, Governor George Clinton recommended to the Legislature the establishment of common schools throughout the State, in pursuance of which recommendation an act was framed and approved April 9, 1795, entitled "An act for the encouragement of schools." This act appropriated $\$ 50,000$ a year for five years, for fostering and maintaining schools in the several cities and towns of the State; made explicit provision for the division of funds and for treasurer's certificates, and for the supcrvision of the schools under local commissioners and trustees; it also directed reports as to the dc-
tails of the schools to the Legislature. Thus, in the first to the secretary of state, to be by him laid before toward organizing a common school syster action in New York after the Revolution tion was distinctly recognized. "On the be importance of supervision in educaRandall, "the foundations of our present schis of this simple organization," says Mr. teen ycars later, in 1812, occurred the first legislem were originally laid." Sevensystem of common schools. Then the office of State contemplating a permanent and from one to six inspectors, who with the commissioners were to have supersis of the schools and to conduct the examinations of teachers; at the same offices of trustees, clerk, and collector were created for each school district.
The following year, 1813, the office of superintendent was bestowed by the council of appointment upon Mr. Gideon Hawley, who served till 1821, and to whom must be ascribed the honor of having thoroughly organized the common school system of the

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State. He was removed on purely political grounds, and a person wanting in the requisite qualifications of a superintendent of schools was appointed in his stead; this led to a notable change respecting State supervision. A law or clause of a law was enacted that the secretary of state should, ex officio, be the superintendent of common schools.

This law remained unehanged till 1854, but not without strong recommendations from time to time on the part of the secretaries of state and others in favor of a separate and distinct department of school superintendence.
The constant agitation of the subject is indicated by a series of aets: thus, the act of 1841 ereated the office of deputy superintendent; that of 1843 abolished the office of town commissioner of sehools and iuspector of schools and created the office of town superintendent; and the aet of 1847 abolished the offiee of county superintendent and ordered the returns of town superintendents to be made to county elerks.
The greatinterests involved in the educational administration were now so distinetly recoguized that in 1851 the assembly, by resolution, authorized the governor to appoint a commission to report to the legislature at its next session a common school code for the State. Hon. S. S. Randall, the commissioner under the resolution, recommended, as one of the permanent ehanges required in the then existing law, "the separation of the office of State superintendent of common schools from that of secretary of state and its creation into a separate and distinet department." Governor Horatio Seymour strongly recommended such separato organization of the department in his message to the legislature in 1854, and accordingly an act for the purnose was passed the Mareh ensuing. "This important measure," says Mr. Randall, from whose History of the Common School System of New York the above facts are mainly derived, "was warmly supported by Hon. E. W. Leavenworth, then secretary of state, chiefly on the ground of the ineompatibility of the duties pertaining to the office of superintendent with those required of the secretary of state."

Thus, after a period of more than thirty years, the State of New York returned, in 1854 , to the system of a separate department for common sehool superintendence, which has been continued to the present time.
The development of the same system in Maino is also pertinent to the present interest in the general subject. The first sehool law in this State was passed in 1821, one year after the soparation from Massachusetts. With respect to sehool supervision, this law provided for the olection at annual town mectings of a superintending sehool commissioner for each town and plantation, whose duty it should be to examine teachers, select school books, visit and inspect the sehools, \&e. It also provided for the ehoosing of a distriet agent for each distriet, whose duty it should be to hire teachers for the district and to provide the necessary utensils and fuel for the sehools. No provision was made in the law for any reports eoncerning the schools to either town or State officers.
The aet of 1821 was so amended by the act of 1825 as to make it the duty of selectmen to present returns to the secretary of state, onee in three years, as to the number of school distriets, the number of seholars in each, the number of seholars usually attending sehool, the length of sehool sessions, and the amount of money expended for the same. The law was inadequate to the results desired, and the returns secured were of little or no value.

These partial acts aceelerated the grand movement, and in 1843 vigorous efforts were made by the friends of education in the legislature to improve the seloools by a State organization. A bill was immediately introduced to establish a board of school commissioners, which, however, failed to become a law ; a bill introduced in 1845 by Stephen H. Chase, of Fryeburg, providing for school commissioners to be appointed by the governor and council also failed to become a law. Notwithstanding these fatlures, the publie will was moving steadily toward an effieient supervision of schools. In accordance with a memorial to the legislature drawn up by a convention of teachers and friends of education, Hon. E. M. Thurston iutroduced a bill to estab-
lish a State board of education, which became a law July 27, 1846. The board was to consist of one member from each county, to be chosen annually by the superintending school committees of the several towns and the elerks of the several plantations in each county; it was required to elect, each year, one person, to be styled the secretary of the board of education. A penalty was imposed on towns for neglecting to make school returus and teachers were ordered to keep registers. "The establishment of the board of education," says Mr. Corthell in his review of the sehool legislation of Maine, "marks the era of reform and advance in school work."
The new system was variously modified by the acts of 1850 and 1851, and in 1852 the "board of education" and the "secretary of the board" were abolished, and a law was enacted making it the duty of the governor and council annually to appoint a commissioner of common schools for each county, who was charged with the supervision of the schools of his own county.
In 1854 an aet was passed establishing the office of State superintendent of common schools, and by an aet of 1868 the powers and duties of the superintendent were fully defined and his office was fixed at the seat of government. Thus, after varions experiments, ranging through a history of forty-seven years, effieient school supervision was made the law of the State.
The development of common school supervision in the various States has been substantially the same as in New York and Maine. The correctness of the principle, the necessity of its application, are now universally admitted; it is in active operation in every State of the Union, Oregon and Delaware having been the last to adopt it.
Following is a list of the designations of State educational officers in the several States and Territories, with their mode of election or appointment and term of service.

Official title, mode of appointment, and term of service of State and territorial superintendents.

|  | Designation of officer. | Elected or appointed by the- | Term of service. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | state superintendents. |  |  |
| Alabama | State superintendent | People | 2 years. |
| kans | State superintendent of public instruction | People | 2 years. |
| California | State superintendent of public instruction | People | 4 years. |
| Colorado | State superintendent of public instruction | Peoplo. | 2 years. |
| Connecticut | Secretary of State board of education | State board of education. | During pleasure of board. |
| Delaware | State superintendent of frce schools | Gover | 1 year. |
| Florida | State superintendent of public instruction | Governor | 4 years. |
| Georgia | State school commissioncr | Governor | 2 years. |
| Illinois. | State superintendent of public instruction | People | 4 years. |
| Indiana | State superintendent of public instruction | People. | 2 years. |
| Iow | State superintendent of public instruction | People. | 2 years. |
| Kansas | State superintendent of public instruction | Pcople | 2 years. |
| Kentucky | State superintendent of prblic instruction | People. | 4 years. |
| Louisiana | State superintendent of public cducation. | People | 4 years. |
| Maine. | State superintendent of common schools | Governor and council. | 3 years, or during pleasure of ex ecutive. |
| Maryland | State saperintendent of public instraction $\alpha$.. | State board of education. | During pleasure of board. |
| Massachnsetts... | Secretary of State board of education | State board of education. | No express lim itation. |
| Michigan | State superintendent of public instruction | People. | 2 years. |
| Minnesota | State superintendent of public instruction | Governo | 2 years. |
| Mississippi | State superintendent of public education. | People | 4 years. |
| Missouri | State superintendent of public schools | Pcople. | 4 years. |
| Nelraska | State superintendent of public instruction | People. | 2 years. |
| Nevada | State superintendent of public instruction | People.. | 4 years. |
| New Hampshire | State superintendent of public instruction | Governor | 2 years. |
| New Jersey.... | State superintendent of public instruction | State board of education. | 3 years. |
| New York.. | State superintendent of public instruction | Legislature... | 3 years. |
| North Carolina | State superintendent of public instruction | Pcople. | 4 years. |
| Ohio | State commissioner of common schools.. | People. | 3 years. |
| Oregon....... | State supcrintendent of public instruction | People. | 4 years. |
| Pennsylvania. | State superintendent of public instruction | Governor and senate. | 4 years. |
| Rhode Island .. | State commissioner of public schools. | State board of education. | 1 уear. |
| Tenncssce | State superintendent of education..... | People. | 4 years. |
| Tenncssce ..... | State superintendent of public schools | Governor and senate. | 2 years. |
| Texas... | Secretary of State board of education | Board of education. | During pleasure of board. |
| Virginia. | State superintendcnt of edncation....... State superintendent of public instructio | Gen'lassembly | 2 years. |
| West Virginia... | State superintendent of free schools..... | Gen lassembly Pcople......... | 4 years. <br> 4 years. |
| Wisconsin. | State superintendent of public instraction ..... territorial superintendents. | People. |  |
| Alaska |  |  |  |

Official title, mode of appointment, and term of service of State and territorial superintend-ents-Continued.

|  | Designation of officer. | Elected or appointed by the- | Term of sorvice. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arizona | Governor, ex officio | Pres. of U. S.. | Not given. |
| Dakota | Territorial superintendent of public instruction. | Governor and council. | 2 years. |
| Dist. of Columbia. | (a) | District commissioners. | During pleasure of comm'rs. |
| Idaho | Territorial controller, ex officio ................. | Governor ..... | Not given. |
| Indian | Superintendent of schools of the Five Nations .. |  |  |
| Montana. | Territorial superintendent of public instruction. | Governor | 2 years. |
| New Mexico. | Secretary of Territory, ex officio.............. | Pres. of U. S.. |  |
| Utah ............. | Territorial superintendent of district schools... | People.. | 2 years. |
| Washington ..... | Territorial superintendent of public instruction. | Governor | 2 years. |
| W yoming........ | Territorial librarian, ex officio | Governor |  |

$a$ There are two superintendents: The title of the first is superintendent of schools for white children in Washington and Georgetown and of the county schools; of the second, superintendent of schools for colored children in Washington and Georgetown.

Table II.-Summary of school statistics of


* From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876. a Assessed valuation. $b$ Includes cost of supervision.
cities containing 7,500 inhabitants and over.

| Pupils. |  |  |  |  | Expenditures. |  |  | Averageexpenses per capita of daily av. att. in public schools. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |  |
| 300 | a\$5, 276, 480 | \$50, 715 | 5 |  | \$4, 120 | $b \$ 17,308$ | \$21, 429 | \$15 33 | \$3 40 | 1 |
|  | a260, 262,343 | 2, 574, 000 | 2.1 | \$942, 616 | 22, 279 | 537, 389 | 800, 709 | 2400 | 480 | 2 |
| 400 | 9, 000, 000 | 152, 000 | 2 | 66, 666 | 21, 612 | 27, 700 | 65, 248 | 2039 | 981 | 3 |
| 120 | 5,000,000 | 142, 900 | 1.5 | 59, 701 | 924 | 28, 920 | 38, 044 |  |  | 4 |
| 100 | $16,000,000$ | 186, 540 | 7.5 | 59, 061 | 4,417 | 27, 728 | 59, 060 | 2249 | 611 | 5 |
| 450 | 17, 000, 000 | 144, 500 | 3.25 | 62, 419 | 6, 725 | 42, 950 | 62, 336 |  |  | 6 |
| *1, 337 | * ${ }^{\text {c }}$ (7, 162, 324 | *1, 755, 269 | ...... | 191, 666 |  | 86, 192 | 194, 962 |  |  | 7 |
| 97 | a4, 592, 952 | 99, 500 |  | 37, 059 | 12, 700 | 19, 695 | 40, 601 | 1200 | 350 | 8 |
| 1,500 | $65,852,000$ | 532, 722 | 15.25 | 228, 284 | 29, 637 | 132, 983 | 206, 436 | 1841 | 584 | 9 |
| 40 | 10, 000, 000 | 87, 500 | 2.7 | 26,547 | 255 | 19,546 | 26, 547 | 1464 |  | 10 |
| 100 | 9, 000, 000 | 111, 000 |  | 69, 361 | 1,573 | 24,700 | 36, 700 | 1350 | 225 | 11 |
|  | 25, 399, 000 | 265, 339 | 2.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 12 |
| 800 | 20, 000, 000 | 96, 000 | 2. 12 | 35, 709 |  | 28,788 | 35, 662 | 1278 | 202 | 13 |
| 500 | 12, 336, 700 |  |  | e32, 706 |  |  | 20, 221 |  |  | 14 |
| 250 | 4,000, 000 | 26, 500 | 2.25 | 12, 145 | 800 | 6,917 | 11, 933 | 962 | 221 | 15 |
| 100 | 7,500,000 | 24,500 |  | c16, 457 |  | 7,646 | 12, 337 | 1251 | 128 | 16 |
| 350 |  | 95, 500 |  | 42,505 |  | 34, 723 | 42, 181 | 1300 |  | 17 |
| 600 | $5,000,000$ | 75, 500 | 4.4 | 20, 685 | 140 | 11, 075 | 15, 078 | 1010 | 260 | 18 |
| 700 | $5,000,000$ | 104, 600 | 11.5 | 40, 024 |  | 21, 672 | 35, 043 | 1302 | 222 | 19 |
|  | 8,500, 000 | 230, 471 | 14.5 | 66, 292 | 1,494 | 26, 509 | 65, 539 | 1157 | 397 | 20 |
| 20, 000 | a148, 400, 087 | 2, 436, 056 | 2.92 | 849, 757 | 1,101 | b451, 053 | 684, 534 | 1213 | 405 | 21 |
| 200 | 0, 114, 756 | 95, 600 | 9 | 40, 109 | 136 | 15, 385 | 29, 910 | 1310 | 331 | 22 |
| 200 |  | 57, 300 |  | 34, 577 |  | b14, 988 | 34, 508 |  |  | 23 |
|  | 5,500, 000 | 112, 815 | 5 | 32, 079 |  | 13,710 | 20, 813 | 1018 | 341 | 24 |
| 1, 000 | 2, 778, 780 | 159, 900 | 3 | 46,948 | 2, 742 | 17, 070 | 48, 536 |  |  | 25 |
| 604 | 3, 249, 080 | 65, 650 | 7 | 25,001 | 106 | b16, 330 | 20,650 | 1088 | 280 | 26 |
| 1,600 | 16,000,000 | 157, 300 | 7 | 77,500 |  | 33, 190 | 76,794 | 1192 | 361 | 27 |
| 1,800 | 20,000,000 | 217, 000 | 4.5 | 54, 130 | 7,557 | 27, 326 | 54, 323 |  |  | 28 |
| 475 | 12,000,000 | 120, 000 | 5 | 43, 623 | 350 |  | 37, 517 |  |  | 29 |
| 450 | 12,000,000 | 112, 600 | 6.5 | 23, 872 |  | 17, 477 | 25, 433 | 1377 | 360 | 30 |
|  |  | 150, 000 | 5 | 32, 100 |  | 24, 954 | 33, 751 | 1373 | 364 | 31 |
| 2,300 | 12, 294, 460 | 224, 650 | 4.6 | 99, 361 | 15,592 | 37, 065 | 71,642 | 1698 | 414 | 32 |
| 1,340 | 73, 822, 993 | 883, 986 | 2 | 311, 456 | 28, 203 | 121, 319 | 215, 410 |  |  | 33 |
| 300 | $a 2,600,000$ | 60, 000 | 4 | 23, 003 | 154 | 12,918 | 19,126 |  |  | 34 |
| 1,000 | 14, 000,000 | 193, 000 | 3.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 35 |
|  | a5, 666, 055 | 180, 000 | 5 | 48, 575 | 5,396 | 13, 539 | 41,888 | 1304 | 346 | 36 |
| 276 | $a 4,400,000$ | 60,000 | 3 | 26,450 |  |  | 15, 872 |  |  | 38 |
| 565 |  | 81, 000 |  | 72, 716 | 3,154 | 20,686 | 34, 158 | .... |  | 38 |
| 250 |  |  |  | 44, 494 |  | 11, 207 | 17, 093 |  |  | 39 |
| 300 | a13, 841, 060 | 215, 471 | \| 3.4 | 95, 046 | 12,625 | 41, 268 | 66, 440 | 1639 | 349 | 40 |

$c$ These statistics aro for seven-cighths of the city only.
$d$ This number oxcludes duplicate enrolments.
$e$ These receipts are for tho whole county.

Table II.-Summary of school


| Pupils. |  | Estimated real value of propertyused for school purposes. |  |  | Expenditures. |  |  | Average expenses per capita of daily av. att. in publie schools. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |  |
| 1,000 | \$12,000, 000 | \$250, 000 | 6 | \$87, 925 | \$3, 215 | \$33, 450 | \$50, 535 | \$1706 | \$5 93 | 41 |
| 250 | 5,472, 145 | 85, 600 | 8.5 | 52, 355 | 845 | 15, 362 | 30, 081 | 1845 | 637 | 42 |
|  | 16,000;000 | 273, 100 | 12 | 117, 390 | 3, 530 | 49,409 | 71,500 | 1765 | 305 | 43 |
| 400 | 7, 033, 000 | 225, 400 | 13 | 55, 216 |  | 20,795 | 49, 184 | 1596 | 800 | 44 |
|  |  |  | 6.5 | 54, 075 |  | 33, 230 | 45,987 |  |  | 45 |
| 500 | 9,000, 000 | 125, 000 | 9 | 40,379 | 3, 090 | 28, 089 | 35, 340 |  |  | 46 |
| 300 | 4,800,000 | 64, 100 | 13 | 93 | 150 | 9,350 | 13, 640 |  |  | 47 |
|  | c2, 551, 630 | 100, 000 | 10 | 25, 975 | 162 | 13,435 | 29, 474 | 1209 | 565 | 48 |
| 822 | c4, 367, 544 | 203, 512 | 10 | 55, 070 | 3, 098 | 23, 881 | 53, 031 | 1229 | 300 | 49 |
|  | 20,000, 000 | 196, 000 | 2.5 | 68, 000 | 27, 500 | 35, 600 | 68, 800 | 1470 | 228 | 50 |
| 500 | c4, 928,759 | 40,000 | 1.5 | 15, 112 |  |  | 17, 967 |  |  | 51 |
|  | c71, 849, 772 | 833, 390 | 4.5 | 274, 132 | 13, 023 | 166, 591 | 285, 302 | 1646 | 632 | 52 |
|  | c6, 200, 000 | 153, 500 | 2 | 31, 282 |  | 17, 273 | 29,645 | 940 |  | 53 |
| 320 | 6,000,000 | 23, 000 | 2 | 9,897 | 0 | 7, 350 | 9, 646 | 1251 | 238 | 54. |
| 12, 000 | c88, 973, 930 | 629,500 |  | 262, 949 | 3, 554 | 206, 914 | 262, 948 | 1350 | 300 | 55 |
|  | c9, 906, 100 | 75, 000 |  | 36,200 |  |  | 41,512 | (11 | ) | 6 : |
|  | 10,000, 000 | 40,000 |  | 22, 130 | 528 | 16,938 | 21, 399 |  |  | 57 |
|  | 11, 873, 558 | 168, 700 | 2. 33 | 33, 795 |  | 24,780 | 38, 010 | 1126 | 546 | 88: |
| 1,500 | 30, 892, 845 | 376, 500 | 2. 47 | 76,442 | 4,880 | 57, 985 | 76, 357 | 1431 | 262 | 59 |
|  |  |  |  | 625, 813 | 104, 225 | $h 449,113$ | 699, 514 |  |  | $60 \cdot$ |
|  | 11, 141, 767 | 156, 200 | 4.31 | 29,483 |  |  |  | $(1$ | ) | 61 : |
|  | c74S, 878, 100 | 8,560,000 | 2.21 | 2, 036, 067 | 307, 09 | 1, 228, 338 | 2, 015, 580 | 2594 | 1021 | 62: |
| 1,269 | c55, 755, 000 | 582,000 | 3 | 188, 564 | 2, 921 | 151, 574 | 188, 564 | 2095 | 486 | 63: |
| 600 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1,000 | c51, 401, 467 | 1, 230, 000 | 1.8 | 97, 101 | 5,500 | 82,543 | 107, 883 | 1984 | 477 | 65 |
| 20 | c10, 668, 319 | 182, 496 | 3.52 | 37, 508 |  | 28,250 | 37, 508 | 1507 | 374 | 6 |
| 40 | 12,500, 000 | 284, 500 | 5.13 | 53, 507 |  | 42,354 | 54, 652 | 1989 | 540 | $67^{\circ}$ |
| 1,100 | 19, 275, 984 | 120, 090 | 2.2 | 27,376 | 431 | 19,242 | 26, 220 | 1321 | 313 | 68: |
| 550 | 50, 000, 000 | 476, 462 | 3.5 | 163, 185 | 14,938 | 99, 152 | 407, 009 |  |  | 69 |
| 100 | 24, 995, 339 | 471, 200 | 4.7 | 106, 652 | 5, 764 | 68, 843 | 106, 652 | 1591 | 492 | 70 |
|  | c3, 439, 925 | 59, 500 | 5.2 | 18,410 | 78 | 15,535 | 20, 030 | 1039 | 261 | 71 |
| 75 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 350 | $34,850,000$ | 282, 000 | 3. 66 | 85, 825 | 92, 500 | 60, 060 | 182, 775 | 1450 | 450 | 73 |
| 80 | 9,000,000 | 105, 100 | 3.33 | 35, 450 |  | 25, 960 | 35, 450 | 1440 | 241 | 74 |
| 320 | 28,500, 000 | 443, 000 | 2.79 | 87, 416 |  | 62, 025 | 83, 456 | 2637 | 763 | 75 |
| 191 | 8, 177, 606 | 61, 400 | 2.3 | 20,366 | 18, 084 | 20, 460 | 45,343 |  |  | 76 |
| 725 |  | 341,500 | 2.1 | 82, 786 | 1,493 | 58, 061 | 82, 786 | 2138 | 629 | 77 |
| 725 | 27,210,000 | 541,500 | 2. 93 | 90, 257 | 1,408 | 72, 138 | 92, 429 | 1684 | 382 | 78 |

$f$ Estimated.
$g$ This number excludes duplicate enrolments.
$h$ Includes cost of supervision.
$i$ Census of 1875.
$j$ This is exclusive of the erening sehools, in which there is a total enrolment of 1,278 .
$k$ For grammar and high schools; for primary, 155.

Table II.-Summary of 'school


[^10]statistics of cities, fo.-Continued.

| Pupils. |  |  |  |  | Expenditures. |  |  | Average expenses per capita of daily av. att. in public schools. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Incidental expenses. |  |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |  |
| 68 | \$20, 000, 000 | \$202, 000 | 3.15 | \$50, 067 |  | \$36, 866 | \$50, 067 | \$14 25 | \$395 | 79 |
| 20 | 5, 586, 440 | 115, 000 | 4.18 | 24,551 | \$11, 982 | 20,340 | 40, 068 | 1316 | 368 | 80 |
| 100 | 8, 674, 522 | 193, 000 | 3 | 31, 503 |  | 25,315 | 32, 315 |  |  | 81 |
| 1,325 | 60, 902, 206 | 872, 225 | 3.2 | 145, 058 | 10,865 | 114, 046 | 145, 058 | 1725 | 397 | 82 |
| 500 | $5,014,605$ | 151, 500 | 14 | 35, 952 | 1,343 | 11, 844 | 34, 112 | 1479 | 214 | 83 |
| 270 | 4, 298, 145 | 130, 700 | 15.6 | 32, 491 | 3,513 | 16, 000 | 31, 696 | 1346 | 364 | 84 |
|  | 8, 800, 000 | 140, 000 | 15 | 38,798 |  | 17, 464 | 33, 072 | 1120 | 337 | 85 |
| 5,000 | $94,570,905$ | 633, 716 |  | 306, 833 | 28,448 | 2136, 395 | 213, 214 |  |  | 86 |
| 100 | 8, 756, 545 | 125, 500 |  | 41, 512 | 894 | 22, 628 | 41, 060 | 1107 | 541 | 87 |
| 800 | 30, 000, 000 | 270, 000 | 7 | 85, 420 | 3, 842 | 42, 808 | 72, 548 |  |  | 88 |
| 400 | $6,125,708$ | 100, 000 |  | 39, 885 | 325 | 12,619 | 28, 374 | 1362 | 464 | 89 |
| 800 | $27,000,000$ | 321, 500 | 3.83 | 117, 611 | 34, 179 | 47,785 | 106, 479 | 2008 | 660 | 90 |
| 2,500 | $60,000,000$ | 304, 000 | 1 | 21, 678 |  | 42,707 | d66, 440 | 1455 | 124 | 91 |
| 299 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 92 |
| 300 | 4,000,000 | 44, 250 | 2.75 | 15, 800 | 500 | 14, 240 | 17, 140 | 1351 | 270 | 93 |
| 300 | 2,780, 000 | 39, 500 | 4 | 21, 579 | 224 | 10,665 | 14, 947 | 821 | 274 | 94 |
| 1, 000 | e8, 400, 000 | 200, 000 | 4 | 81, 186 | 2, 490 | 38,784 | 81, 186 | 1612 | 433 | 95 |
| 825 | 12, 000,000 | 118, 696 | 7 | 51, 752 |  | 30, 312 | 51, 073 | 1343 | 393 | 96 |
| 22, 486 | 237, 488, 700 | 2, 629,543 | 5 | 1, 265, 194 | 173, 336 | b564, 478 | 1, 007, 830 |  |  | 97 |
| 200 | 25, 600, 000 | 434, 975 | 5 | 83, 686 | 13, 784 | 31, 907 | 77, 035 | 1915 | 496 | 98 |
| 2, 000 | $e 15,605,913$ | 278, $\mathrm{C75}$ | 3.19 | 52, 155 | 2, 674 | 38, 119 | 52, 155 | 1630 | 419 | 99 |
| 90 | 8, 900, 000 | 234, 391 | 3.4 | 28, 740 |  | 19,449 | 28, 093 | 1322. | 512 | 100 |
| 50 | 9,567, 765 | 80,600 | 2.33 | 23, 010 | 214 | b19,497 | 25, 695 |  |  | 101 |
| 1,200 | 27, 000,000 |  | 4 | 86,750 | 2,850 | 48, 053 | 86, 362 | 1216 | 507 | 102 |
| 1,800 | 30, 000, 000 | 116, 500 | 2.68 | 43, 624 |  | 29, 635 | 41, 985 | 1310 | 497 | 103 |
| 8,000 | 99, 500,000 | 764, 582 | 2.4 | 222, 550 | 1, 000 |  | 222, 550 |  |  | 104 |
| 7,378 | 160, 396, 666 | 1,015, 000 | 2 | 217, 037 | 1,000 | 131, 079 | 208, 032 | 1600 | 423 | 105 |
| 1,200 | 12, 136, 570 | 150, 000 | 2 | 41,757 | 7, 558 | 19, 091 | 40, 666 | 1225 | 281 | 106 |
| 650 | 9, 000, 000 | 92,500 |  | 26, 207 | 488 | 14, 327 | 23, 091 | 1777 | 407 | 107 |
| 1,400 | 33, 511, 614 | 247, 500 | 0.76 | 75, 988 | 5,924 | 49,398 | 75, 253 | 1174 | 404 | 108 |
| 2, 300 | 12,000,000 | 138, 743 | 2 | 51, 230 |  | 34, 463 | 44,462 | 1468 | 300 | 109 |
| 1,100 | 12, 160, 000 | 127, 200 | 3. 26 | 46, 942 | 3,872 | 24, 459 | 35,951 | 1336 | 315 | 110 |
| 507 | 10, 015, 775 | 223, 753 | 3.1 | 48,734 | 1,923 | 27,436 | 39, 770 | 1235 | 240 | 111 |
| 10, 000 |  | 870, 000 |  | 282, 820 |  |  | 306, 000 | 2340 |  | 112 |
| 375 | 10,500, 567 | 88, 500 | 7.45 | 70, 863 | 1,495 | b23, 086 | 38, 812 | 1409 | 868 | 113 |
|  | 13, 730, 918 | 305, 200 | 3.21 | 84, 907 | 1,986 | 39, 870 | 66, 296 | 1389 | 398 | 114 |
| 46 | 6, 000,000 | 39,500 | 4.7 | 26,350 | 1,845 | 15, 078 | 24,520 | 1417 | 401 | 115 |
| 297 | 4, 000, 000 | 146, 500 | 13.28 | 32,497 | 919 | 16, 132 | 32,497 | 1549 | 363 | 116 |
| 500 | 10,000, 000 | 102, 000 | 2.92 | 40,815 | 2,193 | 22,338 | 32, 012 | 1257 | 305 | 117 |

$d$ Expenditures as reported were $\$ 70,820$; but the items given amount to $\$ 66,440$ only.
$e$ Assessed valuation.
$f$ Estimated.
$g$ These statistics are for the Kingston school district only.

Table II.-Summary of school


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Table II.-Summary of school

|  | Cities. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | pils. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 159 | Lancaster, $\mathrm{Pa}^{*}$ | 23, 000 | 6-21 |  | 21 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 160 | Now Castle, Pa | 9,000 | 6-21 | 2, 250 | 5 |  | 66 | 205 |  | 2,297 |
| 161 | Norristown, Pa | 14,500 | 6-21 | 2, 250 | 5 |  | 26 | 165 | 1,541 | 1,040 |
| 162 | Philadelphia, Pa. | a750, 000 | 6- |  | $\begin{array}{r}5 \\ +184 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 1,878 | 39 | 201 | 2,104 | 1,398 |
| 163 | Pittsburgh, $\mathrm{Pa}^{*}$. | 130,000 | 6-21 |  | 5 |  | 1, 979 | 200 | 101, 924 | 88, 627 |
| 164 | Pottsville, $\mathrm{Pa}^{*}$.. | 15,000 | 6-21 | 525 | 838 | 18,000 | 435 | 200 | 21,488 | 14, 501 |
| 165 | Reading, $\mathrm{Pa}^{*}$ | 40, 130 | 6-21 |  | 8 | 2, 630 | 55 | 200 | 2, 199 | 1,976 |
| 166 | Scranton, 4th dist., $\mathrm{Pa}^{*}$ | 18,000 | 6-21 |  | 10 | 6, 650 | 133 | 195 | 6,252 | 4,990 |
| 167 | Shenandoah, Pa ..... | 8,000 | 6-21 |  | 10 | 2,750 | 61 | $\cdots$ | 3, 816 | 2,076 |
| 168 | Titusville, Pa........ | 10,000 | -21 |  | 6 |  | 21 | 161 | 1,808 | 1, 067 |
| 169 | Wilkesbarre,3ddist.,Pa | 10,000 | 6-21 |  | 6 | 1,583 | 30 | 196 | 1,665 | 1,123 |
| 170 | Williamsport, Pa ...... | 22,000 | 21 |  | 4 | 1,390 | 31 | 189 | 1,705 | 1, 235 |
| 171 | York, Pa | 14,000 | 21 |  | 8 |  | 64 | 162 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$ | 3, 636 | 2, 694 |
| 172 | Newport, R.I | d14, 028 | 15 |  | 10 | 2, 200 | 44 | 168 | 2, 324 | 1,705 |
| 173 | Providence, R.I. | d100, 675 | 5-16 |  | 10 | 2, 438 | 51 | 195 | 2, 131 | 1,378 |
| 174 | Warwick, R.I. | 11, 614 | 5-16 |  | 19 |  | - 29 |  |  |  |
| 175 | Woonsocket, R.I | 14,000 | 5-16 | 3, 236 | 13 | 1,608 | 29 | 196 | 2, 078 | 1, 866 |
| 176 | Chattanooga, Tenn .... | 12,000 | 6-18 | 2,421 | 13 | 1,608 | 28 | 193 | 1, 925 | 1,147 |
| 177 | Knoxville, Tenn....... | 16, 000 | 6-18 | 1,949 | 4 | 330 | 22 | 165 | 1,709 | ........ |
| 178 | Memphis, Tenn ....... | 50, 000 | 6-20 | 9, 091 | 10 | 3,780 | 63 | 192 | 1,415 | 725 |
| 179 | Nashville, Tenn....... | 27, 085 | 6-18 | 9,535 | 10 | 3, | 74 | 170 | 3, 097 | 2,457 |
| 180 | Houston, Tex ......... | 27,000 | 8-14 | 2, 890 | 14 | 1,336 | 25 | 191 | 4, 032 | 2, 936 |
| 181 | Burlington, Vt* | 15, 000 | 5-20 | 3, 207 | 14 | 1,330 | 25 | 167 | 1,583 | 1,319 |
| 182 | Rutland, Vt. | *7, 000 | 5-20 | 2, 206 | 0 | 75 | 16 | 194 | , 250 |  |
| 183 | Alexandria, Va... | 13, 500 | 5-21 | 4,447 | 4 | 1, | 18 | 190 | 825 | 507 |
| 184 | Lynchburg, Va........ | 15, 000 | 5-21 | 4,093 | 7 |  | 23 | 184 | 1,183 | 812 |
| 185 | Norfolk, Va........... | 23, 000 | 5-21 | 6,244 | 7 | 1,400 | 26 | 184 | 1,388 | 789 |
| 186 | Portsmouth, Va* | 10,500 | 5-21 | 3, 399 |  |  | 13 |  | 1,514 | 1,085 |
| 187 | Richmond, Va......... | 77, 500 | 5-21 | 20,754 | 15 | 5,573 | 124 | 179 | 820 | 479 |
| 188 | Wheeling, W. Va......- | 28, 270 | 6-21 | 9, 676 | 15 | 5,000 | 105 | 198 | 5,558 | $4,696$ |
| 189 | Fond du Lac, Wis..... | 15, 308 | 4-20 | 5,846 | 17 | 3, 044 | 47 | 200 | 2, 643 | 1,867 |
| 190 | Janesville, Wis ....... | 11,000 | 4-20 | 3,775 |  | 1,780 | 35 | 197 | 1,751 | 1,807 |
| 191 | La Crosse, Wis......... | 17, 000 | 4-20 | 3, 612 | 8 | 1,743 | 33 | 195 | 2,047 | 1,403 |
| 192 | Madison, Wis ......... | 10, 500 | 4-20 | 3, 926 | *9 |  | *30 | 180 | *1, 800 | 1,403 |
| 193 | Racine, Wis*.......... | 16, 000 | 4-20 | 4,794 | 7 | 1,850 | 38 | 200 | 2,262 | 1,587 |
| 195 | Washington, D. Cg.... | $\} 106,000$ | 6-17 | 19,489 | 47 | 11, 168 | 200 | 188 | 13,105 | 10, 257 |
|  | Total............... ${ }^{9}$ | 9, 099, 025 | .. | , 719,340 | , 035 | 826, 266 | 3, 830 | ... 1 | 249, 271 | 852,302 |

[^12]statistics of cities, f.c.-Continued.

| Pupils. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Estimated eash value of taxable } \\ \text { property in the city. } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  | Expenditures, |  |  | Average expenses per capita of daily av. att. in public schools. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Permanentimprove- ments. |  |  |  | Ineidental expenses. |  |
| 11 | $1 æ$ | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |  |
| 810 | \$13, 194, 298 | \$82, 000 | 2.5 | \$87, 217 | \$39, 021 | \$24, 637 | \$71, 243 |  |  | 159 |
| 500 | 4,910,568 | 43, 700 | 10 | 15, 272 | 626 | 8, 398 | 15, 258 | \$9 33 | \$4 74 | 160 |
| 600 |  | 115, 054 | 6 | 32, 890 |  | 18, 769 | 28,790 | 1392 | 341 | 161 |
|  |  | 6,280, 469 |  | 1, 675, 611 |  | 1, 103,500 | 1, 611, 169 |  |  | 162 |
| 11,060 | 175, 000, 000 | 1,900,000 | 3.5 | 546, 849 | 14, 136 | 216, 776 | 433, 065 | 1600 | 1000 | 163 |
| 100 | 12,000,000 | 192, 000 | 6.5 | 73, 739 | 22,482 | 23, 602 | 68, 470 | 1194 | 567 | 164 |
|  | 23,320,994 | 350, 000 | 3 | 124, 420 | 3,500 | 51, 529 | 119, 403 | 1030 | 410 | 16.5 |
| 850 | 10,900,000 | 180, 000 | 20 | 67, 363 |  | 20, 399 | 61, 126 | 1416 | 607 | 166 |
|  | 3, 000, 000 | 50,000 | 8 | 20,491 | 214 | 5,372 | 15,061 | 644 | 218 | 167 |
| 300 | 6,200,000 | 108,800 | 15 | 41, 081 | 5,518 | 14,488 | 36,264 | 1394 | 477 | 168 |
| 300 | b2,329, 019 | 84, 000 | 15 | 27, 576 | 937 | c18, 400 | 26, 808 | 1490 | 680 | 169 |
| 200 | 12,000, 000 | 122,300 | 5.5 | 39, 169 |  | 23, 204 |  | 905 | 278 | 170 |
| 400 | 8,000,000 | 125, 000 | - 3.5 | 28, 181 |  | 17, $323{ }^{\prime}$ | 28, 074 |  |  | 171 |
| 1,010 | 29, 266, 600 | 205, 006 | 1.4 | 64, 482 | 21, 014 | 29,365 | 62, 381 | 2203 | 725 | 172 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 119,530 | 180, 124 |  |  |  | 173 |
|  | 610,000, 000 |  |  | 11,542 |  | c11,342 |  | 844 |  | 74 |
| 644 | b11, 497, 562 | 143, 000 | 1.25 | 21,062 | 819 | 14, 069 | 25,424 |  | 530 | 175 |
| 225 | b4, 500, 000 | 16, 634 | 2.5 | 12, 304 | 881 | 10,619 | 15, 884 | 1227 | 255 | 176 |
| 300 | 6,000,000 | 21, 600 | 2 | 12,957 | 257 | c10, 091 | 12,367 | 1557 | 113 | 177 |
| 2,000 | $25,000,000$ | 139, 050 | 1 | 51, 164 | 540 | 42, 696 | 61, 014 | 1737 | 746 | 178 |
| 500 | 13, 306, 200 | 168, 000 | 4.5 | 60, 673 | 0 | 47, 710 | 60, 673 | 1701 | 323 | 179 |
| 350 | b7, 164, 172 | 19,711 | 1.25 | 12,562 | 1,050 | 8,000 | 12, 643 | 796 | 82 | 180 |
|  | 6,000,000 | 87,775 | 5 | 20,001 | 216 | 15,056 | 19, 042 |  |  | 181 |
| 350 | 4,000,000 | 18,000 | 4 | 9,998 | 75 | 7,411 | 9,706 |  |  | 182 |
| 650 | 4,000,000 | 49, 450 | 2.8 | 13,542 | 2,750 | 7, 845 | 13, 595 | 996 | 231 | 183 |
|  | b7, 202, 180 | 38, 300 | 1.24 | 15,476 | 20 | 12, 213 | 15,430 | 1672 | 317 | 184 |
| 740 | も13, 458, 4.21 | 58, 000 | 8.03 | 19,856 |  | 14,480 | 17, 658 | 1389 | 237 | 185 |
|  | $3,144,871$ | 10,000 | 2 | 11, 189 |  | 6,200 | 8, 683 | 1419 | 393 | 186 |
| 4,350 | 39, 187, 097 | 245, 247 |  | 80,788 | 5, 591 | 49, 030 | 80,788 | 1365 | 234 | 187 |
| 2,000 | 14, 749, 515 | 236, 680 | 4 | 73, 321 |  | 38,739 | 67, 844 | 1228 | 336 | 188 |
| 500 | $63,285,444$ | 129, 300 | 7 | 34, 193 | 3, 905 | 19,850 | 30,523 |  |  | 189 |
| 450 | 6,000,000 | 175,000 | 4 | 24,445 | 7,958 | 12,690 | 24,445 | 1000 | 243 | 190 |
| 800 |  | 58,637 |  | 39,011 | 11,541 | 17, 148 | 34, 732 |  |  | 191 |
| 500 |  | *121,000 | 4 | *g26, 672 | *250 | * 15,105 | *28, 713 |  |  | 192 |
| 480 | 10,000,000 | 74,500 | 6.3 | 20,885 | 1,070 | 18,373 | 23, 397 | 1180 | 260 | 193. |
| 6,760 | 87, 200, 779 | 826,052 |  | 333, 766 | 3,351 | 148, 864 | i333, 766 | 1526 | 649 | $\{194$ |
| 296, 127 | i6, 292, 944, 187 | 76, 315, 950 |  | 24,471,481 | 2, 118, 704 | 13,151,120 | 22,589,491 |  |  |  |

c Includes fuel.
$f$ Iucludes pay of janitors.
$g$ Receipts as reported were $\$ 33,184$; but the items given amount to $\$ 26,672$ ouly.
$h$ These statistics are for white schools only.
$i$ Includes $\$ 107,274$ for colorod schools.

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Table II.-Average expenses per capita of daily average attendance in city public schools.


Table II.-Average expenses per capita of daily average attendance, \&c.-Continued.

| Cities. |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { For incidental ex- } \\ \text { penses. } \end{gathered}$ | Cities. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { For instruction and } \\ & \text { supervision. } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Lockport, N. Y. | \$12 57 | \$3 05 | Bay City, Mich | \$11 20 | \$3 37 |
| Akron, Ohio. | 1256 | 296 | East Saginaw, Mich. | 1107 | 541 |
| Paducah, Ky. | 1251 | 238 | Joliet, 111. | 1088 | 280 |
| Macon, Ga. | 1251 | 126 | Schenectady, N. Y | 1062 | 413 |
| Binghamton, N. Y | 1235 | 240 | Marlboro', Mass | 10.39 | 261 |
| Leavenworth, Kans | 1229 | 300 | Reading, Pa. | 1030 | 410 |
| Wheeling, W. Va | 1228 | 336 | Galesburg, Ill. | 1018 | 341 |
| Chattanooga, Tenn. | 1227 | 255 | Alton, 11. | 1010 | 260 |
| New Brunswick, N.J | 1225 | 281 | Janesville, Wis | 1000 | 243 |
| Rome, N. Y . | 1222 | 227 | Alexandria, Va | 996 | 231 |
| Camden, N.J | 1216 | 507 | Columbus, Ga | 962 | 221 |
| Chicago, ll | 1213 | 405 | Newport, Ky | 940 |  |
| Lawrence, Kans. | 1209 | 565 | New Castle, Pa | 933 | 474 |
| New Britain, Conn. | 1200 | 350 | Williamsport, Pa | 905 | 278 |
| Oswego, N. Y | 1198 | 449 | Warwick, R. I. | 844 |  |
| Pottsville, Pa | 1194 | 567 | Hannibal, Mo. | 821 | 274 |
| Peoria, Il..... | 1192 | 361 | Houston, Tex. | 796 | 82 |
| Racine, Wis | 1180 | 260 | Altoona, Pa. | 757 | 268 |
| Paterson, N.J | 1174 | 404 | Danville, Pa | 651 | 201 |
| Mansfield, Ohio | 1165 | 310 | Shenandoah, Pa | 644 | 218 |
| Poughkeepsie, N. Y | 1162 | 449 | Carbondale, Pa | 579 | 123 |
| Bloomington, Il | 1157 | 397 | Adams, Mass | (15 |  |
| Syracuse, N. Y. | 1138 | 320 | Bangor, Me |  |  |
| Lewiston, Me.. | 1126 | 546 | Woonsocket, R.I |  | 530 |
| Steubenville, Ohio | 1124 | 268 |  |  |  |

The following extracts are from Dr. John D. Philbrick's interesting report of the Boston public schools for the present year:

How much is done in city schools? Upon this point Dr. Philbrick says, substantially: The essential statistical items to be considered are, first, the proportion of schoolable children educated, and, second, the proportion of the pupils found in different grades. The following table exhibits those data for St. Louis and Boston:

|  | St. Lonis. | Boston. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Population (estimated) | 450, 000 | 350, 000 |
| Pupils belonging. | 25, 890 | 46, 925 |
| Percentage in lowest year. | 38.90 | 17.60 |
| Percentage in lowest three years | 67.94 | 42. 37 |
| Percentage in the highest year.. | 2.36 | 3.13 |
| Percentage in high schools...... | 3.24 | 4.49 |

Boston supports 26 special schools, namely, 1 Kindergarten, 2 schools for licensed minors, 1 for deaf-mutes, 16 elementary evening schools, 1 evening high school, and 5 evening drawing schools. The whole number of pupils belonging to these schools was 3,897, and the average attendance 1,918 . The whole number of teachers employed was

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177, and their salaries amounted to $\$ 47,053.07$, against 101 teachers receiving salaries amounting to $\$ 26,526.34$ in 1872.
The evening high sehool is one of the most valuable and interesting institutions. The average number belonging for the six mouths ending April, 1877, was 950 ; the average attendance for the time was 352 , of which number 242 were males and 110 females. The number of teachers, ineluding prineipal, was 11, giving an average of 32 seholars to a teaeher, exelusive of the prineipal. The eourse of study, comprising both technieal and liberal branehes, is not subjeet to sueh limitations as are applicd to the day sehools, but new branches are added to the eurrieulum whenever they are desired by a sufficient number of pupils to justify the formation of a new elass.

The several evening elementary schools whieh were in operation from October, 1876, to April, 1877, registered 5,175 pupils. The average number belonging was 2,142 , and the average attendanee 1,205 , of whom there were males 851 , females 354 . The number of teạhers, ineluding prineipal, was 139, giving an average of 9.8 pupils to each teaeher, exelusive of the prineipal.

In the evening drawing schools 1,244 pupils were registered; the average number belonging was 635 , and the average attendanee 279, viz, males 235, females 44. The instruetion was given by 13 teaehers. The average number of pupils to eaeh teacher, exelusive of the prineipal, was 23 .
Speeial sehools form an important feature of many city reports. Other eities of Massaehusetts follow the example of the eapital. Thus, Woreester reports 1 evening sehool for boys, 1 for girls, 4 for both sexes, and 5 free evening drawing sehools, also for both sexes. Philadelphia maintained 51 night sehools for 1877, in whieh were registered 14,672 pupils of both sexes. The unusually large attendanee of meehanies in these sehools indieates their praetical importanee. Pittsburgh reports 65 evening sehools under the eonduet of 27 male and 48 female teachers. The total number of pupils registered in these was 4,267 and the average attendance 1,860 , of whom 1,560 were boys and 300 girls. The teaehers' salaries amounted to $\$ 7,598.95$, or a eost per pupil per term of 65 nights, reekoned on average attendanee, of $\$ 4.08$. In addition to these literary sehools there were 65 industrial evening sehools, employing 4 male and 1 female teacher. To these 188 pupils were admitted and the total average attendanee was: boys, 103 ; girls, 3 . The amount of teaehers' salaries was $\$ 500$, or a cost per pupil per term of 65 nights, on average attendanee, of $\$ 5.65$. The pupils in these sehools are mostly young men who are engaged during the day in the shops and foundries of the eity, and sueh is the interest that not a single ease of miseonduct has been reported in any one of the several sehools in operation during the last three years. Baltimore has 7 evening sehools for white and 4 for eolored pupils. The Baltimore City College erowns the publie advantages seeured to boys. Cineinnati reports 15 night sehools, 4 of whieh are for eolored pupils. In these were enrolled 3,631 pupils, an inerease of 14.2 per eent. on the average yearly enrolment from 1869 to 1877. In the night high sehool were registered 703 males and 103 females. The average age of pupils in the night sehools for whites was 16 years; of those in the sehools for eolored pupils, nearly 25 years. Book-keeping and drawing reeeive speeial attention in the night high sehool eourse.

Respeeting the importanee of studying other sehool systems as well as our own, Dr. Philbriek justly observes:

Among the means of edueational improvement and progress nothing is so useful as the stndy of other sehools and systems. It is only by comparison that we arrive at a true estimate of the eharaeter of a sehool system. In times past we have suffered from this fault. If we would unlearn old prejudiees and learn new excellenees wo must go beyond the smoke of our own ehimneys.
In pursuanee of this prineiple, Dr. Philbriek obtained permission to visit sehools in other eities, and brought baek for the benefit of his own eity the results of his careful examination.
The opposite systems of organization whieh have prevailed in the sehool boards of
onr country are fully described in his valuable report. On this subject Dr. Philbrick writes :
The system of cducation in each city visited is under the control of a board of education, of which the number of members is not at all proportioned to the population of the city to which it belongs. The Cincinati board is the largest in proportion to its population, and the New York board the smallest. Pittsburgh, with a population of about one-ninth of that of New York, has a board more than 50 per cent. larger; Louisville, with a population less than a third of that of St. Louis, has a board of equal size. The boards differ, not only in the proportion of members, but also in respect to mode of election and tenure of oftice. Thus, in Cincinnati, Louisville, and St. Louis they are elected by the people in the several wards, to scrve for two years, one-half going out of office each year. In New York the members are appointed by the mayor, without regard to ward represcntation, to hold office for threc years, one-third going out each year; and at Pittsburgh the term of office is the same, but the members are elected, one for each subdistrict or ward, by its board of school directors, which is itself chosen by the people.
The organization of the school boards in western citics presents two types, of which the St. Louis and Cincinuati boards are the most characteristic examples. The St. Louis board has only twelve standing committees, of which only three have direct reference to matters relating to instruction and discipline, the other nine being business committces. The Cincinnati board of education, on the other hand, has twentyfive standing committees. In addition to this formidable array of standing committecs, there are thirty-four subcommittees on districts and schools. Nor does this complete the list. The union board, composed in part of members of the board of education, which has charge of the high schools, employs no less than fifteen committees, so that the management of the whole system of schools is shared by seventy-four committees. The St. Louis type may be designated the type of simplicity and centralization; the Cincinnati, the type of complexity and decentralization.

## HYGIENE IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The report of the State Board of Health of Massachusetts for 1877 (pp. 229-251) contains a paper on the "Sanitation of public schools in Massachusctts," by Dr. D. F. Lincoln, of Boston, "based on returns from nearly all the school buildings in Boston, the total actually in use being 159, with an attendance of 46,418; also from schools not in Boston, estimated to number 400 , with 40,000 children, or about one-sixth of the corresponding school population." The results of the inquirics are summarized as follows: "The drainage of country school sites is reported as bad in one-seventh of the cases; in Boston, in a few." Complaints are made of "dampness of walls or floors; stagnant water in ncighborhood ; house originally set too low for drainage ; entire absence of sunlight in a room." "The ventilation is very generally said to be poor." Complaints are made of " misdirection of funds by which exterior ornament is added, to the neglect of essential portions of the ventilating apparatus." "Bad location of ventilators in the room; coldness of floor, with undue heat of upper air; inattention to the state of the atmosphere on the part of teachers, and sudden opening of windows in cold weather." "A cellar or basement is absent in a number of country schools." Complaints concerning closets, both in and out of doors, are almost universal. Offensive odors are usually complained of; a very few aggravated cases are given. The Boston city board of health, in 1876 , said, concerning this evil: "The odors escaping

*     *         * pervade the school rooms, causing nausca, eompelling the teachers to close the doors and windows to exclude the disgusting scent, which even then penetrates the rooms, especially when the atmosphere is warm and muggy and the scholars are most in need of pure air from without." The diseases mentioned as resulting from this are "catarrhs, dyspepsia, debility, diarrhœa, dysentery, and zymotic disease." "The amount of simple ordinary debility due to a slowly acting cause is often very hard to estimate. * * * That such debility may be produced by * * * living in an air containing fecal odors simply is certain; and from this debility up to the production of headaches, with slight fever, or of violent, even rapidly fatal, cases of typhoid, there are all possible gradations. * * * The connection of diphtheria, scarlatina, dysentery, and diarrhœa with foul odors and bad drains is now admitted to be a fact, though not always a traceable one."

In the report of the State Board of Health of Wisconsin for 1876 (pp. 38-43) we find the following on ventilation :
Systems of schooling do not fall within our province; but the construction of edifices in which the business of training shall be carried on is of paramount importance, upon the evidence before us, when we contemplate the plysical wrecks which have resulted from the continual stress on muscle and nerve involved in our efforts to extend the blessing of intellectual culture to the rising generation. *** * Proper ventilation is impossible unless our buildings are so constructed as to permit of the best processes being carried out in their integrity. * * * It is, indeed, too true that in many buildings, private as well as public, upon which large sums have bcen cxpended, a difference of from $12^{\circ}$ to $15^{\circ}$ may be found between the heat of the room at 6 feet from the floor and that of the floor itself. Not long since a teacher said, when speaking of a very costly structure, that the children taught therein must stand upon their heads if their feet were to be kept warm and their brains cool during tuition.
Reference has been made to the necessity for additional floor room in school buildings. $_{*}$ * * * Many persons suppose that if the requisite space in cubic feet is given for each individual, it matters not whether it is supplied in height or in breadth. No error could be more pernicious. The breathing room of the individual must be comparatively near to his own level, and unless it is sufficient to protect him from breathing the impurities emitted from his own and the neighboring lungs and bodies, he cannot fail to be poisoned in a greater or less degree by the noxions effluvia which every animal emits. * * * The most moderate space assumed to be compatible with the maintenance of health is 25 feet of floor space and 300 cubie feet of air space, with the proper ventilation, for each pupil. * * ** When that provision has been supplied, the stigma will be removed from our school system, that it causes threefourths of all the cases of lung disease known to prevail among children.

## The same article says:

Our school system, which is oppressive to both sexes, is specially injurious to girls at the age when they are approaching womanhood. * ${ }^{*}$ * It is a fact within the knowledge of every expert, that our school buildings appear to have bcen constructed with the express design to superadd physical exhanstion to the other destructive forces that threaten the lives of the future mothers of America.
The report of the same board for 1877 (pp. 42, 43) gives the results of some analyses made by Professor Daniells, of the State nniversity, of the air in some of the school buildings in Madison. In one, "in 10,000 volumes of air he found carbon dioxide to the extent of 7.7; * * * in the high school room, * * * in 10,000 volumes of air, 8.74 of carbon dioxide; in the same building, room of second grade, 10,000 volnmes of air contained 11.9 of carbon dioxide; * * * and the worst result of all, in the fifth ward school, in the primary room, at 3 p . m., on the 22 d of March, there being 54 pupils present, one-fifth less than the whole number in the grade, 10,000 volumes of air exhibited 25.6 of carbonic dioxide, or five times the maximum quantity which, under natural conditions, may be found in the atmosphere and respired withont danger. The ill effects which must have resulted, and which doubtless are continuing to result, to the constitutions of the children from breathing carbonic acid, carbonic oxide, mephitic gases and exhalations, and dead decomposing animal matter, in air largely deficient in oxygen, the life sustaining property, cannot be described in any adequate degree; but the imagination of the discreet reader will not fail to suggest that the largest benefit to be hoped from school training at that age could not offset the terrible evils which such an atmosphere must cntail."

The report of the State Board of Health of Lonisiana for 1877 (pp. 72, 73) presents the following statement from one of the sanitary inspectors of New Orleans:
I must earnestly dircet attention to the fact that in many of the school rooms the children are horribly overcrowded. To appreciate the extent of this outrageous treatment of little children, consider by contrast a properly constructed building, such as the McDonogh School, which allows for each pupil 23.02 feet of superticial space and 345.30 fect cubic space, and some of these marked "bad," which allow to each child 6.86 superficial fect and 75.43 cubic feet space, and others which give but 4.77 superficial and 51.79 cubic feet of space, while others finally allow only 3.81 of superficial and 30.48 cubic feet to each person. It is impossible to describe the manner in which these poor children are not only crowded, but packed, the ceilings and the openings inade$\underset{*}{\text { quate to afford such ventilation and light as are indispensable to health and comfort. }}$ * * * When cold or wet necessitates the closing of doors and wiudows, the atmos-
phere is quickly converted ínto such an intolerable stench as to force a compromise with the.weather, and these have to be opened partly; when this is done, the children. are subjected to irregular eurrents of cold damp air, a most fruitful source of illness. A heated stove in such a room only adds a powerful source of vitiation.
The president of the State Board of Health of Maryland, in his report for 1876 and 1877 (pp. xxv, xxvi), considers the hygienie condition of schools, especially as affecting the eyesight of the pupils. He says :
That eye diseases are alarmingly on the increase, especially in large cities, is a lamentable fact, which should force itself upon the attention of the sanitary and educational authorities of the State. Many of the eye troubles, especially near-sightedness, unquestionably originate during school life, and ever afterwards render the eyes of the sufferers more liable to take on destructive diseases. Defective ventilation, imperfect lighting, badly arranged desks, crowded school rooms, and over zeal on the part of the teachers in forcing the brain at the expense of other organs are some of the preventable causes of eye diseases among our school going population. Near-sightedness, when thus acquircd, not only annoys the individual sufferer for the rest of life, but may be
transmitted to the next generation by "hereditary taint," so that our improved civili zation, uud to the next gencravion will in time ingraft bad eyes upon our whe civiliple. . ${ }_{*}^{*}{ }_{*}$ The paramount importance of strong eyesight, especially to that peoof our fellow citizens who, from the inexorable logic of necessity, must either educate their children in the public schools or permit them to grow up in absolute ignorance, ipal, not all question; and hence it behooves the authorities, both State and munica nature to distribute with the incalculable blessings of education an evil of so serious will make a full the eyesight of the

Hon. James H. Smart, State superintendent of public instruction for Indiana, devotes several pages of his report for 1876 (pp. 96-102) to the consideration of the subject of school hygiene, remarking emphatically:

It is utterly impossible to teach a successful school in a poorly warmed and ill ventilated house. Pure air is necessary to the proper application of the mind on the part of the pupils. Listlessness, peevishness, idleness, and misclief as frequently result from impure air as from a bad disposition. Foul air irritates the body and stupefies the mind certainly and quickly. A ventilating apparatus constructed in a ountry school-house would pay for itself in less than a week in the increased efficiency a the school. ${ }^{*}{ }^{*}{ }^{*}$ A great deal of sickness among children may be traced
directly to badly warmed and ventilated school-houses. I believe also that the foundations of permanent diseases which sometimes manifest themselves in after life are not infrequently laid in the same places.
After recommending certain methods of heating, ventilating, and lighting, he says:
It is my duty to call the attention of school officers to the evils here spoken of; it is their duty to apply the remedy. If they do not, I think it would be the duty of the Legislature to require them by statutory provision to do so.

A committee appointed by the Medico-Legal Society to confer with the school authorities of New York City, "with a view to such legislation as may promote the health of school children," "addressed to the president of the board of education of that city a letter, from which the following are extracts: ${ }^{1}$

At the outset of our inquiries, our attention has been arrested by a report of the committee on by-laws, \&c., of the board of education, under date of March 15, 1876, not yet adopted and recommending a continuance or at best only slight modifications of couditions which we are convinced are utterly inconsistent with due care for the preservation of the health of the children in the public schools. * * * We first notice the conclusion of your committee in regard to the amount of air space required. allowance of floor surface and capacity of rooms, the following shall be a minimum mary schools and departments, five square feet and seventy cubic feet; in the three higher grades, six square feet and eighty cubic feet; in the four lower grades of granmar schools, seven square feet and nincty cubic feet; in the four higher grades, nine square feet and one hundred cubic feet." * * * Such a capacity of school room space, though confessedly greater than that which now is and hitherto has been
allowed thousands of children in the public schools of New York, is not, so far as we have beell able to learn, consistent with physiologrical law or with the opinions upon this subject of those whose scientific judginent is entitled to deference and respect. . In regard to the deleterious cffects of an excess of carbonic acid alone in the air we breathc, there is no differcnce of opinion among competent authorities. All agree that when it reaches the proportion of 1 volume per 1,000 , it is dangerous to health ; if not immediately, none the less certainly in its cumulative effects. It creates a general indisposition of both body and mind, stunts bodily and mental development, and particularly predisposes to scrofula and consumption ; and its excess in crowded apartments is usually an index of the presence of other delcterious agents due to the same cause.

But, besides thesc, there are still other gases frightfully abundant in the schoolhouses of New York, duc to the emanations from latrines and privies. For cxample: Primary School No. 1, on Ludlow strect, one of the newest and best arranged and appointed, besides being overcrowded and unventilated, is tainted throughout the halls, and at times by way of the fanlights over the doors in the class rooms, with the odors arising from the latrines in the bascment, which are cmptied only "once or twice a week." The seating capacity of this building is given as 1,700 ; actual register, 1,440; attendance 1,329; square feet in 12 rooms, 3,264 ; cubic feet in the several class rooms varying from 33 to 41 for caclo child! ${ }^{*}{ }^{*}{ }^{*}$ *That the children in our public schools should be exposed to poisons generatcd by means of these foul and disgusting latrines, only to economize the water needed to keep well constructed watercloscts in order, is simply inhuman and ought to be at once amended.
The habit of wetting coal in bulk in the cellars, which is sometimes. practiced, causes it to cmit poisonous gases dcleterious to health, and it slould be forbidden.
Lofty ceilings are regarded by some as a principal means of insuring a sufficient measurc in cubic fect for each person. Unless ventilation is secured for the upper portion of a room, a lofty ceiling only makes that portion of space above the tops of the Windows a rcceptacle for foul air, which accumulates and remains to vitiate the stratum below.

In fixing the "sitting capacity," it should be borne in mind that the smaller the allowance the greatcr the necessity for the constant admission and change of air. * * * If the cubic spacc be small, the means for change of air must be large in the inverse ratio. Thus, with a siace of 100 cubic feet, in order to maintain the air at a healthy standard it must bo changed thirty times an hour, which is not practicable without exposing the immates of the room to dangcrous currents. *** * Every individual actnally poisons fiftecn cubic fcet of air every hour. To prevent this, thirty cubic feet, at the lcast, should be provided hourly, which proportion, for five hours daily school session, requires 150 cubic feet as the smallest spacc compatible with efficient ventilation without dangerous exposure to draughts.

The same committee, in a subsequent report, dwells upon the injustice of enforcing the compulsory law while the school buildings are in their present condition:

School-houses wherc young children are herded and forced to sit for hours in a vitiated atmosphere, in constrained positions, do not come up to the standard. It wonld be cruclty to animals, not to speak of tcndcr little ones, to add to this torture by iucrease of numbers without increased accommodation. The idea of compulsory attendance under these circumstances is preposterous, and at variance with all wise and beneficent law and the commor rights of humanity.
At a meeting of the Ncw York Medico-Lcgal Society, January 3, 1877, ${ }^{1}$ where the subject of school lyygiene was under discussion, Dr. Agnew said:
There is a school in one of the most densely populated scctions of the city of Ncw York, in the tenth ward, where there are on an average about 1,600 children in the primary department, wherc rooms are so dark that the blackboard cxercises could not be distinguished by the eye, and the gallery classes so crowded that there is scarcely room to move. * * * It would be accounted cruclty to auimals to keep them under such unsanitary conditions; how much more is it cruelty to children to kecp them there for any length of time.

## At another meeting of this society, February 7, 1877, Dr. O'Sullivan stated: ${ }^{2}$

It is but a day or so since I entercd one of the ncw school-houses of this city [New York]. * * * I entered the primary class room on the ground floor, and found there sixty-mine little oncs with their teacher. There was a small window facing a side wall not more than two feet distant. $\quad *$ * Through this small window they
received all the light they had, and it was admitted so as to strike their books immediately over the right shoulder. When the door was opened it led immediately into the playground, and the watercloset was in close proximity to it, so that the effluvium could not help but enter with all its freshness into the school room. * * * This was all the ventilation and light provided. I went into the upper rooms of the primary department, and there I found the teachers in one of the middle rooms, and the children seated as close as they could be packed, and I was informed by the principal that the gloom was so great on a dark day that the little ones could not see the figures en the blackboard.

Yet this is one of the recently erected school edifices, "erected at great expense," because of the " modera improvements," by the great city of New York. * * * I went up into the top or highest floor, tho male department, * * * and there I found, with but one exception, that the benches were placed in a position where the light entered in a manner not according to the laws of hygieneand there was a defect in the sight of the children. And to add to the insalubrious state of affairs, the waterclosets used loy the teachers were placed in close proximity to the class room, and communicated with it by an open window! And I have been informed * * * that there is a new school-house on the west side
which there is the same arrangement throughout. ${ }^{1}$
The report of the Board of Health of the City of Boston for 1875 (pp. 43-51 and 76, 79, and 80) contains the results of the inspection of 111 schools in 10 school-houses of that city, "representing, so far as possible, every variety of distinguishing quality:"
The time chosen in each instance was the last hour of the morning or of the afternoon session, when the room had been occupied at least an hour, and when the air would probably be found at its worst. A specimen of the air was obtained from the middle of the room, the jar being filled at the level of the scholars' heads. At the same time, the temperature of the room was taken at the floor level and at the level of the pupils' heads. Finally the condition of the window sashes and of the ventilating registers, whether open or shut, was noted; and a note was also taken of the state of the atmosphere to the sense of smell, with the number of desks in the room and the number of children present. * * ${ }^{*}$ Parkes, the eminent English authority on hygiene, ${ }^{*}{ }^{*}{ }^{*}$ has found that the organic products of respiration begin to be manifest when the carbonic acid in the air of an inhabited room reaches the proportion of 6 per $1,000 .{ }^{*}{ }^{*} *^{*}$ Pettenkofer, who is at the head of German sanitarians, makes the limit of purity .7 of carbonic acid in a thousand volumes of air, beyond which an unwholesome degree of vitiation begins.
The smallest amount of carbonic acid found in any of the 111 rooms examined was .57 , the greatest 3 , and the average of all the rooms was 1.18 . Concerning the temperature of the rooms, it is said:
Some notion of the probable effect upon health of a continued exposure to a superheated atmosphere which is at the same time vitiated by respiration may be obtained by entering almost any of our school rooms at the latter part of a half day's session in midwinter. To a sensitive person leaving the outer air and coming at once into such a room, the impression is one not easily forgotten. The blast of hot foul air is sickening. The marvel is that children do not more frequently succumb to the inevitably depressing influence of such unwholesome conditions. * * * It may be set down as a safe standard rule that the temperature of school rooms should range between $65^{\circ}$ and $68^{\circ}$ Fahrenheit ( $18.5^{\circ}$ and $20^{\circ}$ centigrade). It need hardly be stated here that the ordinary temperature of school rooms is above 680 , and that a point in excess of $70^{\circ}$ is very commonly found. * * * If anything is worse than an excessive degree of artificial heat, it is the quick transition to the opposite extreme. It is a frequent thing in school room experience that the teacher, becoming suddenly aware top to effect a speedy relief. The consequence is that the inevitable wave of cold out side air sweeps over the uncovered heads of the children, and a fresh accession of cases

[^13]of bronchitis or of more serious pulmonary affections is the result. An instance of this thing was observed in the inspeetion of the Chapman Sehool. A room showed at the desk level a temperature of 770 ; three-quarters of an hour later the same room was revisited, when the thermometer indicated $61.7^{\circ}$, a fall of $15.3^{\circ}$ ! Between the two visits the teaeher had "aired" the room to some purpose; the air was pure enough, surely, and the eoughing and sneezing of the children gave warning that it was cold enough also. If such a sudden change should occur in the outer atmosphere it would be considered a fruitful cause of inereased sickness in the community.

The universal testimony of the teachers in the course of the investigation was to the effect that they eould not rely on the special means provided for the ventilation of their rooms. * * * The system of flues and shafts as at present disposed in sehoolhouse construction must be supplemented by opened doors and windows.
This report, in conelusion, says:
It is sometimes said that the matter of school-house ventilation is diseussed and agitated more than its real importance warrants. **** The need is not of less but of more agitation, not in the direetion of impracticable sanitary speculations, but to promote the realization of feasible, indisputable sanitary prineiples.
In 1876, the health department of Cineinnati ${ }^{1}$ ordered a chemieal examination to be made of the air in some of the publie schools in that city and the results are embodied in their report for that year. A table is given showing "the number of volumes of earbonic aeid in 100,000 volumes of the air of several rooms in eaeh of the twen-ty-six sehools examined." Coneerning this table, Professor Hough, who made the examination, says: "The foregoing figures indieate most conclusively that in a large majority of cases the ventilation of our school-rooms is injuriously defeetive. A very large majority of the pupils of our public sehools are breathing, for several hours eaeh day, an atmosphere containing more than one-tenth per eent. of earbonic aeid. In many cases the degree of vitiation reaches nearly if not quite double that amount." Measurements were made of 265 rooms with a view of ascertaining the amount of air space allowed to eaeh pupil. Professor Hough estimates "from 200 to 300 cubie feet as the smallest allowable air space for eaeh pupil under the present methods of ventilation." Of the 265 rooms measured it was found that "only 20 afford 300 eubic feet or more per pupil; 236 afford less than 300 cubie feet per pupil; 166 afford less than 200 eubie feet per pupil; 22 afford lesṣ than 108.5 eubic feet per pupil ; and 14 afford less than 100 eubic feet per pupil." Of these 14, several gave less than 90 cubic feet per pupil, and one only 56.7. "The relation of these magnitudes to the neecssary eonditions of respiration is fearful." Attention is also called to the imperfect lighting of many of the rooms as ealculated to permanently injure the eyesight of the pupils.
The report of the publie sehools of the Distriet of Columbia for 1876 -'77 (pp. 11, 12) eontains the results of an inspection by the health officer of the District of some of the publie school buildings of the city of Washington, eoneerning whieh he says:
The whole story of the condition of the rooms inspeeted may be epitomized in a very few words, viz: Altogether insuffieient air space; praetieally no ventilation, except by windows; unequal distribution of heat; coal gases from sheet iron and cast iron stoves, and generally unsuitable charaeter of the buildings. * * * The average air spaee to each occupant of the rooms inspeeted is approximately 170 eubic feet, the air displaeed by the bodies, desks, \&c., not dedueted (twenty of the buildings averaging much below those figures, three being below 100 cubic feet), and had the average of the rooms been taken, it would quite likely have been found to be, in some instanees, even below that of the lowest building. With no other than the exhalations of the oceupants, therefore, to vitiate the air, taking the above average, viz, 170 cubic feet, the whole atmospherie eontents of the rooms should be ehanged every sixteen and a half minutes. * * * In the absence of definite analysis, we may estimate approximately that, by the window and door method, the relative quantity of the deadly poisonous property, earbonie aeid gas, constantly present in most of these rooms when oceupied, is not less than from eight hundredths to fifteen hundredths per cent. * * * An admixture of 1 per cent. in respired air is sufficient to produce death in a short time, and no person can safely remain any long time in an atmosphere having more than seven hundredths per cent. of this gas.

[^14]Dr. Edward R. Cogswell, in his report on the sanitary condition of Cambridge, Mass., p. 353, says of the school-houses of that city:

In nearly all of them, however, improper hygienic conditions are found. In some, a prominent defect is in the method of warming; in others, the trouble arises from the location and condition of the privies and urinals; while adequate means of ventilation are wanting in nearly all. * * * It too often happens * * * that, owing to the frequent changes in the mombers of the city government, the experience gained by one board in the building of school-houses is lost to the city when the erection of others becomes necessary. The school cominittee, who have the exclusive charge of the schools, $* * *$ have no authority in the matter of the construction of schoolhouses.
At the meeting of the New York Medico-Legal Socicty, February 7, 1877, a paper on "The influence of vitiated air on the eyes" was presented by Dr. Edward G. Loring, of Boston, in which he says: ${ }^{1}$

I have no doubt in my own mind, and I believe it is universally admitted, that vitiated air has a direct irritating effect on all mucous membranes; and I feel convinced, from my own observation, that the mucous membrane of the eye is peculiarly susceptible to its influence. This is shown by the fact that repeated attacks of inflammation of the mucous membrane of the eyc which have occurred in a vitiated atmosphere and which have resisted all curative means, are often cured at conce and prevented from recurring when a wholesome supply of air is obtained, all other conditions remaining the same.
I have, then, no doubt in my own mind that bad air alone, acting as the primal cause, may set in train a series of morbid processes which may, and often do, affect not only the working capacity and integrity of the organ, but which may lcad even to its total destruction.
At a meeting of this society January 3, 1877, the results were presented of an examination of the eyes of 1,440 school children in Cincinnati, New York, and Brooklyn: ${ }^{2}$
In Cincinnati, in the district school, in 209 pupils examined, the rate of near-sightedness was 10 per cent. In the intermediate schools, in 210 pupils, 14 per cent. were near-sighted. In the normal and high schools, in 211 scholars, 16 per cent. were nearsighted. In the introductory class of the New York College, 29 per cent. were nearsighted; in the freshman class, 40 per cent.; in the sophomore class, 34.75 per cent. ; in the junior class, 53 per cent. In the Polytechnic Institute in Brooklyn, 10 per cent. of the students in the academic department were found to be near-sighted; and in the collegiate department, of 158 students cxamined, 28.5 per cent. were nearsighted. There is a striking correspondence between thesc results and those obtained in Germany; both showing that near-sightedncss increases in the advanced grades of the public schools. ${ }^{3}$

## EDUCATION VS. POLICE.

The expenditure for police in our cities brought into comparison with the expenditure for education presents many intcresting contrasts. It would naturally be thought that all the items necessary for such a comparison could be furnished from the records of every city annually; unfortunately this is not so.

It is universally admitted that education which develops aright the whole man must bear a close relation to the evils in human condition, and among them to crime. The most enthusiastic would hardly claim that education at its best could perfect human condition; they believe, however, in its power to modify and improve. From the present imperfect condition of records and statistics a fair mind can hardly reach a different conclusion; but a thorough investigator will scarcely be satisfied until the data before him shall include a fair statement of all the conditions involved in. the statement. The police expenditure is but a single item in the cost of crime; there is also the destruction of life and property, with the evils arising from their constant peril, to which must be added the cost of courts, of jails, of penitentiarics, and all other expenditure on account of crime.

Comparison of municipal expenditures for police and education.

| Cities. | Year. | Population. | Police expenditure. |  | Educational expenditure. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Per } \\ \text { capita. } \end{gathered}$ | Total. | Per capita. |
| San Francisco, Cal .. | 1876 | 272, 345 | \$233, 050 | \$0 85 | \$867, 107 | \$3 18 |
| New Haven, Conn | 1877 | 57, 136 | 76, 000 | 133 | 206, 436 | 361 |
| Chicago, Il | 1876 | 425, 000 | 564, 398 | 132 | 829, 429 | 195 |
| Louisville, Ky | 1876 | 125, 000 | 168, 079 | 134 | 285, 302 | 228 |
| New Orleans, La | 1877 | 210, 000 | 325, 000 | 155 |  |  |
| Baltimore, Md | 1877 | 302, 839 | 599, 110 | 197 | 699, 514 | 230 |
| Boston, Mass | 1877 | 341, 919 | 833, 706 | 243 | 1, 816, 615 | 531 |
| Detroit, Mich | 1877 | 110, 000 | 135, 000 | 122 | 213, 214 | 193 |
| St. Louis, Mo. | 1877 | 500, 000 | 464, 584 | 92 | 1, 007, 830 | 201 |
| Jersey City, N.J |  | 120, 000 |  |  |  |  |
| Newark, N.J | 1877 | 120, 000 | 155, 836 | 129 |  |  |
| Albany, N. Y | 1877 | 69,422 | 117, 689 | 169 | a129, 125 | 186 |
| Brooklyn, N. Y | 1877 | 396, 099 | 815, 491 | 200 |  |  |
| Buffalo, N. Y. | 1877 | 143, 594 | 225, 000 | 156 |  |  |
| New York, N. Y | 1877 | 1, 200, 000 | 3, 292, 400 | 274 | 3, 316, 889 | 276 |
| Cincinnati, Ohio | 1877 | 267, 000 | 271, 627 | 101 | 673, 036 | 252 |
| Cleveland, Ohio. | 1877 | 138, 044 | 163, 565 | 118 | 397, 782 | 288 |
| Philadelphia, Pa | 1876 | 750, 000 | 1, 437, 546 | 191 | 1, 991, 364 | 265 |
| Providence, R. I. | 1877 | 100, 675 | 227, 687 | 226 | 202, 000 | 200 |
| Charleston, S. C | 1877 | 48, 956 | 97, 281 | 198 |  |  |
| Memphis, Tenn | 1877 | 40, 226 | b49, 685 | 123 |  |  |
| Washington, D. C. | 1877 | 106, 000 | 300, 000 | 283 | 333, 766 | 315 |

$a$ Total, including expenditure for buildings, $\$ 226,666$.
$b$ The reduction of more than one-half since 1874 has been accomplished by cutting down salaries.
In Albany, out of 6,840 arrests, 1,250 were of persons between 10 and 20 years of age.
In Cleveland, out of 7,845 arrests, 59 were of childreu under 10 years of age, 419 from 10 to 15 , and 935 from 15 to 20 ; a total of 1,413 under 20 ycars of age.
In Brooklyn, out of 26,857 arrests, 86 were of children under 8 years of age, 1,347 from 8 to 14 , and 4,247 from 14 to 21 ; a total of 5,680 minors.
In St. Louis, out of 19,427 persons arrested, 2,344 were under 20 years of age.
In Boston, out of 26,683 arrests, 4,915 were of minors; that these were principally youth with no homes would secm to be indicated by the fact that 4,711 minors had applied for lodging at station houses.
In Cincinnati, out of 10,647 arrests, 1,696 were of persons between the ages of 10 and 20. Of the whole number arrested, 10,647 , only 355 were found unable to read and write.

In Detroit, the whole number of arrests for the year was 4,657. Of these, 701 could neither read nor write, and 107 others could read only. The number of arrests under 20 years of age was 850 . The superintendent of police says: "Whilc there is abundant provision made for boys who eommit offenses cognizable by the State statutes and institutions have been crected for their detention, schooling, and employment, there is only onc for the reception of femalcs, viz, the house of correction; and the eourts have no other alternative but to send them thither. * * * Some better provision than that now existing should be made for them."

In Buffalo, in 1877, the whole number of arrests was 8,126 . Of these, 89 were of children under 10 years of age, 543 from 10 to 15 , and 1,221 from 15 to 20 ; making 1,853 arrests of persons under 20 years of age.

## JANITORS' WAGES.

The following statement respecting the wages paid to janitors of school buildings in certain cities was prepared last year. It illustrates the sort of work often donc by this Office in response to requests made by school officers. In this case the information was desired by Gcneral C. E. Hovey, one of the school trustees of the District of Columbia, and, having been found useful in many places, it is inscrted here for the usc of a larger constituency.
In the following replics, the number before each indicates the city to which the corresponding number is attached in the list below, viz:

1. Albany, N. Y.
2. Allegheny, Pa.
3. Baltimore, Md.
4. Chicago, Ill.
5. Cincinnati, Ohio.
6. Columbus, Ohio.
7. Covington, Ky.
8. Davenport, Iowa.
9. Denver, Colo.
10. Des Moines, Iowa.
11. Detroit, Mich.
12. Nashville, Tenn.
13. Newark, N. J.
14. New Haven, Conn.
15. New Orleans, La.
16. Omaha, Nebr.
17. Peoria, Ill.
18. Pittsburgh, Pa.
19. Providence, R. I.
20. Quincy, Ill.
21. Rochester, N. Y.
22. St. Louis, Mo.
23. San Francisco, Cal.
24. Springfield, Mass.
25. Utica, N. Y.
26. Washington, D. C.
27. Wilmington, Del.
28. Worcester, Mass.

Question 1.-What amount is paid per month or per annum for janitor's labor in the care of a single isolated school room heated by a stove?

Answers.-Nos. $1,2,5,7,12,13,20,22$, and 25 have no isolated school rooms. No. 3 , pay regulated by number of classes in a room; for 3 classes or less, $\$ 8$ per month; 4 classes, $\$ 9 ; 5$ classes, $\$ 10, \mathbb{\&}$. ; 50 cents per month for each fire. No. $4, \$ 4$ per week. No. 6, $\$ 8$ per month, $\$ 80$ per anuum. No. $8, \$ 100$. No. $9, \$ 5$ per month (rented rooms). No. $10, \$ 6$ per month, when janitor does not live in the building. No. $11, \$ 8.25$ per month. No. $14, \$ 50$. No. 15 , $\$ 15$ per month. No. $16, \$ 290$ per annum. No. $17, \$ 5$ per month ( 10 months to the year). No. $18, \$ 48$ to $\$ 96$; local committees fix salarics in their districts. No. 19, room of 50 scholars, 50 cents per week; larger rooms, 75 cents; and 50 cents for each fire. No. $21, \$ 8$ per month, $\$ 96$ per annum. No. $23, \$ 10$ per month, $\$ 120$ per annum. No. $24, \$ 29$ to $\$ 50$ per annum. Nos. 26 and $27, \$ 48$ per annum. No. 28, $\$ 1$ per week, October 1 to May 1; 50 cents, May 1 to October 1.

Question 2.-What amount is paid per month or per annum for janitor's labor in the care of two or more school rooms heated by stoves?

Answers. - No. 1, two rooms, $\$ 65$ per annum. No. 2, school buildings contain ten to twenty rooms each, salaries average $\$ 500$ to $\$ 1,000$. No. 3 , tcn rooms, $\$ 17.50$ per month in winter; in summer, deduction of 50 cents for each stove. No. 4 , less than eight rooms, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 6$ per wcek each. No. 5 , ten rooms, $\$ 1.40$ per dien, and living rooms; twenty rooms, $\$ 2.05$ per diem, and living rooms (furnish their own materials). No. 6, two rooms, $\$ 160$ per annum ; four rooms, $\$ 416$; eight rooms, $\$ 624$. No. 7 , twelve rooms, $\$ 40$ per month, $\$ 480$ per annum. No. 8 , five rooms, $\$ 300$; eight rooms, $\$ 550$; ten rooms, $\$ 600$; twelve rooms, $\$ 650$. Nos. 9 and 25 , no rooms heated by stoves. No. 10 , ten rooms, $\$ 40$ per month, lodging, fuel, and light. No. 11, two rooms, $\$ 10.50$ per month. No. 12 , three rooms, $\$ 15$ per month ; five rooms, $\$ 25$; six rooms, $\$ 30$; cight rooms, $\$ 35$; twenty-two rooms, $\$ 55$. No. 13, two rooms, $\$ 180$ per annum; thrce rooms, $\$ 240$; four rooms, $\$ 300$; five rooms, $\$ 360$. No. 14, two rooms, $\$ 90$. No. 15 , six to twelve rooms, $\$ 11$ per month and lodging. No. 16, two rooms, $\$ 320$ per annum. No. $17, \$ 50$ per month, $\$ 500$ per annum, for twelve rooms. No. 18 , two rooms, $\$ 108$ per annum ; three rooms, $\$ 120$ to $\$ 300$; four rooms, $\$ 140$ and $\$ 240$; six rooms, $\$ 240$ and $\$ 600$; ten rooms, $\$ 480$; twelve rooms, $\$ 720$; scventeen rooms, with rent (salaries in each district fixed by local committee). No. 19, 50 to 75 cents per week for each room, and 50 cents per weck for each stove. No. 20, two or more rooms, $\$ 3$ per month each. No. 21, two rooms, $\$ 8$ per month; four rooms, $\$ 12$; six rooms, $\$ 18$; ten rooms, $\$ 30$; fourtecn rooms, $\$ 35$ to $\$ 40$, twelve months to the year; salarics varied by amount of sidewalk and height of building. No. 22, two roons, $\$ 15$ to $\$ 20$ per month ; four to six rooms, $\$ 30$; eight rooms, $\$ 55$; twelve rooms, $\$ 75$; sixtecn rooms, $\$ 95$; eighteen rooms, $\$ 100$. No. 23 , two rooms, $\$ 15$ per month, $\$ 180$ per annum ; buildings with number of rooms, $\$ 5$ per room. No. 24, two rooms, $\$ 132$; three rooms, $\$ 212$; five rooms, $\$ 230$. No. $26, \$ 36$ per annum for each room. No. 27 , six rooms, stoves, $\$ 125$ per annum. No. 28,30 cents per week for each room, and 30 cents for cach fire; in large buildings, $\$ 1$ per week extra for work about yards, \&c.

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Question 3.-What amount is paid per month or per annum for janitor's labor (whether performed by one or more than onc person) in the care of two or more school rooms (give number of rooms) at one place, heated by hot air furnace?

Answers. - No. 1, six rooms, $\$ 150$ per annum ; twelve rooms, $\$ 250$. Nos. 2,5 , and 15 , 110 answer. No. 3, two female high schools, $\$ 300$ per annum each for cleaning, and $\$ 400$ per aunum each for fireman ; four other school buildings, each $\$ 20$ per month for fireman. No. 4, eight rooms, $\$ 50$ per month; twelve rooms, $\$ 70$ per month. No. 6 , two rooms, $\$ 160$ per amum; four rooms, $\$ 416$; eight rooms, $\$ 64$. Nos. 7 and 10; no furnaces. No. 8, eight rooms, $\$ 400$; twelve rooms, $\$ 600$. No. 9 , eight rooms, 2 furnaces, $\$ 50$ per month; eight rooms, 4 furnaces, $\$ 50$ per month, including rooms for janitor; twelve rooms, 8 furnaces, $\$ 75$ per month, including rooms, fuel, anil gas. Nos. 11, 12, 13, 21, and 28, no hot air furnaces. No. 14, four rooms, $\$ 200$; seven rooms, $\$ 300$; eight rooms, $\$ 350$; twelve rooms, $\$ 550$. No. 16 , six rooms, 2 furnaces, $\$ 720$ per annum, and living rooms; eleven rooms, 2 furnaces, $\$ 780$, and living rooms; twentyone rooms, 7 furnaces, $\$ 1,050$, and living rooms. No. 17 , nine rooms, $\$ 45$ per month for cleaning ( 10 months to the year), and $\$ 40$ per month for fireman during cold weather. No. 18, six rooms, $\$ 300$ and rent; eight rooms, $\$ 500$ to $\$ 700$; ten rooms, $\$ 480$ and $\$ 20$; twelve rooms, $\$ 750$; seventeen rooms, $\$ 520$, rent and fuel (salaries regulated by local committees). No. 19, twelve rooms, 4 furnaces, $\$ 10$ per week. No. 20 , twelve rooms, $\$ 50$ per month, rooms aud fuel. No. 22, four rooms, $\$ 30$ per month; eight rooms, $\$ 50$; twelve rooms, $\$ 75$; fourteen rooms, $\$ 81.25$. No. 23 , two rooms, $\$ 15$ per month, $\$ 180$ per annum ; buildings with number of rooms, $\$ 5$ per room. No. 24 , four rooms, $\$ 220$ per aunum ; seven rooms, $\$ 550$. No. 25 , two rooms, $\$ 150$ per annum; four rooms, $\$ 160$; ten rooms, $\$ 210$ per annum ; free academy, eight rooms, $\$ 400$. No. 26 , four rooms, $\$ 300$ per annum. No. 27 , six rooms, $\$ 125$ per annum ; eight rooms, $\$ 150$.

Question 4.-What amount is paid per month or per annum for janitor's labor (whether performed by one or more than one person) in the care of two or more rooms (give number of rooms) at one place, heated by steam?
Answers.-No. 1, fifteen rooms and auditorium, $\$ 45$ per month for steam apparatus and $\$ 15$ per month for cleaning (annual cleaning extra). Nos. 2, 5 , and 9 , no answer. No. 3, Baltimore City College, $\$ 900$, and living rooms. No. 4, sixteen rooms, $\$ 85$ per montli; over sixteen rooms, $\$ 85$ to $\$ 135$, according to character of apparatus. No. 6 , two rooms, $\$ 160$ per annum ; four rooms, $\$ 416$; eight rooms, $\$ 624$. Nos. 7, 11, 12, 15, $16,17,20,23,27$, no steam. No. 8 , twelve rooms, $\$ 600$. No. 10, thirteen rooms, $\$ 600$ per annum, with rooms, fuel, and light. No. 13, teni to fourteen rooms, $\$ 45$ per month; larger buildings, $\$ 50$ ( 12 months to the year). No. 14 , twelve rooms, $\$ 550$. No. 18, eight rooms, $\$ 500$, rent, fuel, and light; tiventy rooms, $\$ 1,200$, and rent. No. 19, large building, $\$ 14$ per week. No. 21, seventeen rooms, 2 boilers, $\$ 75$ per month, $\$ 900$ per annum. No. 22 , ten to twelve rooms, $\$ 50$ to $\$ 60$ per month. No. 24 , nine rooms; office and hall, $\$ 600$; thirteen rooms, $\$ 625$; high school, nineteen rooms, large assembly hall, and 2 basements, $\$ 900$. No. 25 , twenty. three rooms, $\$ 450$ per annum. No. 26 , six rooms, $\$ 444$; eight rooms, 2 boilers, $\$ 1,000$, rooms, fuel, and light; ten rooms, 1 boiler, $\$ 800$, rooms, fuel, and light; sixteen rooms, 2 boilers, $\$ 1,300$, rooms, fuel, and light; twenty rooms, same as sixteen; (in addition to the school rooms, each janitor has the care of 1 to 4 play rooms, teachers' rooms, offices, and halls). No. 28, seventeen rooms, 2 buildings, $\$ 1,000$ per annum.

Question 5.-In case janitor's rooms (for himself and family) are provided by the public authorities in any school building (or anywhere), make a separate note of the fact, and state how much the rent of the same is estimated at.

Answers. - Nos. $1,4,6,7,8,13,14,17,19,23,24,27$, and 28 , none provided. Nos. 2, 21, 22 , and 25, no answer. No. 3 , only in Baltimore City College, about $\$ 300$. Nos. 5 and 20 , janitor's rooms are provided, but no estimate of the rent is given. Nos. 9 and 12, $\$ 10$ per month. No. 10, $\$ 400$, including fuel and light. No. 11, janitor's rooms in large buildings ( 12 to 14 rooms), no estimate of rent. No. 15 , rooms for porteresses, $\$ 5$ per month. No. 16, janitor's rooms in three school buildings, rent estimated respectively at $\$ 120, \$ 150$, andi $\$ 240$. No. 18 , janitor's rooms provided in some cases, but no estimate of rent. . No. $26, \$ 150$ per annum.

Question 6. - Has any reduction of the pay of janitors been made during the past twelve months, or is any contemplated?

Answers.-Nos. 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 25, 26, and 27, none. Nos. $2,5,18,21$, and 22 , no answer. No. 13 , no change of salaries in ten years; none contemplated. No. 19, reduction has been proposed, but it is doubtful if any will be made. No. 23 , salaries have been equalized, which has made a reduction in the whole of about 3.8 per cent. No. 24, a slight reduction is probable. No. 28, in February, 1875, the pay of janitors was equalized, but neither raised nor lowered on the whole.

## TABLE III. - NORMAL SCHOOLS.

The following is a comparative summary of normal schools, instructors, and pupils reported to the Bureau for the years 1870 to 1877 , inclusive:

|  | 1870. | 1871. | 1872. | 1873. | 1874. | 1875. | 1876. | 1877. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of institutions | 53 | 65 | 98 | 113 | 124 | 137 | 151 | 152 |
| Number of instructors. | 178 | 445 | 773 | 887 | 966 | 1,031 | 1,065 | 1,189 |
| Number of students | 10,028 | 10,922 | 11,778 | 16,620 | 24,405 | 29,105 | 33, 921 | 37, 082 |

TABLE III.-Summary of stalistics of normal schools.

| States. | Number of normal schools supported by - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | State. |  |  | County. |  |  | City. |  |  | All other agencies. |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Alabama.. | 62 | 7 | 174 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 16 | 171 |
| Arkansas | 2 | 14 | 96 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 3 | 35 |
| California | 1 | 12 | 523 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 4 |
| Connecticut | 1 | 8 | 127 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ...... |
| Delaware. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 17 | 238 |
| Georgia | 1 |  | 130 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 7 | 82 |
| Ilinois | 2 | 25 | 744 | 2 | 14 | 279 | 1 | 5 | 139 | 4 | 21 | 299 |
| Indiana | 1 | 8 | 282 | 1 | 4 | 75 | c1 | 20 | 2, 555 | 2 | 19 | 280 |
| Iowa | 1 | 4 | 139 |  |  |  | 1 | 11 | 120 | 2 | 5 | 56 |
| Kansas | $d 2$ | 12 | 589 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kentucky |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 8 | 45 | 4 | 20 | 287 |
| Louisiana. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 12 | 45 |
| Maine | 4 | 24 | 596 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maryland | 2 | 15 | 320 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 4 | 30 |
| Massachusetts | 6 | 59 | 1, 172 |  |  |  | 1 | 9 | 88 | 1 | 6 | 23 |
| Michigan | 1 | 13 | 366 | -.... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ...... |
| Minnesota | 3 | 27 | 616 | ..... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | .... |
| Mississippi | 2 | 11 | 195 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | - |
| Missouri.. | 5 | 40 | 1,368 |  |  |  | 2 | 16 | 410 | 3 | 17 | 74 |
| Nebraska. | 1 | 8 | 335 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ...... |
| New Hampshire | 1 | 5 | 97 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | - |
| New Jersey.. | 1 | 11 | 261 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New York | 8 | 112 | 2, 825 |  |  |  | 1 | 35 | 1,586 |  | ..... |  |
| North Carolin | 2 | 22 | 224 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5 | 17 | 224 |
| Ohio |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4 | 20 | - 176 | 10 | 63 | 2, 085 |
| Pennsylvania | 10 | 125 | 2, 264 |  |  |  | 1 | 27 | 1,222 | 2 | 8 | 134 |
| Rhode Island | 1 | 12 | 143 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| South Carolina |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 9 | 87 |
| Tennessee | $d 1$ | 8 | 84 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7 | 38 | 657 |
| Vermont. | 3 | 24 | 350 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Virginia . | . 1 | 14 | 274 | 1 | 12 | 97 | 1 | 6 | 139 |  |  | ..... |
| West Virginia | 6 | 28 | 432 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 5 | 136 |
| Wisconsin. | 4 | 47 | 1,021 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 6 | 50 |
| District of Colu |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 3 | 20 | 2 | 5 | 23 |
| Utah. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 3 | 47 |
| Total | 75 | 695 | 15,747 |  | 30 |  | 15 | 160 | 6,500 | 58 | 304 | 5,067 |

Table III.—Summary of statistics

of normal schools - Continued.


## Table III.-Appropriations for normal schools.

| Name of school. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State Normal School, Florence, Ala | \$5, 00000 | \$92 62 |
| Lincoln Normal University, Marior Ala | 64,00000 | 3333 |
| Normal department of Arkansas Industrial University, Fayetteville, Ark | 10,000 00 |  |
| Branch Normal College, Arkansas Industrial University, Pine Bluff, Ark | 1,600 00 | 1904 |
| California State Normal School, San José, Cal. | 25,000 00 | 4450 |
| Connecticut State Normal School, New Britain, Conn | 12,000 00 | 9440 |
| Southern Illinois Normal University, Carbondale, Ill | 15, 60000 | 3436 |
| Cook County Normal and Training School, Englewood, Ill | c12, 00000 | 5125 |
| Illinois State Normal University, Normal, nl | 24, 70000 | 56.65 |
| Peoria County Normal School, Peoria, Ill . | c5, 30000 |  |
| Indiana State Normal School, Terre Haute, Ind. | 17, 00000 | 6000 |
| Northern Indiana Normal School and Business Institute, Valparaiso, Ind | $d 12,00000$ |  |
| Iowa State Normal School, Cedar Falls, Iotra. | 7, 50000 | 2800 |
| Eastern Iowa Normal School, Grandview, Iowa | $e 1,40000$ |  |
| Eastern State Normal School, Castine, Maine.. | $6,500 \quad 00$ | 3225 |
| Western State Normal School, Farmington, Maine. | $7,50000$ | 2800 |
| Normal department of Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield, Maine ....... | $60000$ | 2000 |
| Baltimore Normal School for the Education of Colored Teachers, Baltimor | $2,00000$ | $2000$ |
| Maryland State Normal School, Baltimore, Md............................. | $10,50000$ | 4773 |
| Massachusetts Normal Art School, Boston, Mass | $11,000 \quad 00$ | $5000$ |
| State Normal School, Framingham, Mass | 12, 00000 | 7500 |
| State Normal School, Salem, Mass ..... | 13, 00000 | 44 23 |
| Westfield State Normal School, Westfield, Mass. | 13, 00000 | 7650 |
| Massachusetts State Normal School, Worcester, Mass | 13, 00000 |  |
| Michigan State Normal School, Ypsilanti, Mich | $f 47,00000$ | 2833 |
| State Normal School at Mankato, Mankato, Minn. | 9,000 00 | 2941 |
| State Normal School at St. Cloud, St. Cloud, Minn | 9, 00000 | 4000 |
| State Normal School at Winona, Winona, Minn . | 12,000 00 | 3000 |
| Mississippi State Normal School, Holly Springs, Miss. | 3,000 00 | 3370 |
| Tougaloo University and Normal School, Tougaloo, Miss | 2,500 00 | 1077 |
| Southeast Missouri Normal School, Cape Girardeau, Mo. | $7,50000$ |  |
| College of Normal Instruction, Columbia, Mo. | $13,000 \quad 00$ |  |
| Lincoln Institute, Jefferson City, Mo ......... | 5,000 00 | 4099 |
| North Missouri State Normal School, Kirksville, Mo | 10, 00000 | 1700. |
| Northwest Normal School, Oregon, Mo . | $c 1,500 \quad 00$ |  |
| Nebraska State Normal School, Perı, Nebr.. | 10, 00000 | 3000 |
| New Hampshire State Normal School, Plymouth, N. H | $g 5,00000$ |  |
| New Jersey State Normal and Model School, Trenton, N. J | 20, 00000 | 10000 |
| Now York State Normal School, Albany, N. Y | 18,00000 |  |
| State Normal School, Brockport, N. Y. | 23, 00000 | 1914 |
| State Normal School, Buffalo, N. Y | 18,000 00 | 6400 |
| State Normal and Training School, Cortland, N. Y | 18,00000 | 5000 |

[^15]Table III.-Appropriations for normal schools-Continued.

| Name of school. . |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State Normal School, Geneseo, N. Y | \$18, 00000 | \$58 00 |
| Female Normal Collcge, New York, N. Y | b95,000 00 |  |
| Oswego State Normal and Training School, Oswego, | 18, 00000 | 3727 |
| State Normal and Training School, Potsdam, N. Y. | 17, 39800 | 2100 |
| Normal department of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. | 2, 00000 | 851 |
| State Colored Normal School, Fayetteville, N. C. | 2, 00000 | 2000 |
| Cincinnati Normal School, Cincinnati, Ohio | b6, 68500 |  |
| Sandusky Training School, Sandusky, Ohio | b600 00 |  |
| Pennsylvania State Normal School, sixth district, Bloomsburg, | 10,000 00 |  |
| Southwestern Normal College, California, Pa | 25, 00000 |  |
| Northwestern State Normal School, Edinboro', Pa | 10,000 00 | 1500 |
| State Normal School at Indiana, Indiana, Pa | 3, 66500 | 1205 |
| Central State Normal School, Lock Haven, Pa | 10,000 00 |  |
| Pennsylvania State Normal School, fifth district, Mansfield, Pa | c20, 00000 |  |
| Pennsylvania State Normal School, second district, Millersville, | 6,500 00 |  |
| Philadclphia Normal School for Girls, Philadelphia, Pa | b33, 74300 |  |
| Cumberland Valley Stato Normal School, Shippensburg, | 30, 00000 |  |
| West Chester State Normal School, West Chcster, Pa | 11, 13200 | 2100 |
| Rhode Island State Normal School, Providence, R. I | 12,500 00 | 8741 |
| Freedmen's Normal Institute, Maryville, Tenn |  |  |
| Castleton State Normal School, Castleton, V | 1,118 00 |  |
| Johnson State Normal School, Johnson, Vt | 2,372 00 | 1976 |
| State Normal School, Randolph, Vt. | 2, 64400 | 1150 |
| Valley Normal School, Bridgewater, Va | $e 1,00000$ |  |
| Concord State Normal School, Concord Church, W. Va | 2, 00000 |  |
| Fairmont State Normal School, Fairmont, W. Va | 2, 00000 | 1350 |
| State Normal School at Glenville, Glenville, W. Va |  |  |
| Marshall College State Normal School, Huntington, W. | 2,000 00 | 2000 |
| Shepherd College, Shepherdstown, W. Va | 2, 00000 | 1960 |
| West Liberty State Normal School, West Liberty, W. Va | 2, 00000 |  |
| Oshkosh State Normal School, Oshkosh, Wis | 13,621 00 | 2458 |
| Wisconsin State Normal School, Platteville, Wis | 17, 11500 |  |
| River Falls State Normal School, River Falls, Wis | 16, 00200 | 3640 |
| State Normal School, Whitcwater, Wis | 21,000 00 | 3100 |
| Washington Normal School, Washington, D. C. | b2, 00000 |  |
| Normal dopartment of the University of Deseret, Salt Lake City, Utah | 2,000 00 |  |

$a$ Exclusive of appropriations for permanent objects.
$b$ City appropriation.
c Provided the school raises $\$ 4,000$.
$d$ County appropriation.
e County appropriation, including $\$ 400$ from Peabody fund.

## PROFESSORSHIPS OF DIDACTICS OR PEDAGOGICS.

The science and art of teaching is surely a subject so important that it may well bo included in the curricula of our universities and colleges. The State University of Iowa established a chair of didactics in 1873, made it an elective subject for the senior year, and gives the degree of bachelor of didactics to such of its graduates as have taught two years after receiving this instruction. The example seems worthy of imitation. ${ }^{1}$
The attempt to establish chairs of didactics has been embarrassed by the historic customs of our older colleges. They largely retain the ideas and methods which were brought by the colonists from the mother country, and contemplate the education of a comparatively small number of persons, and this after their minds are measurably mature. Their methods are poorly adapted to instruct immature minds, have been totally abandoned in all intelligent elementary training, and have been modified in secondary instruction.

Naturally the learned men at the head of our colleges were considered the leadcrs in our educational affairs. Often they stood aloof from the clementary school and usually made no effort to modify their own methods for its use. Teaching many other sciences, they omitted the philosophy of education from their curriculum, sometimes, indeed, acting as though there were no such subject in the domain of thought. It has been the same spirit, but not carried to the same extent, which has contended against the teaching of the natural sciences.

It is this lack of a really comprehensive philosophy of culture, which should include man in all his conditions and relations, that has permitted if not promoted foolish prejudices between institutions of learning founded on a religious and a civic basis respectively, and between those founded by the several religious denominations.

A partial cure for this condition has been found in the various college associations which have been founded from time to time. These cannot be conducted with any marked intercst and vigor without making our colleges better acquainted and more sympathetic with each other and causing them to assume a better relation to all other phases of instruction.
It is not too much to hope that another result will be a more careful consideration of the philosophy of education and adequate provision for the sound and thorough teaching of it.
Many institutions whose students defray a large part of their expenses before graduation by teaching do not give an hour's instruction in this subject nor make any effort to secure pedagogical works for their libraries.
In striking contrast with this apathy is the treatment of the philosophy of education by the German universities. In the following German universities pedagogy is taught by means of lectures for the time stated:

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At Jena the subjects of the lectures are: History of education, scientific principles of educating the child, school discipline, methods of instruction, school hygiene, school legislation, school architecture, ancient and modern languages, comparative philology, logic, metaphysics.

There are in Germany, besides the ordinary seminaries for the training of elementary teachers, several advanced pedagogic seminaries, whose object is to give the students an opportunity to acquire a more profound scientific knowledge in their specialties before they enter upon their professional duties. These purely scientific institutions are attended only by students and graduates of universities who aspire to the higher positions in the secondary and superior schools. In some of these seminaries great stress is laid on philology, in others on the philosophy of education. There are at present 4 of these higher seminaries at Berlin, 1 at Breslau, 1 at Göttingen, 1 at Bonn, 1 at Magdeburg, 1 at Königsberg, and 1 at Stettin.

TABLE IV. - COMMERCIAL AND BJSINESS COLLEGES
The following is a comparative exhibit of colleges for business training, as reported to this Bureau from 1870 to 1877 , inclusive:

|  | 1870. | 1871. | 1872. | 1873. | 1874. | 1875. | 1876. | 1877. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of institutions | 26 | 60 | 53 | 112 | 126 | 131 | 137 | 134 |
| Number of instructors. | 154 | 168 | 263 | 514 | 577 | 594 | 599 | 568 |
| Number of students | 5, 824 | 6, 460 | 8,451 | 22, 397 | 25,892 | 26, 109 | 25, 234 | 23,496 |

It will be remarked that the commercial and brsiness colleges of the country have so far decreased as to be almost in the position they occupied in 1873.

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Table IV.-Summary of statistics of commercial and business colleges.

$a$ Of these, 13,000 volumes are in the library of the University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Ind.

## TABLE V. -KINDERGÄRTEN.

The following is a comparative summary of Kindergärten, instructors, and pupils reported to the Bureau from 1873 to 1877, inclusive:

|  | 1873. | 1874. | 1875. | 1876. | 1877. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Table V.-Summary of statistics of Kindergürten.

| States. | Number of schools. | Number of teachers. | Number of pupils. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| California | 3 | 3 | 32 |
| Colorado . | 1 | 2 | 22 |
| Connecticut. | 1 | 5 | 80 |
| Georgia. | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| Ilinois | 6 | 13 | 141 |
| Indiana. | 1 | 5 | 30 |
| Iowa.. | 1 | 5 | 40 |
| Kentucky | 3 | 7 | 82 |
| Maine | ? | 2 | 39 |
| Maryland.. | 4 | 10 | 48 |
| Massachusetts... | 12 | 22 | 195 |
| Michigan.. | 3 |  | 90 |
| Minnesota. | 3 | 9 | 70 |
| Missouri. | 20 | 105 | 1,145 |
| New Hampshire.. | 2 | 4 | 30 |
| New Jersey...... | 14 | 24 | 451 |
| New York ... | 22 | 50 | 632 |
| Ohio. | 6 | 9 | 89 |
| Pennsylvania. | 12 | 22 | 297 |
| South Carolina | 1 | 2 | 24 |
| Wisconsin..... | 6 | 17 | 291 |
| District of Columbia. | 5 | 15 | 186 |
| Total. | 129 | 336 | 3, 931 |

The introduetion of the Kindergarten into sehools for orphans, and those sehools established among the poor and distressed in our eities, is attended with exeellent results. Mrs. Horace Mann writes that "the charity Kindergärten are doing a beautiful work in Cambridge, Mass. One of these Kindergïrten is supported by the city of Cambridge and the other three by a lady who does not wish to have her name published." The success of the Kindergarten is mueh lessened through laek of favorable conditions. But important progress has nevertheless been made (1) in training teaehers to instruet in true Kindergarten methods; (2) in giving to school offieers and the public generally a correct idea of what these methods are; and (3) in bringing a supply of Kindergarten appliances within the reaeh of those who desire to proeure them. It is indeed true that a few thousand only of the many of proper age for this training are as yet reported in attendance upon Kindergärten; but the zealous, self-saerifieing advoeates of these improvements have the satisfaetion of knowing that their efforts have been rewarded by a more earnest study among parents and teaehers of what methods are most fit in the first years of infantile training. They thus benefit tens of thousands who never enter one of these interesting institutions; and their efforts, also, in not a few eases, have had a most wholesome effect upon the methods adopted in more advanced courses of training.

## TABLE VI. - SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

The following is a comparative summary of the number of institutions for secondary instruetion making returns from 1871 to 1877, inelusive:

|  | 1870. | 1871. | 1872. | 1873. | 1874. | 1875. | 1876. | 1877. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of institutions |  | 638 | 811 | 944 | 1,031 | 1,143 | 1,229 | 1,226 |
| Number of instructor |  | 3,171 | 4, 501 | 5,058 | 5,466 | 6, 081 | 5,999 | 5,963 |
| Number of students |  | 80, 227 | 98, 929 | 118, 570 | 98, 179 | 108, 235 | 106, 647 | 98, 371 |

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Table VI.-Summary of statistics of

| States and Territories. |  | Instructors. |  | Number of students. |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male. | Female. | Total. | Male. | Female |  | In classical course. |  |
| Alabama.. | 7 | 23 | 8 | a670 | 278 | 156 | 344 | 90 | 50 |
| Arkansas | 3 | 3 | 6 | 205 | 100 | 105 | 175 | 30 | 5 |
| California | 25 | 80 | 126 | 3,660 | 1,587 | 2, 073 | 2, 680 | 360 | 1,004 |
| Colorado | 2 | 2 | 14 | 181 | 1 | 180 | 30 | 2 | 46 |
| Connecticut | 53 | 89 | 126 | a2, 047 | 932 | 1,085 | 1,377 | 564 | 455 |
| Delaware | 13 | 29 | 19 | 608 | 380 | 228 | 406 | 192 | 61 |
| Florida | 7 | 7 | 32 | 854 | 233 | 621 | 621 | 115 | 39 |
| Georgia | 105 | 128 | 85 | a5, 849 | 3,384 | 2,385 | 3; 926 | 1,211 | 195 |
| Illinois. | 24 | 54 | 129 | 2, 852 | 796 | 2, 056 | 1,618 | 407 | 500 |
| Indiana | 17 | b25 | 46 | 2, 350 | 981 | 1,369 | 759 | 124 | 45 |
| Iowa | 39 | 65 | 91 | a3, 908 | 1,777. | 2,000 | 2,006 | 446 | 453 |
| Kansas | 4 | 4 | 21 | 208 | 53 | 155 | 168 | 60 | 4 |
| Kentucky. | 53 | 96 | 162 | a4, 422 | 1,913 | 2,409 | 3,178 | 826 | 509 |
| Louisiana | 10 | 27 | 33 | 904 | 588 | 316 | 816 | 46 | 426 |
| Maine. | 25 | 48 | 50 | 2,331 | 1,229 | 1,1.02 | 1,305 | 476 | 201 |
| Maryland | 38 | 105 | 87 | 2, 574 | 1,439 | 1,135 | 2, 115 | 531 | 1,187 |
| Massachusetts.. | 54 | 98 | 145 | 2,814 | 1,162 | 1,652 | 1,608 | 509 | 716 |
| Michigan | 7 | 19 | 9 | 579 | 281 | 298 | 235 | 16 | 22 |
| Minnesota | 15 | 27 | 49 | 1,297 | 648 | 649 | 932 | 143 | 169 |
| Mississipppi | 11 | 15 | 21 | 709 | 297 | 412 | 603 | 147 | 31 |
| Missouri. | 17 | 49 | 47 | 1, 400 | 713 | 687 | 915 | 185 | 233 |
| Nebraska | 1 | 2 | 6 | 85 |  | 85 | 85 | 7 | 15 |
| New Hampshire . . . . . . . | 37 | 64 | 57 | 2,968 | 1,567 | 1,401 | 2,134 | 568 | 204 |
| New Jersey. ............ | 45 | 112 | 127 | 2, 764 | 1,430 | 1,334 | 1, 526 | 533 | 480 |
| New York | 217 | 583 | 783 | a19, 538 | 10,153 | 9, 240 | 12, 653 | 3, 424 | 3, 867 |
| North Carolina. | 33 | 45 | 52 | $\alpha 2,181$ | 1,141 | 1,040 | 1, 869 | 454 | 164 |
| Ohio | 44 | 95 | 167 | a4, 139 | 1,836 | 2, 178 | 1,980 | 577 | 392 |
| Oregor................... | 15 | 22 | 40 | 1,451 | 662 | 789 | 921 | 119 | 124 |
| Pennsylvania ........... | 93 | 256 | 332 | 6. 926 | 4,161 | 2,765 | 4,303 | 1,452 | 1, 209 |
| Rhode Island | 8 | 15 | 29 | 311 | 132 | 179 | 70 | 103 | 88 |
| South Carolina | 9 | 18 | 22 | a1, 074 | 337 | 460 | 575 | 100 | 18 |
| Tennessee | 63 | 96 | 104 | a5, 378 | 2, 763 | 2, 555 | 4,477 | 902 | 251 |
| Texas | 14 | 31 | 33 | 1,331 | 730 | 601 | 902 | 93 | 283 |
| Vermont | 30 | 57 | 76 | 2,994 | 1,444 | 1,550 | 2,011 | 634 | 322 |
| Virginia ... | 26 | 51 | 51 | 1, 366 | 751 | 615 | 1, 029 | 362 | 277 |
| West Virginia | 9 | 5 | - 19 | 710 | 290 | 420 | ${ }^{1} 556$ | 39 | 445 |
| Wisconsin | 10 | 40 | 91 | a1, 827 | 612 | 1,168 | 1, 075. | 190 | 510 |
| District of Columbia.... | 25 | 34 | 83 | - 1,048 | 352 | -168 | 1, 821 | 162 | 261 |
| Indian Territory ........ | 1 | 2 | 1 | 60 | 60 |  | 60 | + | 201 |
| New Mexico ............ | 2 |  | 12 | 252 | 27 | 225 | 37 |  | 7 |
| Utah.... | 8 | 14 | 32 | 1,486 | 803 | 683 | 1, 074 | 77 | 23 |
| Washington |  | 1 | 4 | 60 |  | 60 |  |  | 3 |
| Total............. | 1,226 | l2, 536 | 3, 427 | a98, 371 | 48, 023 | 49,123 | 63, 975 | 16, 285 | 15, 294 |

## institutions for sccondary instruction.

| Number of students. |  |  |  |  | స్ |  | Libraries. |  | Property, income, \&c. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Entered college since close } \\ & \text { of last academic year. } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  | -səunlos fo xәquinN | ? o - 0 0 <br>  <br>  |  | -spumjos!ұənpoxd јо ұunourv | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Income from productive } \\ & \text { funds. } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 34 | 4 | 11 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4,730 | 130 | \$74, 000 |  |  | \$7,400 |
| 8 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 |  |  | 12,500 |  |  | 1,200 |
| 107 | 114 | 118 | 17 | 23 | 23 | 20 | 9,999 | 811 | 802, 000 |  |  | 92, 132 |
| 2 |  |  |  | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1,340 | 256 | 120, 000 |  |  | 10,000 |
| 160 | 45 | 23 | 3 | 33 | 35 | 38 | 18,395 | 483 | 716, 000 | \$48, 000 | \$3, 525 | 98, 337 |
| 84 | 39 | 18 | 3 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 2,400 | 320 | 112,000 | 7,000 | 410 | 12, 681 |
| 49 | 25 | 5 | 10 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2,407 | 305 | 40,000 | 150 | 150 | 3, 720 |
| 484 | 212 | 115 | 29 | 21 | 41 | 51 | 5, 360 | 1,333 | 301, 100 | 32,000 | 2, 050 | 91, 001 |
| 62 | 55 | 60 | 5 | 18 | 21 | 21 | 9,850 | 975 | 958, 000 | 35, 000 | 2,800 | 71,447 |
| 20 | 38 | 8 | 5 | 8 | 9 | 7 | 6,191 | 37 | 194, 000 | 51, 500 | 5,050 | 16, 247 |
| 209 | 112 | 78 | 2 | 19 | 23 | 23 | 7, 826 | 1, 018 | 313, 600 | 49, 200 | 3, 320 | 28, 152. |
|  |  |  |  | 4 | 3 | 3 | 740 | 2 | 90,500 |  |  | 5,600 |
| 333 | 142 | 102 | 83 | 22 | 38 | 43 | 21,490 | 1,134 | 534, 850 | 14,975 | 3,450 | 95, 065 |
| 39 | 22 | 29 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 8 | 2,865 | 220 | 62, 000 | 1,000 | 1,300 | 8,600 |
| 175 | 58 | 35 | 27 | 13 | 12 | 18 | 8,495 | 208 | 315,000 | 118, 342 | 4,614 | 15, 906 |
| 116 | 24 | 36 | 6 | 23 | 19 | 18 | 31, 725 | 283 | 666, 200 | 723, 000 | 48, 940 | 78,300 |
| 176 | 17 | 27 | 14 | 39 | 27 | 27 | 28, 472 | 662 | 934, 082 | 572, 352 | 36,396 | 93, 248 |
| 9 | 3 | 43 |  | 5 | 5 | 3 | 1,610 | 34 | 112, 000 | 6,370 | 520 | 7,932 |
| 54 | 32 | 29 | 4 | 11 | 13 | 12 | 8, 043 | 616 | 267, 500 | 13, 500 | 1,350 | 33, 730 |
| 56 | 19 | 18 |  | 2 | 7 | 7 | 1,215 | 172 | 70,500 |  |  | 13, 225 |
| 45 | 30 | 15 | 1 | 9 | 13 | 13 | 8,240 | 100 | 230, 200 | 125 | 12 | 60, 800 |
|  |  | 25 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2,000 | 20 | 25,000 | 0 | 0 | 8,000 |
| 169 | 33 | 26 | 4 | 16 | 14 | 19 | 13, 990 | 227 | 312, 400 | 198, 297 | 11,857 | 23, 158 |
| 262 | 74 | 43 | 31 | 32 | 29 | 31 | 15, 745 | 419 | 682, 000 | 49,000 | 4, 630 | 95,691 |
| 1,526 | 699 | 433 | 246 | 161 | 135 | 148 | 124, 136 | 14, 431 | 4, 085, 188 | 485, 903 | 29, 279 | 545, 938 |
| 218 | 76 | 56 | 11 | 11 | 18 | 15 | 10,949 | 596 | 229,400 | 8,000 | 600 | 26,677 |
| 235 | 110 | 159 | 13 | 18 | 29 | 31 | 22, 300 | 980 | 609,900 | 98,550 | 7,100 | 61, 676 |
| 55 | 69 | 27 |  | 7 | 13 | 12 | 4, 479 | 194 | 155, 200 | 8, 200 | 4,000 | 16,770 |
| 380 | 158 | 105 | 50 | 72 | 53 | 55 | 55, 202 | 2,131 | 4, 538, 800 | 123, 000 | c608, 230 | 217, 167 |
| 15 |  | 11 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 7, 216 | 353 | 829,000 | 130,000 | 8,700 | 46,800 |
| 67 | 10 | 26 | 6 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 2, 050 | 224 | 104, 250 |  |  | 3,373 |
| 358 | 196 | 209 | 48 | 17 | 39 | 39 | 13, 832 | 468 | 430, 342 | 18, 000 | 1,500 | 67, 810 |
| 85 | 32 | 41 | 2 | 5 | 10 | 10 | 4, 200 | 575 | 146,500 |  |  | 10,990 |
| 311 | 72 | 40 | 4 | 18 | 19 | 25 | 13, 008 | 487 | 375,000 | 148, 500 | 8, 920 | 31, 175 |
| 116 | 58 | 37 | 7 | 9 | 14 | 13 | 11,350 | 20 | 179, 300 | 6,700 | 5,480 | 34, 517 |
|  |  |  |  | 2 | 5 | 4 | 1,060 | 20 | 50, 000 |  |  | 2,900 |
| 25 | 11 | 11 | 1 | 10 | 13 | 12 | 12,565 | 50 | 276, 000 | 13,600 | 855 | 20,865 |
| 20 | 12 | 103 |  | 15 | 11 | 14 | 2, 190 | 55 | 26,500 |  |  | 7,100 |
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| ' 23 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 4 | 1,806 | 383 | 117, 500 | 7,300 | 1, 540 | 9,927 |
|  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 100 | 50 |  |  |  |  |
| 6,090 | 2. 611 | 2, 124 | 649 | 682 | 742 | 776 | 499, 871 | 30,782 | 20,098, 312 | 2, 967, 564 | 806,578 | 2, 075, 259 |

cOf this, $\$ 600,000$ is the income of Girard College for Orphans, Philadelphia, the amount of funds producing it not being reported.

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Statistical summary of pupils receiving secondary instruction.


## THE HIGH SCHOOL QUESTION.

The arguments of those who hold that the State has no right to provide education beyond the rudiments may be briefly summarized as follows:

1. The State has the right to educate its children just so far as will enable them to understand their duties and exercise their rights as citizens of a free country governed by the popular voice. A primary education is sufficient for this; therefore the State has the right to furnish a primary education and nothing more.
2. The high school being patronized by but few and the majority deriving no benefit from it, it is unjust to levy a general tax for its support.
3. "Instead of educating the masses of children so as to prepare them for the pursuits and iņdustries upon which they must depend for a living, high schools educate them in such a way as to make them discontented with their condition and unfit to discharge its duties in a manner most beneficial to their own interests."
4. Our common school system has been enlarged and extended beyond the original purpose of its founders. The high school has been ingrafted upon the system contrary to the "original design;" hence it should be cut off.

Others who would not abolish the high schools would still radically change the basis of their organzation by compelling those who avail themselves of their privileges to pay a part of the cost of their maintenance.

Some of the canses which have operated to produce this opposition to high schools are referred to by Hon. H. F. Harrington, superintendent of the public schools of Now Bedford, in his report for 1877. In discussing the question, "Whether the relations of the high school to thie elementary departments of the school system are as close and intimate as they ought to he," he says:

It is my firm belief that the principles and methods by which most high schools hare been regulated have tended to implant prejudices which have steadily been gathering hear matil they are now breaking out in open and bitter hostility.
The mistakes of management to which I refer had their source in the idea which prerailed respecting high schools when they were originated, that they were to be tenders to the college. From this has resulted the habit, on the part of school authorities and high school teachers, of looking upward to the colleges for close links of connection and sympathy, instrad of downward to the elementary schools. Thms a gulf of separation has been created between the two classes of schools.

He instances some of the particulars in which this state of things has been made manifest, as foilows :

1. Many of the studies pursued in most high sehools have been of a purely disciplinary or preparatory character, only to be preferred when the scholar has the prospect before him of spending years enough in study to attain a (so to speak) complete education. The interests of those who could hope to remain through only a part of the course - a large percentage of every entering class-and whose studies should therefore have been carcfully regulated so as to combine the acquisition of serviceable knowledge with mental discipline, have been disregarded. Many a parent who has maintained his boy in the high school for a year or two, at cost of much privation, * * * withdraws him, when at length he must, only to find that the practical interests of his life have not been taken into account, and that he has little or nothing in that direction to show for the time he has spent in the school. What wonder that such a parent shonld feel a sense of personal injury and wrong, and nurse it into a rirulent prejudice?
2. The studies of the ligh school have not been intimately associated with those of the gramnar school, as dictated by the law of regular progression. * * * School authorities and high school teachers have acted very generally as though there were a broad gulf of separation between grammar schools and the high school, as thongh the two differed not only in degree but in kind. Thus the requisitions for admission to the high schools have implied the exnectation that the candidates have finished the grammar school studies. * * * Then, having leaper the gulf and landed on the high school side, the successful candidates have been put upon the studies preparatory to a long course of culture which, by th: great majority, was never to be realized. Meanwhile, the grammar school stindies -finished-have been laid on the shelf to be forgotten. And thus the parent of whom I have spoken has had an additional source of discomfort; for he has not only found the studies his child had pursued in the high school to be of small practical nse, but that he had been suffered to forget what he had learned before. And nothing lias served more effectually to bring the

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high schools into odium and contempt than the fact that so many of their scholars, while accomplished in languages and sciences, have proved ignorant blunderers in clementary knowledge and work.
3. Our citics and towns have erected magnificent houses for their high schools, far more costly than they would be willing to provide for any school of a lower grade, and this lavish expenditure has tended to imbitter two different classes of eitizens against the high school: the men of property, whose taxes have been iscreased to pay it, and the poor men, who, unable to grant thicir children the privileges of high school instruetion, draw angry eontrasts between the splendid accommodations which the children of the more fortunate enjoy and the humbler conditions with which their own must be coutent.
These causes of complaint can easily be removed, and Mr. Harrington would accomplish this loy "two radical modifications of the course of study : one for the purpose of adapting it to accomplish a closer relation with the grammar schools, the other to answer the requisition of the great American public, which must inevitably be deferred to in every quarter, sooner or later, that the masses of children must be so cducated 'as to prepare them for the pursuits and industries on which they must depend for a living.'"
"No system of public education," says Huxley, "is worthy the name unless it creates a great cducational ladder with one cud in the gutter and the other in the university." "I will thank any person," says Everett, "to tell why it is experlicut aud beneficial in a community to make public provision for teaehing the elements of learning and not expedient nor beneficial to make similar provision to aid the learner's progress to ward the mastery of the most difficult branches of scicuce and the choicest refinements of literaturc." "Expericnce has proved," says Mr. Francis Adams, "that elementary education flourishes most where the provision for higher education is most ample. If the elementary schools of Gcrmany are the best in the world, it is owing in a great mcasure to the fact that the higher schools are accessible to all classes. In England, not only have the aims of the elementary schools been educationally low and narrow, but an impassable gulf has separated the people's schools from the higher schools of the country. In the United States the common schools have always produced the best results where the means of higher education have becu the most plentiful."-(Massaclusetts State Report, 1877.)

Hon. P. Emory Aldrich, in an address delivered before the Massachusetts State Teachers' Association, December 28, 1877, said:

I affirm, first, that it has becu the settled and prevalent policy of these States, as well as of the General Government itself, to grant State or goverumental support to schools of every grade, from the primary up to and including the university; and, furthermore, that this was the accepted theory and practice of the colonics before the States were organized as they now exist. And, secondly, I shall contcud that this policy should not now be abandoned, but, on the contrary, should be continucd and extended to meet the growing necessities of the greatly cularged and erer expanding field of human knowledge and acquisition.

Calling attention to the large and liberal views held upon this subject by the fathers of the Republic, he quotes from some of them. Jolm Adams, in his work on government, says:

Laws for the liberal cducation of youth, especially of the lower class of people, are so extremely wise and useful that, to a humane aud generous mind, no expense for this purpose would be thought extravagant.
Madison says:
Knowledge will forever govern ignorance; and a people who mean to be their own governors must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives. * * * Every class is interested in establishments which give to the human mind its highest improvement. * * * Learned institutions ought to be favorite objects with every free people. They throw that light over the public mind which is the best sceurity against erafty and dangerous encroachments on the public liberty.

Giving Mr. Madison's views at greater leugth than is done in the above eitation, Judge Aldrich continues:
These sagacious and far reaching views as to the necessity and extent of popular education were by no means peculiar to the eminent statesmen and scholars whose
words I have quoted, as eould easily be shown by liberal quotations from the writings of many of their most distinguished contemporaries. They are the deliberately expressed opinions of men by whose wisdom and foresight States were formed and a nation created. * * * The founders of our institutions clearly perceived that popular government eould not rest securely on popular ignorance, and that knowledge, and not merely the rudiments of it, generally disseminated among the people, is essential to the stability of that form of government which depends for its existence on the will of the governed. Nor were these views first entertained and expressed by the founders of our Republic. They were among the rich inheritances of civil wisdom derived from the colonial period of our history, as shown, among other proofs, by the celebrated ordinance passed in the year 1647 by the general court of the Massachusetts Colony. * * * This ordinance, it will be remembered, was founded on the assumed right of the state to require that schools shall be supported by publie taxation, wherein the youth of the state, whether they be the sons of taxpaying or non-taxpaying parents, may be educated in the higher branches of learning.

After quoting the eonstitutions of Massaehusetts and New Hampshire, which contain substantially the same deelaration of principles, Judge Aldrich eontinues:
I only desire now, in passing, to remind you that these are not the opinions of an aecidental and temporary majority, of a seet or party, but are rather the solemnly expressed and long cherished principles of a whole people; and also to observe that the duty on the part of the state to promote the eause of education is placed on the same footing precisely as that of promoting trade, commeree, and manufactures.
It is within the memory of living seholars when the deelaration that this was an open or debatable question would have been listened to with surprise and an emphatic dissent by every friend of popular education. * * * The public support of high schools and teehnical sehools, wherein the youth of the land may be taught the arts of peace and the duties of civil life, is based on the same principle and justified by the same course of argument as the governmental support of the two techmical schools at West Point and Annapolis, in which a few selected young men are instrueted in the art and diseipline of war. Every community of men organized under any form of government needs, and must have, individuals educated and competent to administer its civil as well as its military affairs. And this is eminently true under such a Govermment as ours-"a Government of the people, by the people, and for the people"-where every State, county, city, town, and school distriet in the land requires edueated men to assume important places of trust and responsibility, and to conduet with intelligenee the infinitely eomplicated affairs of such a popular government. And shall it be said that a Government thus needing for its own existence and suecessful administration educated men eannot lawfully and without injustice provide sehools for the necessary edueation and training of sueh men? **** It is too late to deny that superior edueation is necessary to the state, and it is precisely on this ground of state necessity that the grants to, and public support of, schools should be made and given, and not on the ground that they are mere benefactions to the grantees.

Hon. Ezra S. Carr, State superintendent of publie instruction of California, in his report for 1876-77 says:

The right of the State and municipal governments to maintain high sehools is not legally distinguishable from the right to maintain elementary schools.
Schools exist because of a well founded claim, and not because of toleration. The universal recognition of this principle is found in the constitution of every State in the Union.
After quoting from the constitutions of Arkansas, Florida, Kansas, and Massaehusetts, Mr. Carr continues :

Further citations are not required to show that "the school is created and encouraged as an institution that is purely one of political economy, for increasing the production and accumulation of wealth, and as a means of preventing pauperism and erime, which is still only wealth." The right to educate is "one of those inalienable rights which have never been surrendered by the people either to Congress or to legislatures, because of the right of the people to the fruits of intelligence and protection from the folly and crime which result from ignorance." * * * Education is not a fixed quantity to be measured by one generation for that whiel succeeds it. The "common schooling" of the past century, for instance, would not adequately fit the average citizen of to-day for the neeessary business of life. The standard of general intelligenee is higher. The demand for secondary and high sehools is far more general throughout the United States at the present time than was the doinand for elementary schools fifty or even twenty-five years ago. "The school being the creation of the State, and the interests involved being so vital, it would seem to be a legitimate and necessary consequence that all sehools should be regarded as to their advancement by the States." If this be true, graded and high schools are legitimate, because necessary.

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Hon. James H. Smart, State superintendent of public instruction of Indiana, in hie report for 1876 says:

Good citizenship requires intelligence enough to make good laws and patriotism enough to obey them and defend them when made. An ignorant man can be a good subject, thinking the opinions and executing the will of others, but he cannot properly exercise the functions of good citizenship. The highest form of citizenship necessitates the highest degree of intelligence. A limitation of intelligence is necessarily an abridgment of citizenship. Every voter of the State is a lawmaker. He expresses his thought through the ballot, and thus his intelligence manifests itself in the laws of the commonwealth. A primary education, a mere ability to read and to write one's name, is not sufficient to qualify one to exercise this high function. * * * The fact that a man sends no children to a school does not justify the claim that he ought not to be called upon to pay for its support. Butit is urged by some that while this may be true in reference to the lower schools, because those who do not patronize them are in the minority, it is not true of the high school, for the reason that those who do not patronize it are in the majority. If this objection were sound, then every grammar school in the State must be struck down, every intermediate and every senior primary school must be closed, because a majority do not patronize them. Every $\underset{*}{g}$ graded system of schools in the State must also be destroyed for the same reason. * * * If the argument be good, then we must limit public education to the subjects of reading, writing, spelling, and the fundamental rules of arithmetic, because these branches are all that are studied by the majority, and so, because a majority cannot be induced to take a good education, the State shall provide nothing but the mere skeleton of an education. This principle would limit the schools all over the State to four months, because a majority of the children do not attend the schools more than four months. * * * It would be as logical to maintain that the insane asylum should not be supported because the majority of the people do not patronize it as to say that the high school should not be maintained because a majority do not send their children to it. * * * The argument of "original design" is one that is used as a last resort. Suppose, for the sake of argument, that the founders of our school system did not contemplate a perfect system, is that any reason why men with more wisdom and more experience should be bound not to change and improve it? * * * There is scarcely a law on our statute books, scarcely a State constitution in the Union, that has not been revised, amended, and improved. Experience has shown that the great charter of American liberty, the Federal Constitution, as originally constructed, was not adequate to meet the wants of a growing and progressive people. * * * Adherence to "original design" turns us back upon the perfecting finture to embrace the prejudices of a dead past; it blocks the wheels of human progress and stays the onward march of civilization. It can be shown, however, that the fathers builded wisely, and that the present system, in its scope, at least, is not a departure from original design. * * * The first constitution of Indiana, adopted in 1816, among other things, provides as follows: "It shall be the duty of the general assembly, as soon as circumstances will permit, to provide by law for a general system of education, ascending in a regular gradation from township schools to a State university, wherein tuition shall be gratis and equally open to all." * * * The framers of the earlier constitutions of most of the Northern States held the same broad views, and so expressed them in the instruments which they made. *** They declared with singular unanimity that learning and wisdom generally diffused among the masses were essential to liberty, and that it was the duty of the State to forever establish and encourage schools, colleges, seminaries of learning, \&c., for the education of the people. A limitation of public education to a few primary branches would be a departure from original design, and not an adherence to it.

## Mr. Smart further says:

The term "high school" is, possibly, an unfortunate one, inasmucl" as it leads many to suppose that the grade is one above the common school. This is not the case. The high school is an advanced elementary school. It is an integral part of the common school system. * * * Its purpose is to lay the foundations of knowledge merely. * * * It does not make lawyers or architects, engineers or bankers, but it aims to give that common information, that common discipline, without which no mau can become a good physician, a good lawyer, a good mechanic, a good business man, or a good farmer. * * * Our so called high schools are common schools in the strictest sense of the term.
Hon. John W. Dickinson, secretary of the Massachusetts State board of education, in his report for $1876-77$ says:
There will be more educated people in every town maintaining a high school than there would be without it; and the more educated people there are, the greater will be the development of material resources, the more perfect the security of property and
of persons, the higher the civilization, and the more complete the facilities for the unmolested enjoyment of all the objects of our natural rights. * * * A further argument in favor of maintaining ligh schools at the public expense may be made in showing that they serve to give increased efficiency to the slementary schools.
By the standard they establish for admission to their classes and the opportunities they offer for a higher education, the high schools determine what the lower schools shall do, and they everywhere stimulate pupils to remain in the lower schools until what is required has been accompiished. Again, the lower schools, on account of the age and attainuents of their pupils, can teach elementary knowledge only. If the high school is taken away, the opportunity for obtaining free instruction in sciontific knowledge is taken away also. * * * If tho high school is open to all, that, in connection with the lower schools, will have a tendency to preserve a republican equality, which is always disturbed when the advantages of a higher education are limited to a fow. * * * I consider the high schools to be the crowning excellence of our common school system; and, that they may be as efficient as possible, I would recommend to those who have the direct control of them that they guard against introducing into their courses of study more topics than can be mastered in the time assigned to the comrse, and that the topics chosen be those that will lead the student to acquire the most useful information, and at the same time be the occasion of the greatest amount possible of mental discipline.

Hon. H. F. Harrington, whose report has been quoted above, presents the claims of the high schools to public support as follows:

1. High schools are important because they give increased efficiency to all the schools below them.
2. High schools are important because they are the best seminaries from which competent recruits can be obtained for the great army of public school teachers
3. More than all, high schools are important as a branch of a public school system because they constitute the only trustworthy agency to perform the essential service of bringing worthy representatives of the lower classes into the councils of the State and the organism of society. Abolish the high schools, and at once you draw a broad line of separation between the rich and the poor. You limit the higher education to the children of the well to do, for only the well to do wonld have the means to pay for it, and this would prove a damaging, perhaps a perilous, venture for the state. Mainly the cultured classes are found to be the governing classes, and among its governing classes society needs the representatives of the poor. It needs them, that there may always be strong men coming to the front, with powers so tempered by culture as to make them wise, * * * to represent the humble class from which they sprung, and demand the consideration due to their needs and their rights. These are the men, too, in the social exigencies which sometimes occur, when passion becomes rampant among the masses and the restraints of law are defied, to throw themselves into the track of the storm and allay its violence. Far better this than the alternative if you do not bestow the culture; for those who are born to be the leaders of men will assert their prerogatives whether or no; and the born leaders from among the poor, if they be not tempered by culture, become the ignorant demagogues whose leadership is auarchy. a free state it is the universal confidence in elementary education as the right arm of a free state which renders the objection to high schools so strong, for it implies that
the state does not need ligh schools. All the while that protests against the contin nance of the high schools are ringing throughout the land, the elementary schools remain as popular as ever. Not a whisper of objection is heard against taxation for their support. They are still lauded as the palladium of liberty; * * * but in a recent address at Baltimore President Eliot used this memorable language: "There ire those who hold that republics can be saved by the general diffusion of primary education, bat the most effectively despotic government of Europe is the one in which this education is most diffused. There is, however, a power in the spread of higher education and the sentiment of honor associated with culture."
Concerning the objection that "the character of the instruction given in high schools is such as to disqualify their scholars for occupations involving manual labor," Mr. Harrington says:

This question opens up to view the chief incentives to the present crusade against this class of schools; and no one can do justice to the subject, nor speculate wisely about the future of these sclools, without making those incentives an important factor in the solution of the problem.

The fact is, the times have changed; the paramount interests and needs of society have changed; the expectations of society in regard to its youth have changed, and the instruction in the high schools has not been conformed to the new order of things. Here we find the kernel of the whole matter. * ** The grand declaratory principle of the fathers, in behalf of education, was, "a popular govermment can rest
securely only on popular knowledge." The declaratory principle of the men of today is, in the language of Governor Robinson, "Educate the masses of children, so as to prepare them for the pursuits and industries on which they must depend for a living." Here is a remarkable change of base ; and it is no wonder that those who are swayed by these new ideas should protest against the conservatism which maintains the work of high schools on its aneient basis and clamor for its modification or its extinction.

To so change the present curriculum as to make it serve more directly to prepare the scholars for the pursnits and industries on which they must depend for a living is, says Mr. Harrington, "beset with perplexing difficulties. One is this: that a course of such a character, to be effective, should occupy several years; whereas the most of those who would be specially benefited by it leave the school before the lapse of two years. Another difficult problem is, to decide what place in such an arrangement shall be provided for the girls, who form so large a portion of the school. And a third difficulty is suggested by the question whether there shall be two separate courses of study, one having refercnce to general culture only, the other to industrial pursuits."

But "a beginning can surely be made," and for that purpose he makes the following recommendations:

1. That during such part of the first year in the high sehool as may be necessary the studies of the grammar schools be thoroughly and eomprehensively reviewed by the entire class.
2. That the number of sciences in the course be reduced, that they may be the better learned; that those retained be such as will be of the most advantage.
3. That the study of the classics be positively forbidden to all who are not to remain in the school throughout the entire course.
4. That such studies as are essential to a sound practical education be made imperative, no matter what other studies they may exclude.
5. That special care be taken, by means of well adapted text books and methods of teaching, to sccure to the essential branches a positive practical bearing.

The report of Hon. W. T. Harris, snperintendent of the St. Louis public schools, for 1876-77, contains an elaborate argument in "justification of the publie high school," from which the following is extracted:

The limit to public education is found in the means and the will of the eommmity which affords it. If the community regards education as a disagreeable but necessary charity, the extent of the education will not be great and its results will not have high value. If the community looks upon education as a right, but a right to be allowed only within the narrowest limits, its value as an instrumentality in the solution of social problems will be correspondingly small. If the community proposes to do the best by itself, it will place as large a limit as it may in justice to its other interests, and will debate the quality and fitness of the education aur not its amount; it will feel that every dollar spent for education is more than a dollar gained to the one who spends it, both in the decreased need for the expenses for other common interests and in the increased value of every educated citizen. In this country, the probable limit, for local eommunities at least, is the high school.

The necessity of the work of the high school, briefly stated, is that a high school exerts upon the grammar school a leverage which could not be obtained so economically by any other instrumentality $; * * *$ that the leverage gained by a high school grade is necessary for the load to be lifted and not for the employment of the lever; that the grammar sehool demands a high school, and not that a high school requires the grammar school; that the grammar schools determine the necessity for a high school, and not that a high school needs the grammar sehool; that a high school exists for the grammar schools, and not that the grammar schools exist for a high school. * * * As a matter of practieal experience, it las been found in eommunities that the work was improved in quality and that it cost less with a high school course than without it, despite the fact that miseonceptions of the true office and relation of a high school have in many cases led to a mismanagement whieh prevents our seeing the results in their clearest light. $*_{*}^{*} *$ Every one knows that unless he goes far enough to secure success, his capital of time, labor, and money is wasted. * * * The sufficiency of education must be determined by the previous considerations of political necessity and reciprocity of duty between the citizen and the state, modified by this consideration, the ability of the community to obtain what it may desire. The education which fifty years ago would have been generous no longer fits a man

[^17]for the contests of life. * . * * We frequently meet the suggestion that prominent men of the past were provided with but a scanty education preparatory to a uscful, influential life, and we do not reflect, as we should, that prominence is merely relative. If these men, so distinguished in our histories as revered in our memories, could be fairly brought into relation with our own times, they would possibly lose much of their preëminence. ** * Therefore we must inquire in regard to tho edncation which we furnish as to its sufficiency for the objects which justify its mere existcnce. Those who regard education as a right will admit that the right is valueless muless sufficiently extensive to pay for its assertion. **** Hence, in public schools, regarded as the people's schools, ${ }^{*}{ }^{*} *$ it is reasonable, and indeed imperatively necessary, that a sufficiency of education should be furnished notwithstanding the fact that many will, from the necessities of their individual life, be unalre to avail themselves of these advantages.

A writer in the Educational Voice for November, 1877, considers the objections that have been offered against the high school in Pittsburgh, Pa., as follows:

1. It is claimed that it is an outgrowth of the extravagant notions of the last few years. This cannot be true, since the high school was estallished in 1855, when our people were noted as being more conservative and economical than those of any other city in the comntry.
2 . It is said that it is properly no part of the public school system, and that it was never the intcution of the founders of the free school system to furnish, at State expense, an edncation beyond a knowledge of the three R's. We think we can show that those who hold this view are sadly mistaken, and for evidence we refer them to the constitution of the State, and when we offer this in evidence we want it understood that it is not a document made by a ring, or by a packed convention, or by a corrupt legislature, but one ratified by the sovereign people, who at the ballot box made it the findamental law of the Commonwealth. Article 10 says: "The general assembly shall provide for the maintenance of a thorough and efficient system of public schools, wherein all the children of this Commonwealth above the age of six years may be educated, and shall appropriate at least one million dollars each ycar for that purpose." Now, since the law considers all to be children who are hader twenty-one years of age, it seems strange that the framers of the constitution intended children to remain fifteen years in school studying only reading, writing, and arithmetic.
2. It has been claimed that the maintenance of a high school makes the public school system expensive. The founders of the high school were of a different opinion; they believed that it would lessen the expense of the taxpayer, while it wonld at the same time make the system more complete and the education more thorough. Were they mistaken? Let us examine and sce. If the pupils now in the high school were sent back to the ward schools they would form forty separate classes (a class in each school). These forty classes would require forty teachers, while in the high school they are taught by twenty. This would necessitate an increase of twenty teachers, and consequently an increased expenditure. * * * Each of the forty schools would require apparatus and models for illustrative teaching, while at present one set of these in the central building is amply sufficient.
3. It has been stated that persons are taxed to support the high school who are not permitted to send their children to it. This is certainly true; but it is equally true with regard to the grammar department of the ward schools. There are thousands of citizcns who are from various causes compelled to take their children from the ward schools before they reach the grammar rooms, and because this is true is it to be infcrred that the grammar schools should be abolished? The same argument would abolish all grades of schools. If none were to pay taxes except those who are directly benefited, it would indeed be difficult to keep the Government machincry in order. If men were to refuse to support the Army and Navy because their children were not soldiers and sailors, or if they objected to being taxed to support workhonses, jails, and penitentiaries bccause they had no children there, these useful institutions would soon cease to exist. The taxes for the support of schools are levied and collected on exactly the same principle: indirect benefit.
But it may be said that we must show that there is an indireet benefit to the whole people in maintaining the high school. * * * Let us compare the condition of two sections of country where the people differch on the question of elucation. New England early adopted the theory that it is the duty of the State to support both common and high schools, and as a result of that education she presents to-dav the most prosperons, intelligent, and the freest people on the face of the globe. Can her prosperity be justly attributed to any other eanse? Her elimate is cold and rigid, and her soil is barren and stony, and she possesses but few of the natural advantages which are the pride of other States. Compare this section with the two Virginias, States possessing as many natural advantages as are possessed by any part of this any other canse than the differeate of opinion of their people upon the question of

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education. The area of Now England is 41,000 square miles, while that of Virginia is 61,000 . The population of New England is over 3, 000,000 , while that of Virginia is but $1,500,000$.

When, two centuries ago, the English commissioner of foreign plantations inquired of the colonial governors with regard to the condition of their respective settlcments, the governor of Virginia replied: "I thank God there are no free schools or printing presses, and I hope we shall not have these hundred years;" while the governor of Connecticut answered, "One-fourth of the annual revenue of the colony is laid out in maintaining free schools for the education of our children." Both these policies have borne their fruits.
The same writer quotes from the pen of the late Philotus Dean as follows:
A public school system should be established for the whole people, and be good enough for the avcrage wants of the whole people, imparting to them that average grade of skill and information which suits the age and times; in fact, be the people's educating institution. Such a systcm keeps pace with the passing age, commands respect as being adequate to the wants of the people, and consequcutly as giving an equivalent for its cost. Such a system cannot fall nuder thic odium of caste, as betwecn the rich and the poor, a point of importance in a true republic. Such a system, by creating a fair average state and more general equalization of intelligence, tends to prevent society from separating into widely diverse strata, in which the masses and a favored few figure as extremes of inteliect and ignorance, leadership and vassalage. * * * The best check against injurious and insidions social error is a sound thinking, well instructed people.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION ABROAD.

I present the following items respecting secondary schools in several European countries as aftording material for interesting comparisons.

PRUSSIA.
According to Dr. Engel's statistics, the Kingdom of Prussia, with a population of $25,000,000$, has 447 secondary schools, with 6,432 teachers and 132,612 pupils. The olject of the secondary schools in Prussia is to give the foundation of a general scientific and litcrary culture and to develop the moral power of the student. The secondary schools arc divided into Gymnasien and Progymiasien, Realschulen of the first and second order, and Höhere Bürgerschulen. They are for boys from about 9 to 18 years of age. Sccondary schools for girls are still very few in number, and are almost exclusively private institutions.

The Gymnasium is at the head of all the secondary schools, and leads directly to the university, while the Realschule leads to the higher technical schools. Both the Gymnasium and the Realschnle of the first rank have a nine years' course; but the Progymnasium, the Realschule of the second rank, and the Höhere Burgerschule have only a six or seven years' course, and their graduates are not entitled to matriculation in the university. The Gymnasium is intended for those who desire to study especially the ancient languages and mathematics, and whose aim is to prepare for higher situations in the servicc of the state or the church; the Realschule is for those who dcsire to study the natural sciences, mathematics, and modern languages. As the pupils of the Realschule are to become civil engineers, architects, \&c., they do not pass to the miversity, but finish their education in the higher technical schools.
The following is an example of the course of study in a combined Gymnasium and Realschule. Students in the Realschulc pursue the same course as those in the Gymnasium, except that they omit Greek entirely and substitute mathematical and scientific studies for the classical work of the last four years of the Gymnasium course.
Religion.- Religious instruction (catechism, explanation of the Bible, and church history) is given twice a week in every class by clergymen of the recognized denominations.

Latin ( 6 to 10 hours a week).-Grammar is taught and applied to the reading of the classics and to written excreises. The following authors are read: Cessar; Ovid; Livy; Sallust; some of Ciccro's urations, epistles, and philosophical writings; Virgil's ※neid; Horace's odes, satires, and epistles; Tacitus's Germania; Juvenal; Terence; Plautus; and Roman literature.

Greck ( 4 to 6 hours a week). - Grammar is completed and the following authors are read and translated: Xenophon, Homer, Herodotus, Plato, Sophocles; Greek literature.

Hebrew (2 hours a week). -This language is obligatory only for those who intend to study theology ; the study comprises grammar, etymology, and reading.

Geiman (3 to 6 hours a week).-Grammar, etymology, prosody, and literaturo are taught, and exercises in German composition are continued through all the classes.

French ( 2 to 4 hours a week). -The grammar is studied through. German pieces are translated into French, and French authors are read and translated into German and Latin. French compositions and letter writing are also practised.

Mathematics ( 3 to 5 hours a week).- Instruction in mathematics comprises the whole of arithmetic, algebra, geometry, planimetry, stereometry, and trigonometry.

History (2 to :3 hours a week).-General history is taught, as well as the history of Germany and Prussia and of the province in which the school is situated.

Geography (2 hours a week).-Geographical instruction includes the whole of physical. political, and mathematical geography, with map drawing in all the classes.

- Vatural history (2 hours a week).- Natural history comprises the general introduction and the elements of mineralogy, botany, and zoölogy.
Physics ( 2 hours a week).-In physics the pupils pursue a very exhaustive course of mechanics, electricity, magnetisn, light, and heat.
Drawing (2 hours a week).-Free hand, geometric, and ornamental drawing is obligatory in all the classes.

Gymnastics (2 hours a week).-Obligatory in all the classes.
Singing (2 hours a week).-Obligatory in all the classes.
FRANCE.
Public schools.-The public secondary schools of France are of two kinds-lycees, or lyceums, and commual colleges. The lycées are maintained by the state. The communal colleges are maintained by the municipalities but may be aided by the state. The instruction in both is classical and modern. The latter is intended to suit the requirements of practical life by teaching the natural sciences and the modern languages instead of Greek and Latin. Alike in the lycées and in the commuwal colleges, all the teaching staff have to furnish guarantees of their capacity to teach the subjects intrusted to them. The gnarantee generally takes the form of a university degree varying in kind and in rauk according to the post to be filled by the holder.

At the end of 1865 , the date embraced in the report of M. Duruy, the last report previous to M. Bardoux's, France had at work 77 lycées and 251 communal colleges. Three of the 77 lycees (those of Strassburg, Metz, and Colmar) and 15 of the 251 communal colleges have been lost to France in consequence of the war of 1870 ; but new ones have in the meauwhile been added, so that on the 31st of December, 1876, France had 81 lycées at work, with 5 others building, and 252 communal colleges. In 1855 the lycées had 31,321 pupils; at the end of 1876 they had 40,995 pupils, an average of 506 pupils to each lycee, about one half of whom are boarders and the other half day scholars. The communal colleges had in 1865 a total number of 32,881 pupils; at the end of 1876 they had 38,236 pupils, with an average of 152 for each college. These 81 great secondary schools of the first class and 252 of the second all have a public character and are subject to public inspection.

The motern or special instruction in these schools is constantly growing. The lycées are the stronghold of the classics, yet in the ly cées the number of boys on the modern side or department had risen from 5,002 in 1855 to 8,628 in 1876. The teaching of the natural sciences, of geography, modern history, literature, and languages, is being continnally strengthened. In the communal colleges the development of the modern department is much greater still. Of the 38,236 pupils in these colleges at the end of $1876,9,232$ are little boys, not yet going beyond primary instruction; of the
remainder, 14,992 are in the classical department and 14,012 in the modern department. The number of teacherships for the modern languages has more than doubled in these colleges since 1865.

Private schools.-The private secondary schools in France are of two kinds, lay and ecclesiastical. There were 803 of them in 1876, against 935 in 1865 and 1,081 in 1854. It is in the lay establishments that the dimimution has taken place. The lay private schools had in 1865 43,009 pupils to the 34,807 of their ecclesiastical rivals. The proportion is now reversed, and the ecclesiastical private schools have 46,816 pupils while the lay private schools have but 31,249 .
The ecclesiastical schools are either under episcopal control, or they belong to one of the teaching orders, among whom the Jesuits have the chief place. The former schools have nearly 12,300 pupils, while the latter have nearly 20,000 .
Schools for girls.-The absence of public secondary schools for girls in France has often been regretted by educators visiting that country. The want is to be supplied at once.

BELGIUM.
Belgium had, in 1875, 198 secondary schools, viz: 10 royal athenæums, 50 state middie class schools, 31 communal colleges aided by the state, 3 communal colleges entirely sustained by the municipalities, 84 colleges under the control of the clergy and religious orders, and 20 private institutions under the control of the laity. The total number of pupils in 1875 was 17,881 , of whom 13,454 were attending state institutions.
The royal athenæums occupy the highest rank among the secondary schools. They include two sections, one for classical instruction which corresponds to the German Gymnasium, and one for industrial education corresponding to the German Realschule. The classical course lasts six years and the indnstrial conrse four years.

ENGLAND.
Secondary edncation in England was not affected by the elementary education act of 1870. It is carried on in the great endowed schools and in private institutions. At the head of the endowed schools-in England styled public sehools-are Eton, Rugby, Winchester, Westminster, Charterhouse, Harrow, Shrewsbury, St. Panl's School, and Merchant Taylor's School, with a total of about 3,000 pupils. Besides these there are 2,160 endowed and private schools, 1,254 of which are called institutes, 603 grammar schools, 153 colleges, 92 academies, and 58 classical and commercial schools.

The term "public schools" applied to the above named institutions is not to be construed as in this country. The problic schools of England do not give gratuitous instruction to their pupils, as do the schools called public in the United States. The Queen's letter appointing the royal commission to inquire into the condition of public secondary schools in 1861, named Eton, Winchester, Rugby, Westminster, Charterhouse, Harrow, Shrewsbury, St. Paul's School, and Merchant Taylor's School. The reasons, probably, which suggested this selection were, that the nine named foundations had in the comrse of centuries emerged from the mass of endowed grammar schools, and had made for themselves a position which entitled them to be placed in a distinct category and classed as "public schools." These nine have certain features in common distinguishing them from the ordinary grammar schools which exist in almost every country town in England. Many of these latter are now waking up to the requirements of the new time and following the example of their more illustrious sisters. The most notable examples of this revival are such schools as those at Sherborne, Giggleswick, and Tumbridge Wells, whieh, while remodelling themselves on the lines laid down by the public schools commissioners, are to some extent providing a training more adapted to the means and requirements of the middle classes than can be found at any of the nine public schools. The modern foundations-Marlborough, Haileybury, Uppingham, Rossall, Clifton, Cheltenham, Radley, Malvern, and Wellington College-are schools which have taken their place in the first rank, and, while
following reverently the best traditions of the older foundations, are in some respects setting them an example of what the public schools may become.
In order to get a clear idea of the secondary schools which are commonly called public in England, these three classes must be kept in mind: the nine old foundations recognized by the royal commission of 1861 ; the old foundations which have remained local grammar schools until within the last few jears but are now enlarging their bounds; and, lastly, the modern foundations which started from the first as public schools, professing to adapt themselves to the new circumstances and requirements of modern English life. The public schools of England fall under one of these three categories.

In view of the inadequacy of the present organization and condition of secondary education in England, strenuous efforts are now made by men of great ability and influence to bring about a change, and to establish a system similar to that inangurated for elementary education by the act of 1870 .
Not less noteworthy is the energetic and wide spread movement in favor of secondary education for women. Prominent in this movement is the National Union for Improving the Edueation of Women, which, among other objects, strives to pronote the establishment of secondary schools for girls.

## TABLE VII.-PREPARATORY SCHOOLS.

Detailed statistics of preparatory schools will be found in Table VII of the appendia, The following is a comparative statement of the statistics of these schools as reporter to the Bureau for 1873, 1874, 1875, 1876, and 1877 :

|  | 1873. | 1874. | 1875. | 1876. | 187. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of institutions | 86 | 91 | 102 | 105 | $11+$ |
| Number of instrac | 690 | 697 | 746 | 736 | 790 |
| Number of students | 12,487 | 11, 414 | 12, 954 | 12,369 | 12,510 |

Table VII.-Summary of statisties of preparatory schools.

| States. |  | -gıoqวnuqsu! jo .ләqumun | Number of students. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| California | 5 | 36 | 44 | 67 | 422 | 14 | 5 |
| Colorado | 1 | 3 | 4 |  | 20 |  |  |
| Connecticut | 6 | 51 | 363 | 107 | 540 | 46 | 11 |
| Georgia | 1 | 2 |  |  | 53 |  |  |
| Illinois . | 3 | 25 | 76 | 57 | 67 | 10 | 4 |
| Indiana. | 1 | 3 | $a 40$ |  |  | 1 |  |
| Iowa | 2 | 8 | 20 |  | 99 | 1 |  |
| Maine. | 7 | 26 | 271 | 8 | 340 | 62 | 1 |
| Maryland. | 2 | 14 | 14 | 2 | 239 | 6 | 1 |
| Massachusetts. | 21 | 142 | al, 231 | 180 | 914 | 181 | 30 |
| New Hampshire. | 5 | 36 | 421 | 20 | 181 | 72 | 8 |
| New Jersey | 4 | 24 | 49 | 29 | 198 |  | 31 |
| New York... | 20 | 179 | 621 | 205 | 1, 791 | 112 | 35 |
| Ohio.. | 6 | 80 | 347 | 68 | 474 | 59 | 8 |
| Pennsylvania.. | 9 | 55 | 175 | 77 | 656 | 30 | 8 |
| Rinode Island.. | 5 | 42 | 174 | 30 | 435 | 18 | 2 |
| South Carolina | 2 | 5 | 36 | 12 | 116 |  |  |
| Tennessec. | 1 | 5 | 20 | 30 | 30 | 112 |  |
| Texas. | 1 | 14 | 10 | 15 | 250 | 4 |  |
| Vermont | 3 | 8 | 10 |  | - 92 | 4 |  |
| Virginia. | - 5 | 16 | $\alpha 159$ | 22 | 92 110 | 4 | 3 |
| Wisconsin. | 4 | 22 | $\alpha 176$ | 60 | 234 | 23 | 8 |
| Total.. | 114 | 796 | 4,260 | 989 | 7, 261 | 770 | 156 |

$a$ Includes a number of students preparing for both courses.

Table VII.-Summary of statistics of preparatory schools-Continued.


TABLE VIIF.-SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION OF WOMEN.
Statistics in detail of schools for the superior instruction of women will be found in Table VIII of the appendix. The following is a comparative summary of institutions, instructors, and pupils from 1870 to 1877, inclusive:

| - | 1870. | 1871. | 1872. | 1873. | 1874. | 1875. | 1876. | $187 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of institutions | 33 | 130 | 175 | 205 | 209 | 222 | 225 | 220 |
| Number of instructors | 378 | 1,163 | 1, 617 | 2, 120 | 2, 285 | 2, 405 | 2, 404 | 2, 305 |
| Number of students | 5, 337 | 12, 841 | 11, 288 | 24,613 | 23,445 | 23, 795 | 23, 850 | 23, 022 |

I would also invite attention to the following summary by States :

Table VIII.-Summary of statistics of insti

|  |  | Corps of instruction. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 通 |  |  |  |
| Alabama ..... | 10 | 78 | 19 | 59 | 14 | 211 |
| California . | 2 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 25 | 46 |
| Commecticut.. | 3 | 27 | 4 | 23 | 2 | 50 |
| Delaware | 1 | 13 | 4 | 9 | 1 | 49 |
| Georgia . | 17 | 100 | 40 | 60 | 15 | 474 |
| Illinois... | 10 | 96 | 19 | 77 | 9 | 248 |
| Indiana | 2 | 16 | 3 | 13 | 2 | - 30 |
| Iowa... | 2 | 25 | 2 | 23 |  |  |
| Kansas.... | 1 |  |  | 7 | 9 | 47 |
| Kentucky. | 21 | $b 151$ | 43 | 93 | 24 | 764 |
| Louisiaua | 4 | 18 | 3 | 15 | 2 | 57 |
| Maine... | 2 | 10 | , | 15 |  |  |
| Maryland .... | 6 | 55 | 10 | 45 |  | 28 |
| Massachusetts | 10 | 160 | 46 | 114 | 4 | 224 |
| Nichigan... | 2 | 15 |  | 11 | 2 | 33 |
| Minuesota | 2 | 15 | 2 | 13 |  | ss |
| Mississippi. | 7 | 50 | 12 | 38 | 9 | 346 |
| Missouri... | 13 | 109 | 22 | 87 | 17 | 360 |
| New Hampshire | 4 | 32 | 8 | 24 |  | 355 |
| Jow Jersey. | 5 | 55 | 19 | 36 | 1 | 15 |
| New York. | 15 | 243 | 50 | 193 | 54 | 645 |
| North Carolina. | 9 | 87 | 26 | 61 | 54 21 | 243 |
| Ohio... | 12 | 129 | 30 | 99 | s | 136 |
| Oregol...... | 1 | 12 | 2 | 10 |  | 130 30 |
| Penusslvania | 13 | 149 | 47 | 102 | 13 | 331 |
| South Carolina | 3 | 24 | 7 | 17 | 13 |  |
| Teunesseo. | 18 | 6131 | 36 | 83 | 20 | 514 |
| Texas... | 8 | 57 | 16 | 41 | 10 | 223 |
| Vermont. | 1 | 13 | 6 | 7 |  |  |
| Virginia... | 12 | 102 | 42 | 60 | 10 | 190 |
| West Virginia | 1 | 10 | 3 | 7 |  |  |
| Wisconsin | 3 | 24 | 7 | 17 | 2 | 225 |
| Total. | 220 | 2,028 | 540 | 1,455 | 277 | 5,961 |

a Classification not reported in all cases.
lutions for the superior instruction of women.


6 Sex not roported in all cases.

Several of the institutions in Table VIII did not report completely; for example, one of the two Indiana schools reporting did not state how many of its 60 students were in preparatory, regular, special, or graduate courses of study. This is so frequently the case that the column giving the total number of students in all departments of these colleges is greatly lessened in value.
I have, therefore, caused the accompanying graphic to be prepared, so as to emphasize the necessity for making complete reports; many States appear in it to great disadvantage simply because the presidents of the women's colleges in such States did not answer all the queries necessary.

Degrees conforred by institutions for the superior instruction of women.

| States. |  | States. | 管 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alabama. | 44 | New Hampshire ..... | 18 |
| Delaware | 19 | New Jersey .. | 4 |
| Georgia. | 113 | North Carolina | 25 |
| Ilinois. | 25 | Ohio. | 19 |
| Indiana | 7 | Pennsylvania | 14 |
| Kansas | 7 | South Carolina. | 20 |
| Kentucky. | 52 | Tennessee | 131 |
| Lonisiana. | 8 | Texas. | 23 |
| Maine | 14 | Vermont. | 3 |
| Maryland | 9 | Virginia . | 23. |
| Minnesota | 9 | Wiscousin | 12 |
| Mississippi | 42 |  |  |
| Missouri | 11 | Total | 652 |

TABLE IX. - UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES.
The following is a statement of the aggregate number of this class of institutions, with instructors and students, as reported to this Bureau each year from 1870 to 1877, inclusive:

|  | 1870. | 1871. | 1872. | 1873. | 1874. | 1875. | 1876. | $187 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nnmber of institutions | 266 | 290 | 298 | 323 | 343 | 355 | 356 | 351 |
| Number of instructors. | 2, 823 | 2,962 | 3, 040 | 3, 106 | 3,783 | 3, 999 | 3,920 | 3,998 |
| Number of students | 49, 163 | 49,827 | 45,617 | 52,053 | 56,692 | 58, 894. | 56,481 | 57, 334 |





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Table IX.-Summary of statistics of universities and colleges.


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Table IX.-Summary of statistics of

$a$ Sex not reported in all cases.

## universities and colleges - Continued.



Statistical summary of number of students in institutions for supcrior instruction (not including students in preparatory departments).

| States and Territories. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alabama..... | 390 | 167 | 752 | 1,309 |
| Arkansas | 100 | 90 |  | 190 |
| California.. | 897 | 202 | 317 | 1,416 |
| Colorado. | 3 | 16 |  | 19 |
| Connecticut.. | 921 | 230 | 180 | 1,331 |
| Delaware . | 37 |  | 37 | 74 |
| Florida |  |  | 0 |  |
| Georgia. | 458 | 198 | 967 | 1,623 |
| Illinois. | 1, 738 | 233 | 872 | 2, 843 |
| Indiana. | 1, 545 | 18 | 119 | 1,682 |
| Iowa.. | 1, 042 | 302 | 200 | 1,544 |
| Kansas | 176 | 140 | 34 | 35 |
| Kentucky | 893 | 110 | 1,382 | 2,385 |
| Louisiana. | 52 |  | 180 | 232 |
| Maine . | 376 | 118 | 313 | 807 |
| Maryland. | 310 | 406 | 370 | 1,086 |
| Massachusetts | 1,640 | 564 | 1,026 | 3,230 |
| Michigan | 781 | 154 | 120 | 1,055 |
| Minnesota | 172 |  | 153 | 325 |
| Mississippi | 299 |  | 469 | 768 |
| Missouri. | 742 | 86 | 805 | 1,633 |
| Nebraska | 94 | 13 |  | 107 |
| New Hampshire | 315 | 101 | 294 | 710 |
| New Jersey. | 814 | 189 | 421 | 1, 424 |
| New York | 3,194 | 1,480 | 1,802 | 6,476 |
| North Carolina. | 475 | 76 | 609 | 1,160 |
| Ohio | 2, 685 | 149 | 961 | 3,795 |
| Oregon. | 313 | 49 | 81 | 443 |
| Pennsylvania | 2,063 | 982 | 872 | 3,917 |
| Rhode Island | 235 | 43 |  | 278 |
| South Carolina. | 354 | 37 | 218 | 609 |
| Tennersee | 1,234 |  | 1,502 | 2,735 |
| Texas | 728 | 331 | 55.5 | 1, 614 |
| Vermont. | 186 | 19 | 147 | 352 |
| Virginia | 892 | 394 | 881 | 2, 167 |
| West Virginia | 167 | 44 | 120 | 331 |
| Wisconsin | 724 | 9 | 302 | 1,035 |
| District of Columbia | 156 |  |  | 156 |
| Total | 27, 201 | 6,950 | 17,061 | 51, 212 |

Summary of college entrance examinations in 1877.

| Name． | Location． |  | Number admitted． |  |  |  |  | Number rejected for deficiency in－ |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Conditioned in－ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 㳦 } \\ & \text { 品 } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { 苟 } \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}\right.$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trinity | Hartford，Conn．．．．．． <br> Middletown，Conn ．． | 47 | 9 | 19 | 18 | 26 | a24 | 2 | 2 | 3 | al | 3 |
| Wesleyan University |  | 62 | 4 | 29 | 36 | 52 | 11 |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| HlinoisWesleyanUniversity | Bloomington，Ill | 75 | 50 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  | 25 |
| Carthage College | Carthage，Ill ． | 85 | 75 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Indiana University | Bloomington，Ind | 58 | 53 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 63 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Concordia College | Fort Waync，Ind． | 40 | 35 | 4 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  | 3 |
| Franklin College | Franklin，Ind | 9 | 4 |  | 4 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Earlham College | Richmond，Ind． | 17 | 9 | 8 | （c） | 3 | 64 | 4 | （c） | 1 | $d 3$ | 4 |
| Parsons College | Fairfield，Iowa | 18 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Corncll College | Mt．Vernon，Iowa | 55 | 27 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Central University of Iowa． | Pclla，Iowa | 18 | 16 |  | 2 |  |  | 4 | 6 |  |  | 4 |
| Lane University ．．．．．．．．．s． | Lccompton，Kans | 21 | 0 | 21 | 1 | 21 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Centre Collcge | Danville，Ky ． | 44 | 34 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Concord College | New Liberty，Ky．． | 67 | 25 | 2 |  | 28 | 12 |  |  | 4 | 6 |  |
| Jefferson College，St．Mary＇s | St．James Parish，La． | 37 |  |  |  |  | $e 22$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bowdoin Collcge | Brunswick，Mo．．．．．． | 64 | 20 | 7 | 17 | 13 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 |  | 5 |
| St．John＇s College | Annapolis，Md． | 25 |  | 2 | 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loyola College． | Baltimore，Md ． | 104 |  |  | ） |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Amherst College | Amherst，Mass | 112 | 26 | 39 | 32 | 45 | 51 |  |  |  |  | 5 |
| Tufts College | College Hill，Mass．．． | 23 | 5 | 10 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kalamazoo College | Kalamazoo，Mich．．． | 8 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carleton College | Northfield，Minn | 18 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Washington University | St．Louis，Mo． | 9 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Doane College | Crete，Nebr ．．．．．．．．． | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rutgers College | New Brunswick，N．J | 59 | 24 | 2 | 11 | 21 | 6 | $f 1$ | $f 1$ | $f 1$ | $f 1$ | $f 1$ |
| College of New Jersey | Princeton，N．J． | 177 | 69 | 47 | 37 | 50 | 17 | 16 | 14 | 17 | 11 | 20 |
| St．Stephen＇s College．．．．．．． | Annandale，N．Y | 20 | 15 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Brooklyn Collegiate and Polytechnic Institute． | Brooklyn，N．Y． | 79 | 28 | 14 | 0 | 12 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 12 | 8 | 10 |
| St．Lawrence University ．．． | Canton， $\mathrm{N} . \mathrm{Y}$ | 19 | 12 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Hobart College． | Geneva，N．Y | 16 | 9 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 0 | ． 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Madison University． | Hamilton，N．Y．．．．． | 24 | 14 | 3 | 2 | 8 |  | 4 | 4 | 4 |  | 4 |
| Collegc of St．Francis Xavicr | New York，N．Y．．． | 65 | 38 | 1 | 2 | 5 |  | 10 | 9 |  |  | 10 |
| Columbia College | Now York，N．Y．．．． | 100 | 23 | 34 | 27 | 44 | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |
| University of Rochester．． | Rochester，N．Y．．．．． | 36 | 28 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Union College．． | Schenectady，N．Y ．． | g66 | 29 | 12 | 14 | 26 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| University of North Carolina | Chapel Hill，N．C． | 90 | 75 | 11 | 3 |  | 16 |  |  |  |  |  |
| North Carolina College ．．．． | Mt．Pleasant，N．C．．． | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Wake Forest Collcgo ．．．．．． | Wake Forest，N．C ．． | h40 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Buchtel College．． | Akron，Ohio | 18 | 10 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Baldwin University．．．．．．．．． | Berea，Ohio | 35 | 25 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Hebrew Union College． | Cincinnati，Ohio |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $a$ In English，history，and geography．$b$ Conditioned in history．$c$ Not requircd．$d$ For deficiency in history．$e$ Includes those admitted to＂commercial coursc．＂$f$ Number deficicnt；no student was rejected for a single deficiency．$g$ Number admitted．$h 34$ of these were admittcd． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Summary of college entrance examinations in 1877-Continued.

| Name. | Location. |  | Number admitted. |  |  |  |  | Number rejected for deficioncy in- |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Conditionedin- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 号 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 淢 } \\ & \text { U } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| St. Xavier College | Cincinnati, Ohio. | 285 | 271 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kenyon College | Gambier, Ohio ...... | 17 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 11 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 4 |  |  |
| Denison University | Granville, Ohio...... | 20 | 17 |  | . 2 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Marietta College. | Marietta, Ohio ...... | 21 | 10 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Urbana University | Urbana, Ohio | 9 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wilmington College | Wilmington, Ohio... | 100 | 97 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ursinus College. | Freeland, Pa........ | 10 | 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pennsylvania College | Gettysburg, Pa | 27 | 12 | 5 | 8 | 6 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Haverford College......... | HaverfordCollege, Pa | 32 | 24 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Mercersburg College....... | Mercersburg, Pa.... | 8 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Westminster College....... | New Wilmington, Pa | 42 | 24 | 11 | 15 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |  |
| Western University of Pennsylvania. | Pittsburgh, Pa...... | 27 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 6 |
| Augustinian College of St. Thomas of Villanova. | Villanova, Pa ........ | 50 |  | 35 |  | 40 | 40 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brown University.. | Providence, R.I. | 60 | 17 | 26 | 11 | 16 |  | 2 | 3 | 5 |  | 4 |
| College of Charleston | Charleston, S. C | 19 | 6 |  | $a 7$ | 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Erskine College | Due West, S. C. | 35 | 28 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| East Tennessee University. | Knoxville, Tenn |  | 72 | 2 | 2 | 12 | 9 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bethel College | McKenzie, Tenn | 112 | 33 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maryville College. | Maryville, Tenn | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Christian Brothers' College. | Memphis, Tenn ..... | 25 | 7 | 15 | 10 | 17 | 18 | 10 | 12 | 8 | 4 | 10 |
| Mosheim Institute......... | Mosheim, Tenn ..... | 135 |  | 10 | 10 | 15 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Fisk University... | Nashville, Tenn..... | 9 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |
| Greeneville and Tusculum College. | Tusculum, Tenn | 80 | 60 | 4 | 3 | 10 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 |
| Southwestern University .- | Georgetown, Tex ... | 26 | 0 | 10 | 14 | 26 | 26 | b3 | 65 | 64 | 0 | $b 12$ |
| Baylor University.......... | Independence, Tex.. | 45 | 20 | 15 | 5 | 4 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| University of Vermont and | Burlington, Vt...... | 29 | 11 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Middlebury College...... | Middlebury, $\mathrm{Vt} . .$. | 20 | 12 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 |  |
| Norwich University. | Northfield, Vt . | 12 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |  |
| , Lawrence University ...... | Appleton, Wis | 29 | 2 | 10 | 3 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 |  | 2 |
| Beloit College. | Beloit, Wis ........ | 23 | 7 | 3 | 9 | 10 | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |
| University of Wisconsin... | Madison, Wis ........ | 95 | 70 | 6 | 4 |  | 3 |  |  | 10 |  | 8 |
| Ripon College...... | Ripon, Wis ......... | 12 | 6 | $1$ |  | 8 | 2 |  |  | 1 |  |  |
| Howard University | Washington, D. C... | 8 | 6 | $1$ | 0 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| National Deaf-Mute College | Washington, D. C... | 9 | 1 | 4 |  | 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | (79) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total |  | 3,324 | 1,679 | 495 | 415 | 654 | 375 | 92 | 83 | 99 | 44 | 174 |


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Statistical summary of students in classical and scientific proparatory courses．

| States and Territories． | Number preparing for classical course in col－ lege． |  |  | Number preparing for scientific course in college． |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { In academies (Table } \\ \text { VI). } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { In preparatory schools } \\ & \text { (Table VII). } \end{aligned}$ | $\dot{8}$菑 ©镸 $\stackrel{\circ}{E}$寻腎言 | $\begin{gathered} \text { In academies (Table } \\ \text { VI). } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { In preparatory sebools } \\ & \text { (Table VII). } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { In universities and col- } \\ & \text { leges (Table IX). } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Alabama． | 34 |  | 25 | 4 |  | 10 | 53 | 126 |
| Arkansas | 8 |  | 63 | 10 |  | 28 | 160 | 269 |
| California | 107 | 44 | 140 | 114 | 67 | 437 | ．－．．．． | 909 |
| Colorado | 2 | 4 | 30 |  |  | 10 | 14 | 60 |
| Connecticut | 160 | 363 | 0 | 45 | 107 | 0 | 0 | 675 |
| Delaware | 84 |  |  | 39 |  |  |  | 123 |
| Florida | 49 |  |  | 25 |  |  |  | 74 |
| Georgia． | 484 |  | 65 | 212 |  | 8 | 199 | 968 |
| Illinois． | 62 | 76 | 958 | 55 | 57 | 1， 037 | 121 | 2， 366 |
| Indiana | 20 | 40 | 437 | 38 |  | 448 | 49 | 1， 032 |
| Iorra． | 209 | 20 | 618 | 112 |  | 662 |  | 1，621 |
| Kansas |  |  | 309 |  |  | 237 |  | 546 |
| Kentucky． | 333 |  | 241 | 142 |  | 169 |  | 885 |
| Louisiana． | 39 |  |  | 22 |  |  |  | 61 |
| Maine．． | 175 | 271 |  | 58 | 8 |  |  | 512 |
| Maryland | 116 | 14 | 175 | 24 | 2 | 169 | 13 | 513 |
| Massachusetts． | 176 | 1，231 | 300 | 17 | 180 |  | 45 | 1，949 |
| Michigan | 9 |  | 250 | 3 |  | 275 |  | 537 |
| Minnesota | 54 |  | 109 | 32 |  | 69 |  | 204 |
| Mississippi | 56 |  | 105 | 19 |  | 111 | 17 | 308 |
| Missouri | 45 |  | 330 | 30 |  | 401 | 26 | 832 |
| Nebraska ． |  |  | 110 |  |  | 100 |  | 210 |
| New Hanpshire | 169 | 421 |  | 33 | 20 |  |  | 643 |
| New Jersey | 262 | 49 |  | 74 | 29 |  | 34 | 448 |
| New York | 1，526 | 621 | 849 | 699 | 205 | 357 |  | 4， 257 |
| North Carolina | 218 |  | 206 | 76 |  | 85 |  | 585 |
| Ohio | 235 | 347 | 949 | 110 | 68 | 759 |  | 2，468 |
| Oregon． | 55 |  | 136 | 69 |  | 114 |  | 374 |
| Pennsylvania | 380 | 175 | 633 | 158 | 77 | 329 | 828 | 2，580 |
| Rhode Island | 15 | 174 | 0 |  | 30 | 0 | ．．．．．．． | 219 |
| South Carolina． | 67 | 36 | 96 | 10 | 12 | 78 |  | 299 |
| Tennessee | 358 | 20 | 375 | 196 | 30 | 344 | ．－．．．． | 1，323 |
| Texas | 85 | 10 | 151 | 32 | 15 | 246 |  | 539 |
| Vermont． | 311 | 9 |  | 72 |  |  |  | 392 |
| Virginia．． | 116 | 159 | 43 | 58 | 22 | 13 | ．．．．．．． | 411 |
| West Virginia |  |  | 57 |  |  | 56 | 50 | 163 |
| Wisconsin | 25 | 176 | 363 | 11 | 60 | 433 |  | 1，068 |
| District of Columbia． | 20 |  | 132 | 12 | －．．．． |  |  | 164 |
| Indian Territory．． | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |
| New Mexico．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Utah． | 23 |  |  | 0 |  |  |  | 23 |
| Washington |  |  | 20 |  |  |  |  | 20 |
| Total | 6， 030 | 4， 260 | 8，275 | 2，6i1 | 989 | 6，985 | 1， 609 | 30， 819 |

## STATEMENT RESPECTLNG AMERICAN COLLEGES.

Several forcign ministers who represent their countries in Washington have applied to me for information on various topics connected with American colleges, such as their courses of study and the degrees conferred by them. I have caused several copies of the following statement to be made for their use; but finding that the matter is of gencral interest, I publish it in this report.

COLLEGE NOMENCLATURE.
By the term "superior instruction" educators in the United States somewhat vagucly describe all grades of instruction above that given in high schools, acadcmies, normal schools, and commercial schools. The nomenclature of institutions of learning here is quite perplexing to foreigners, and even to many natives. This arises from several causes, of which the two most important will be mentioned. These are, first, the different meanings assigned to the words "college," "university," "seminary," \&c., by the various nations from which the people of the United States descend; and, secondly, the different ways in which institutions of learning are incorporated in the several States. A few instances will show what is meant.
In Pennsylvania, the Girard College is really a school for orphans, whom it apprentices at a specified age. In Connecticut, Yale College, having an extensive and varicd course in the classics, mathematics, and the moral, mental, and political sciences, has also schools for superior instruction in technology, fine arts, law, medicine, and divinity, yet it does not possess any university title, although it is one of the very best of American universities. Again, Harvard College, the oldest in America, is the nucleus of Harvard University, which, in addition to the college proper, consists of schools of technology, divinity, law, medicine, dentistry, and agriculture, besides having a fine astronomical observatory, a botanical garden and herbarium, a very large library, and two museums, one of American archæology and ethnology and the other of comparative zoölogy. The College of Physicians and Surgeons in Philadelphia is a society of resident medical men, chartered for certain specified purposes, but not intended as an educational institution. Again, the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York is a corporation supervising all the chartered colleges, universitics, law schools, and medical schools, and nearly all the academies and academic departments of union schools in the State; but, as an educational corporation, it has not a single professor, teacher, or student. On the other hand, many so called "univcrsities" have only classical and scientific departments or courses; some have only the classical department ; some, especially in the South and West, combine work usually done in schools for secondary instruction with their collegiate work. This will be further alluded to.

It will be observed, therefore, that the nomenclature of institutions for superior instruction in this country does not by any means indicate with certainty the character of the instruction given in them, but only that they profess to instruct in one or more of the numerous subjects which by common consent are classed together under the name of "superior instruction."

## CHARACTER OF COLLEGIATE INSTRUCTION.

Collegiate instruction may be divided generally into two kinds, which have in common many studies: one of these is composed, to a great extent, of instruction in Latin and Greek; the other devotes more attention to mathematics and natural sciences. The courses are generally four years in length, and they are called classical and scientific.

Religious connection of the colleges.-Another peculiarity of schools for collegiate instruction here is the influence which the different religious denominations have in their foundation and support. 'Unlike the Protestant communities in Northern Germany, Holland, and England - which had great monastic foundations, buildings, and funds that could be directed to the training of clergymen for the new religious beliefs of
those countries - the colonists in America were forced, out of their own narrow means to establish schools, colleges, and seminaries for the preparation of their clergy and teachers or else to import these from the Old World; other religious motives and causes have continued to produce the same effect. No religious sect, however numerically small, is satisfied till it has the control of some college where its spiritual teachcrs and the chief men of its laity can be educated in the principles and practices of its belief. Consequently we find that the greater number of American colleges have a decidedly denominational connection of one kind or another. There is, however, an increasing number that, remaining religious in spirit, have outgrown special sectarian limitations. Of course, too, the intellectual, moral, and social standard of the college varies in like manner with the intellectual, moral, and social condition of the American communion to which it owes allegiance.

State collegcs.-In addition to the colleges above mentioned, several American States have established colleges and universities not sectarian in their character, but supported partly or wholly from public funds. These funds originally were derived from the sale or lease of the "university lands" given to the newer States on their admission into the Union.

Still other institutions of this kind have been founded by the benevolence of private citizens. Their positions depend much on the rules imposed by their founders.

Women in colleges and universities.-About one-half of the universities and colleges established for the instruction of young men also admit the other sex. In addition to these there is a large number of institutions which devote themselves to the higher instruction of young women only. In most of the mixed colleges a special "ladies' course" is established, and in general the standard of qualification nccessary to obtain a diploma is lower for women than for men. In a few cases, however, the curriculum is superior in extent and variety to that of many so called colleges for the instruction of young men. The subject of mixed instruction has excited great discussion and has brought out the most contrary opinions, but it is quite impossible in this short statement to do more than note the fact.
Colleges for colored persons.-Race prejudice was so strong in some parts of the United States that the friends of the colored people found it advisable and necessary, even before the late war, to establish schools and a college for their special instruction. This feeling of prejudice is disappearing. It is much to the credit of some of the best colleges in America that they deny their privileges to no one on account of race; among these may be mentioned Dartmouth, Yale, and Harvard.

The deaf-mute college. - Even the deaf-mute are provided with facilities for higher culture. At the national capital a college for deaf-mutes has been in successful operation for several years. It gives an excellent education in classics, mathematics, science, philosophy, physics, and natural history, and its graduates are eagerly songht for as teachers in other institutions for the deaf-mute.

## PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

The subjects usially considered in this country matters for professional instruction are theology, law, medicine and surgetry, dentisry and pharmacy, engineering, naval and military science, and the like. Most of the schools for teaching these subjects are connected with colleges, but generally the connection.is one of a corporate character only. For instance, Harvard College is at Cambridge, but the medical and dental schools of Harvard University are in Boston, and the agricultural school is at Jamaica Plain. The medical and law schools of the University of Georgetown are in Washington.

Normal (or pedagogic) training in this country has been confined to the training of teachers for elementary and secondary schools. It is not, therefore, considered a branch of superior instruction; though several colleges have normal departments or courses of instruction in which teachers for the lower grades are instructed. In the same way, commercial schools are not considered a part of superior instruction, although many so called colleges give instruction of this kind. Quite recently, however, a few
colleges have instituted professorships of pedagogy, respecting which allusion is made elsewhere in this report.

United States military and naval schools.-The only schools teaching military and naval science under the protection of the National Government are the Military and Naval Academies at West Point, N. Y., and Annapolis, Md., respectively. From the graduates of these schools, officers of the line and staff in both services are generally selected.

Medical officers of the Government.- Mcdical officers of the Army, Navy; Marine Corps, Marine Hospital Service, and Revenue Marine Service are selected by competitive examination after due public notice.
The quarantine service is not yct under Federal control; but strong efforts have been made to work a change in this respect.
State military academies.-Several of the States have chartered military schools; in these, mathematics, engineering, French, German, military tactics, and drill are taught, often exceedingly well. Instruction in tactics is also given at several other institutions, among which may be mentioned the colleges of agriculture and the mochanie arts which have been cstablished under the provisions of the act of Congress approved July 2, 1862, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

## COLLEGES of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

The act of July 2, 1862, granted to each State of the Union, out of the public domain, 30,000 acres of land (or land scrip for an equivalent amount) for each Senator and Representative then in Congress from the State. ${ }^{1}$ The State must use the money derived from sale thereof in "endowing, supporting, and maintaining at least one college where the leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts in such a manner as the Legislatures of the States may respectively prescribe." -(Section 4 of the act of July 2, 1862.)

It will be observed here once more that the Federal Government avoids interference with local rule. It charters institutions of learning only in the District of Columbia. Elsewhere, institutions of learning are chartered by territorial or State Legislatures or under the provision of general State laws.

## independence of the american college.

American colleges and professional schools, even when endowed from public funds, are not much under public control or supervision. After receiving their charterswhich usually authorize them to have a corporate seal, to hold real and personal property, to teach and charge fees therefor, and to confer appropriate degrees - there is not much connection between them and the States. The State of New York is an exception to this general usage. All academies chartered by the State and all colleges and professional schools (excepting schools of theology) are parts of the general corporation known as "The University of the State of New York," which has been mentioned already. Detailed information respecting American colleges and professional schools will be found throughout the annual reports of this Office, but more particularly in the statistical tables of the appendix.

## degrees in course.

When students have pursued the course of study laid down by the authorities of a college or professional school, and have passed such examinations and paid such fees as are prescribed, they are given diplomas which certify that they have so studied and that the corporation has granted them a degree; this is called a degree in course. The usual degrees in course on graduation in this country are as follows:
Collegiate.-Classical, A. в., bachelor of arts; scientific, в. s., bachelor of science. Professional. - Theology, B. D., bachelor of divinity; medicine, M. D., doctor of med-

[^18]icine; dentistry, D. D. S., doctor of dental surgery; pharmacy, PH. G., graduate in pharmacy; law, LL. B., bachelor of̂ laws.

The great improvement and extension of scientific and polytechnic instruction during the past fifteen years have made it advisable to give degrees in course at graduation in civil engineering (c. E.), agriculture (B. AGR.), mining engineering (M. e.), architecture (B. ARCH.), and other branches.
Usually a degree in course called master of arts (A.M.) is conferred three years after graduation on bachelors of arts who are engaged in literary or professional pursuits and who pay to their college a fee prescribed by its regulations. There are exceptions to this rule. The University of Virginia never gave this degree except to persons studying and passing examinations in certain specified branches. Harvard Yale, and some other colleges have discontinued the practice.
The degree of bachelor of divinity is not conferred by most of the theological schools. Thus, in 1875, this degree was conferred on only 158 graduates, while the theological seminaries graduated about 400 other students who were undoubtedly equal in literary and professional attainments and in fitness for the pastoral office to those who received that degree.
In the same year 26 schools of law conferred the degree of bachelor of laws (Ll. B.) on 841 graduates. It may be said with truth that at least as many more persons must have been admitted to practice by the various State courts without attending law schools or taking degrees. ${ }^{1}$
The degree of doctor of medicine (M. D.) in course was conferred in 1875 by 61 schools of medicine, the number of such degrees conferred being about 2,300. There can be no doubt that others in various ways ${ }^{2}$ entered the medical profession during the same year without a diploma. Less than four hundred degrees in course were conferred on graduates in dentistry and pharmacy.

It will be seen from the above facts that the ranks of the professions in this country are not filled exclusively by graduates from institutions for superior or professional instruction. The community, however, is beginning to look with disfavor on those who enter the professions without previous thorough preparation, and it may be said with confidence that in the course of time few will be found in the professions who are not graduates.

> honorary degrees.

American colleges are much in the habit of giving honorary degrees. This practice, copied from the two great English universities, has been carried on without due discrimination. It is confined almost entirely to the colleges proper; no school of theology during the year 1875 gave any honorary doctorate of divinity; no school of law conferred any honorary doctorate of law ; only 5 honorary doctorates of medicine were conferred by the medical schools. The colleges gave honorary doctorates as follows: 138 in divinity, D. D. ; 2 in medicine, M. D.; 68 in law, Ll. D. ; 19 in philosophy, PH. D. ; and 4 in music, mus. D. They also conferred 130 honorary masterships of arts. It is true that most of these degrees were conferred on men who had graduated from college and that most of the recipients were professional men, but the practice is one very liable to abuse and is discountenanced now by some of the leading schools.
Owing to the facility with which charters can be obtained from most State legislatures, it is quite easy for unscrupulous and designing men to be corporators of a "college" or "university;" or they can become the possessors by purchase of the charter of some decaying corporation with a sounding name. When a charter is secured by either of these methods an imposing series of diplomas certifying to the conferring of various degrees is prepared; advertisements are published which inform the public that for a specified sum of money and the presentation of a satisfactory thesis the applicant will be given the degree he desires. The thesis is unimportant; the fee is the principal reason for conferring the distinction. Many foreigners have obtained degrees from such schools, to the scandal and disgrace of our country. It may be set

[^19]down as an invariable rule that any "college" or "university" or professional school which grants degrees in absentia on the payment of certain "fees" is a fraud. Fortunately the number of such institutions is not large.

## FREE SCHOLARSHIPS.

In many colleges, and in ncarly all schools of theology, there are scholarships obtainable under certain conditions, so that poor students can receive help from the income thereof; but scholarships in medical schools and law schools are almost unknown.

## CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION.

As the colleges are quite independent of the State in their management, so they are also as regards conditions of admission to their curriculum (except in the State of New York); gencrally, however, students desiring to pursue a classical course of instruction are required to prepare themselves for it by studying some of the easier Latin and Greek authors, the English branches, arithmetic, geometry, and some algebra; but these requirements vary much.

## APPOLNTMENT OF PROFESSORS.

Professors are usually selected by the board of trustees of the college they serve. The State has very little to do with their selection or the payment of their salaries. In sectarian colleges the professors are usually selected from the educated men of the denomination; and the desire that these institutions should supply facilities for superior instruction as extensive as those afforded by rival colleges produces a healthy competition. By this means the requirements of the curriculum are continually improving. An additional motive for improvement is the high standard maintained by
non-sectarian colleges. non-sectarian colleges.

Professors in professional schools are generally selected on account of their published writings or the reputation acquircd in their professional career. In theological schools they of course belong to the religious denomination for which the seminary is founded.

## general remarks.

From the foregoing remarks the reader will observe that the American university, when fully devcloped, differs from the Gcrman or the English university. The English universities at Oxford and Cambridge are substantially several colleges for instruction in classics, logics, mathematics, and mental and moral science, professional instruction being given almost entirely in London and other large cities of Great Britain. The German university leaves the care of ordinary instruction in classics, mathematics, and similar studies to the Gymnasien, Realschulen, \&c. It teaches by means of lectures, and confines itself to a very high character of instruction in philology, philosophy, mathematics, law, medicine, and divinity.

## CONDITION OF SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

The present condition of superior instruction in this country is, on the whole, encouraging to all lovers of sound learning and solid culture. Institutions of long establishment are broadening and deepening their plans; institutions of recent foundation are pushing into the field untrammelled by tradition and full of the spirit of the age with which they are solely identified.
Boston University.-Prominent in the highest grade among the later institutions stands Boston University, rich in endowment, imbued with advanced ideas of impartial and universal education, brought into closest competition with older institutions, and able, by virtue of the conditions which have called it into existence, to combine exact scholarship and sevcre tests with elastic methods and eclectic courses-it is unquestionably destined to excrcise a determining influence in the new methods of education which the time demands and for which it is expectantly waiting.
The position of Boston University with refcrence to the department of theology
acquires peculiar importance from the educational policy adopted in State establishments. In the endeavor to preserve that perfect religious impartiality harmonizing with the principle of our constitution, these institutions have made no attempt to give instruction in theology.

Universities of private origin are free from the conditions that limit State action, and the University of Boston congratulates itself that "it stands for all sciences and not for a part of them."

The Johns Hopkins University.-As the founder of the Johns Hopkins University gave no limitation to the interpretation of the word, the trustees after ample counsel and reflection developed an organization which corresponds more nearly to the German university than any other American college.

The increasing attendance of American students upon the lectures of the German universities, the enrolment of graduate students at Harvard and other of our institutions, and the need of advanced instruction for students looking to professors' chairs led the trustees to determine that the first object of their care should be "the philosophical faculty of a university," to give superior instruction in mathematics, science, and the languages. The academic staff consists, at present, of the president and six professors, including graduates of the universities of London, Oxford, Cambridge, and Göttingen, of American colleges, of a medical school, and of a technical school-men who to the highest scholastic honors have added large and varied experience in practical affairswhile the associate instructors, lecturers, and fellows represent a still wider circle of institutions, thus centring in the university at the outset influences the most vigorous and stimulating.

Recognizing the responsible relation of a university to the antecedent grades, the trustees have made arrangements for the reception of graduates of the Baltimore City College and of private schools of the city, and courses of study leading to the baccalaureate degree have been marked out for such schools. This is necessarily a measure of local application, but the pervading spirit of the university is comprehensive, liberal, and national. For the second year 104 students were registered, as follows: 20 fellows, 38 other graduates, 24 matriculates, and 22 special. The traditional class system is here abandoned, each student upon entering being assigned to a member of the faculty, who acts as his official adviser with reference to his studies. All advancement is determined by rigid tests, and the examinations for the degrees conferred, namely, A. B., PH. B., A. M., and PH. D., are thorough and impartial.
The library of the university is being gathered with reference to its special needs. The relation between the Peabody Institute and the university relieves the latter from the necessity of establishing a general library upon a liberal scale, while at the same time securing to the students the invaluable facilities of a large, well chosen, and constantly increasing library and a comprehensive series of scientific journals and transactions, purchased with reference to the wants of students. It will be especially in the power of the university to advance science by stimulating original investigation and research, and publishing the results to the criticism of the world. The earnest of its purpose in this direction is the activity of the three scientific laboratories, physical, biological, and chemical, and the list of books and papers published by resident members of the university during the last two years.

The influence of the university is not confined to its resident members: its liberal spirit and its power of wide adaptation are illustrated in such special efforts as the "teachers' class in physiology" and the afternoon public lectures. The latter effort has been maintained from year to year with increasing success. It reacts to the benefit of the university by arousing the interest of the best people and by inciting young men to prepare for the large opportunities of which a glimpse is thus afforded.

Vanderbilt University.-The want of additional means of higher education in the South and Southwest led several conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, between the years 1871 and 1873, to take measures for the organization of a university. Their efforts excited the interest of Cornelius Vanderbilt, who, on the

27 th of March, 1873 , made a donation of $\$ 500,000$ to the enterprise, which amonnt he subsequently doubled. As the result of tin:s generous gift, Vanderbilt University was established in Nashville, Tenn., October, 1875.
The university is organized with four distinet departments, as follows: The department of philosophy, science, and literature, and the biblical, law, and medical departments. The courses are eclectie, allowing the student the privilege of pursuing those studies whieh are suited to his special taste, previous preparation, or proposed business in life.

As a temporary substitute for the lack of efficient preparatory schools, a preparatory collegiate department has been established in connection with the university, whose students will be under the same government and enjoy the same privileges.
The facilities for instruction and investigation in the different scientific schools include the full appointments of physical, astronomical, and chemieal laboratories, and a museum of natural history and mineralogy.
It is purposed to so arrange the university currieulum that a student of ordinary ability may obtain the degree of bachelor of arts in four years and that of master of arts in five. Graduate students may reside at the university for any length of time, and be entitled to the advice and assistance of the professors and to the use of the miversity library and to examination for higher degrees. A judicious system of scholarships and fellowships is designed to extend the influenee of the university.
Drury College.-Peculiar interest attaehes to all movements for superior education in the far West, because of the important part they must assume in maintaining the intellectual life of our own people constantly moving toward the setting sun, and in moulding into the spirit of our civilization and institutions the foreign emigrants that pour into our new lands.

Drury College, Springfield, Mo., a coedueational institution under Congregational auspices, is one of the recent foundations in this field. While designing, as did the first, colleges of our infant colonies, to instruct youth in the saered Scriptures and the principles of Christianity, it has no organic connection with any religious denomination and allows no effort for the promotion of sectarian interests. It has preparatory and collegiate departments and is antieipating a growing want in its speeial arrangements for musical and art culture.

Colorado College is favorably situated for the work of education in the West. It occupies a commanding position in that great block of territory comprising Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Arizona, exceeding by 50,000 square miles the extent of the thirteen original States. On the south is a mixed population of 10,000 Americans, 20,000 Indians, and 100,000 Mexicans. The dearth of edueational facilities in this immense region is scarcely credible. Large and populous villages are wholly destitute of schools, communities with a population of a thousand souls have perhaps two months' schooling in the year, and, even at that, many teachers employed ean scarcely read and write. Adverse influences are insidiously working to secure control of educational interests. To the west is polygamy, antagonizing all that is best in Ameriean liberty and all that is purest in society.
Colorado College has pushed into the field by establishing sehools auxiliary to the college at Santa F6 and Salt Lake City. The work of the college proper is wisely adapted to the wants and the special resourees of its section. The college comprehends at present three general courses of study, viz: English and normal course, preparatory classieal course, and the college course proper. As it has been made a station of the United States Signal Service, students from the higher classes are formed into a corps for the study of meteorology and for practice in the use of instruments aecording to the regulations of the Signal Service. The price of tuition has been placed at $\$ 25$ a year, with the design of making the college practieally free to all.
healtif of college students.
I present here nearly the whole of Professor Hitchcock's paper on the physical training of the students at Amherst College, Massachusetts. It was read before the American Public Health Association at Chicago, in September, 1871:
Probably the first idea of the department of physical education and hygiene in Amherst College originated in the mind of the late President Stearns. In 1859, in his report to the trustees of the college, when he mentions the death of two members of the senior class as probably hastened, if not actually caused, by a neglect of the laws of health, the whole board of trustees was incited to the immediate erection of a building, the nucleus and bcginning of the department.
This building is called the Barrett Gymnasium, in honor of the late Benjamin Barrett, of Northampton, Mass., the largest donor to it. The edifice is of stone, two storied, well lighted and ventilated, and warmed in the cold season. The lower story contains dressing room, bowling alleys, spirometers, lifting and rowing machines, and the apparatus for securing vital statistics. The upper room is 50 by 75 feet, of smooth hard pine floor, with a clear space of 40 by 50 feet. At one end of the hall is to be found much of the heavy apparatus, consisting of the horizontal bar, rack bars, vaulting horse, batule board, spool ropes, peg pole, incline board, perpendicular pole, horizontal, vertical, and inclined ladders, swinging and travelling rings, Indian clubs, lifting weights, and a few other kinds. At the other end are a small platform for the leader of the class exercises and a piano to secure harmony and rhythm during the exercises. Above this platform is a gallery for the spectators of the exercises, of whom there were 3,635 during the year 1876-77, 842 of them being ladies.
The gymnasium is open during all the hours of daylight and may be used by any member of college at his will, save that he may not interfere with the exercise of a class when occupying the floor. No restraints whatever are put upon the students in using the building or its apparatus, save instructions as to the proper and healthy use of the heavy apparatus and impressive caution to the freshmen and newcomers not to use excessively until inured to work and familiarity with the apparatus by a period of training.

The title of the department was proposed by Dr. Nathan Allen, of Lowell, one of the trustees and graduates of the college, of which he has been an early and long tried friend, and the most devoted and faithful guardian to the department, of which he may well be styled the godfather. The duties of the professor of this department were established by the trustees, upon the suggestions of Dr. Allen, as follows: "The duties of this professor shall be: First, to take charge of the gymnasium and give instruction to the students in gymnastics. Second, to take a general oversight of the health of the students and to give such instruction on the subject as may be deemed expedient, according to the general plan stated by the president in his report and under the direction of the faculty, like all the other studies. Third, to teach elocution, so far as it is connected with physical training. Fourth, he shall give lectures from time to time upon hygiene, physical culture, and other topics pertaining to the laws of life and health, including some general knowledge of anatomy and physiology. Fifth, the individual appointed to have charge of this department shall be a thoroughly educated physician, and, like other teachers and professors, shall be a member of the college faculty. It is distinctly understood that the health of the students shall at all times be an object of his special watch, care, and counsel."
At the same time, the faculty believed that the exercises in the gymnasium should be conducted according to the following ideas: "First, the main object shall not be to secure feats of agility and strength, or even powerful muscle, but to keep in good health the whole body. Second, that all the students shall be required to attend on its exercises for half an hour, designated for the purpose, at least four days in the week. Third, the instructor shall assign to each individual such exercises as may be best adapted to him, taking special care to prevent the ambitious from violent action and all extremes, endeavoring to work the whole body and not overwork any part of it. Fourth, that while it may not be expedient to mark the gradation of attainment, as in the intellectual branches, yet regularity, attention, and docility should be carcfully noted, so as to have their proper weight in the deportment column of the strudent's general position. Fifth, that some time shall be allowed out of study hours for those volunteer exercises which different men, according to their tastes, may elect for recreation, and particularly that the bowling alleys be not given up to promiscuous use, but be allotted at regular hours to those who wish to make use of them: all these volunteer exercises, of whatever kind, to be under the supervision of the grmnasium instructor. Sixth, that the building shall always be closed before dark, that no light shall be used in it, and no smoking or irregularities of any kind slall be allowed in it. Seventh, that therinstructor ought to be a member of the faculty, and give in to it his marks and occasional accounts and receive directions as other officers of the college are accustomed to do."

The department has now been in operation for screnteen years. During nearly the whole of the first year it was under the direction of Dr. John W. Hooker, son of the late Dr. Worthington Hooker, of New Haven, Conn., who left on account of sickness and soon dicd. And for the remaining sixteen years it is interesting to observe that, though it has been cxperimental in the work of college education, yet it has been carricd on so nearly according to the plan and views of its originators that to a mere looker-on it might seem as if the work of the department began and ended with the daily exercises of the four classes in the gymnasium. But in this department much of the work is done with individuals and in ways where it is not known or seen by the multitudo.

Each of the four classes in college meets the professor for an exercise in the gymnasium of half an hour's length on four days in the week. In this way the student presents himsclf for a public visit to the professor, and may always have a private interview either before or after the exercise if either desire it. The hours for the exercise are mainly at the beginning and close of the day, as both the most valuable time for exercise and those which best adapt themselves to the college routine. Each class has its own captain and as many other officers as are best adapted to mancuvre and handle the class in its movements. The general method of the conduct of the exercises is military. The required exercisc of each man and class is best known as that of light gymnastics, or those bodily exercises performed by a class with one or two pieces of apparatus in the hands, each movement timed to music and all simultaneous and uniform; and the only apparatus successfully used at Amherst is the pair of wooden dumb-bells, weighing less than a pound apiece. The students here have universally preferred the bells to the rings and wands, though these have been thoronghly tried. Each class has its own "exercise" or series of bodily movements with the bells, and thesc are so managed as to give free, lively, graceful, and vigorous work to the whole muscular system during the time of the exercise. In addition to the bell exercise, marching by the file and flank is considerably practised, and during the cold months running or "double quick" movements. This running is encouraged, that the student may gain the very valuable assistance that it gives to the "wind" by furnishing warm air to the lungs, and a more rapid relief by sweating and greater freedom to the body by the smaller amount of clothing required than if the necessary amount werc taken in the cold temperature of out of doors. This exercise varies from fifteen to twenty minutes, and with the temperature from $55^{\circ}$ to $60^{\circ}$ the student almost always finishes with a moist skin. The remainder of the half hour is occupied in voluntary exercise. Some use the heavy apparatus, about one in eight, or take a longer run; others dance, use clubs, sing, pull rope, toss in the blanket, turn somersaults, and occupy themsclves in any proper manner to secure exercise, sport, or recreation.

This amount of exercise includes all that is required of the student, and satisfies probably three-fourths of the whole number. The use of the bowling alleys is entirely at the option of the student. Some, however, who are not quite normally robust or who are spccially advised to it, frequent the gymnasinm for the second half hour in the day, either following special dircctions or enjoving themselves as they like. Others, on account of their robust nature, require more muscular work in order to discharge their supcrfluous energy, just as some people require more food than do others. It might be thought that accidents would happen here frequently, and that there has been such an exemption from everything of this sort scems to be owing to a special providence. There has never been a serious result from accident since the building was opened and dedicated to the better culture of the body, unless it be to one young man who fell and was kept from gymnasium exercise for three months.

Before this department was established it was thought that requirements of bodily exercise would be irksome to students and difficult to secure. But experience here has shown that the disposition to shirk this branch of college life has not been so marked as in some of the intcllectual departments. Some statistics have been gathered to illustrate this point. In 1868-'69 attendance on chapel and gymnastic exercises was compared. Nearly 84 per cent. of the class were present at the gymnasinm and 80 per cent. at the chapel. Similar observations in $18 \% 0$ gave 13 per cent. of absences from chapel and 6 per cent. from the gymnasium. It was at first thought that it would be necessary to excuse many from gymnastic exercise. The past year, however, may be taken as a sample for the sixteen years, during which year only one junior and two freshmen (each with a defective arm) have not been required to attend. There has been no instance in the history of the department where the exercises as required have worked the least injury to the student; but, on the other hand, there are scores of men in whom a marked improvement has evidently taken place as a direct result of the required physical training as practised here.

The military method, though a little used, is not sought after. It seems idle to talk abont military rulcs and life where there is no militarkanthority to carry out the regulations. Were the college a State or Government institution, a military department would be in place and possibly sustained and prospered. But to talk about military
rules and methods without the anthority of the hall and chain, the guardhouse, or power of life and death in the officer, seems worse than jdle. College students will generally chafe under that rule which degrades them from the agents of free will and choice to a mere live machine except when "the comitry calls."

The definition, or perhaps description, of hygiene, as inderstood in this department, is best giren in the words of the late Dr. E. A. Parkes: "Taking the word liygiene in its largest sense, it fignifies rules for perfect culture of mind and boty. It is impossible to dissociate the two. The body is affected by every mental and moral action; the mind is profoundly inflnenced by bodily conditions. For a perfect system of hygiene we must combine the knowledge of the physician, the schoolmaster, and the priest, and must traifl the body, the intellect, and the moral sonl in a perfect and balanced order. Then, if our knowledge were exact and our means of application adcquate, we shonld see the human being in his perfect beauty, as Providence perhaps inteuded him to be; in the harmonious proportions and complete balance of all lis parts in which he came out of his Maker's hands, in whose divine image we are told he was in the beginning made."

With this definition for an inspiration, it is one of the duties of the professor in this department to give a course of lectures on health to the freshman class immediately upon its entering. The subject relates more especially to the health of student life; not merely to individual sanitary rules, but to the peculiar necessities of care in so closely compact a body of young and growing men in college; not to those conditions peculiar to the body alone, but to those interesting relations and interdependence of body upon mind and vice versa. This department also gives instruction in human anatomy and physiology. The cabinets are well supplied with natural and artificial preparations of the human body, which furnish to the student a proper acquaintance with the structure and uses of the organs of the body, such a knowledge as ought to be familiar to every person of so called liberal culture. The anatomy and physiology which is technical or professional is not offered to the student, but only such knowledge as may be gained by a tolerable acquaintance with the skeleton, the manikin, and most of the enlarged papier mâche models of Auzoux. As a stimulus to study in this direction, two prizes for the best recitations and examination in these sciences are annually given by Hon. E. H. Sawyer, of Southampton. A course of lectures, recitations, and laboratory work in comparative vertebrate zoölogy is undertaken by the senior class. This is arranged so as to give the student an enlarged plan of the vertebrate kingdom rather that the study of species.

The professor in this department is expected to know the plysical condition of all students during term time. This docs not mean that he only sees them at the gymnasium exercise, but that he raakes himself aequainted with their labits, bodily condition, and whatever in the physical sense may react upon their mental state. This means that he offers suggestions where he may discover deficiency, excess, imprudence, or ignorance of many of the conditions of student hygiene and life; and the regulations of the faculty are such that these suggestions may if necessary have the force of a requirement. The visiting of the ill and disabled students requires a share of the time of this professor; for, while the diseases of college life are seldom alarming, or very distressing, or numerous, yet for students living in dormitories and boarding houses, without home comforts and nursing when ill, much care is often necessary to give comfort during and freedom from the disorders which affect young men at the college period of life. It is to be hoped that the next step in physical education here may be to establish a sanitarium or an equivalent to the hospital of an army.
The amount of time lost in sickness by the students is a fact determined by this department. Dr. Jarvis says that the amount of time lost by each laborer in Europe is from nineteen to twenty days each year; and the Massachusetts Board of Health says that in 1872, in that Commonwealth, each productive person lost thirteen days by sickness. A man here is put on the sick list if he is absent more than two consecutive days from all college exercises. With this as a comparison, between the years of 1861-62 and 1876-77, inclusive, 23.3 per cent. of the college have been entered on the sick list; or, every student in college has constructively lost 2.64 days each year by illness, and every sick student has à eraged 11.36 days of absence from college duties. During this same period, 48, or three each year on an average, have left college from physical disabilities, although 16 of these have returned and entered again their own or a succeeding class. The causes which produced these removals were: in 7 cases, constitutional debility; in 6 , typhoid fever ; in 5 , consumptive tendencies; in 6 , weak or injured eyes, and single cases because of other infirmities. During this period of sixteen years, 16 students have died while connected with the college.
In connection with this subject it is instructive to learn that dysjepsia, though formerly prevalent in college, lias lost its foothold here of late years. For the past sixteen ycars it has not once so occurred as to be recognized as a cainse of loss of time to any student. Pork, too, is mostly banished as an article of food. The students will not eat it. The maladies which have visited Amherst students for the sixtecn years past have been, in the order of their frequency: Colds, including the few of lung
fever and influenza, 35 per cent.; physical accidents, 9.47 per cent.; boils, 4.82 per cent.; eyes, 4.56 per ecnt. ; and so on in decreasing ratio of nombers, with febricula, typhoid fever, quinsy, debility, mumps, bilions fever, diplitheria, bilions tronble, stomach iritation, intermittent fever, measles, teeth, and forty-five other eauses which rielded 164 cases, or 12 per cent. of all the cases of sickness.

The months of the year during which college sickness has prevailed have been carefully recorded. The record, however, can be made ont only for nise months, as vacations eover so much of the other months that it wonld not give completed resnlts. April also has always had a short vacation.

The percentage of cases has been as follows:
In Jamma'y ..... 13.8
In February ..... 16.6
In March ..... 16.4
In April (part of the month) ..... 6.3
In May ..... 12.8
In Jime ..... 6.3
In September ..... 10.3
In October ..... 9.7
In November ..... 7.7
Total ..... 99.9

In addition to the items secured upon the maladies of students, Dr. Hasket Derby, of Boston, is now instituting a series of personal examinations of every stndent, in order to determine the effect of college life npon near-sightedness. In due time without doubt his results will be given to the public. The vital statistics of the students of the college have also been secured. These include the age, weight; height, fingerreach (distance between tips of the middle tinger of each hand), ehest girth (average between "full" and "repose"), chest range, arm girth (biceps), forearm girth, capacity of lungs, and a simple test of muscular strength. The results are the averages of the data seeured from 1,171 students, with 20,458 items of reeord: Age, 21 years, two months; weight, 139.146 pounds, 63.11 kilograms; height, 5.653 feet, 1.723 metres; finger reach, 5.783 feet, 1.763 metres: chest girth, 35.786 inehes, 9.09 decimetres; chest range, 3.416 inches, 8.7 centimetres; arm girth, 11.620 inches, 2.95 decimetres; forearm girth, 11.059 inches, 2.81 decimetres; hng capacity, 240.871 cubic inches, 4.095 litres; strength, 10.747 times.

Probably the most important feature of this department eonsists in plaeing it on the same level with the other departments of the college course: As, however, it is of so different a nature and mulike the ordinary methods of so ealled school enlture, it has taken time and experiments to carry the system along to its present condition. In our educational institutions some method is adopted to inform the student-and generally the public, too-where his position is in the institution and how he progresses. In mental growtll aud culture this can be determined by recitations, examinations, and exhibitions, since the mental powers slould grow through the whole range of mental matmity, and the design of intellectual work is to secure the highest development of mind within its normal limits. But the young man who enters eollege in his twentieth year has approximated to his highest physical growth and powers; and moreover the design of the college physical education is not to produce athletes or physiological prodigies, but only to establish health, and well preserve the body up, to the normal standard, and promote the harmonious culture of both. Hence "rank" cannot be assigned to a man if he excels his classmate in heary gymuastics. To encourage this might be injurious. And to discriminate between four-fifths of a class as to the best gymnasts with dumb-bells would be next to impossible, as this proportion of a class perform the exercise equally well. And yet to seeure a proper attention to obedience of the laws of health, and partionlarly the taking of sufficient and regular exercise in a proper mamer, is what is attempted to be done for the Amherst student ; and if he hont gives the attention and care to the needs and culture of his body as required in this way, he receives in increnent to his college rank or standing which is recorded on the books of the faculty: in this way the stndent has a personal incitement to discipline in this department. There is also an inducement to the same thing in mother way and by the means which are always so effectual to the college strident: a spirit of class pride and honor: By the generosity of Mr. John 1. Washburn, secretary of the Home Insurance Conipany, Neir York, a yearly prize of $\$ 100$ is given to "the class whieh during the year shall most faithfilly discharge its drities in the gymnasium and earry ont most fully the instrinctions of the professor of hygiene." This prize has becn awarded for the last four years, and has shown valuabie results in "bracing up" the easy, indifferent, want of energy element of society, which is not wanting in a college ; the very characier needing push, snap, and tone to make it enjoyable of itself and of nse to mankind. The following data gathered at different periodis show the effect of the class prize: In 1868-69 the attendance on
gymmastie cxercises, including the excused absences, was 88 per ecnt. of the class; Guring Oetober, 1870, the ratio of absence to attendance with the same data was 1 to 17.5; and during the summer of 1876 -'77 the average attendance of the classes, minder same conditions, was 93.5 per eent.

It is not possible to make definite statements as to the valne of this department, since no numerieal records of data were had eoneernmg these matters before its creation. Hence, critieisins, adverse or otherwise, must depend on hearsay, opinions, and general impressions. It is a general opinion that the young men carry themselves in their walk with more erectness and elasticity, not to say grace, than did the former eollege students. Soon after the establishment of this department, boarding house keepers noticed a better appetite on the part of the students and a demand for the more substantial edibles, such as bread and meat. The opinion of the eollege faculty is most decided that the introduction of the new department has done mnch to improve the liealth of the students. Prof. W. S. Tyler, the oldest member of the faculty at Amherst, speaks as follows upon this matter: "If I were asked to specify what I consider to be the most marked characteristie and distinctive excellence of the Amherst gymnasties, I should say that it is the union of recreation and amusement with exercise, of the voluntary and spontaneons with the required and the prescribed; in a word, of play with work. To sueceed in doing this would be of course, according to Dr. Bushnell's well known distinction in his article on 'Work and play,' to bring hearen down to earth. And this is just the suceess which these gymnasties have achieved."

One merit of the system as practised here has been its humanizing or levelling influence. The best scholar in his elass may stand shoulder to shoulder in the gymmasium between two very ordinary scholars and constantly be made to realize that he is not equal to either of them in physieal attainments or endurance. And here a man may not ehoose his comrade on aecount of his literary or social qualities: one of the things perhaps whieh may help to prepare him for the battle of life and the development of proper sympathies and self-denial. A moral consideration of some signifieance has presented itself in the college within the last 12 or 15 years, which is the decrease in the demands for college diseipline. This has gone so far that during the last year not a single student was removed from college for improprieties of conduct. The drinking of intoxicating liquors and the useless expenditure of money in style and show, which once were decidedly prevalcnt in college, have been less during the last few years. If any of these things are credited to the department under consideration, it is no doubt very much owing to the giving up of many petty rules when so new an element was introduced into the college; and this very relinquishment places the student much more under his own control, govermment, and self-rclianec.

TABLE N. SCHOOLS OF SCIENCE.
The following statement shows the mmber of institutions and departments of this class, with instructors and students, as reported to this Offiee in each year from 1870 to 1877 , inclusive. The numbers under 1873, 1874, 1375, 1876, and 1877 inelnde the national Military and Naval Academies:

|  | 1870. | 1871. | 1872. | 1873. | 1874. | 1875. | 1876. | 1877. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of institutions | 17 | 41 | 70 | 70 | 72 | 74 | 75 | 74 |
| Number of instructors. | 144 | 303 | 7.24 | 749 | 609 | 758 | 793 | 781 |
| Number of students | 1,413 | 3,303 | 5,395 | 8,950 | 7, 244 | 7,157 | 7,614 | 8,559 |

Table X.-Part 1.-Simmary of statistics of schools of science.

$a$ College not yet establisher. b Reported with elassical department (Table IX). c The ineome of $\$ 50,000$, whieh has aecrued from the national grant, at $\$ 100$ a scholarship annually. d Reported in Table VII.

Table X.-Part 1.-Summary of statistics of schools of seience-Continued.

| States. | Libraries. |  |  | Property, income, \&c. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Alabama. | 2, 220 | 250 | 2, 500 | \$100, 000 | \$259, 300 | \$20, 744 | \$750 | \$0 |
| Arkansa | 500 | 300 |  | 170,000 | 130, 000 | 10, 400 | 2,000 | 5,000 |
| California | (a) | (a) | (a) | (a) | (a) |  |  | 40, 000 |
| Colorado |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Comnecticut | 5, 000 |  |  |  | 280, 123 | 17, 000 |  |  |
| Delaware | (a) | (a) | (a) | (a) | (a) | (a) | (a) | ........ |
| Florida |  |  |  | 16, 000 |  |  |  |  |
| Georgia | 14, 000 |  | 8,000 | 111, 000 | 258, 000 | 18, 250 | 40 | 11, 500 |
| Illinois | 11, 049 | 449 |  | 359, 411 | 319, 000 | 29,460 | 2, 751 | 35, 444 |
| Indiana | 1, 050 | 500 | 0 | 239, 695 | 310, 000 | 20, 313 | 0 | 11, 000 |
| Iowa | 4, 500 |  | 0 | 485, 202 | 500, 000 | 40,000 | 0 | 23, 000 |
| Kansas | 2, 000 | 35 | 200 | 131, 791 | 238, 101 | 20, 491 | 0 | 12,500 |
| Kentucky |  |  |  | 150, 000 | 165, 000 | 9, 900 | 1,500 | 0 |
| Maine | 3, 648 | 1, 007 |  | 145, 000 | 135, 000 | 8,000 | 0 | 15,218 |
| Maryland | 1,500 | 0 | 1,500 | 100, 000 |  | 6,900 | 10,665 | 6, 000 |
| Massachusetts | ©, 500 | 100 |  | 925, 000 | 390, 000 | 40, 500 | 47,000 | 5,000 |
| Michigan | 4,306 | 231 |  | 195, 803 | 237, 175 | 16,000 | 0 | 36, 837 |
| Minnesota | (a) |  |  | (a) | (a) | (a) | 0 | (a) |
| Mississippi | 52 | 2 |  | 28,905 | 94,646 | 5,679 | 0 | 30, 000 |
| Missouri. | 1, 678 |  |  | 45, 960 |  | 1,250 | 375 | 7,500 |
| Nebraska | 200 | 20 | 0 | 20,000 | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| Nevada. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New Hampshir | 1,200 |  | 200 | 120, 000 | 80,000 | 4, 800 | 150 | 900 |
| New Jersey. | (a) |  | (a) | (a) | 116, 000 | 6, 960 | 1,200 | 0 |
| New York | (a) |  |  |  | (a) | (a) | (a) | (a) |
| North Carolina | (a) | (a) |  | (a) | 125, 000 | 7,500 | 2, 075 |  |
| Ohio | 1,000 | 100 |  | 500, 000 | 500, 000 | 30,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Oregon |  |  |  | 5,000 |  |  |  | 5,000 |
| Pennsylvania | 1,950 | 50 | 2,000 | 500, 000 | 500, $000{ }^{\circ}$ | 30,000 |  |  |
| Rhode Island |  |  |  |  | 50, 000 | 3, 000 |  |  |
| South Carolina | 1,200 | 400 |  | 10,000 | 191, 800 | 7, 500 |  |  |
| Tennesseo |  |  | (a) | (a) | (a) | (a) | (a) | 0 |
| Texas. |  |  |  | 200, 000 | 196, 000 | 14, 955 |  |  |
| Vermont | (a) | (a) |  | ( ( ) | ( ) | (a) | 585 | 0 |
| Virginia | 2,784 | 339 | 300 | 303, 050 | 306, 750 | 34, 268 | 520 | 10, 250 |
| West Virginia | 7,000 | 500 | 500 | 250, 000 | 110, 000 | 6, 600 | 1, 500 | 7, 500 |
| Wisconsin | 7,000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total. | 80,337 | 4,283 | 15, 200 | 5, 111, 817 | 5, 491, 895 | 410, 470 | 71, 111 | 268,649 |
| U.S. Military Acad'y- | 26,735 | 310 |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | b286, 604 |
| U. S Naval Academy. | 19, 247 | 900 | 0 | 3, 000,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | (b) |
| Grand total.. | 126, 319 | 5,493 | 15, 200 | 8, 111, 817 | 5, 491, 895 | 410, 470 | 71,111 | 555, 253 |

Table X.-Part 2.-Summary of statistics of schools of science.


A review of faets bronght ont in the reports of the eolleges of agriculture and the mechanic arts ${ }^{1}$ allows no donbt that they are solving the problems which have been intrusted to them. The close stndy of their history in each State will couvince a candiat judge, I am confident, that they are adjusting themselves -
(1) To science: Already they have here and there promoted its progress and this stimmlating influence increases; still more generally they have drawn upon the ativancement of scienee for the benefit of their instruction.
(2) They are equally adjusting themselves to the eondition and necessities of industry.

The reports of the boards of agrienlture of the several States show that their meetings have received valuable contributions from these institutions, and that they have aided in disseminating important information concerning the varions interests of agriculture.

A few instances will illustrate the nature of this practical service and of the relation between the colleges and the boards. From the report of the Michigan Board of Agrienlture for 1877 it appears that farmers in the State, excited by representations against a popular and productive variety of wheat, applied to the State Agricultural College for information on the subject. The board of agrieulture ordered an investigation, which was made by the college professor of chemistry and his assistant. The result proved that neither in the ehemieal composition nor in the physical properties of the flow made from this wheat did there exist any canse of eomplaint. Thus a serions disturbance of opinion, which would have affeeted the cultivation of more than $1,200,000$ acres, was averted. The conneetion between the board and the eollege is very intimate in this State, the board of agrieulture having, in faet, the management of the college.
The act establishing the Vermont Board of Agriculture makes the president of the State Agricultural College one of the board. The entomologist of the board of agriculture is the professor of zoölogy in the University and State Agricultnral College. His address on "Certain" injurious insects," published in the report of 1877 , snggests the investigations of general interest that come within the seope of this board.
The Board of Agrieultrire of the State of New Hampshire authorized its seeretary and Mr. J. W. Sanborn, superintendent of the eollege farm, to initiate experimental work on the farm and on certain "quasi stations" for the purpose of giving authoritative instruction to farmers about matters of farm and stoek management. The first results have been already reported by Mr. Sanborn.

The last day of the eonvention of the State Board of Agrieulture of Maine was ocenpied by the students of the State college, who reported the results of experiments at the college farm.

The importance of introducing such praetical exercises in the colleges of this grade is universally acknowledged. In the proceedings of the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society for 1877-78, it is recorded that a resolution was passed expressing as the sense of the convention that one or more of the regents of the unirersity should be practical farmers.

It appears from the State University report for Missouri, 1876-'7\%, that the State Board of Agriculture has been transferred to the Agrieultural College, thus coneentrating the forees working in the canse of agrienlture and increasing their efficieney.

The general importance of the experiments made on the college farms is uot their only merit. They afford work for the students, which often is even more necessary to the elass of young men attracted thither than to those entered in purely literary institutions. In some of these colleges a certain amount of labor is required; in others it is optional with the students. The prices paid vary, according to the nature of the

[^20]work and the skill of the student, from 4 cents to 15 eents per hour, as will be seen from the following table:

Hourly compensation of students in agricultural colleges for worl: on the farm.

a Though the rate paid to students by the hour at the Ohio College is not given, it appears that the amount of $\$ 459.69$ was expended for student labor during the year 1876 -' $^{\prime} 77$.

Illinois, Kansas, and Maryland agrienltural colleges report that students, with skill, industry, and eeonomy, ean defray a large part of their expenses by work on the eollege farms and gardens.

In the report of the Massaehusetts Agrieultural College it is stated that "indigent students are allowed to do such work as may offer about tife college and farm buildings or in the field, but it is hardly possible for one to earn more than from $\$ 50$ to $\$ 100$ a year, besides performing other duties."

In the agrieultural department of Cornell University employment is not guaranteed to any students, yet a limited amount is furnished them at sueh priees as would ordinarily be paid to other persons for doing the same work.
The relation thus established between the agrieultural eolleges and practieal industry makes them important factors in the great labor problems of the day. At the same time they are bearing their part in the general progress of edueation and thus beeoming more and more important as edueational centres. They send many students into the teachers' ranks and make valuable contributions to the literature and discussions of edueation.

## VACATION SCHOOLS.

The number of schools for instrueting advanced pupils during vaeations has formed a marked feature of the year. In several preceding years such sehools existed, some of them for the field study of geology, botany, zoölogy, and kindred topies, and sóme in convenient loealities for instruetion in chemistry, iehtlyology, drawing, music, languages, methods of teaching, and so on. But in 1877 these means of summer instruetion expanded into greater proportions than ini any previous vaeation period The States north of the Ohio River were dotted with institutes for teaehers who, instead of resting, were trying to prepare for higher work. More than fifty sueh institutes were held in Indiana alone, besides many in other States. One of these was to instruet teachers in the art of elocution ; another was to prepare them to give drawing lessons in their schools; others were for the study of the natural seiences, for whieh last Butler University, in Indiana, also sent out a number of its students, under eompetent instructors, ou a summer's walk through the mountain ranges of the South. In the East, besides the usual summer sehools of Harvard professors - one of these, also, a field schoo! in the South - there were a summer school of biology, zoobogy, and bot-
any at Salem, Mass., under the auspices of the Peabody Academy of Science there; a normal institute of great proportions at Dast Greenwich, R. I., for instruction in music, elocution, drawing, and modern langnages ; a school of languages at Amherst College, and several kindred ones in other portions of New England, as well as in New York and Pennsylvania. A scientific expedition to the Rocky Mountains, under the charge of Prof. Sanborn Temey, of Williams College, Mass., was arrested by the death of Professor Tenney, July 9, while en ronte. Another from Princeton College carried its students to the Yellowstone and brought back large treasures for the college cabinct.

TABLE NY. SCHOOLS OF TMEOLOGY.
The following is a comparative statement of the number of schools of theology (including theological departments) reporting to this Bureau each year from 1870 to 18\%7, inclusive, with the number oï professors and number of students:


Table XI.-Statistical summary of theological seminaries.

| Denomination. | Number of seminaries. | Number of professors. | Number of students. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Roman Catholic | 18 | 93 | 575 |
| Protestant Episcopal | 16 | 65 | 263 |
| Presbyterian | 16 | 82 | 674 |
| Baptist | 16 | 62 | 772 |
| Lutheran. | 13 | 38 | 252 |
| Congregational | 9 | 64 | 347 |
| Methodist Episcopal. | 7 | 51 | 383 |
| Christian. | 3 | 4 | 31 |
| Reformed | 3 | 8 | 62 |
| United Presbyterian | 3 | 11 | 65 |
| Cumberland Presbyterian | 2 | 11 | 61 |
| Free Will Baptist ....... | 2 | 10 | 43 |
| Methodist Episcopal South | 2 | 8 | 68 |
| Unsectarian | 2 | 17 | 120 |
| Reformed (Dutch) | 2 | 5 | 40 |
| Universalist | 2 | 9 | 48 |
| African Methodist Episcopal . | 1. | 6 | 8 |
| Mennonite | 1 | 4 | 50 |
| Methodist | 1 |  | ............. |
| Moravian | 1 | 3 | 19 |
| New Jerusalent | 1 | 1 |  |
| Union Evangelical | 1 | 4 | 32 |
| Unitarian | 1 | 6 | 19 |
| United Brethren | 1 | 2 | 33 |
| Total. | 124 | 564 | 3, 965 |

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Thble XI.-Summary of statistics of schools of theology.

| States. |  | 苞00000000000 |  | Students. |  |  |  | Libraries. |  | Property, income, \&c. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Alabama | 1 | 2 |  | 18 |  | 2 | 3 | 800 |  | \$5, 000 |  |  |
| California | 2 | 12 | 2 | 14 |  |  | 3 | 7, 500 | 290 | 110, 000 | \$30, 000 |  |
| Comnecticut | 3 | 29 | 8 | 150 | 3 | 124 | 13 | 25,500 |  |  | 247, 544 | \$15, 000 |
| Georgia. | 2 | 2 |  | 85 |  |  |  | 500 | 72 | 9,000 | 21, 514 | 15,000 |
| Illinois | 13 | 51 | 19 | 376 | 30 | 75 | 65 | 50, 850 | 490 | 537, 000 | 760, 150 | 44, 350 |
| Indiana | 1 | 4 |  | 23 |  |  |  | 6,000 |  | 150,000 | 760, 150 | 44, 350 |
| Iowa. | 3 | 12 | 4 | 20 | 2 | 2 | 12 | 6, 800 | 500 | 230, 000 | 91, 000 | 6, 200 |
| Kansas | 1 | 2 |  | 4 |  |  |  | 3, 000 |  | 25, 000 | 91, 00 | 0,200 |
| Kentucky | 6 | 10 | 5 | 123 |  | 42 | 12 | 19, 600 | 2,125 | 38, 500 | 565, 884 | 31, 900 |
| Lonisiana. | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | -, 125 | 38, 500 | 505, 884 | 31, 900 |
| Maine | 2 | 9 | 8 | 66 | 0 | 18 | 3 | 19, 200 | 150 | 190, 000 | 170, 000 |  |
| Maryland.. | 5 | 20 |  | 57 |  |  | 34 | 27,061 | 355 | 72, 000 | 3,100 | 210 |
| Massachusetts | 7 | 53 | 17 | 294 | 9 | 132 | 77 | 73, 945 | 1,636 | 581, 835 | 1, 100, 712 | 81, 576 |
| Michigan | 2 | 5 | 1 | 25 |  | 2 | 3 | 1,500 | 300 |  | 1, 30,000 | $\begin{array}{r} 1,070 \\ 2,000 \end{array}$ |
| Minnesota | 3 | 15 |  | 32 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 4,500 |  | 90, 000 | 15,000 |  |
| Mississippi | 1 | 5 | 0 | 12 | 1 | 0 |  | 1,500 | 100 | 5,000 | 15,00 | 0 |
| Missouri | 4 | 13 | 2 | 57 | 1 |  | 39 | 9, 200 |  | 40,000 | 40, 000 | 2, 000 |
| Nebraska | 1 | 3 |  | 5 |  | 1 | 10 | 500 |  | 10,000 |  |  |
| New Jersey. | 4 | 35 | 21 | 287 |  | 171 | 85 | 73, 633 | 3,118 | 894, 000 | 1, 034, 275 | 62, 500 |
| New York | 13 | 63 | 24 | 692 | 15 | 300 | 201 | 94, 028 | 3,337 | 692, 500 | 1, 412, 208 | 94, 950 |
| North Carolina. | 3 | 9 |  | 75 |  | 3 | 2 | 600 | 200 | 50, 000 |  |  |
| Ohio | 14 | 58 | 17 | 351 | 6 | 99 | 97 | 63, 500 | 4, 050 | 805, 000 | 522, 000 | 61, 400 |
| Pennsylvania. | 16 | 83 | 21 | 398 | 11 | 147 | 130 | 100,555 | 2, 652 | 408, 000 | 1, 321, 922 | 83, 641 |
| South Carolina | 1 | 5 |  | 40 |  |  | 9 | 18,916 |  | 35, 000 | 1,321, 32 |  |
| Tennessee | 5 | 17 | 5 | 112 |  | 2 | 10 | 7,000 |  | 30, 000 | 660, 000 | 47, 200 |
| Texas. | 1 | 2 |  | 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Virginia .. | 5 | 17 | 9 | 205 | $\cdots$ | 61 | 36 | 23, 600 | 200 | 275, 000 | 266, 000 |  |
| Wisconsin ........... | 2 | 18 | 1 | 162 |  |  |  | 13, 000 | 1,000 | 150, 000 | 25, 000 |  |
| District of Columbia | 2 | 10 |  | 120 |  | 2 | 22 | 2, 200 |  | 40, 000 |  |  |
| Total | 124 | 564 | 164 | , 879 | 80 | 1,189 | 869 | 654, 988 | 20,575 | 5,472,835 | 8, 294, 795 | 258, 677 |

TABLE XII.-SCHOOLS OF LAW.
The following is a statement of the number of schools of law reporting to this Bureau each year from 1870 to 1877, inclusive, with the number of instructors and number of students:

|  | 1870. | 1871. | 1872. | 1873. | 1874. | 1875. | 1876. | 1877. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of institutions | 28 | 30 | 37 | 37 | 38 | 43 | 42 | 43 |
| Number of instructors. | 99 | 129 | 151 | 158 | 181 | 224 | 218 | 175 |
| Number of students | 1,653 | 1,722 | 1,976 | 2, 174 | 2, 585 | 2, 677 | 2, 664 | 2, 811 |

Table XII. - Summary of statistics of schools of law.

| States. |  |  | Students. |  |  | Libraries. |  | Property, income, \&c. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 药 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 5 5 |  |  |  |
| Alabama. | 2 | 5 | 23 | 8 | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Connecticut | 1 | 10 | 67 |  | 28 | 8, 000 | 150 |  | \$10, 000 | \$600 |  |
| Georgia. | 2 | 5 | 9 | 1 | 16 | 600 |  |  |  |  | \$415 |
| Illinois | 3 | 15 | 168 | 35 | 53 | 50 |  |  |  |  | 800 |
| Indiana... | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Iowa | 3 | 13 | 133 | 31 | 98 | 1, 964 | 104 |  |  |  | 3, 950 |
| Kentucky | 2 | 6 | 23 |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  | 60 |
| Louisiana. | 2 | 4 | 23 |  | 7 |  |  | \$15, 000 |  |  | $\stackrel{\text {-, } 500}{ }$ |
| Maryland. | 1 | 3 | 60 |  | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3, 300 |
| Massachusetts | 2 | 18 | 360 | 180 | 47 | 19,000 | 500 |  | $\alpha 51,614$ | 11, 668 | 20, 950 |
| Michigan | 1 | 5 | 385 |  | 155 |  |  |  |  |  | 8,195 |
| Missouri . | 2 | 11 | 109 |  | 144 | 3,930 | 111 |  |  |  | 4,740 |
| New York | 4 | 20 | 646 | 313 |  | 13,775 | 140 |  |  |  |  |
| North Carolina | 2 | 2 | 20 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ohio . | 2 | 6 | 120 | 1 | 29 | 1,409 | 383 |  |  |  | , 262 |
| Pennsylvania | 2 | 10 | 103 |  | 24 | 300 | 50 |  |  |  | 330 |
| South Carolina | 1 | 1 | 12 | 4 | 9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tennessee | 2 | 5 | 76 | 5 | 10 | 150 |  | 15, 000 |  |  | , 600 |
| Virginia | 2 | 10 | 137 | 5 | 27 | 3, 800 |  |  |  |  | 300 |
| Wisconsin | . 1 | 11 | 38 | 12 | 10 | 520 | 200 |  |  |  |  |
| DistrictofColumbia. | . 4 | 15 | 299 | 6 | 116 | 301 | 1 |  | 10, 000 | 600 | 81 |
| Total | 43 | 175 | 2,811 | 601 | 1,227 | 53, 799 | 1, 639 | 30,000 | 71, 614 | 12, 868 | 76, 113 |

a Also one-fourth interest in a fund of $\$ 413,092$.
TABLE XIII.-SCHOOLS OF MEDICINE.
The following is a comparative statement of the number of schools of medicine, dentistry, and pharmacy reported to the Office each year from 1870 to 1877, inclusive, with the number of instructors and students:

|  | 1870. | 1871. | 1872. | 1873. | 1874. | 1875. | 1876. | 1877. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of institutions | 63 | 82 | 87 | 94 | 99 | 106 | 102 | 106 |
| Number of instructors | 588 | 750 | 726 | 1, 148 | 1,121 | 1,172 | 1,201 | 1,278 |
| Numbe of students.. | 6,943 | 7,045 | 5, 995 | 8,681 | 9, 095 | 9,971 | 10,143 | 11,22 |

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Table XIII.-Summary of statistics of sehools of medicinc, of dentistry, and of pharmacy.


Table XIII. - Summary of statistics of schools of medicine, fe.-- Contimned.


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The friends of medical education would be surprised to learn the small number of volumes reported in medical libraries. Speeial attention to their organization, inerease, and use would not fail to add to the eompeteney and effieieney of the profession.

Too much credit camnot be given to Surgeon-General J. K. Barnes, U. S. A., and to his assistant, Surgeon J. S. Billings, U. S. A., for their efforts to organize, inerease, and catalogue the National Medieal Library at Washington, which undoubtedly has no superior. It is to be deeply regretted that the publieation of the eatalogue has been so long delayed. The be nefit of its publication to the profession, and thus to the world, will be incaleulable.
Next to the medical library opportunities in Washington are those in Philadelphia. The library of the College of Plysicians, that in 1875 numbered over 19,000 volumes, is steadily inereasing, as is also the library of the Pennsylvania Hospital, which eontained at the same time 12,500 volumes.
The medical department of the University of Pennsylvania has the benefit of a medieal library containing more than 3,000 volumes, founded by Prof. Alfred Stille.
Dr. W. H. Musscy, of Cineinnati, has done great service to the profession by eontributing to the Publie Library of Cineinnati, Ohio, the Mussey medieal eolleetion, amounting to some 5,000 books and pamphlets gathered by his father and himself.
Dr. J. M. Toner, of Washington, offers his library of 18,000 books and pamphlets, on a few apparently reasonable conditions, to the profession in the State of Illinois, to be kept in Chicago, and with it a fund of whieh the ineome would meet the expenses of an annual leeture (to be entitled the Toner Medical Lecture) on some subjeet relating to medieine.

SCHOOLS OF PHARMACY.
The responsibility of a pharmacist has been little understood. Outside of eities and villages physicians generally prepare their own prescriptions. Formerly, in many instanees, the medieal student prepared and administered the medicines for the patients of his preeeptor. The pharmaeist, in a measure, bears the same responsibility as the physieian. What the exaet share of the responsibility exereised by the apotheeary is, is reaching a elcar definition in law and in the decisions of the eourts. The sehools of pharmacy may be cxpected to emphasize this responsibility both with the manufacturer of drugs and medieines and with the dispensing pharmacist. Even the apprentiec has been held eriminally responsible in the courts. He delivered laudanum for paregorie, causing the death of an infant ehild. The judge said: "If a party is guilty of negligence, and death results, the party guilty of that negligenee is also guilty of manslaughter." Indeed, a universal appreciation of the moral responsibility of a dealer in drugs (that they should be exaetly what they are represented to be) would add greatly to the effieieney of our sehools of pharmacy.

## table xiv. - United states military and naval academies.

In Table XIV of the appendix will be found the statistics of examinations of candi. dates for admission to the United States Military and Naval Academics for the year $187 \%$.

TABLE XV.-DEGREES.
The following summary shows what degrees on graduation have been conferred in the several States by the institutions mentioned in the various statistical tables in the appendix:

Table XV.-Statistical summary of all degrees conferred.

a Includes 89 dearees not specifief.
6 Includes 2 ilegrees not specifici.
c Includes fir degrees not specificd.
ducludes 2: derrees not specifled
e Thme were also 530 graduates, upon whom in most cases diplomas were conforred.
$f$ Includes 7 degrees not specifieri.
$y$ Includes 4 leireres not sperifieri.

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Table XV.-S'atistical summary of all degrees conferred- Continued.


Table XV.-Statistical summary of all degrees conferred-Continued.


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Table XV.-Statistical summary of all degrees conferred-Continued.


Table XV．－Statistical summary of all degrecs conferred－Continued．

|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 舄 } \\ & \text { 畨 } \\ & \text { N } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | 蒔 | HOOOB |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { By } \\ & \text { 苞 } \\ & \text { 曷 } \end{aligned}$ |  | － |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | 萨 | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{0} \\ & \dot{0} \\ & \dot{0} \\ & 0 \\ & \ddot{Z} \\ & \end{aligned}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{0} \\ & \stackrel{0}{\ddot{0}} \\ & \dot{8} \\ & \underset{\sharp}{3} \end{aligned}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{array}\right\|$ |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 0 \\ 6 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| Wisconsin ． | 133 | 8 | 71 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Classical and scientific colleges． Colleges for women $\qquad$ Professional schools ．．．．．．．．．．．． | 114 12 7 |  | 59 |  | 45 |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{ll}\therefore & 2 \\ . . & \\ .\end{array}$ | ． |  |  |  |  |  |
| District of Columbia | 35 | ， | 14 | 1 |  | ．－ |  | 1 | ． |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Classical and scientific colleges <br> Colleges for women |  |  | 14 | 1 |  | ．－ |  | － | $\cdots$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Professional schools ．．．．．．．．．．．． | 5 |  |  |  |  | ．－． |  | ．． | ．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |

TAble XVI．－PUBLIC LIbraries．
Speciai improvement has been noted during the year in the use of two classes of educational libraries：（1）those in connection with colleges and universities，and（2） those connected with public schools，the improvement in both instances largely depend－ ing upon the methods and efficiency of the librarian．Public libraries have in many instances been characterized by marked increase of usefulness from the same cause． Mr．Justin Winsor＇s efforts in connection with Harvard University Library have been conspicuous in their favorable effects upon college library management generally．

1．The improvement in this department of library work is well illustrated by the fol－ lowing summary of the circulation in the library of Colby University，Waterville，Me．

Circulation of books in the library of Colby University．

| Academic jear． |  |  | Remarks． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1868－＇69 | 342 | 6.7 | Library up two flights；open twice a week；S．K．S．， librariau． |
| 1869－70 | 442 | 8.1 | Library moved to new building；students not allowed beyond an iron bar， 20 feet from the door． |
| 1870－＇71 | 636 | 12 |  |
| 1871－72 | 541 | 10.4 |  |
| 1872－＇73 | 761 | 14.6 | First assistant librarian himself took out 87 volumes； second assistant librarian himself took out 76 volumes． |
| 1873－74 | 867 | 14 | Edward W．Hall，librarian ；no assistant． |
| 1874－75 | 1，258 | 15.3 | Library open from 9 to 9.30 daily；iron bar removed， and tables instead． |
| 1875－76 | 2，021 | 22.2 | Open 9 to 9.30 ；also，Wednesday and Saturday p．m．； students freely admitted to alcoves． |
| 1876－＇77 | 2，944 | 27 | Assistant required，to charge books． |

The gratifying increase in the usefulness of the library thus shown was not at all due to any improper influence or any shortening of the time of loans which would
increase the number. It arose from the labors of the present efficient librarian (Prof. E. W. Hall) in catalogning, indexing, and making accessible the contents of the library; from his effort to procure, by gift or purchasc, desirable books actually in demand; from appointing the library hour at the close of chapel service, when the students would all be assembled near by within the building, and from throwing open the alcoves to the frce inspection of the students.
It is affirmed that there has been no trouble arising from admitting students to the shelves. Not a volume has been missed, and there is very little misplacing of books. The saving in assistants and delay in procuring books would far more than equal a loss of fifty dollars' worth of books a year.
2. The better use of books in connection with elementary and secondary schools has been aided by the efforts of intelligent teachers, who have made it their aim to acquaint themselves with the taste for reading among their pupils, and to guide it aright by suggesting authors and topics. The influence of the Library Journal and of the conferences of librarians has contributed greatly to the increased efficiency of libraries as a means of education.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS.
The following is taken from the report of the librarian, Mr. A. R. Spofford, for the year 1877:

Extent of the collection.-Rapid progress in the growth of the library and all its intcrests, except the provision of adequate space for its fast accumulating treasures, has characterized the year just closed. The number of readers has becn far greater than cver before, the majority of whom are serious students in quest of authorities and information, and it is at times impossible to furnish adequate accommodations, within the narrow space at command, both for the readers and for the members of Congress themselves.
The enumeration of books January 1, 1878, exhibits an aggregate of 331,118 volumes and about 110,000 pamphlets. Of the books, no less than 39,796 belong to the law department of the library. At the date of the last annual report the library contained 311,097 volumes. The increase during the last year was thus 20,021 volumes, derived from the following specific sources, namely:

|  | Books. | Pamphlets. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| By purchase | 7,682 | 849 |
| By copyright. | 8,952 | 5,340 |
| By deposit of the Smithsonian Institution | 2, 231 | 2,184 |
| By donation (including State documents) | 1, 030 | 320 |
| By exchange | 126 | 655 |
| Total | 20, 021. | 9, 348 |

To this should be added maps and charts, to the number of 2,622, acquired during the year 1877.
Copyrights.-There were entered, during the calcndar ycar 1877, 15,758 publications, as against 14,882 for the year preceding, 1876. ${ }^{1}$ This is an increase over the preceding year of 876 publications. The aggregate of copyright fees paid into the Treasury

[^21]amounted to $\$ 13,076$. The deposits of publications protected by copyright, under the law requiring that two copies of caeh book or other publication entered be transmitted to the Librarian of Congress, show the following result for the year under the various designations of articles which are lawful subjects of copyright:
Books ..... 8, 952
Periodicals. ..... 5, 710
Drat ..... 153
Photographs ..... 1, 688
Engravings and chromos ..... 2,296
Haps, charts, and drawings ..... 154
Designs
27,958

As two copies of each publieation are deposited, the net additions to the eollections of copyright material in the library foot up 13,979 articles, of whieh 4,476 are separate books, besides a still greater number of periodicals.
New cataloguc.-The printing of the new general catalogue of the library, so long ready for the press, is now proceeding. This catalogue will embraec the titles of all the works in the library up to 1877, including both books and pamphlets. The arrangement will be that most generally approved, by authors' names in a single alphabet. Embodying as it will the titles of a larger collection of English and Ameriean literature, to say nothing of other languages, than has ever been embraced in the printed eatalogue of any existing library in a single alphabet, it is hoped that it may be found a work of reference of the highest utility to all.
Index to the documents, debatcs, and laus of Congress.-This work, embracing as it does the contents of over 1,500 volumes, is one of such magnitude as to require the most careful application both of industry and of time to the work involved. There have already been indexed the Annals of Congress, 42 volumes; the Register of Debates, 29 volumes; nearly the whole of the Congressional Globe and the Congressional Record, 135 volumes; with 18 volumes of the Statutes at Large, up to the last Congress. There still remain to be indexed a great proportion of the executive and other documents of Congress. Meanwhile there has been offered to the Committee on the Library, on certain conditions as to printing, the index of documents alone, prepared in manuseript by the officers of the Boston Publie Library and assumed to be approximately complete. With a view to avoid delay, the librarian recommends that the Library Committec consider the expediency of acecpting these already prepared materials for an index, with such revision and additions as may be found important, the whole to be printed in one alphabet, with the index to the debates of Congress and the laws. Under cach topic of legislation there ean then be traced its history, with complete referenees to its discussion in both houses of Congress, to all reports or documents bearing thereon, and to the laws affecting the subjeet, in chronological order.

Documents relating to French discoveries and explorations. - During the year, the second volume of the publication of original historieal documents exhibiting the Freuch discoveries and explorations in the northwestern regions of the United States and on the Mississippi has been received from Paris, and the third volume approaches completion. The recommendation is renewed that as the cost to the Government of caeh set of this work in six volumes is about twenty dollars and as the edition is small (being only 500 copies), the librarian be authorized to exchange copies of the work with historical societies and other libraries for books, periodieals, and pamphlets, deemed of equal value, to enrich the collections of Congress. The great interest and value of the letters and papers embodied in this collcction, as throwing light upon the aboriginal tribes and pioncer settlements in what are now great and populous Comnonwealths, fully vindicate the wisdom of Congress in making the moderate appropriation necessary for this publieation.
Ricsolves, ordinances, and acts of the Continental Congress and the Congress of the Confederation. - The librarian was charged by act of March 3, 1877, with the editing and preparation for the press of the resolves, ordinances, and acts of the Continental Congress and the Congress of the Confederation, "to be taken from the journals." After'a thorough examination of the printed journals, in thirteen volunics, and a careful comparison of them with the original manuseript jounnals of the Congress, prescrved in thirty-nine volumes in the Department of State, the librarian found that such large and important omissions had been made in printing these inestimable records of our early political history as to justify him in suspending any atrempt at a selection or a fragmentary publication from the journals until Congress should be consulted as to the expediency of printing the originals in finl.
County and town histories. - Under the joint resolution of March 13, 1876, and the proclamation of May 25, of the same year, reeommending that the several countics and towns in the United States cause to be prepared a historical sketch of each county

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or town from its foundation to the year 1876, and that a copy in print or manuscript be filed in the Library of Congress, there have been received up to date two hundred and twenty-five historical memorials, which are carefully laid aside and catalogued for binding and preservation. While it may be regretted that the suggestion of Congress has not been to a larger extent complied with, no such contribution to our historical literature ean be wholly without benefit.

New building for the library.- -The librarian renews, for the sixth time, his earnest appeal to the judgment and patriotism of Congress, that this body will no longer permit the great collection of literature and art confided to its eare to suffer injury and loss in its present narrow and ineonvenient quarters. The space which five years ago was too small for the library is now, through the aecumulation of nearly one hundred thousand additional volumes, utterly inadequate not only to store the books, pamphlets, maps, charts, engravings, and other works of art, but it is at times uncomfortably crowded by those persons landably seeking to make the best use of its rich and overflowing stores. A new library building has beeome a positive and immediate necessity to furnish room for the readers, to say nothing whatever of room for the books, nearly seventy thousand volumes of which are now piled upon the floors in all directions.
library of the office.
The increase of the library in books and pamphlets relating to education is highly gratifying. The removal, however, to other quarters has been very damaging to it as well as to other office material. The value of the library and the demands upon it in the offiee work have become so great that I have withdrawn from other important work one of the clerks best informed in library matters, to arrange, classify, and catalogue the material already collected, in order that it may be more available for use in the investigations of the Office or of visitors.

Closely eonnected with the library are the collections of educational applianees. Often the sight of the plan of a building, or of an article of edueational apparatus, will furnish a basis of judginent more correct than could be obtained from any deseription in words. The collection of these plans and appliances from foreign countries in the possession of the Office is already valuable. Indeed, a visitor may now obtain from the library and museum together information the acquisition of which might otherwise involve extensive travel.

Table XVI.-Summary of statistics of additional public libraries for 1877.

| States. |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Volumes issued during last } \\ \text { library year. } \end{gathered}$ |  | Total yearly income. | Yearly expenditures. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| California. | 1 | 734 | 36 | 1,650 |  | \$384 | \$18 | \$362 |
| Connecticut. | 2 | 929 | 67 | 2,800 |  | 430 | 80 | 212 |
| Illinois | 4 | 6, 959 | 2, 565 | 16,006 | \$64, 000 | 5, 089 | 649 | 1,583 |
| Iowa. | 4 | 7, 067 | 2,086 | 5,342 | 500 | 2, 002 | 865 | 1, 081 |
| Kansas | 2 | 2, 952 | 390 | 17, 419 |  | 680 | 300 |  |
| Maine | 3 | 649 | 89 | 2,225 |  | 62 | 114 |  |
| Maryland. | 1 | 2, 800 |  |  | 0 | 315. | 165 | 150 |
| Massachusetts | 11 | 11, 844 | 2,384 | a5, 750 | 7,000 | 43, 314 | 3,590 | 20,307 |
| Michigan | 2 | 2,841 | 3 | 9,772 |  | 708 | 252 | 266 |
| New Hampshire | 1 |  |  |  | 1,000 |  |  |  |
| New Jersey. | 4 | 12, 603 | 232 | 12, 401 | 32, 200 | 4, 199 | 3,010 | 19,900 |
| New York | 1 | 5, 963 |  |  | 30,000 | 2,115 |  | 800 |
| Ohio | 2 | b338 | 347 |  |  | 400 | 100 | 275 |
| Pennsylvania | 4 | 6,505 | 3, 168 | 11,389 | 6,300 | 4,400 | 2,148 | 2, 022 |

$b$ Only 1 reporting this item.

Table XVI.--Summary of statistics of additional public libraries for 1877 - Contimned.

| States. |  | Number of volumes. |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Amount of permanent } \\ & \text { fund. } \end{aligned}$ |  | Yearly expend. ditures. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rhode Island | 1 | 12, 172 | 1,865 | 31, 768 | \$92, 750 |  |  |  |
| Tennessee | 1 | 1,678 | 1,678 | 410 |  | \$210 | \$172 | \$2, 405 |
| Vermont. | 3 | 2, 920 | 557 | 5,232 | 4,000 | 3,370 | 1,463 | 1,009 |
| Wisconsin | 1 | 2, 563 | 635 | 19, 440 | 0 | 1,726 | 875 | 579 |
| Total | 48 | 81, 577 | 16,102 | 141, 604 | 237, 750 | 69, 410 | 13, 802 | 50, 951 |

In order to make the statistical information in regard to public libraries as complete as possible for those who receive this report and did not receive the report for 1876, the following table is here reprinted:

Statistics of additional public libraries numbering each 300 volumes or upvards
[Returns from the libraries named in this table were received

${ }^{1}$ Public Librarics in the United States: Their History, Condition, and Management. Part I. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Education. Washington, 1876.
$a$ Volumes and pamphlets.
$b$ Total increase in last year in volumes and pamphlets.
for 1876; from replies to inquiries by the Enited States Bureau of Education.
after the publication of the Special Report on Public Libraries. $]^{1}$


Statistics of additional public libraries numbering each


300 volumes or upwards for 1876, \&c.-Concluded.

$f$ Volumes and pamphlets; the library also contains about 1,000 manuscripts.

Statistics of additional public libraries numbering each

$a$ Estimated.

300 volumes or upwards for 1876, fe. - Continued.

$b$ Not yet open; building not completed. .

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Adding the totals of the two preceding summaries to the statistics of the Special Report on Public Libraries, published by this Burcau in 1876 (see also the Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1875, p. cvii), we have the following aggregates for the 3,771 public libraries now reported:
Total number of volumes
Total yearly additions ( 1,592 libraries repurting)
$12,458,050$
Total yearly use of books ( 811 libraries reporting) 457, 824

Total amount of permanent fund (1,746 libraries reporting)
Total amount of yearly income (919 libraries reporting)
9, 206, 782

Total yearly expenditures for books, periodicals, and binding ( 843 libraries \$6, 761, 497 reporting).

1, 399, 113 586, 279
Total yearly expenditures for salaries and incidental expenses (711 libra742,275 ries reporting).

It should be noted, however, that the figures for these items are but approximately true for the libraries of the country, inasmuch as they do not include the very considerable increase of the 3,647 libraries embraced in the Special Report on Public Libraries or the incrcase of the 76 libraries embraced in the Commissioncr's Report for 1876, from the dates thereof to the present time.

EARLY AMERICAN LIBRARIES.
The Special Report on Public Libraries, chapter I, contains historical sketches of most of the important libraries formed in the colonial period. Sketches of a few additional libraries cstablished before the Revolution were given in my last annual report. To these should be added the following bricf notices of early subscription or social libraries at Concord, Mass., and Brookfield, Mass.

Concord.-"There is a pretty library belonging to a company, the books of which were raised by subscription."-(A topographical description of the town of Concord, Mass., in 1792. In the Massachusctts Historical Society's Collections, first series, vol. 1.)
Brookficld. -"Several gentlemen of learning, taste, and benevolence among us are endeavoring to promote and encourage improvements, and a social library is beginning to exist in the first precinct."-(A description of the town of Brookfield * * * in addition to the account which is given in the Historical Discourse (A. D. 1775) relative to the Settlcment of Brookfield of the Rev. Dr. Fiske. In the Massachusetts Historical Society's Collections, first series, vol. 1.)

TABLE XVII.-SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF AND DUMB.
American philanthropists and educators may fitly congratulate themselres that our nation was the first to provide deaf-mutes with collegiate or superior instruction.

The National Deaf-Mute College at Washington is doing excellent work in all its dcpartments. It has already furnished well trained deaf-mutes to scveral of the State institutions in which elementary and secondary instruction is imparted. This coürdination in the responsibility of deaf-mute instruction is having a most beneficial effect upon the several institutions engaged in the work.

Table XVII.-Summary of statistics of institutions for the deaf and dumb.

$b$ Including those in the departments for the blind. c Since reorganization in 1871.

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Table XVII.-Summary of statistics of institutions for the deaf and dumb-Continued.


$a$ Including departments for the blind.
$b$ For salaries and contingent expenses; $\$ 150$ are allowed for each pupil in attendance.
$c$ Current expenditure for both departments; excludes expenditure for building.
$d$ From Stato tax.
$e$ Includes $\$ 20,500$ for special purposes.
$f$ Includes $\$ 20,000$ for building.
$g$ Also $\$ 7,383$ from countics.
$h$ Partially from other sourees.
iCongressional appropriation, of which $\$ 69,525$ were for building.

The deaf-mute instruetor is neeessarily a "specialist." To bring an unfortunato pupil, hitherto isolated and expressionless, into intelligent communication with the world is the obligation that rests upon him. Naturally, "What language slall bo employed?" becomes the question of questions in his work. That aceumulation of reeorded experiments which furnishes the ordinary teacher a practieal test of every theory upon any matter of his profession is of little advantage in deaf-mute instruction, whieh belongs virtually to the present day. Fortunately, however, the teachers engaged in the work have established the freest interehange of opinion and experience, so that whatever is gained by one beeomes immediately available for all; the most important means of this interehange are the "eonventions." The prominence given to the discussion of methods in the biennial eonvention of the Empire State Association of Deaf-Mutes, held at Elmira, N. Y., in September, 1877, and in the Conferenee of English Instructors, London, July, 1877, must be attributed not merely to the importance of the subjeet, but, in some degree, to the impulse imparted to language study in general through the labors of specialists, to the increased attention given to vocal culture in ordinary sehools, and to the experiments made by Edison and Bell in the hope of devising some apparatus for the assistance of the deaf.
From reports of twenty-six institutions in our own country it appears that the sign language is taught in all, while fifteen employ also articulation teachers; and three, viz, the Institution for the Improved Instruction of Deaf-Mutes, of New York, the Clarke Institution for Deaf-Mutes, at Northampton, Mass., and the Horace Mann School for the Deaf (formerly the Boston Day School for Deaf-Mutes), make artieulation a specialty. In short, the sehools in our country are not limited to either system, but endeavor to take advantage of both.
The following considerations, taken from an artiele by Dr. I. L. Peet, in the last annual report of the New York Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb, embody the reasons that have led American instructors generally to prefer the manual method for the instruetion of deaf-mutes as a class:

1. All the eases of success that have been so marked as to attract pullie attention, either at home or abroad, in the more reeent or more remote periods of the existenco of the art, from Bonet to Bell, have been the results of devoted individual attention.
2. The underlying principle eontrolling all theories, methods, and regulations in organized sehools which have grown out of public and private benefieenee should be "the greatest good to the greatest number."
3. With the loss of hearing as the receptive faculty comes the loss of speeeh as the expressive. The eongenital deaf-mute naturally thinks in pietures. Pietorial forms, therefore, constitute his method of expression. Then, as alphabetie language beeomes the vehicle of his thoughts, he is in possession of that mode which constitutes at present the most important feature in the eommeree of ideas.
4. That instruetion in articulation has the effect of retarding the acquisition of alphabetic language, and of detracting from the vigor of mind essential thereto, is apparent when'we consider (a) that the pupil does not, as in either of the other methods of expression, have an appreciative consciousness of the effect he is producing; (b) that the methods employed to impart skill in articulation are burdensome to both teacher and pupil; (c) that it consumes a great deal of time that ean ill be spared from the more important work of beeoming familiar with the hidden meaning and idiomatie use of words and phrases; and (d) that in the most satisfactory eases it does not facilitate the enjoyment by the deaf-mute of mixed soeiety.
For both the semi-deaf and semi-mutes Dr. Peet, in the artiele quoted, strongly advocates articulation. The advantages of the artieulation system were presented very clearly before the eonference in London by Mr. B. S. Ackers, whose exhaustive study of all systems is due to the sad circumstance of the deafness of his own daughter. Through the devoted efforts of Mr. Aekers, a training school for artieulatiou teaehers is soon to be opened in England. The school will be under the charge of Mr. A. A. Kinsey, who spent twelve months in Germany studying the methods of the best articulating sehools, and subsequently visited the leading institutions of this country and studied Professor Bell's system of "visible speech."
In Spain and Italy remarkable sucecss has attended instruetion in artieulation, as is set forth in an artiele by Don Carlos Nebréda y Lopez, director of the National College

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for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind at Madrid, which was read before the second convention of articulation teachers, held at Worcester, Mass., in 1874, and in an article by Rev. Giulio Tarra, in the report of the committee for the education of poor deafmutes in the province of Milan, Italy, for the year 1874-'75. In this institution only "the pure oral intuitive method" is employed; Rev. Giulio Tarra is the principal.
The question of the relative importance of the sign language, the manual alphabet, and articulation has entered this ycar largely into all the literature of deaf-mute education. In the January and April numbers of the American Annals appeared the translation of an article by Maxime Du Camp, entitled "The National Institution at Paris," which article was published originally in the Revue des Dcux Mondes. The writer raises decided objection to both the manual alphabet and articulation methods. His objections to the latter are ably met in a work entitled "Quelques mots sur la méthode d'articulation," by J. Hugentobler, director of the Institution for Deaf-Mutes at Lyons. The subject is also fully discussed in the report prepared for the Massachusetts exhibit in the Philadelphia Exhibition.

The course of study in the deaf-mute institutions in the various States corresponds to that in the public schools, with the addition of industrial training. The necessity of the latter is too evident to admit of discussion, but a perplexity has arisen therefrom: it frequently happens that, as soon as the poorer parents find their children able to earn even a pittance, they keep them from school to secure their slight assistance. The difficulty is not easily met; on the one hand are the positive needs of the parents, on the other is the permanent injury to the children and to socicty. It is one of the many conditions bearing upon the question of compulsory education.

The subject of church work among the deaf and dumb was selected for discussion by the managing committee of the Church Congress held at Staffordshire, England, October 6, 1875. Two able papers were read: one by Rev. Samuel Smith, chaplain of the Royal Association in Aid of the Deaf and Dumb, London; the other by Dr. D. Buxton, F. R. S. L. They set forth the history of the efforts since 1822 , the increase of public interest, and the gradual systematizing of this branch of christian activity. Recent accounts indicate an advance since 1875.

The report for 1876 of the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes in our own country shows that in spite of commcrcial embarrassments the year was a successful one for this enterprise. The Philadelphia mission, under the immediate direction of Rev. H. W. Syle, has proved very efficient. Peculiar interest attaches to this branch of the mission from the fact that Rev. H. W. Syle was ordained a deacon in the Protestant Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, October 8, 1876, which is supposed to be the first instance in the history of the world of the admission to holy orders of a person deprived of hearing and speech. On the 25th of January, 1877, Mr. A. W. Mann was ordained in Grace Church, Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Mann continucs to labor among the deaf-mutes of the West, under the dircction of the Church Mission.
The records of the various institutions for deaf-mutes present the fullest data attainable concerning the causes of deafncss and of mutencss, and are attracting the careful attention of social scientists; thus the work undertaken for a limited class has its reflex influcnec upon society in general.

## TABLE XVIII. - SCHOOLS FOR THE BLIND.

Additional statistics in reference to schools for the blind will be found in Table XVIII of the appendix.

Table XVIII.-Summary of statistics of sehools for the blind.

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| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |

$a$ For both departments.
$b$ Only one institution reported this item. c Reported with deaf and dumb department. (See Table XVLI and summary.)

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Table XVIII. - Summary of statistics of schools for the blind-Continued.


It cannot be doubted that the work of the educator is too much removed from public notice, isolated from popular sympathy as if still doomed to the traditional obscurity of the cloister. If this is true of education in gencral, how much more so of the efforts made to train the unfortunate classes. We raise imposing structures and multiply ingenious apparatus for the deaf and blind, but the laborious process which gives them purpose we neglect.

> We slight the precious kernel of the stone, And toil to polish its rough coat alone.

Public men may do much to discourage such indifference and, by the example of their personal attention, draw to the work the public interest for which it languishes.

The immediate advantage of such direct notice on the part of representative men is forcibly suggested by the visit of the President of the United States and party to the Kentucky Institution for the Blind at Louisville. Everything had been done to give full expression to the spirit of the occasion. It was not simply that the school was in holiday attire and that voices and instruments made joyous melody, but the importance of the visit naturally prompted a retrospect of the cause represented - an exercise always inspiriting, and doubly so when the work reviewed is noble in its purpose but necessarily drudging in its methods.

In his address of welcome, President Bell called attention to the following interesting particulars of the history of instruction for the blind: One hundred years have not elapsed since Valentin Haiiy opened the first school for the blind in Paris. His discovery that the tactile sense in the fingers could be converted into an excellent substitute for eyes and his later discovery of how to make embossed letters, lie at the foundation of all useful means for instructing the blind. Institutions for the blind made slow progress in Europe, but they have multiplied rapidly in the United States, numbering at present twenty-nine, of which six are under the superintendence of blind men. Mr. Bell also briefly outlined the work of the American Printing House for the Blind, the only chartered institution for printing for the blind in the world. It is much the largest in its productions and much the most varied in the character of its works, being the only printing establishment of its kind in the world that runs its press by steam. The press was invented for this company, and has no equal; the devices for work are unique. When the enterprise began, the price of stereotyping was
$\$ 5$ a is done at a cow, through the inventions of the superintendent, Mr. Huntoon, the work room for storage.
In response the President expressed his hearty appreciation of the general work and of the prosperity of this individual institution, and was turning to introduce a gentleman of the Cabinet when Professor Huntoon led forth a little blind boy, scarcely more than an infant in years, who presented a bouquet to Mrs. Hayes. The incident gave touching emphasis to the meaning of the assembly. The members of the Cabinet present, Secretaries McCrary, Key, and Evarts, expressed in turn their pleasure on the occasion. Mr. Evarts said: "Almost all that the world see with their eyes, in order that they may comprehend with their minds, you succeed in comprehending with your mind through the arts and skill, the patience and love, of your more fortunate fellowcitizens; there is some reason why the reflections, the sentiments, the opinious, and declarations of the blind may give some instruction to those whose eyes are often misled in the glare of the sunshine and open day."

## table XIX.-GIFTS AND BEQUESTS TO EDUCATION.

The following summaries show for what objects, to what kinds of institutions, and educational purposes in $187 \%$.

The amount is nearly one million seven hundred thousand dollars less than that for 1876. Here the influences of the business depression and probably of the recent exciting political contest over the Presidency are shown.

Of the total amount, nearly one million three hundred thousand dollars were given to universities and colleges, and about six hundred and fifty thousand dollars to scientific and professional schools. Of this latter amount, schools of law received only $\$ 10,000$, and medical schools only $\$ 22,000$.

Table XIX.-Statistical summary of benefactions for 1877, by States.

| States and Territories. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { تूं } \\ & \text { Hै } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alabama.. | \$10, 600 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arkansas ..... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| California ... | 53, 639 | \$2, 139 |  | \$10, 000 |  |  |  |
| Colorado | 3,000 | 2, 000 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Connecticut. | 105, 078 | 27,301 |  |  | \$10, 000 | \$5, 000 |  |
| Delaware..... | 6, 100 |  |  |  |  |  | \$5, 000 |
| Florida. ................ | 300 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Georgia | 39, 290 | 2n, 000 | \$5, 200 |  |  |  |  |
| Illinois. | 140, 925 | 53, 091 | 724 | 20,300 |  |  |  |
| Indiana | 109, 200 | 4, 200 | 105, 000 |  |  |  |  |
| Iowa. | 75, 965 | 45, 291 |  | 3,250 |  |  |  |
| Kansas. | 8,400 | 8,400 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kentucky | 53, 400 | 11, 450 |  | 24, 750 |  |  | 7,700 |
| Louisiana | 60, 240 | 60, 000 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maine. | 72, 800 | 1,500 |  | 6,300 |  |  | ${ }^{\text {- } 50,000}$ |
| Maryland |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Massachusetts | 321, 847 | 233, 839 | 6,000 | 600 |  |  | 17, 000 |
| Michigan | 18, 036 | 17, 264 |  |  |  | 127 | - |
| Minnesota. | 40,193 | 2, 140 |  | 19, 053 |  |  |  |
| Mississippi. | 2, 373 |  |  | 1,500 |  |  |  |
| Missouri | 183, 003 | 117,440 | 41,000 |  |  | 2, 000 | 20,000 |
| Nebraska | 5,550 | 5,550 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nevada .. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New Hampshire. | 46, 850 | 15,000 |  |  |  |  | 11, 000 |
| New Jersey | 404, 119 |  | 2,900 | 257, 519 |  |  |  |
| New York. | 393, 787 | 182, 307 | ........ | 30, 892 | 150 | 8,697 | 4, 936 |
| North Carolina..... | 3, 620 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ohio.... | 192, 402 | 137, 619 |  | 2,400 |  | 6,400 | 35, 640 |
| Oregon ....... | 11, 750 | 1, 000 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Penusylvania. | 196, 866 | 144, 100 | 1,500 | 30, 039 |  |  |  |
| Rhode Island. | 117,750 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| South Carolina ............ | 43, 728 | 15,000 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tennessee. | 18, 531 | 7,360 | .... | 376 |  |  |  |
| Texas. | 27, 060 | 25,000 |  |  |  |  | 2,000 |
| Vermont | 22,776 |  |  |  |  |  | 10,600 |
| Virginia.. | 169, 081 | 130, 000 | 38,881 |  | 200 |  |  |
| West Virginia. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wisconsin.. | 25,839 | 5,000 |  |  |  |  | 100 |
| District of Columbia | 150 |  |  |  |  | 150 | ......... |
| Utah | 31, 008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Washington. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total. | 3, 015, 256 | 1, 273, 991 | 201, 205 | 415, 979 | 10,350 | 22,374 | 163, 976 |

Table XIX.-Statistical summary of benefactions, by States - Continued.


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Table XIX.-Statistical summary of benefactions to institutions of various linds for 1877Continued.

| Institutions. | ig Hid |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Fellowships, scholar- } \\ & \text { ships, and prizes. } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Universities and collcges... | \$1, 273, 991 | \$664, 700 | \$220, 241 | \$202, 800 | \$30, 900 | \$63, 100 | \$86, 250 |
| Sehools of science.. | 201, 205 | 176, 365 | 10, 468 |  | 13, 648 |  | 724 |
| Schools of theology | 415, 979 | 246, 222 | 110, 943 | 20,592 | 20, 205 | 7, 727 | 1,200 |
| School of law | 10,350 | 200 |  |  | + 150 | 7, | 10,000 |
| Schools of medicine | 22,374 | 20,247 | 2,127 |  |  |  |  |
| Institutions for the superior instruction of women. | 163, 976 | 130, 200 | 28, 212 |  | 1,200 |  | 4,364 |
| Preparatory schools........ | 171, 118 | 113, 358 | 55, 935 |  | 1,055 |  |  |
| Institutions for secondary instruction. | 432, 557 | 301, 488 | 116, 758 |  | 2,880 | 10,636 | 795 |
| Libraries . | 268, 939 |  | 5,510 |  |  |  |  |
| Institutions for the deaf and dumb. | 54, 767 | 51, 767 |  |  |  |  | $3,000$ |
| Total. | 3, 015, 256 | 1, 704, 547 | 556, 194 | 223, 392 | 79, 128 | 81, 463 | 370, 532 |

## TABLE XX. - EDUCATIONAL PUBLICATIONS.

The following is a summary of the selected list of books published during the year 1877 which forms Table XX of the appendix to this report. To many persons this book list, appearing year by year, has proved of great value as a guide to reading and private study. It will also be found a useful purchasing list for the numerous small libraries which are springing up so abundantly since the publication of the Special Report on Public Libraries by this Office in 1876.

## Table XX.-Summary of the number of educational publications.

Number of firms in -
California ................................. 2
Connecticut................................ 2
Illinois
5
Kentucky
1
Maryland
1
Massachusetts
18
Michigan.................................. 2
Missouri
2
New Hampshire ......................... 2
New York .................................. 46
Ohio ......................................... 6
Pennsylvania ............................. 13
Tennessee .................................. 1
Virginia..................................... 3
Wisconsin ................................. 1
District of Columbia .................... 1
Total
106

Number of books on -
Archæology, fine arts, and music... 25
Bibliography and literature ......... 50
Dictionaries and encyclopædias.... 9
Education................................ 42
General science.......................... 38
Geography ................................ 6
History .................................... 39
Language ................................. 44
Law ........................................ 15
Mathematics ............................ 34
Mechanics and physics ............... 20
Medicine and surgery ................. 30
Natural history .......................... 22
Philosophy and logic .................. 13
Political and social science ........... 12
Theology and religion ............... 32
Total ............................. 431

## TABLE XXI．－SCHOOLS FOR THE FEEBLE－MINDED．

Eleven schools for feeble－minded children report 355 instructors and 1，781 pupils，an average of five to the teacher．

This fact alone is significant of the peculiarly difficult nature of the work．Noth－ ing but unfailing interest and unflagging industry can accomplish much．

Table XXI．－Summary of statistics of schools for feeble－minded youth．

| 。 | Name． |  | Num 島 | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{0} \\ & \text { 息 } \\ & \text { En } \end{aligned}$ | in． <br>  |  | $\dot{\circ}$ O O | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{0} \\ & \text { 号 } \\ & \text { 惐 } \\ & \text { 苚 } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Connecticut School for Imbeciles． | 12 | 48 | 36 | 84 |  | \＄14， 975 | \＄14， 975 |
| 2 | Illinois Asylum for Feeble－minded Children | 50 | 103 | 79 | 182 | 204 | 58，000 | 58， 000 |
| 3 | Towa Asylum for Feeble－minded Children．．．．．．． | 16 | 62 | 38 | 100 | 2 | 15，000 | 18， 000 |
| 4 | Kentucky Institution for Educating Feoble． minded Children． | 22 | 67 | 60 | 127 |  | 26，000 | 26， 000 |
| 5 | Private Institution for the Education of Feeble－ minded Youth（Barre，Mass．）． |  | 57 | 19 | 76 | 128 |  | 36， 485 |
| 6 | Massachusetts School for Idiotic and Feeble－ minded Youth． | 21 | 53 | 35 | 88 |  | 25，000 | 25， 000 |
| 7 | Hillside School for Backward and Feeble Chil－ dren（Fayville，Mass．）． | 9 4 | 8 88 | 1 61 | 9 149 | 10 53 |  |  |
| 8 | Idiot Asylum，Randall＇s Island，N．Y | 4 56 | 88 148 | 61 119 | 149 267 | 53 | 46，810 | 47，987 |
| 9 | New York Asylum for Idiots $\qquad$ Olio State Asylum for Idiots $\qquad$ | r6 | 148 271 | 180 | 451 | 201 | 79， 178 | 77， 583 |
| 11 | Pennsylvania Training School for Feeble－ minded Children． | 61 | 147 | 101 | 248 | 458 | 57， 535 | 52， 725 |
|  |  | 355 | 1， 052 | 729 | 1，781 | 1，056 | 322，498 | 350， 541 |

TABLE XXII．－SUMMARY OF PATENTS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN SCHOOL FURNITURE．
The following summary shows the patents granted by the Government for inventions of school furniture and appliances during the year：

Table XXII．－Summary of patents for improvements in school furniture．
From Connecticut
From New York ..... 18
Ohio ..... 4
Pennsylvania ..... 3
Tennessee ..... 1
Virginia ..... 1
Wisconsin ..... 4
District of Columbia ..... 1
Foreign ..... 3
Total ..... 58

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Table XXII.-Summary of patents for improvements in school furniture-Continued.

Improvements in-
Adding machine .......................... 1
Adding pencil ............................... 1
Apparatus for teaching arithmetic.... 1
Apparatus for teaching spelling ...... 1
Attachment to parallel rulers ......... 1
Blackboard ............................... 1
Blackboard eraser . ....................... 1
Blackboard rubber......................... 1
Book-cover protector .................... 1
Blotter and ruler combined.............. 1
Chart for object teaching .............. 1
Combination writing instrument ...... 1
Combined blotter and paper clip..... 1
Combined blotting pad and ruler..... 1
Combined eraser and pencil ........... 1
Combined erasive tip and pencil-point 1 protector.
Combined pencil holder and sharpener. 1
Combined pencil sharpener and point- 1 protector.
Combined slate and book carrier ...... 1
Combined slate and scholar's com- 1 panion.
Copybook .................................... 1
Copying book ............................. 1
Device for teaching musical transposi- 1 tion.
Device for teaching penmanship...... 1
Draughtsman's instrument .............. 1
Drawing slate............................. 1
Educational appliance ................... 1
Educational globe ........................ 1

Educational toy .......................... 1
Folding seat for school desks.......... 1
Fountain pen............................. 1
Fountain pen holder ..................... 1
Galvanic battery ......................... 1
Geographical clock ...................... 1
Gymnastic apparatus ................... 1
Orthographic and numerical frame... 1
Paint pencil or crayon. ................ 1
Paper folder and cutter................. 1
Parallel ruler.............................. 1
Pencil sharpener.......................... 1
Pen-holding pencil-point protector ... 1
Scholar's companion .................... 1
School chart................................. 1
School desk ................................ 1
School desk and settee.................. 1
School desk seat........................... 1
School furniture ............................ 1
School slate ................................ 1
Slate ........................................... 1
Slate cleaner ............................... 1
Slate frame................................. 1
Slate-frame attachment ................. 1
Slatepencil sharpener ..................... 1
Student's chair .......................... 1
Ventilation and disinfection of build- 1 ings.
Ventilator for building................... 1
Writing desk ................................ 1
Writing ink ............................... 1
Total.............................. $\overline{58}$

## EDUCATION IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

The documents and publications relating to education in foreign countries form a separate part of the library of the Office under the charge of the translator. The papers and periodicals received from other countries may be tabulated as follows:


This gives, on the average of 26 working days to a month, about 116 pages a day which the translator must carefully examine, making necessary notes and abstracts; and, if the English matter be deducted, a daily average of 72 pages of matter in other languages.

This statoment, however, includes neither reports nor documents coming into the Office; what these add to the translator's work may be illustrated by a single example: during the month of October the Office received fiftcen reports and treatises on education, filling 2,360 pages. These were written in German, Spanish, Italian, English, Dutch, and Latin, and embodied discussions and historical statements of great importance.

I here present a synopsis of educational facts drawn from the various periodicals, reports, and documents which have been received from forcign countries.

## I.-Europe.

AUstria-Hungary. - a. Austria, constitutional monarchy: Area, 115,905 square miles; population, 21,505,435. Capital, Vienna; population, 1,020,770. Minister of public instruction, C. von Stremayr. Austria had, in 1875, 15,166 elementary schools, 235 of which were highcr elementary schools; the lower elementary schools were attended by $2,065,100$ pupils and the higher by 69,583 . Only 66 per cent. of the school population receivo instruction. The number of school rooms in Austria is 25,872, or less than two for each school-house.
Industrial schools.-Austria began the organization of industrial instruction at a later day than Germany, but she has developed it rapidly and with extraordinary success. While ranking among the first nations in Europe for the encouragement given to polytechnic education, Austria had no industrial school for the people. Establishments in the country were greatly in want of foremen. This stirred up public opinion to such a degree that the government had to establish a system of institutions for imparting instruction in trades and business to a large number of workmen and their children. The Realschulen were at first reorganized in such a way as to lead from polytechnic training to the higher special industries. Then, below the Realschulen designed for the middle class, schools were established more popular in character and more specially industrial, adapted to prepare foremen for different important
branches of industry. Some of merely review the ordinary brance these are reviow schools (Fortbildungsschulen), and tical application, or impart this knowledge in conncction with a more special course of preparation for apprenticeship; others devote themselves exclusively to preparation for apprenticeship, and still others assume as a preliminary an apprenticeship to some trade or branch of business.
Austria possesses three higher schools for weaving at Vienna, Reichenberg, and Brünn ; 23 lower schools for weaving, 2 schools for lace making, a school and workshop for the whole group of mechanical industries at Klagenfurt, a school for building at Vienna, a special school for watchmaking at Vienna, and 15 schools for giving instruction in the arts of working in wood, marble, and ivory, 6 for instruction in making toys, 4 for instruction in making baskets and mats, and 7 for instruction in making arms and other articles of metal. Several of these institutions have been acknowledged a public benefit by the rural population of the empire. The schools for teaching woodcarving, for instance, have created a now kind of business in the mountainous districts of Bohemia, Austrian Silesia, and Moravia, where great quantities of cheap toys for children are manufactured. Even among the schools that give instruction in woodwork only, each is required by the government to specialize sufficiently to accommodate itself to the particular needs and resources of the region in which it is situated. In the Tyrol, the school of sculpture at Imst is specially designed to develop artistic cabinct work and ornamental furniture; at Innsbriick, the industrial school applies itself to figures; that at Mondsee, to groups of animals; that at St. Ulrich, to the sculpture of religious statues, and that at Wallern, to the commoner kinds of furniture and to cases for clocks.
b. Hungany, constitutional monarchy: Area, 118,172 square miles; population, in 1876, 15,509,455. Capital, Buda-Pesth; population, 270,475. Minister of public instruction, A. von Trefort.
Hungary had, in $1875,11,743$ communes, with $13,455,030$ inhabitants and 15,387 schools; 13,831 of these schools were supported by religious communities and 1,556 by the state.
The school population was $2,149,597$, of which number $1,452,090$ attended the ele-

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mentary schools, 11,837 the advanced elementary schools, 22,057 the private schools, and 18,047 the Gymnasien and Realschulen. The scchool attendance has considerably increased since 1869. In that year only 47 per cent. of all the children of school ago were at school, while in 1875 we find over 70 per cent. in attendance. The total number of teachers was 19,610, and their average salary 319 florins.
Of the 58 teachers' seminaries, 48 are for males and 10 for females. The total number of students in 1875 was 2,651, viz, 1,905 males and 746 females.

There are now 200 Kindergiarten in Hungary and 5 seminaries for the training of Kindergarten teachers.
The 146 Gymnasien have 1,768 professors and 27,144 students. There are, besides, 35 Realschulen, with 431 professors and 8,086 students.
Belgium, constitutional monarchy: Area, 11,373 square miles; population, 5,336,636. Capital, Brussels; population, 384,848. Minister of the interior, C. Delcour; chief of the educational section, Léon Lebon.
The Annuaire Statistique de la Belgique for 1877 gives the following account of the present condition of education in the Kingdom of Belgium:
Primary education.-The number of primary schools was 5,520 , or 1.23 for every 1,000 inhabitants, in 1851; and 5,856, or 1.08 for every 1,000 inhabitants, in 1875 . The number of pupils was 487,148 , or 10.8 per cent. of the inhabitants in 1851; and 669,192, or 12.4 per cent., in 1875.

The number of écoles gardiennes or salles d'asile (Kindergärten) increased from 406 in 1851 to 929 in 1875, and the number of pupils from 24,102 in 1851 to 97,382 , or 404 per cent., in 1875.

The number of schools for adults was 990 in 1851 and 2,615 in 1875. These schools were attended by 158,060 pupils in 1851, and by 204,673 in 1875.
The total expenditure for primary schools was 2,651,639 francs in 1843 and 24,806,428 francs in 1875 . Of the latter amount, $10,606,317$ francs were paid by the government, $2,697,234$ francs by the provinces, $8,871,536$ francs by the communes, and the remainder was derived from school fees and from charitable contributions.

Of the 45,309 conscripts examined in $1876,8,246$ could neither read nor write, 2,015 could read only, 19,288 could read and write, 15,222 had received a higher education than those just mentioned, and 538 were not reported upon. From the foregoing it appears that 76.17 per cent. conld read and write and that 4.45 could read only.

Secondary schools (écoles moyennes). -The number of these schools was 198 in December, 1875, viz: 10 royal athenæums, 50 middle class schools supported by the state, 31 communal schools aided by the state, 3 exclusively communal schools, 84 schools under the direction of the clerg5, and 20 private schools. The number of pupils in all these establishments was 17,881 in 1876, against 11,922 in 1860. The government contributed 1,443,447 franes to secondary schools in 1876.

Superior education.-Belgium has four universities, viz, two state universities and two free universities. The former are situated at Ghent and Liege, and the latter at Brussels and Louvain. The following table shows the number of students in each faculty of the universities at different periods:

| Faculty of - | State universities. |  |  |  | Freo universities. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Ghent. |  | Liége. |  | Brussels. |  | Lonvain. |  |
|  | 1839-'40. | 1876-77. | 1839-'40. | 1876-77. | 1839-'40. | 1876-77. | 1839-'40. | 1876-'77. |
| Philosophy and literature. | 33 | 37 | 38 | 95 | 43 | 59 | 195 | 106 |
| Sciences | 74 | 54 | 45 | 174 | 37 | 117 | 89 | 193 |
| Law .. | 51 | 96 | . 64 | 198 | 148 | 197 | 100 | 323 |
| Medicine | 67 | 82 | 81 | 163 | 51 | 242 | 62 | 296 |
| Theology |  |  |  |  |  |  | 44 | 134 |
| Total ........... | 225 | 269 | 228 | 630 | 279 | 615 | 490 | 1,052 |

The expenditures of the two state universities amounted to $1,025,240$ franes in 1876.
Schools of fine arts.-Belgium has an Academy of Fine Arts at Antwcrp, with 1,661 pupils; 78 academies and schools of design in various localities, with 10.106 pupils; 2 large conservatories of music at Brussels and Liége, with 916 and 618 students; and 86 smaller conservatorics and schools of music, with 7,905 pupils.
Military schools.-The military schools for training officers of the army and the regimental schools for the further instruction of common soldiers were attended by 6,345 pupils in 1875 . There are, besides, courses for illiterate soldiers, which were attended by 7,914 individuals in 1875-76. The school for the children of soldiers, at Alost, had in December, 1875, 275 pupils.

Sehools of agriculture, horticulture, and veterinary surgery.-Theso schools, which are statc institutions, had, in 1876-77, 215 pupils, viz: The school of veterinary surgery at Brussels 96, the agricultural institute at Gembloux 61, the practical school of horticulture at Vilvorde 23, and the horticultural school at Ghent 35. These four institutions in 1875 issued 208 diplomas of capacity.

Denmark, constitutional monarchy: Area, 14,553 square miles; population, $1,003,000$. Capital, Copenhagen; population, 250,000 .

Primary schools.-The number of primary country schools is 2,781 ; the number of male teachers, 2,929 ; the number of female teachers, 59 ; the number of children of school age, 200,761; the number of children attending public schools, 194, 198; and the number of children attending private schools, 13,994 ; making the total number of children under instruction 208,192. The number of primary schools in cities is 113 , with 422 male and 54 female teachers, and 23,353 pupils; 6,161 pupils attend the Realschulen.

Teaehers' seminaries.-Denmark has 5 teachers' seminaries, with 233 students.
Seeondary sehools.-The total number of secondary schools is 26,15 of which are Gymnasicn. The number of teachers is 314 .
Superior education.-The University of Copenhagen has 60 professors and 1,250 stu. dents, 20 of whom are females. The university library contains 275,000 volumes.
Special edueation.-Denmark has for special cducation a royal veterinary and agricultural school, with 16 professors and about 200 students; a polytechnic school, with 13 professors and 150 students; 2 academies of fine arts, 1 technical school, 8 navigation schools, a military academy, and the usual institutions for the unfortunate.

Finland, a dependency of Russia: Area, 144,222 square miles; population, 1,857,035. Capital, Helsing. fors; population, 34,579.

Reorganization of the sehools.-An imperial decrec of April 28, 1876, ordered the suppression of the Gymnasien, and their gradual combination with the recently established higher clementary schools, which received afterward the name of clementary institutes (alkeisopistot). In 1875 these institutes had 236 teachers and $2,4: 0$ pupils. There were besides several female schools, with 732 pupils.

France, republic: Area, 201,900 square miles; population, 36,102,921. Capital, Paris; population, 1,988,806; minister of public instruction, M. Bardoux.

Education at Paris.-The city of Paris has spent, since 1875, 25,000,000 franes for the improvement of the primary schools. There are now 140 schools for boys, 142 schools for girls, and 113 infant schools, with a total number of 117,946 pupils. Of thesc institutions, 141 are under the control of religious persons and 254 under lay teachers.
Teaehers' examinations.-During the year 1876, 2,559 male candidates presented themselves for examination, of whom 1,758 failed to pass. The femalo candidates were more successful: of 4,548 , more than onc-half, 2,487 , rcceived diplomas.

New university.-The Association Protestante of Paris has resolved to cstablish an independent university (universite libre) similar to those at Brussels and Madrid.

Women at the univcrsity.-The dean of the faculty of medicine at the University of Paris states, in answer to an inquiry from the dean of an English medical school, that, since 1865, 32 women have entered the school. Of this number 9 have obtained diplomas and 23 are still at their studies. The nationality of the students was : English, 6 ; Russian, 12; and French, 5. The dean says that the conduct of these ladies has been blameless and their devotion to their studies remarkable.

New school law.-The following is an abstract of the project of a school law, prepared by the ministry of public instraction and laid before the assembly by M. Bardonx, minister of public instruction and fine arts:

Article I. Every commune has the right to establish absolute gratuity in her public schools.
Art. II. Communes which do not wish the assistance of the state for the establishment of frce schools have to defray exponses for this purpose from their own resources.

ART. III. State subsidies are granted to communes in case the school tax docs not suffice to cover the expenses for public instruction. The minimum of taxation shall be 4 centimes in the franc [of the taxes raised]; the maximum, 10 centimes.

Art. IV. As soon as absolute gratuity is established in a communc it must be applied to all her public schools without distinction. Under extraordinary circumstances the local authorities may, with the permission of the minister of public instruction, make a temporary exception to this rule.
Art. V. The mode of taxation for school purposes in commmes which desire state subsidies under the present law shall be regulated by a special decree of the ministers in council.
ART. VI. The provisions of all former laws, as far as they are contrary to the present law, are hereby repealcd.
School of art and manufacture at Paris.-This school is intended to qualify young men for special professions and trades, and to impart aptness, general intclligence, and a taste for seeking knowledge. The course of instruction is limited to three years, during which period it is obligatory. It includes lectures, daily examinations, drawing and graphic exercises, chemical manipulations, working in stonc and wood, physics and mechanics, and the construction of buildings and other works. The students are, in addition, expected to visit the workshops and manufactories. They board and lodge at respectable private houses in the immediate vicinity of the school. Every year there are general examinations in each branch of science and art. The students of the thind year are allowed to compete for diplomas, a programme of examination being made out for each specialty. The number of students annually entering the school is from 175 to 200.
Agricultural education.-France has, for agricultural education, a farm school in each department, a higher agricultural (central) school, and a national agronomic institute, a sort of normal school of agriculture. The farm schools are intended to furnish a good example of tillage to the farmers of the district and to form agriculturists capable of working intelligently as farmers or overseers. The schools are open to pupils of at least sixteen years of age who have received a good primary education. The officers or teachers selected and paid by the government are a director, a head workman, a nursery gardener, a veterinary surgeon, and several special assistants, such as shepherds, silk growers, \&c. The special course extends through three years. The director works the farm school at his own risk, and must so conduct it as not only to give a good example of tillage but as profitable a return of crops as other farms. The farm schools were attended in 1876 by about 1,000 students.

Germany, constitutional empire: Area, 212,091 square miles; population, 42,727,360. Capital, Berlin; population, 966,858 .

The different States which comprise the German empire contain 60,000 popular schools (Volksschulen) with 6,000,000 pupils, 3:30 Gymnasien, 14 Progymnasien, 484 Realschulen, and a large number of private and special schools. The empire itself exercises no control over education, the administration of which is left to the several States.

For superior education Germany has 21 universities. The following table gives in alphabetical order a list of these universities and the number of professors and stu-, dents in 1877 :

List of German universitics in 1877.

| Universities. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Berlin | 236 | 4,311 |
| Bonn ... | 119 | 986 |
| Breslau. | 105 | 1,255 |
| Erlangen | 59 | 431 |
| Freiburg ............. | 55 | 359 |
| Giessen............... | 58 | 347 |
| Göttingen | 122 | 934 |
| Greifswald | 62 | 510 |
| Halle ...... | $10 \pm$ | 857 |
| Heidelberg | 110 | 834 |
| Jena....... | 75 | 586 |
| Kiel.. | 64 | 245 |
| Königsberg. | $\begin{array}{r}83 \\ 158 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}630 \\ \hline 0\end{array}$ |
| Leipzig .. | 158 | 2,938 |
| Marburg ... | 70 | 403 |
| Munich... | 122 | 1,312 |
| Münster. | 29 | 325 |
| Rostock | 39 | 152 |
| Strassburg .. | 92 | ${ }^{658}$ |
| Tübingen.. | 89 71 | 1,103 1,106 |
| Würzburg. | 71 | 1,106 |
| Total.. | 1, 922 | 20,282 |

Pedagogy in German universities.-The following list shows the number of lectures a week on pedagogy in the various German universities: Berlin, 6; Bonn, 4; Breslau, 3; Erlangen, 4 ; Freiburg, 3 ; Giessen, 3 ; Göttingen, 6 ; Greifswald, 4 ; Halle, 5; Hcidelberg, 3 ; Jena, 13; Kiel, 3; Leipzig, 8 ; Mïuster, 4; Tïbingen, 5 ; Würzbrrg, 4.

Tcchnical and industrial schools in Germany.-In Saxony, contrary to a practice almost universal elsewhere in Germany, instruction for trades and for busincss is made to follow immediately that of the daily primary school. To this circumstance is due the establishment of the schools of buildiug at Leipzig, Dresden, and other places, of the group of special schools at Chemnitz intended to give preparation for mechanical, manufacturing, and chemical industries, industrial art, \&c., and, in addition, of a great number of lower schools for weaving, lace making, needle work, and wood carving.

In North Germany the model of the industrial establishments of all grades is that of Hamburg. The general school aud the special school for building, open in the evening and on Sunday for apprentices and workmen and every day to pupils who have the time at their disposal, imparts remarkable instruction in all respects. The industrial school for girls, which was founded in 1867, is managed in the same spirit, and with a success equally marked.
Of all countries in Germany, Wiirtemberg was the first to give large development to popular industrial instruction. The great special school for building at Stuttgart numbers 700 students, of whom it demands for admission only a thorough primary instruction or the qualification of apprentices or workmen in this branch of industry. The state aids the school by a yearly appropriation of $\$ 16,000$. The course requires from two to five years. Wuirtemberg has also several good schools for weaving, of
which three received awards for excellent methods at the Vienna Exposition. In all, there are fifty industrial schools in Würtemberg. The Grand Duchy of Baden has also had very good industrial schools in operation for many years, and these have exercised a marked influence on the industries of the country.
Although introducing this kind of practical instruction at a later date than some of the neighboring countries, Bavaria already possesses from a hundred to a hundred and fifty industrial schools, some of them elementary, just beyond primary schools; others somewhat higher, eight of them serving as model schools for eight districts; and still another devoted to special industries, as building, the construction of machines, drawing and sculpture applied to the making of furniture and objects of art of all kinds.
The single polytechnie association of the district of Wiurzburg has established within a few years 111 industrial schools or courses, of which 16 are for apprentices and workmen. These diffcrent establishments employ 315 teachers, and teach German, French, writing, book-keeping, arithmetic and the metric system with special reference to application to commercial affairs, geometry, design, modelling, outlines of natural history, hygiene, political economy, \&c.
a. Baden, grand duchy: Area, 5,851 square miles ; population, $1,507,179$. Capital, Carlsruhe; population, 42,805. Director of the superior council of education, Dr. G. Nokk.
By the law of Septcmber 18, 1876, Baden has introduced the so called mixed school system. Children of all denominations now attend the same school and no sectarian schools are tolerated in the grand duchy. The same law of 1876 makes gymnastic exercises compulsory in all the popular schools; the communes are required to furnish a hall and the necessary gymnastic apparatus.

## b. Bavaria, constitutional monarchy: Area, 29,293 square miles; population, 5,022,390. Capital, Munich ; population, 198,829. Minister of public instruction, Dr. von Lutz.

Bavaria has 7,016 primary schools, with 10,599 teachers and 841,304 pupils; 1,671 industrial schools for girls, with 1,837 teachers and 71,635 pupils; 11 teachers' seminaries, with 786 students; and 35 preparatory normal schools, with 1,276 students. For secondary education there are 75 Latin schools, with 748 teachers and 6,738 púpils; 28 Gymnasien, with 438 teachers and 2,640 students; and 6 Realgymnasien, with 66 teachers and 362 students. The 36 technological schools number 426 professors and 3,745 students, and the 260 professional evening schools have 827 professors and 14,501 students. There are besides 2 schools of art, with 40 professors and 475 students; a eentral school of forestry, with 6 professors and 135 students; 947 special agricultural schools, with 18,260 pupils; and 78 charitable institutions, with 3,000 inmates. The society for the assistance of teachers' orphans in Bavaria had in 1876 a capital of $\$ 50,000$; the annual expenses amount to about $\$ 8,000$.
c. Prussis, constitutional monarehy: Area, 137,066 square miles; population, 25,742,404. Capital, Berlin; population, 966,858 . Minister of public instruction, Dr. Falk.

New school law. -The ministry of public instruction has had various projects for a new school law under consideration for some time, but no definite action has as yet been taken. The financial question seems to offer considerable difficulties. Statesmen are discussing the question whether the state, the province, the district, or the eommune should bear the expenses of public education. The ministry favors a division of the expense between the province and the commune, the former to pay the teachers' salaries and pensions and the latter the cost of buildings and grounds.
Statistics. - The condition of education continues excellent. There are at present in the kingdom 34,988 primary schools, with 57,228 classes, 57,936 teachers, and 4,007,776 pupils; 176 teachers' seminaries and other normal courses, with 7,453 pupils; 37 schools for deaf-mutes, with 179 classes, 235 teachers, and 2,351 pupils; 13 schools for the blind, with 31 classes, 88 tcachers, and 560 pupils; 215 higher female schools, with 1,355 classes, 2,206 teachers, and 43,247 pupils; 90 higher burgher schools, with 802 teachers and 15,971 pupils; 17 Realschulen of the second order, with 312 teachers and

6,886 students; 79 Realschulen of the first order, with 1,399 teachers and 31,249 students; 33 Progymnasien, with 265 teachers and 3,900 students; 228 Gymnasicn, with 3,744 teachers and 74,606 students; 81 agricultural and horticultural schools, with 382 teachers and 2,042 students ; 6 schools of forestry, with 27 teachers and 237 students; 35 schools of mining, with 79 teachers and 989 students; 45 technical and industrial schools, with 520 teachers and 8,958 students; 9 sghools of building, with 143 teachers and 3,184 students; 12 schools of commerce, with 90 teachers and 1,649 students; 31 navigation schools, with 1,007 students; and several military and naval schools. At the examination for the army in $1876,2,749$ recruits out of 77,194 were without a sufficient primary training.

Supervision.-During the last three years the clerical school inspectors have nearly all been replaced by lay inspcctors, of whom there are now 161 in the kingdom.

Education in Berlin.-Special cfforts have been made by the city of Berlin to raise the schools to the highest point possible. The following data concerning that city will be found of interest: The public popular schools (öffentliche Volksschulen) and the higher female schools (höhere 'Töchterschulen) are under the control of the city school board, which also superintends all the private schools. The higher public schools for boys are under the direct control of the municipal authority. Berlin had in December, 1876, 250 schools, viz: 159 public schools ( 13 Gymnasien, 10 Realschulen, 5 higher female schools, 20 lower preparatory schools, 95 communal schools, 16 schools under the control of societics, churches, \&c.), 2 Jewish schools, and 89 private schools. The communal schools have together 1,265 classes, with 67,955 pupils, or about 54 to each class. The largest school in Berlin has 20 classes, with 1,169 pupils. The staff of teachers of communal schools consists of 95 head teachers, with an average salary of $\$ 1,200$, a free dwelling, or $\$ 200$, and fuel; 864 class teachers, with an average salary of $\$ 800$; and 310 female teachers, with an average salary of $\$ 500$. The total expenditure of the city of Berlin for primary education amounted to $\$ 1,134,436$ in 1876.
d. Saxony, constitutional monarchy: Area, 6,777 square miles; population, 2, 760,586. Capital, Dresden; population, 197,295. Minister of public instruction, Dr. von Gerber.
Saxony has made the so called complementary schools (Fortbildungsschulen) compulsory for every youth below the age of 17 who does not attend a day school. In poor localities the expenses of these schools are defrayed by the government. The instruction is generally given in the evening and on Sunday. Besides these establishments several popular schools of agriculture and industry have been founded, as also a large number of evening schools for girls, in which Gcrman, arithmetic, needlework, natural history, and cookery are taught. Saxony has at present 19 tcachers' scminaries, to the support of which the government annually contributes $\$ 405,000$. The director of a seminary reccives a salary of 4,875 marks ( 1 mark $=23.8$ cents); the first assistant teachers receive from 2,000 to 4,200 marks and the second assistant teachers from 1,200 to 1,800 marks. All of them receive, besides, a free dwelling and fuel.
e. WÜrtemberg, constitutional monarchy: Area, 7,675 square miles; population, $1,881,505$. Capital! Stuttgart; population, 107,273. Director of the chief education department, Dr. von Roemer.
The most important event in Würtemberg during the last ycar was probably the official investigation of the sanitary condition of schools. Commissions were appointed to visit every school in the kingdom. The commissioners were specially charged to examine not only the school-houses but also the surrounding dwellings and grounds, which are frequently in a dangerous condition. They had also to ascertain whether the pupils had the necessary amonnt of space, light, and fresh air in the school rooms, whether the school benches were properly constructed, \&ic. The results of this investigation will be published, and it is expceted that a great number of school-houses will have to be entirely torn down, and that better school furniture will be introduced.

There is at present in Wuirtemberg a great lack of teachers. In some communes. there are 150 to 165 pupils to ono teacher, and in some more than 200 .

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Great Britain and Ineland, constitutional monarchy: Area, 121,305 square miles; population, $33,805,419$. Capital, London ; population, 3,266,987.-a. England and Wales.

Elementary day schools.-In the year ending Angust 31, 1876, the inspectors visited 14,273 day schools in England and Wales to which annual grants were made, containing 20,782 departments under separate teachers, and furnishing accommodation, at 8 square feet of superficial area per child, for $3,426,318$ pupils. There were on the registers the names of $2,943,774$ children, of whom $1,041,219$ were under 7 years of age, $1,799,785$ between 7 and 13 , and 102,770 above 13 . Of these pupils, $2,412,211$ were present on the day of inspection and an average of $1,984,573$ were in daily attendance throughout the year ; $1,783,303$, having made the requisite number of attendances, were qualified to bring grants to their schnols, 501,497 without individual examination and $1,281,806$ on passing a satisfactory examination in reading, writing, and arithmetic ; $1,142,612$ were actually presented for such examination, and, while 666,303 passed the prescribed test without failure in any one of the three subjects, 87.09 pupils out of every 100 examined passed in reading, 79.42 in writing, and 70.15 in arithmetic.
The inspectors also visited 602 schools which do not fulfil the conditions on which annual grants are made. In these schools 36,088 pupils were present on the day of inspection.

Elementary night schools.-The night schools examined during the year were 1,474 in number; on the average, 49,858 pupils above 12 years of age were in attendance each night ; 48,001 pupils were qualified for examination by having made the required number of attendances during the night school session. Of these, 39,076 were actually examined, and out of every 100 pupils so examined 88 passed in reading, 70.94 in writing, and 58.66 in arithmetic.

Training colleges.-The inspectors found 23,053 certificated teachers at work in the aided schools, while the 40 training colleges were attended by 3,007 students:

The following table of statistics shows the rate of progress in the period which has elapsed since the passage of the elementary education act of 1870:

|  | Year ending August 31- |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1870. | 1873. | 1874. | 1875. | 1876. |
| Estimated population | 22,090, 163 | 23, 356, 414 | 23, 648, 609 | 23, 944,459 | 24, 244, 010 |
| Number of schools inspected. | 8,919 | 11, 846 | 13, 163 | 14, 140 | 14, 970 |
| Annual grant schools: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of departments $\{$ Day.. | 12, 061 | 15, 929 | 17,646 | 19,245 | 20,782 |
| Number of departments $\{$ Night. | 2, 504 | 1,395 | 1,432 | 1, 392 | 1,474 |
|  | 1, 878, 584 | 2, 582,549 | 2, 861, 319 | 3,146, 424 | 3, 426, 318 |
| Accommodation $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Night schools } .\end{array}\right.$ |  |  | 10,507 | 13, 055 | 14, 810 |
| Present at examination: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Day scholars | 1, 434, 766. | 1,811,595 | 2, 034, 007 | 2, 221, 745 | 2, 412, 211 |
| Night scholars | 77, 918 | 35, 621 | 36, 720 | 37, 666 | 41, 133 |
| Average attendance: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Day scholars | 1,152, 389 | 1,482, 480 | 1, 678, 759 | 1, 837, 180 | 1, 984, 573 |
| Night scholars | 73,375 | 45, 973 | 48,690 | 48,382 | 49, 858 |
| Number of teachers: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cortificated. | 12,467 | 16, 810 | 18,714 | 20,940 | 23, 053 |
| Assistant. | 1, 262 | 1,970 | 2, 489 | 2,713 | 3, 173 |
| Pupil. | 14, 304 | 24,674 | 27, 031 | 29,667 | 32, 231 |
| Studying in training colleges .. | 2, 097 | 2,896 | 2,982 | 2, 975 | 3,007 |
| Simple inspection schools: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Accommodation | 53, 982 | 82, 917 | 91160 | 82, 688 | 57, 471 |
| Present at inspection | 39, 122 | 52,496 | 59,304 | 51,976 | 36, 088 |
| A rerage attendance. | 16, 599 | 30, 099 | 32, 192 | 25,996 | 23, 159 |

School accommodation.-The schools in England and Wales visited by the inspectors, with reference to annual grants, which provided in 1869 for $1,765,944$ pupils, or for 8.34 per cent. of the whole population, were in 1876 sufficient for $3,426,318$ pupils, or 14.13 per cent. of the estimated population. In 1876 accommodation was provided by 1,596 board schools for 556,150 pupils, and 328,071 were in average attendance. The number in average attendance in voluntary schools since 1869 has increased by 593,503 , or 55.83 per cent.
School attendance.-The average attendance in aided schools (day and night) has risen from $1,225,764$ in 1870 to $2,034,431$ in 1876. There were, in $1876,2,943,774$ names of day scholars on the registers of inspected day schools, of whom 2,412,211 were present on the day of inspection, and this is the number of children, out of at least four and a half millions for whom elementary schools are required, who received more or less of efficient instruction in such schools. Of the $1,041,219$ day pupils below 7 , only 501,497 had made the number of attendances required to bring grants to their schools. Of the $1,902,555$ pupils above 7 borne on the registers of aided schools, $1,135,517$ day pupils attended 250 times and upwards; 105,791 attended 150 times and upwards; and 40,498 pupils attended 150 times. There are two and a half millions of children between the ages of 7 and 13 who , as appears from the tables of the registrar general, might be found in elementary schools. Much remains to be done to secure the regular attendance at school of a large number of children who ought to be, but are not, under daily instruction.

Teaching force.-The 14,273 elementary day schools in England and Wales inspected in 1876 provided accommodation, in 20,782 departments, for $3,426,318$ pupils. The average daily attendance in these schools amounted to $1,984,573$, so that each department, while providing accommodation for 165 pupils, had an average attendance of only 95 . It has been calculated that under the operation of the education acts the average attendance will rise to 120 ; and, assuming that at least $3,250,000$ children in England and Wales ought to be in daily attendance at public elementary schools, it would follow that about 27,000 separate departments under certificated teachers will be required as the general school supply of the country.
There were on the 31st of December, 1869, 12,842 pupil teachers, 1,236 assistant teachers, and 12,027 certificated teachers at work in schools under inspection. These numbers by the 31st of December, 1876, had risen to 30,626 pupil teachers, 2,921 assistant, and 23,328 certificated teachers; while the pupil teachers in the first of the five years of their service have increased from 3,392 in 1869 to 6,676 in 1876. The extent to which the training colleges have contributed to the existing supply of efficient teachers in England and Wales is shown by the fact that, of 10,554 masters employed in schools in 1875-76, 6,437, or 61 per cent., had been trained for two years; 1,220, or 11.6 per cent., for one year; and 361, or 3.4 per cent., for less than one year; while 2,536 , or 24 per cent., were untrained. In like manner, of 12,499 schoolmistresses, 6,435 , or 51.6 per cent., had been trained for two years; 1,168 , or 9.3 per cent., for one year; 289 , or 2.3 per cent., for less than one year; and 4,607 , or 36.8 per cent., were untrained.

The following table shows the number of teachers in receipt of salaries of certain specified amounts:

Salaries of certificated teachers for the year ending August 31, 1876.
MEN.
Under $£ 50$........................................................................................ 146

£75 and less than $£ 100$. ........................................................................ 3, 198
$£ 100$ and less than $£ 150$.......................................................................... 3, 952



$\notin 300$ and over 42

## Total

WOMEN.
Under £40 ..... 726
$£ 40$ and less than $£ 45$ ..... 688
$£ 45$ and less than $£ 50$ ..... 738
$£ 50$ and less than £75 ..... 6, 221
$£ 75$ and less than $£ 100$ ..... 2, 611
$£ 100$ and less than $£ 150$ ..... 830
$£ 150$ and less than $£ 200$ ..... 82
£200 and over ..... 9
Total ..... 11, 905

Local organization. - Since the year 1873 the school boards have made considerable additions to the school supply of the country. In the year ending August 31, 1876, the number of board schools increased from 1,140 to 1,604 , while the accommodation in these schools rose from 387,227 to 556,539 , and the average attendance from 231,381 to 333,234 . Boards have been established in London, which has a population of $3,266,987$; in 123 boroughs, with a population of $5,543,956$; and in 1,667 parishes, with a population of $4,018,888$. The total population under school boards is thus 12,829,381.
The following items are taken from the report of Sir Charles Reed, of September 26, 1877: Number of schools under the London school board, 242; number of departments, 592 ; number of places, 163,008 ; being an increase since last year of 25 schools, 86 departments, and 29,323 school places. The number of pupils on the roll was 164,214 ; average daily attendance, 132,956 , or 80.9 per cent. of those on the roll.

By the 1st of April, 1877, by-laws for enforcing the attendance of children at school had been sanctioned by Her Majesty, on the application of the school boards in London, with a population of $3,266,987$; in 109 municipal boroughs, with a population of $5,453,724$; and in 612 civil parishes, with a population of $2,500,652$-total, 11,221,363.

Compulsory attendance under by-laws is now the law for 50 per cent. of the whole population of England and Wales, and for about 84 per cent. of the whole borough population.

Nchool attendance committees.- The elementary education act of 1876, which came into operation on the 1st of January, 1877, provides for the appointment of a school attsndance committee for every borough and parish for which a school board has not breen elected. Such committees have been appointed in all but 3 of the 106 municipal boroughs which are not under the jurisdiction of school boards.

## b. Ireland : Population in 1876, 5,317,416. Capital, Dublin; population, 314,666.

According to the official report for the year 1875, the number of pupils of national schools was 347,814 , taught by 9,929 teachers and assistants and 288 teachers of needlework. The convent schools had 37,056 pupils and 1,681 teachers.

There has been a reduction in the number of young offenders under detention in reformatory schools during 1876 as compared with 1875: the number of inmates being 035 boys and 225 girls, 1,099 in all, on the 31st of December, 1875 ; and 860 boys and 239 girls, 1,160 in all, on the 31 st of December, 1876 - showing a decrease of 61 on the total number during the year. The number of certificated industrial schools in Ireland on the 31st of Décember, 1876, was 50, viz, 41 for Catholics and 9 for Protestants. The number of inmates was 4,768 , viz, 1,841 boys and 2,927 girls.
c. Scotland : Population in $1876,3,527,811$. Capital, Edinburgh ; population, 215,146.

In December, 1875, there were 2,329 public schools under school boards in Scotland, with 307,955 pupils on the rolls and an average attendance of 233,130 , taught by 3,418 principal teachers and assistants, and 3,024 pupil teachers. There were 165 evening schools, having 12,343 pupils on the roll and an average attendance of 9,803 . In these schools there were 203.principal teachers, 103 assistant teachers, and 65 pupil teachers.

The school boards report that during the last school year, in carrying out the compulsory clauses of the education act, 7,499 parents have been summoned to appear before their respective boards, and that notice has been scnt to 421 employers; that 279 parents and 1 employer have becn prosecuted; that 197 of the former were convicted, of whom 135 were fined and 20 imprisoned. The number of children who during one year have been brought into scliool by the operation of the compulsory clauses is estimated at 28,054 . Of these children, 15,516 belong to towns and 12,538 to rural parishes.

Elementary schools.-In the year ending August 31, 1876, the inspectors visited 2,817 day schools to which annual grants were made, containing 3,051 departments under separate teachers and furnishing accommodation for 456,428 scholars. There werc on the registers of these schools the names of 433,749 children, of whom 98,789 were under 7 years of age, 306,234 were between 7 and 13 , and 28,726 werc above 13 . Of these scholars, 376,647 were present on the day of the inspector's visit to their respective schools, while 329,083 were in daily attendance throughout the year.

General statistics of education in Scotland.

|  | Year ending August 31- |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1873. | 1874. | 1875. | 1876. |
| Estimated population. | 3, 430, 923 | 3,462, 916 | 3, 495, 214 | 3, 527, 811 |
| Number of schools inspected | 2,108 | 2,609 | 2,900 | 2,924 |
| Annual grant schools: |  |  |  |  |
| Departments..... $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Day ... } \\ \text { Night . }\end{array}\right.$ | 2,307 63 | 2,577 102 | 2,946 196 | 3,051 258 |
| Accommodation.. $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Day schools .. } \\ \text { Night schools }\end{array}\right.$ | 294, 072 | 372,090 1,179 | 391, 538 | $\begin{array}{r} 456,428 \\ 1,949 \end{array}$ |
| Present at inspection: |  |  |  |  |
| Day scholars.. |  |  |  | $376,647$ |
| Night scholars | 2, 773 | 4,645 | 9, 186 | 13, 908 |
| Average attendance: |  |  |  |  |
| Day scholars... | 220,508 | 263, 748 | 303, 536 |  |
| Night scholars.. | 3,449 | 5,555 | 10,628 | 15, 354 |
| Number of teachers: |  |  |  |  |
| Certificated. | 2,657 | 3,165 66 | 3,811 129 | 4,140 160 |
| Assistant | 4 3,619 | 3,833 | 4,262 | 4,640 |
| Pupil ......... | 3,619 755 | 3,838 822 | 4,262 950 | 1,023 |
| Studying in training colleges.... | 755 | 822 | 950 |  |
| Simple inspection schools: |  |  | 15,464 | 6,558 |
| Accommodation. | 3,647 | 19,502 |  | 5,577 |
| Present at inspection | 3,200 | 17, 329 | 13,537 | 5, 577 |
| Average attendance | 1,221 | 10,840 | 8,810 | 3,462 |

School attendance. -The efforts of the school boards are in some cases hindered by the serious cost of prosecuting parents who fail to discharge their duty to their children, and by the long interval (three months) that must elapse after a conviction before proceedings can be taken against offenders.

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The following table shows the total number of children from 5 to 14 years of age:

|  | Number of children. | Number of children on the roll. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Percent- } \\ \text { age. } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5 to 6. | 90, 824 | 32,774 | 36.18 |
| 6 to 7 | 86, 610 | 54,319 | 62.7 |
| 7 to 8 | 85, 853 | 56, 382 | 65.67 |
| 8 to 9. | 81, 905 | 57, 156 | 69.78 |
| 9 to 10 | 79, 830 | 57, 049 | 71.46 |
| 10 to 11 | 81, 478 | 54, 592 | 67.00 |
| 11 to 12. | 76, 022 | 46, 875 | 61.66 |
| 12 to 13 | 78,141 | 34, 180 | 43.74 |
| 13 to 14. | 76,671 | '16, 992 | 22.16 |
| Total . | 737, 334 | 410,319 | 55.65 |

Greece, constitutional monarchy: Area, 19,941 square miles; population in 1870, 1,457,894. Capital, Athens; population, 44,510.
The number of primary schools was, in 1875, 1,227, and the number of pupils, 81,449. For secondary education there were 15 gymnasia and 144 Hellenic grammar schools, with 7,780 pupils; 23 private institutions, with 1,589 pupils; and 10 higher schools for girls, with 900 pupils. The University of Athens had 43 professors and 1,352 students.

Italy, constitutional monarchy: Area, 114,296 square miles; population in 1877, 27,769,475. Capital, Rome; population, 244,484. Minister of public instruction, De Sanctis.
Primary education is compulsory throughout Italy. The number of public day schools in 1877 was 37,642 . In addition to these there were 9,560 private schools. The number of pupils in the public day schools was 2,299,758. The number of teachers of public schools was 37,632 . The normal schools numbered, in 1875, 193, and the number of students, 8,460 .
For secondary education there were, in 1875, 107 gymnasia, with 9,296 pupils, and 80 lyceums, with 5,132 pupils.
For superior education Italy had, in 1877, 17 state universities, viz: Bologna, 551 students; Cagliari, 72; Cantania, 153; Genoa, 440; Macerata, 47; Messina, 96 ; Modena, 216; Naples, 2,648; Padua, 907 ; Palermo, 360; Parma, 187; Pavia, 642; Pisa, 553; Rome, 624 ; Sassari, 77 ; Siena, 153; and Turin, 1,435. The foregoing institutions are entirely supported by the state. There were besides 4 free universities, which are supported by provinces and communes. They are Camerino, 28 students; Ferrara, 57 ; Perugia, 63; and Urbino, 55.

Netherlands, constitutional monarchy: Area, 20,527 square miles: population in 1876, 3,865,456. Capital, The Hague ; population, 104,095.
Primary education.-The condition of primary schools in 1875 is reported as follows: The total number of public and private schools was 3,817 , with 11,975 teachers. The number of pupils in the same year was 487,070 , viz: 255,464 boys and 231,606 girls. The evening and review schools were frequented by 48,500 pupils, viz, 26,689 males and 21,811 females.
The total expenditure for primary education in 1875 was $7,127,001$ florins (the florin $=38.5$ cents). Of this amount 698,465 florins were supplied by the government and the rest by the provinces and communes.

The minimum salary of teachers was 200 florins and the maximum 3,000. Thirtysix teachers received pensions in 1875 , the minimam being 100 florins and the maximum 1,134 florins.

Teachers' seminaries. - In 1875 the Netherlands had 3 state teachers' seminaries, with

295 students, 33 of whom were females. The expenditure for the seminaries in the same year was 126,605 florins.
Infant schools.-The number of public and private infant schools in 1875 was 705, and the number of teachers 2,222, viz, 39 males and 2,183 females. The number of pupils in the same year was 73,018 , viz, 38,852 boys and 34,166 girls.
Secondary education.-According to the official report for 1875-76, the total number of burgher schools was 35 and the number of pupils 3,992 ; the number of higher burgher schools was 51 , with 3,812 pupils. The number of pupils of the two agricultural schools was 28. The polytechnic school had 263 students.
The total expenditure of the state and of the communes for secondary education amounted to $1,691,518$ florins.
Superior instruction.-The higher institutions of learning consist of the universities at Leyden, Utrecht, and Groningen, the athenæums of Ansterdam and Deventer, and the so called Latin schools, the number of which is 51 . The total number of students in the universities was, in 1875-'76, 1,684, viz: 980 in Leyden, 527 in Utrecht, and 177 in Groningen. The athenæum of Amsterdam had 381 stndents. The total number of pupils of the 51 Latin schools was 1,260 . The state grant for higher education in 1875-76 amounted to 829,219 florins.

Higher schools for girls.-The number of higher schools for girls has increased from 4 in 1874 to 9 in 1875. The total number of pupils was in the latter year 691.

Drawing schools.-The Netherlands have also 39 drawing schools, with 168 teachers and 3,904 pupils; 11 navigation schools, with 25 professors and 541 students; 2 schools for the blind, with 120 inmates; a school for deaf-mutes, with 131 inmates; and a veterinary school, with 49 students.

Pontugal, constitutional monarchy: Area, 36,510 square miles; population, 4,429,332. Capital, Lisbon; population, 275,286.

Primary schools.-In 1862 there were in Portugal 1,336 public schools for boys and 127 for girls. In 1874 there were 1,987 of the former and 458 of the latter, with 1,987 male and 458 female teachers. The total number of pupils was 113,097 .
Secondary schools.-There are 17 secondary schools, called lyceums, with 6,883 pupils.
Superior education.-For superior education Portugal has the University of Coimbra and several polytechnic and other special schools. The university had, in 1874, 947 students.

Russia, absolute monarchy: Area, $8,444,766$ square miles; population, 85,685,945. Capital, St. Poters burg ; population, 667,926.
The school population of Russia is $12,213,558$, viz, $5,803,656$ boys and $6,409,902$ girls. Of this number only 6.9 per cent. attend school.
The sum assigned in the budget of the school year 1877 for education is $15,971,289$ roubles (the rouble $=73.4$ cents). There are eight universities (not reckoning that of Helsingfors, in Finland), with 5,629 students. Of these 85 study theology, 583 philosophy, 1,629 law, 30 Eastern languages, 622 mathematics, 550 natural sciences, and 2,130 medicine. There are 53 ecclesiastical seminaries, with 12,227 students; 195 Gymnasien and Progymnasien, with 50,701 pupils; 56 middle class schools, with 10,888 pupils; 19 military schools, of which the number of pupils is not given. For females there are 223 Gymnasien and Progymnasien, with 34,878 pupils. The number of normal schools is 68 and the number of students 4,968 . The total number of elementary schools in operation is 25,491 , with $1,074,559$ pupils.
Spain, constitutional monarchy: Area, 182,758 square miles; population, 16,835,506. Capital, Madrid!.

Primary education.-Spain has 22,625 public schools, of which 16,294 are for boys. and 6,331 for girls; the number of private schools is 5,135 , of which 2,901 are for males and 2,234 for females-making a total of 27,760 primary schools. The number

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of male papils in the public schools was 745,686, and of female pupils 441,773; making a total of $1,187,459$. The private schools have 194,513 pupils, viz, 96,753 boys and 97,760 girls.

SWEDEN, constitutional monarchy: Area, 170,979 square miles; population, 4,429,713. Capital, Stockholm ; population, 157,215.

Elementary schools.-The number of pupils between the ages of 9 and 14 is 734,165. The total number of popular elementary schools is 8,127 and the number of pupils 842,098. The total number of elementary teachers is 7,815 , of whom 5,039 are males and 2,776 females.

Sccondary schools.-For secondary education Sweden has 96 schools, with 967 teachers and 12,245 pupils.

Supcrior cducation.-For superior education there are two universities, viz: Upsala, with 104 professors and 1,480 students; and Lund, with 69 professors and 523 students.
Special education.-For special education Sweden has two polytechnic schools, a royal academy of fine arts, a pharmaceutical institute, a forest institute, a veterinary school, and a school for midwives.

Switzerland, confederate republic: Area, 15,233 square miles; population, 2,759,854. Capital, Berne; population, 36,001 . Director of the federal statistical bureau, Dr. J. J. Kummer.

Polytcchnic education.-The federal polytechnic school at Zürich had, in 1876, 690 students, against 701 in the preceding year.
Superior education.-Switzerland has three universities, viz: Basel, with 65 professors and 199 students; Berne, with 77 professors and 351 students; and Zürich, with 79 professors and 349 students.

Education of teachers. - There are 32 teachers' seminaries. The course of study in these institutions embraces pedagogy, religion, German, French, arithmetic, geometry, history, geography, natural history, singing, playing on musical instruments, penmanship, drawing, gymnastics, and agriculture.

Turkey, absolute monarchy: Area, 1,742,874 square miles; population, 31,939,738. Capital, Constanti-
nople; population, 600,000 .
A law relating to public instruction, designed to spread education over the empire, was issued by the government in October, 1869; but there has been no attempt of any kind made to execute the law in subsequent years.
II.-Asia.

Japan, absolute monarchy: Area, 156,604 square miles; population, 32,794,897. Capital, Tokio ; population, 674,447. Acting minister of education, Tanaka-Fujimaro.
The following account of education in Japan is condensed from the third annual report of the minister of education, dated Tokio, 1877, covering the transactions of the year 1875:

Elementary instruction. - The number of elementary schools in all the seven grand school districts was 24,225 , of which 21,988 were public and 2,237 private schools. This, as compared with the preceding year, shows an increase of 4,292 public schools and a decrease of 84 private schools, the net increase being 4,208 schools. The total number of elementary school districts was 45,778 . The number of teachers was 44,501 , of whom 40,511 were male and 538 female teachers of public schools, and 3,196 were male and 256 female tcachers of private schools. As compared with the preceding ycar this shows an increase of 7,691 male and 81 female teachers of public schools, and a decrease of 192 male and an increase of 51 female tcachers of private schools. The total number of pupils was $1,926,126$, of whom 1,377,591 were male and 426,438 female pupils of public schools, and 84,468 were male and 37,629 female pupils of private schools. This shows a total increase since last year of 211,358 pupils.

The population is estimated at $34,008,087$, of whom $5,167,667$ are children of school age ( $6-14$ ), or 15.2 per cent. of the whole population. The number of children of school age who received education during the year was $1,828,474$, and the number of those of school age who received no education was $3,339,193$ : Of those who received education, $1,365,305$ were males and 463,169 were females.
Normal schools. -The number of normal schools was 90 , of which 8 belonged to the government and 82 were instituted by local authorities. The total number of teachers of normal schools was 588 , of whom 583 were males and 5 females. The number of students was 7,696 , of whom 7,589 were males and 107 females. The number of students to whom certificates were granted by the government normal schools was 232 , and the number of thnse who received certificates from local normal schools was about 665.

Colleges. - The Tokio Kaiseigakko had 40 professors, of whom 21 were natives and 19 foreigners. The number of students was 324 . The annual expenditure of the college was 173,940 yen (yen $=99.7$ cents).

The Tokio Igakko (medical college) had 29 professors and 488 students. The total expenditure during the year was 112,462 yen.

Besides the above colleges, there are 6 schools of special sciences under the control of local authorities, namely, an agricultural school, 3 medical schools, a school of law, and a school of surveying. The number of teachers in these schools was 10 and of students 124.

Forcign language schools.-The foreign language schools are institutions in which students are instructed in a foreign language and in a general course of study conducted in that language. There is one foreign language school in which French, German, Russian, and Chinese are taught. Besides this institution, there are 96 foreign language schools in which the English language is used, 4 in which French and 2 in which German are used; number of teachers engaged in all these schools, 411-341 natives and 70 foreigners. The number of pupils was 6,765 , of whom 6,392 were males and 373 females.
The Tokio female school was greatly enlarged. The number of teachers tras 10 and of pupils $12 \%$.
Finances.-The income of the public schools was $6,238,096$ yen during the last year, an increase of $1,874,862$ yen over the preceding year. The total expenditure was $4,210,473$ yen, or $1,015,195$ more than during the preceding year.
The following letter from Hon. David Murray will explain itself:

## Mombusho (Department of Education), Tokio, Japan, July 14, 1877.

Dear Sir: Your favor of June 6 was received by the last mail. I can easily make plain the facts about the suspension of schools.

Many erroncous statements appeared in the English papers here, chiefly caused by mistranslations of government notices. When the appropriation was reduced in January the department at once began to cast around for ways in which to bring its expenses within the reduced appropriation.
It had under its direct control the following institutions, viz: University of Tokio,
Medical College of Tokio, Tokio English Language School, Tokio Foreign Language School, Tokio Normal Schcol, Tokio Female Normal School, Tokio Girls' School, Osaka English Language School, Osaka Normal School, Nagasaki English Language School, Nagasaki Normal School, Hiroshima English Language School, Hiroshima Normal School, Aichi English Language School, Aichi Normal School, Niigata English Language School, Niigata Normal School, Miyagi English Language School, and Miyagi Normal School.
All these schools were mainly supported by the annual grant made to them by the Mombusho; they were all governed and managed by directors appointed by the Mombusho. The other objects on which the department expended its appropriation were (1) administration, (2) the erection of school buildings for the above schools, (3) the preparation and publication of school books, (4) the collection and management of an educational museum and library, and (5) an annual grant for the maintenance of elementary schools in the provinces.
When the crisis came it was not easy to decide which of these could be best cut off or curtailed. Finally, after much consideration, it was resolved (1) to reduce the administration to its most economical point; (2) to leave the appropriation to elementary schools virtually unchanged ; (3) to maintain the schools of Tokio and Osaka
with reduced appropriations, but still efficiently ; (4) to consolidate the girls' school of Tokio with the fomale normal school, for economy of administration. [This is one point of the special inquiries you make. The female normal school has not been abandoned, and the girls' school has been attached to this as a department. This was, no doubt, a matter to be regretted: it gave, as you say, the impression that femalo education was being relinquished; but such is not the case, certainly no more than necessity has required.] (5) To transfer as far as possible to the local governments the support and management of the normal and English language schools; negotiations were at once begun with the local governments, and with only one or two exceptions, the schools established by the department have been assumed by the local governments; the negotiations in regard to the English language school at Nagasaki have not been successful, and it may have to be closed.

Under this new arrangement it cannot be claimed that the institutions will be as well managed: fewer foreign teachers will be employed, and the appliances of education will be less liberally provided; but it was better than abandonment. It has been a most gratifying circumstance that the local communitics have been unwilling to lose the schools which had been opened, and coöperated heartily with the local governments in arrangements for their continuance.

Such, my dear general, seems to be a full answer to the very natural inquiries you make.

We cannot deny to ourselves that our educational schemes have been going through a very severe trial; and as the resources of the country are quite likely to be much constricted for some time to come, the officers of the department are busily considering in what way the system may be modified to meet the prospective changed condition. A new educational law is under consideration, and when issued will be intended to meet a condition of things in which less can be done for education by the central department and more left to local enterprise. How best to secure the benefits of local enterprise, and at the same time retain the necessary safeguards which will insure good plans of study, good teachers, liberal equipments, \&c., is a problem of no little difficulty, but with which we are just at this moment brought face to face.

I hope the impression here is well founded that the war is ncarly at an end. It will be a happy day when it is. And yet, as in our own case, troubles do not end when the war ends.

With high respect, I am, very sincerely yours,
DAVID MURRAY.
Hon. John Eaton,
Commissioner of Education.

> III.-AFRICA.

Egypt, a dependency of Turkey in Africa: Area, 1,406,250 square miles; population, 16,952,000. Capital, Cairo; population, 349,883 .

The government schools, which were first erected in 1868, have at present about 8,000 pupils. Egypt has besides these a large number of missionary and foreign schools. One of these schools at Alexandria has 500 pupils.

## IV.-South America and North America.

Argentine Confederation, federal republic: Area, 515,700 square miles; population in $1869,1,877,490$. Capital, Buenos Ayres ; population, 177,787. Minister of public instruction, Dr. O. Leguizamon.

The number of primary schools is 1,816 , of which 1,327 are public and 489 private. The number of pupils is 109,941 , of whom 85,672 are in public schools and 24,269 in private schools. The number of teachers is 2,868, viz, 1,593 males and 1,275 females.

For secondary education there are 17 colleges, with 453 students, and for superior education there is a university, with 1,495 students.

Brazil, constitutional monarchy: Area, $3,287,964$ square miles; population, $9,448,233$. Capital, Rio de Janeiro ; population, 274,972. Minister of the interior, A. da C. Pinto e Silva.

Brazil has 5,890 primary and secondary schools, with 187,915 pupils; 19 higher religious seminaries, with 1,368 students; 1 polytechnic school, with 399 students; 2 medical faculties, with 950 students; 2 faculties of law, with 406 students; a commercial school, with 57 students; a musical observatory, with 108 students; and several charitable institutions.
The regulations relating to compulsory attendance are onforced only in the capital
of the empire and in a few provincial towns. The great distance of many dwellings from school-houses has made general compulsion hitherto impossible.
Canada, Dominion of Canada, British possession: Area, 3,483,952 square miles; population in 1871, 3,602,321. Capital, Ottawa; population, 21,545 .
The Dominion of Canada consists of the provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Manitoba, British Columbia, and Prince Edward Island. The provinces have full power to regulate their educational affiairs. A statement of the condition of these is here presented.
a. Ontario : Area, 121,260 square miles; population, $1,620,851$. Capital, Toronto ; population, 46,092. Minister of education, Adam Crooks. Deputy minister of education, J. G. Hodgins.
The following information is derived from the report of the minister of education for the year 1876:

Income and expenditure. - The total receipts for all public school purposes for the year 1876 amounted to $\$ 3,393,655$, showing an increase of $\$ 28,201$ over the total receipts of the preceding year. The total expenditure for all public school purposes amounted to $\$ 3,006,456$; increase, $\$ 13,375$.

School population.-The school population (5-16) was 502,250 ; increase, 1,167. The number of children of school age attending school was 464,364 ; increase, 13,559 . Number of pupils of other ages attending school, 26,173; increase, 2,737. Total number of pupils attending the schools, 490,537 ; increase, 16,296 . The ages of pupils were: 1,321 under 5 years of age ; 253,994 between 5 and $10 ; 212,499$ between 11 and 16 ; 22,723 between 17 and 21. The number reported as not attending any school is 9,260 ; decrease, 1,549 . These were between the ages of 7 and 12 years, which are the ages fixed by the statute during which all the children should receive instruction in some school. The average attendance, viz, the aggregate daily attendance divided by the legal number of teaching days in the year, was 212,483 ; increase, 13,909 .
Teachers.-In the 5,042 schools reported 6,185 teachers have been employed; increase, 167 ; of these, 2,780 are males and 3,405 females. The teachers are reported to be of the following religious persuasions: Church of England, 942; Church of Rome, 779 ; Presbyterians, 1,874; Methodists, 1,973; Baptists, 344; Congregationalists, 74; Lutherans, 29 ; Quakers, 23 ; Christians and Disciples, 60 ; Protestants, 35 ; Plymouth Brethren, 16; Unitarians, 3; other denominations, 33. The highest salary paid to a male teacher in a county is $\$ 800$, the lowest $\$ 120$; in a city, the highest $\$ 1,000$, the lowest $\$ 500$; in a town, the highest $\$ 1,000$, the lowest $\$ 200$. The average salary of female teachers in counties is $\$ 240$; in cities, $\$ 314$; in towns, $\$ 267$.

Schools.-The number of schools reported is 5,042 ; increase, 208. The whole number of school-houses reported is 4,926 , of which 1,417 are brick, 514 stone, 2,253 frame, and 742 log . The number of Roman Catholic separate schools is 167 , with 25,294 pupils and 302 teachers. There are 104 high schools in the province, with 8,541 pupils. The Toronto normal school had 7,706 students, of whom 3,861 were males and 3,845 females. Ontario has besides 16 colleges, with 700 students, and 297 academies and higher private schools, with 7,982 pupils.

Public libraries.- The number of free libraries, exclusive of subdivisions, is 1,450; number of volumes, 281,586. The number of Sunday school libraries reported is 2,532; number of volumes in these libraries, 387,757. Other public libraries reported, 159, with 142,954 volumes.

Educational progress.-The following data will show what has been accomplished educationally in Ontario during the last thirty years: In 1842 the number of public schools was only 1,721 ; in 1851 this had increased to 3,001 and in 1876 to 5,042 , and the number of pupils attending them from 168,159 in 1851 to 490,537 in 1876. The amount paid for the support of the public schools has been increased from $\$ 468,644$ in 1851 to $\$ 3,006,456$ in 1876.

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b. Quebec: Area, 210,020 square miles; population, 1,191,516. Capital, Quebec; population, 59,695; Superintendent of public instruction, G. Ouimet.

The statistics following are derived from the report of the superintendent for the year 1876-'77:

The Province of Quebec had, in 1876-77, 3,631 elementary schools, with 146,777 pupils on the rolls and 107,651 in average attendance; 84 model schools for boys, with 7,274 pupils on the rolls and 5,870 in average attendance; 39 model schools for girls, with 4,337 pupils on the rolls and 3,615 in average attendance; 149 mixed model schoois, with 7,324 boys on the rolls and 5,592 in avcrage attendance, and 7,068 girls on the rolls and 5,335 in average attendance ; 54 academies for boys, with 10,363 students on the rolls and 8,853 in average attendance; 129 academies for girls, with 19,261 pupils on the rolls and 16,653 in average attendance ; 37 mixed academies, with 1,471 pupils on the rolls and 1,037 in average attendance; 71 Catholic elementary schools, with 2,478 pupils ; 3 Catholic superior schools, with 192 pupils; 128 Protestant elementary schools, with 3,553 pupils; 9 Protestant superior schools, with 553 pupils; 130 independent elementary schools, with 7,879 pupils; 62 independent superior schools, with 4,299 pupils; 42 colleges, with 8,307 pupils; and 3 normal schools, with 309 pupils. The total number of educational institutions of all kinds is 4,571 ; the total number of pupils, $23 \%, 765$, viz, 117,686 boys and 115,079 girls; and the total of average attendance, 178,621 . The number of male teackers is 1,146 , and that of female teachers 4,776 . The province has 219 public libraries, with 187, 295 volumes.
c. Nova Scotla : Area, 18,660 square miles ; population, 387,800 . Capital, Halifax; population, 29,582. Superintendent of education, A. S. Hunt.
From the annual report for the year 1876-77 the following data have been derived: The whole expenditure for education amounted to $\$ 681,134$, of which the government contributed $\$ 204,266$. The number of school sections was 1,770 , showing an increase of 16 over the preceding year. During the winter term there were 1,731 schools in operation, with 80,788 pupils and an average daily attendance of 46,380 ; during the summer term, 1,871 schools, 83,941 pupils, and an average daily attendance of 47,000 . The total number of teachers and assistants was, winter term, 1,829 ; summer term, 1,947. There were 76 new school-houses built in 1877, and 58 more begun.
d. British Columbia: Area, 213,000 square miles; population, 10,586. Capital, Victoria; population in 1871, 4,540. Superintendent of education, J. Jessup.
The number of children between the ages of 5 and 16 is 2,734 , of whom 1,888 attend school. To these may be added 50 pupils above 16 years of age, making 1,938 in all, viz, 1,071 boys and 867 girls, an increase of 253 over last year. The above numbers do not include the three principal centres of population, namely, Victoria, Nanaimo, and New Westminster, from which no statistical reports have been received.- (Report of superintendent, 18\%6-'77.)
e. Prince Edward Island: Area, 2,173 square miles; population, 94,021 . Capital, Charlottetown; population, 8,807 . Secretary of the board of education, Donald McNeill.
The province had, in 1876,417 schools, with 15,431 pupils on the rolls, viz, 8,150 boys and 7,281 girls. The average daily attendance was 8,799 . One hundred and fifty-seven schools were taught by females, at salaries varying from $\$ 113$ to $\$ 129$. The salaries of male teachers varied from $\$ 146$ to $\$ 324$. The normal school was attended by 154 students.

No reports have been received from New Brunswick and Manitoba.
Jamaica, British colony: Area, 6,400 square miles; population, 441,264. Capital, Kingston; population, 40,000 . Superintendent of schools, John Savago.
The total number of children of school age ( 5 to 15 ) is 123,824, and the total number of children attending school, 46,000 . The number of clementary schools is 486 ; that of endowed schools, 25 ; and of normal schools, 7. The latter are frequented by 124 pupils.

Mexico, federal republic: Area, 743,948 square miles; population, 9,343,470. Capital, Mexico; population, 200,000 . Minister of the interior, T. Garcia.
Mexico has 338 primary schools, with 22,407 pupils; a preparatory school, with 602 pupils; a business college, with 640 pupils; a law school, with 158 students; a school of medicine, with 126 students; a school of engineering, with 58 students; a school of fine arts, with 600 students; an industrial school, with 157 students; and a school of agriculture and veterinary surgery, with 29 students.

## V. - Australasta.

New South Wales, British colony: Area, 323,437 square miles; population, 503,981. Capital, Sidney; population, 134,755. Secretary of the council of education, W. W:1kins.
The following statement, drawn from the official educational report for the year 1876, shows the progress made during the last ten years:
In the ten years from 1867 to 1876 , inclusive, while the population of the colony ncreased from 431,412 to 629,776 , or 46 per cent., the number of public schools has ncreased from 259 to 503 , or 92.2 per cent. In addition to these, 279 provisional schools and 110 half time schools are now in operation, these classes of schools having been brought into existence for the first time under the public schools act. The total increase of the number of schools, other than certificated denominational schools, is therefore 633 , being at the rate of 244 per cent. On the other hand, the number of certificated denominational schools has fallen from 310 to 181 , or 41 per cent. The net increase of all schools, from 569 to 1,073 , is 88 per cent.
The number of pupils enrolled, having been 47,663 in the first.quarter of 1867 and 111,269 during the year 1876, has increased by 63,606, or 133 per cent. The amount of fees has increased at the rate of 100 per cent.

The number of new school-houses erected was 199 , to which may be added 61 others in course of erection.
The total number of teachers, assistants, and pupil teachers has increased from 971 to 1,583 , or 63 per cent. The number of teachers who have been under training is 681 .

The following table exhibits for the quarter ending December 31, 1876, the number of pupils enrolled, the arerage attendance, and the relative proportions of these numbers:

| Localities. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 27, 742 | 18,359. 6 | 66.1 |
| Tarre towns | 4,369 | 2,917. 5 | 66.7 |
| Small towns | 13,397 |  | 67.7 |
| Mining districts | 7,338 | 4, 875. 6 | 66.4 |
| Rural districts.. | 24, 113 | 16,634.1 | 8.9 |
| Total | 76,959 | 51,857. 1 | 67.3 |

New Zealand, British colony : Area, 106,259 square miles ; popalation, 399,075. Capital, Auckland; population, 21,590 . Superintendent of education, J. Williamson.
New Zealand has 140 schools, with 8,284 pupils on the rolls and 4,929 in average attendance. The number of teachers is 178. The Auckland College and Grammar School has 7 teachers and 164 students.

Queensland, British colony: Area, 678,600 square miles; population, 181,288. Capital, Brisbane; population in 1871, 19,413. Secretary of the board of education, E. Butterficld.
On the 1st of January, 1876, the education department found 222 primary schools in operation in the colony, of which 155 were state schools, 42 provisional schools, and

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25 non-vested schools. During the year, the total number increased to 263. Fifteen new state schools and 24 new provisional schools were opened.

The total number of children eurolled in 1876 was 36,271 , against 33,778 in 1875 -an increase of 2,493 . The mean number enrolled was 24,369 in 1875 and 26,949 in 1876an increase of 2,580 . The average daily attendance was 18,534 .

The number of teachers employed was 617 , of whom 335 were males and 282 females. The time devoted to secular instruction in all but infant schools is five hours on every day of the week except Saturday and Sunday. The number of ordinary school days in the year was 220 .

The children attending the schools vary in age from 4 to 16. They are admitted to infant schools at the age of 4 and into other schools at the age of 5 . The gross expenditure of the education department for primary schools in 1876 was $£ 73,131$.

Tasmania, British colony: Area, 26,215 square miles; population, 104,217. Capital, Hobart Town; population, 19,092. President of the board of education, Henry Butler.
During the year there were 154 schools in actual operation; total number of children on the rolls, 12,271; average daily attendance, 5,703. During the year 1876 there were 158 schools in operation, and the number of children on the rolls was 12,231. The total expenditure in 1876 amomnted to $£ 15,484$.

Victoria, British colony: Area, 88,198 square miles ; population, 823,272. Capital, Melbourne; population, 54,993 . Minister of public instruction, W. Collard Smith.

The following information is derived from the report of the minister of public instruction for the year 1876-'77:
The estimated number of children of school age (6-15) is 196,047; the following table shows the attendance of children at school:

| Children in attendance at- | Of school age (6-15). | Under and over school age. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Private schools. | 22, 863 | 6,075 | 28,938 |
| Colleges, grammar schools, \&c. | 833 | 202 | 1, 035 |
| Reformatory schools | 135 | 84 | 219 |
| Industrial schools . | 856 | 116 | 972 |
| Total. | 24,687 | 6,477 | 31, 164 |

The number of state and capitation schools in operation during the year 1876, with the pupils attending them, is shown in the following table:

| 1876. | Number of schools. | Total number of children enrolled dur. ing the year. | Arerage at tendance throughout the year. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Stato schools and state night schools Capitation schools. $\qquad$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,457 \\ 67 \end{array}$ | 222, 373 | 103, 026 |
|  |  | 12,913 | 5,788 |
| Total. <br> Deduct for schools closed <br> Balance | 1,524 | 235, 286 | 108, 814 |
|  | 26 | 3, 726 | 2, 056 |
|  | 1,498 | 231, 560 | 106, 758 |

Of the estimated number of children of school age, 196,047, there were 152,147 attending schools supported by the state, 750 capitation schools, 22,863 private schools, 833 grammar schools, 991 industrial and reformatory schools; 7,000 were taught at home, and 11,463 were educated up to the compulsory standard and removed from school.

Truant officers.-Truant officers have been sent to all the centres of population, with a view of prosecuting parents who persist in neglecting the education of their children. One hundred and fifty-eight prosecutions have already been made, which have resulted in 157 convictions and 1 dismissal.

Teachers.-The total number of teachers was 3,576 , of whom 1,325 were head teachers, 757 assistant teachers, 529 work mistresses, and 965 pupil teachers.

## INSTRUCTION IN ART.

The interest awakened throughout the country by the Centennial Exhibition in the whole subject of art in its relations to indastries, and in its special development in works of strictly high art, continues. In my report for 1876 a comprehensive statement was made of the art exhibitions, museums, schools, and academics which were either opened for the first time in the centennial year or which were then reopened. All these institutions seem to be prospering; and all the art schools, both those of high art and those especially aiming to teach the industrial applications of art, are crowded with eager pupils. In the eities and towns in which drawing has been for some years taught in the public schools, the evidences of progress have been so apparent as to commend the study to all classes. Art loan collections are becoming a recognized feature in many cities and towns, and it is safe to say that at present interest in all matters pertaining to art is more generally diffused throughout the community than at any former period in the listory of the United States.
The economic relations of art are beginning to be understood, and the fact that such principles of art knowledge can be given in the pnblic schools as shall enable the pupils to become available as producers in art industries is beginning to be appreciated. When eonfidence in this publie school training in industrial art shall have become general, a very marked increase in the art productions of the United States may be expected.
A movement looking to the combination of a mart for the sale of art works witis classes for giving practical training in art industries has been initiated in New York, under the designation of the Society of Decorative Art, which promises to become permanent and to be followed by the establishment of similar societies in other cities.
Some knowledge of the history of art and of the æsthetic development of man seems to be more and more considered an essential part of higher education by the colleges and universities. The public lectures on art, the frequent exhibitions, the increasing number of art publications, and the attention given to art topics in the current magazine literature, all evince the awakening interest of the public in art matters.

In publie collections of works of art, as well as in all musenms of natural objects and in public libraries, a notable change has taken place during the last few years, owing to a fuller recognition of the educational value and possibilities of such collec-

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So far as relates to art museums this change may be ascribed largely to the influence of the example set by the character and management of the South Kensington collections, which, in turn, grew out of the Hyde Park World's Fair. The value of such collections in developing the public taste and in affording direct instruction to those who wish to apply the arts to industries, which has been widely recognized in Great Britain and in the continental countries of Europe, is beginning to be understood in this country, and an art musenm no longer means, as it has done until very recently, simply a collection of paintings, of statuary, and possibly of a few engravings; it now comprises nearly everything to which artistic treatment may be applied. Art is rapidly becoming comprehensive, and the artist is free to use whatever material may suit his purpose. Art, long divorced from the interests of the common people, becomes allied to the common industries and the common needs of all, and the artisan and the artist, as in the best days of art, are rapidly recognizing their mutnal relation and dependence.

The foundation of the Pennsylvania Museum and .School of Industrial Art, which

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is the outcome of the Centennial Exhibition, just as South Kensington was the outcome of the Hyde Park Exhibition, is the first working example of such a museum and school in this country. The collections of examples of industrial art which are to be seen in the halls of the Memorial Building at Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, excluding, as they do, canvases, marbles, and engravings-formerly the sole stock of an art museum - are calculated to impress the beholder with a new sense of the possibilities of industrial art and of its immense importance to a country in an cconomic point of view.
The Massachusetts State Normal Art School, Boston, under the direct charge of Prof. Walter Smith, State art director, has been the pioneer in this field, and is doing excellent work in the training of those who shall be able to disseminate widely the kind of instruction essential to the development of a large number of workers in industrial art, which must be preliminary to any important development of art industries in this country. The collections of the Boston Museum of Art, while rich in works of high art and in the material necessary to train artists, are also well provided with examples of the application of art to various industries.
The loan collections of the Metropolitan Museum, in New York, have been arranged with special reference to their educational influence: the development of this museum into an institution similar to that of South Kensington having been the design of its founders and the plan which has been kept constantly in view, though the high art features and the archæological specialty of the museum have been in no way neglected. A great expansion of its work in the way of schools and direct instruction, not as yet attempted, may be anticipated when it removes to the permanent quarters providing for it in Central Park. • In the selection of the site and in the plans of the buildings, every provision for this anticipated growth and varied development has been made.
In direct training of pupils in industrial art, the Woman's Art Schools of the Cooper Union have been conspicuous. The Schools of Design in Philadelphia, Cincinnati, St. Louis, and Pittsburgh have given much attention to practical instruction in art industries. The Lowell School of Practical Design, Boston, Mass., is a frce school for technical instruction in the direct application of art to manufactures. The Free School of Art of Cooper Union, the Franklin Institute Drawing Classes, Philadelphia, and the night art classes of the Maryland Institute, Baltimore, give free instruction to boys and men in mechanical and free hand drawing. The Free Institute of Industrial Science at Worcester, Mass., gives theoretical and practical training in the industrial arts.

In high art training the leading schools are those of the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia; the National Academy of Design, New York; the classes of the Art Students' League, New York; the Brooklyn Art Association; the Yale School of Fine Arts, Yale College, New Haven, Conn.; the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston; the School of Design of the San Francisco Art Association; the Chicago Academy of Design, and the Art Department of Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. Y.
In collections of statuary, the Metropolitan Museum of New York, with its immense Di Cesnola collections from Cyprus and a few fine modern marbles, leads. Of collections of casts of statuary, the Corcoran Art Gallery at Washington; the Pennsylvania Museum of Fine Arts; the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston; the School of Design, San Francisco ; the Yale Art School ; the Art Gallery of Amherst College, Amherst, Mass., and the Art Gallery of Illinois Industrial University possess the largest and finest. Several of the other galleries and colleges also have good collections.
Of collections of paintings by old masters, the New York Historical Society, with the Bryan collection, the Metropolitan, with its collection of the Flemish school, and the Yale School of Fine Arts, with the Jarvis collcction, possess the most important. Of more recent paintings, the Corcoran Art Gallery, the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, the Lenox Library, New York, the Yale Art School, the Wadsworth Athenæum, Hartford, Conn., the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, and the Athenæum Art Gallery,

St. Johnsbury, Vt., possess the most important collcetions. Of colleges and other cducational institutions that have larger or smaller art collections and give more or less instruction in art, may be named: Yale, Amherst, Cornell, University of Michigan, Illinois Industrial University, Collcge of Notre Damc, Ind., Louisiana State University, Rochester University, Syracuse University, University of Vermont, Vassar College, Poughkcepsic, N. Y., Smith College, Northampton, Mass., South Hadley Seminary, Mass.

The following abstract from the 18 pages of statistical tables of the art institutions, which were given in my annual report for 1876, contains simply a list of the names, places, date of founding, and the chief officers or instructors of the art museums and art training institutions in the Unitcd States, for the purpose of including them in the present report and thus preserving the record complete.
The full statistics of the art collections and of the facilities possessed by the schools are in the tables of the report for 1876, and will be contained in the Special Report on Art Education in the United States now in the course of preparation by I. Edwards Clarke, A. m.

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Statistics of museums of art for 1876; from replies to inquiries by the United States Barcau of Ediucution.

$a$ In addition to its own, the museum exhibits important loan eollections. $b$ Date of the aequisition of the Trumbull paintings. $c$ The Athenæum Art Gallery was
ransferred to the Boston Museum of Fine Arts in 1876, and will not hereafter appear in these tables as a separate collection. $\quad d$ Deposited in 1876 for the term of seven years in the Jruseum of Fine Arts, Boston. e Art collection in 1870. fLibrary foumded in 1730.

## CLXXX REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION.

Statistics of institutions affording art instruction, including all training in industrial art, for 1876; from replies to inquiries by the United States Bureau of Education.


Statistics of institutions affording art instruction, \&c.-Continued.

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| 21 | The Palette Club.................. | Now York, N. Y .. | 1869 | Hon. Noah Davis, president; Sam'l J. Jelliffe, corresponding secretary. |
| 22 | School of Design, Vassar College c. | Poughkeepsio, N.T | 1877 | Prof. Henry Van Ingen. |
| 23 | College of Fine Arts of Syracuse University. | Syracuse, N. Y. | 1872 | Prof. George F. Comfort, dean. |
| 24 | School of Design of the University of Cincinnati. | Cincinnati, Ohio .. | 1869 | Thomas S. Noble. |
| 25 | Toledo University of Arts and Trades. | Toledo, Ohio ...... | 1872 | Charles J. Shipley. |
| 26 | Franklin Institute Drawing Classes | Philadelphia, Pa.. | 1824 | J. B. Knight, secretary of institute. |
| 27 | Art Classes of the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts. | Philadelphia, Pa .. | 1800 | Christian Schussele. |
| 28 | Philadelphia School of Design for Women. | Philadelphia, Pa .. | 1847 | Miss E. Croasdale. |
| 29 | The Pennsylvania Museum and School of Industrial Art. | Philadelphia, Pa .- |  |  |
| 30 | Pittsburgh School of Design for Women. | Pittsburgh, Pa.... | 1865 | Hugh Newell. |

$a$ University founded in 1867, school of architecture in 1870, art gallery in 1874, school of design in 1876. bThis course of free instruction, open to pupils of both sexes, is provided by the trustee of the Lowell Institute, and is in the rooms and under the direction of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. c The opening of this school will take place in September, 1877.

## STATISTICAL ABSTRACTS.

My report for 1876 was not printed in such numbers as to satisfy more than half the correspondents of this Office, though its contents were more varied and the year covered by it was in all respects the most important since the foundation of the Office. In the hope that Congress will see fit to order a larger edition of the present volume than its predecessor did of the last, I venture to reprint some parts of certain statistical tables which appeared in that report; the present report omits the corresponding tables this year.

CLXXXII REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION.
Statistics of orphan asylums, soldiers' orphans' homes, infant asylunts, industrial schools, and miscellancous charities for 1876; from replies to inquiries by the United States Bureau of Education
Part 1.-Statistics of orphan asylums.


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Asylum for Colored Friendless Children＊．


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Part 1.-Statistics of orphan asylums, $\mathscr{y}$ c., for 1876 -Continued.



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Part 1.-Statistics of orphan asylums, \&c., for 1876-Continued


PART 2.-Statistics of soldiers' orphans' homes for 1876.

Part 3.-Statistics of infant asylums for 1876.

Part 4.--Statistics of industrial schools for 1876.


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* From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1875.

Part 5．－Statistics of miscellaneous charities for 1876－Continued．

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| 109 | House of the Good Shepherd． | Philadelphia，Pa．（22d and Walnut sts．）． |  | 16 | 1，725 |  | 190 |
| 110 | Old Ladies＇Homc of Philadelphia． | Philadclphia，Pa．（Frankford ave．and Clearfield st．）．．．．． | 1 | 2 | 36 | 0 | 31 |
| 111 | Pennsylvania Industrial Home for Blind Women | Philadelphia，Pa．（3921 Locust st．）．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 2 | 54 |  | 30 |
| 112 | Philadelphia Lying－in Charity and Nurse School． | Philadclphia，Pa |  |  |  |  |  |
| 113 | Presbyterian Homo for Widows and Single Women in the State of Penn． sylvania． | Philadelphia，Pa．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  | 61 |  |  |
| 114 | Temporary Home for Destitute Women．．．．． | Pittsburgh，Pa．（45 Chatham st．）． |  | 1 | 1，894 |  |  |
| 115 | Woman＇s Christian Association of Pittsburgh and Allegheny | Pittsburgh，Pa ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  | 0 |  |
| 116 | Home for the Fricndless． | Scranton，Pa．． | 0 | 3 | 197 | 14 | 12 |
| 117 | Homo for Aged Women． | Providence，R．I |  |  | 101 |  | 39 |
| 118 | Shelter Home＊．．． | Providence，R．I． |  |  | 451 | 20 | 26 |
| 119 | Holy Communion Church Institute | Charleston，S．C．． | 3 | 5 | 1，400 | 193 | 0 |
| 120 | St．Philip＇s Church Home ． | Charleston，S．C．（cor．Quecn and Church sts．） |  |  | 40 | 1 | 30 |
| 121 | Memphis Bethel ．． | Memphis，Tenn．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  | 1，600 | 50 | 100 |
| 122 | Tho Turner Homo． | Norfolk，Va．（120 Fenchurch st．） |  |  | 7 | 0 | 7 |
| 123 | The Cadlo Home． | Green Bay，Wis．．．．．．．．．．． | 2 | 4 | 225 | 12 | 18 |
| 124 | The Little Sisters of the Poor Homo for the Aged． | Milwaukco，Wis． |  |  | 51 |  |  |
| 125 | Children＇s Hospital．． | Washington，D．C． |  |  |  | 13 | 9 |
| 126 | Epiphany Church Home | Washington，D．C．（1319 H st．） |  |  |  |  | 14 |

Statistics of reform schools for 1876 ; from replies to inquiries by the United States Bureau of Education.

Statistics of reform schools for 1876-Continued.



* From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1875.
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In the boys' department; in the girls' department the cost was $\$ 114.62 . \quad b$ Not yet reopened; waiting for a congressional appropriation for buildings.

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List of additional orphan asylums, industrial schools, rcform schools, \&.c., reporting in $187 \%$.
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| ORPHAN ASKLUMS. <br> Ladies' Protection and Relief Society Pacific Hebrew Orphan Asylum and Home Society. <br> Episcopal Orphans' Homo $\qquad$ |  |  |  |  | - |  |
|  | San Francisco, Cal ..- | 1 | 14 |  | 100 | 86 |
|  | San Francisco, Cal .. | 5 | 14 | 79 | + 29 | 26 |
|  | Savannah, Ga....... |  | 2 |  | 0 | 32 |
| Gcrman Protestant Orphan Asylum ........... | Indianapolis, Ind. | 1 | 1 | 44 | 20 | 10 |
| Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home ......... | Louisville, Ky ... | 1 | 5 | 224 | 43 | 59 |
| Presbyterian Orphans' Home Society .......... | Louisville, Ky |  | 2 |  | 7 | 20 |
| St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum . | Louisville, Ky |  | 5 |  | 43 | 53 |
| St. Vincent's Female Orphan Asylum. | Louisville, Ky | 1 | 12 |  | 4 | 169 |
| Asylum for Destitute Orphan Boys a | New Orleans, La | 2 | 6 |  | 66 |  |
| St. Paul's Orphan Asylum | Baltimore, Md ....... |  | 5 |  |  | 40 |
| German Orphan Asylum. | St. Paul, Minn |  | 3 | 14 | 2 | 9 |
| The New Orphan Asylum for Colored Children | Cincinnati, Ohio | 1 | 1 | b900 | 13 | 10 |
| Protestant Orphan Asylum ..................... | Allegheny, Pa |  | 10 | b2, 800 | 100 | 70 |
| Benevolent Association's Home for Children a. | Pottsville, Pa |  | 2 | 75 | 13 | 6 |
| Palmetto Orphan Homo... | Columbia, S. C | 1 | 2 | 56 | 14 | 42 |
| Church Orphans' Home......................... | Memphis, Tenn |  | 4 |  | 12 | 30 |
| industrial schools. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| St. Vincent De Paul's Industrial School....... | New York, N. Y .... |  | 16 |  |  | 100 |
| School for Nurses, Charity Hospital, B. I....... | New Fork, N. Y.... |  |  | 95 |  | 40 |
| The Ladies' Deborah Nursery and Childs' Protectory. | New York, N. Y.... |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rochester Industrial Schools $\qquad$ miscellaneous charities. | Rochester, N. Y..... | 0 | 8 | 1,800 | 55 | 49 |
| Youths' Directory a | San Francisco, Cal .- | 6 | 4 | 11, 862 | 21 | 4 |
| Home for the Fricndless | New Haven, Conn .. |  | 2 | 783 |  | 27 |
| House of Providence | Detroit, Mich ....... | 1 | 12 |  |  |  |
| The House of the Good Shepherd. | Stony Point, N. Y... | 1 | 4 | 275 | 49 | 31 |
| Aimwell School Association | Philadolphia, Pa.... |  | 3 |  |  | 60 |
| REFORM SCHOOL. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Truant School $a$. | Boston, Mass ....... | 4 | 1 |  | c129 | 0 |
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Memoranda for 1877.

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| Home of the Friendless. | Fairhaven, Comn ... | Soe Home for the Friendless, New Haven; identical. |
| Shelter for Colored Orphans | Baltimore, Md ..... | Has becomo Johns Hopkins Colored Orphan Asylum. |
| Social Union | Keene, N. H. | Merged in Reform Club. |
| Industrial Home (110 Lexington ave.).. | New York, N. Y | Removed. |
| Industrial Home for Women (223 E. 31st st.). | Now York, N. Y. | Removed. |
| Woman's Aid Socicty and Home for Training Young Girls. | New York, N. Y | Name ehanged to Froe Home for Destitute Young Girls. |
| The National Homestead............... | Gettysburg, Pa .. | Closed. |
| Western Provident Society and Children's Home. | Pliladelphia, Pa . | Name ehanged to Western Home 10 r Poor Children. |

CRIME AND EDUCATION.
The increase of criminals is emphasizing the importance of penology in connection with education. The inquiry is coming up from many quarters, Are therc no measures at the command of the public by which the increase of criminals may be checked? The friends of prison reform are active in devising measures to restore to useful places in socicty as many as possiblc of those who have suffered some legal penalty; it is believed that officers in charge of prisons were never more earnest or active in this regard. The collection of information in regard to prison administration and the treatment of discharged convicts has awakened a more intelligent interest in the public mind. The same is true with regard to data concerning schools for the reformation of juvenile offenders. Officers of these institutions cannot keep their records of admission, administration, and discharge too accurately, and will greatly promote the public interest in their responsibilities by a cordial response to all well meant researches looking to the solution of questions of penology. Too often the best efforts of these officers are received with indifference on the part of the public. Their plans, methods, and results should be carefully studied, especially by educators and statesmen. It is gratifying to know that a careful and extended study of the statistics of these reformatories gives evidence that from 70 to 75 per cent. of the youth committed to them become worthy citizens. As a rule, such institutions in our country have been established to receive the youth committed to them on the decree of the magistrate. Their inmates, thereforc, may be said to have passed the penal line; but in not a few instances admission has been secured at the request of parents or friends. There is on the part of many students of this subject a feeling that the taint of crime is fixed upon some of the inmates unnecessarily. They call attention also to the great increase in the number of youth, particularly in our cities, who are without parental care or reject parcntal control, or who as truants or absentees are not reached by the general educational provisions. They are, therefore, very properly inquiring whether there cannot be special schools established in which these youth may receive proper care, restraint, and training, ald, without having the taint of crime aftixed, be turned aside from the paths which so certainly lead to crime.
As illustrating the character of communications on this subject received at the Office, I invite attention to the following extracts from a letter written by Elisha Harris, M. D., who has bcen so long and so widely knowi as a physician and sanitarian and through his labors in behalf of the dependent and criminal classes of society. Expressing lis conviction that an industrial training school should be a true Kindergarten in open fields and spacious workrooms, and that not the orphan and the semiimbecile, but unruly and troublesome truants, the mischievous and obviously vicious boys who become now our habitual contrivers and wanton perpetrators of ofiences
and erimes, should be eliminated from the masses of ehildren, and, by ready assent and various modes of legal commitment by parents and lawful guardians, be brought into these industrial homes and training schools, Dr. Harris eontinues:
Let me bring this subject to your attention now and promise, when more at leisure, to elaborate it and submit certain propositions.
The biologieal history of the habitual eriminals in our country would startle some sound moralists by revealing the fact that the very attributes of these offenders which enable them to achieve distinction in the earecr of vice and erime are the normal potwers of true manhood perverted.
The registered industrial schools of England are proving that the worst sources of crime ean be nearly extinguished by means of the physieal and moral training of those schools.
In the United States we are proving that the common school system is deficient in regard to the special training of way ward, truant, and vicious ehildren-nominally registered as common school pupils, but usually neglected or disobedient, or both.
In order to find a broad basis for the generalizations and conclusions which must precede any good plans for the needed indnstrial training schools, do we not require a complete survey of the field? Do we not need to consult the best educators in cach State and find the extent and requirements of the field? For example, in the city of New York, with 207,000 betwecn the ages of five and fifteen years, there are probably 2,500 such ehildren as the industrial training school should have under culture. But if only 1,000 such children could be brought into such a school (after the four great refuge and protectory institutions and the Children's Aid Society have taken their greater numbers), their brain and muscle and great value to society, and their redemption from evil and erime, would be true cconomy.

These 2,500 (or the 1,000) must be trained industrially and physiologically, or they will become the very leaders of the eriminal classes and the progenitors of a class worse than themselves.

The orphan houses, charitable foundations, juvenile asylums, and refuges in our country all fail to adapt biological science and physical education to the training of the body for the development of saving resources in the individual children who are falling, or greatly in danger of falling, into vicious or disordcrly courses of life.

The Agricultural Colony at Mcttray and some of the farm schools have proved the economy and entire suceess of indnstrial training to save boys who were on the verge of ruin for want of a kind of education which no ordinary schools can supply.

What are now termed industrial schools do not meet the special wants I am at present eonsidering. But we must ascertain what our faets will show, when our prisons and reformatories for eonviets are searched; also see what the truants and disorderly children of our several States are.

I am not certain that we can devise a supplementary kind of publie sehool to treat and train on farms, in gardens, and in workshops and sehool chambers the residuar'y groups of youth that we now term truant, disorderly, wayward, and perverse, but not arraigned as offenders. In the State of New York, however, we could, I believe, secure the maintenance of a farm and shop industrial school for every eity and for ce ery eounty of 50,000 inhabitants. We should do this to prevent erime and public burdens; like Sweden, New York eannot afford to let its children grow up to be publie burdens or. criminals.

In making the investigation now suggested, the real illiteraey of about 50 pcr eent. of all conviets would appear, and the real want of industrial and sound bodily training would also appear in more than half of all our prisoners and the reformatory inmates.
The publie sehool reeords will show how vast is the number of truants and untntored among the registered school children. The collated evidence of the relations of illiteraey and untrained bodies to criminal and vicious life in any one State and in sereral of the States would produce convineing results. Would it not induce nceded efforts in each State to organize a limited system of industrial training schools, to which eliildren would be voluntarily committed or brought by parents, guardians, sehool officers, and peace officers, to be saved by culture in self-sustaining industries and by special education of the mind and moral nature?
Discussing the same subject, but from a different standpoint, I present the following from Hon. John Hitz, the consul general of Switzerland resident at Washington, who has done so mueh for the dependent elasses of our national eapital, and whose opinions arc formed not only from the facts bcfore him here but from a familiarity with the progress of industrial special edueation in Switzerland and other European countries:
Under what eategory wonld you place such institutions as the Industrial Home School? Should they constitute a branch of reformatory establishments, or, more properly speaking, "eorrectional institutions," and thus become adjuncts to the
judiciary department of government; or should the institutions of this kind constitute a part of the educational system of the land? Most decidedly the latter. They are, properly speaking, very important adjuncts of the present public school system. The State of Michigan has bcen, so far as I know, the first government to recognize this fact, and calls its institution of thiskind at Coldwater, very correctly, "The State Public School." These institutions are simply, or should be, State public boarding schools, where the beneficent aid of a good home is secured in training the child to become a useful citizen, should its natural parent or guardian be dead, wholly disqualified, or have abandoned the same.
Let us examine the public school system, see what means it uses to accomplish its object, and with what success.
Take, for instance, this District. Attendance at the public schools is made obligatory by law, and, in consequence, to be equitable in its demand upon parents and guardians, admission is made free. Is it only because there is insufficient accommodation that certain children do not attend? Not at all. Is the absent child to blame? No. The answer is best given by haring the story of each one of the fifty children now at the Industrial Home School - and I will add of at least five times as many whom we cannot take in for want of means.
The public school system is the great conscrvator of the moral and intellectual interests of the nation; its officers and teachers are moral and intellectual sanitarians.
The health boards of a city and their officers may be doctors by education, but they do not apply themselves to curing people, but to preventing people from becoming sick and requiring the services of a doctor. And so the trustees of public schools, ofticcrs, and teachers do not correct offences of the law, though some of them may be officers of the law: their duty is to prevent ignorance and iks train of evils, and so obviate the necessity of resorting to the officers of law.

It is a duty of the board of health and its officers to see to it that the streets and alleys of a city are swept and kept clean, nuisances abated, stagnant pools and marshy places drained: and this is done not to cure, but to prevent disease. Do not the board of education of our city and its officcrs, the trustees of the public schools and their officers, properly constitute a board of education for the moral and mental welfare of the community as much as does the board of health for the physical well-being of the citizens? Is it not true that the public school system of the present simply offers to keep clear the moral and mental highways leading to good and useful citizenship? Does the public school system really make any aggressive movement to drain the stagnant pools and malarial marshes of society? Is it not clearly its duty to do so? - to see to the proper training of those who, in the future in a Republic, are likely to constitute an important element of the majority. Or shall this rather be left to the spasmodic efforts of charity-and the effects of this neglect to prevent moral and mental malaria be corrected in reformatories and correctional institutions? Certainly it is within the clear and indisputable province of the educational dopartments of government to inaugurate measures calculated to prevent the cause of so much moral and mental malaria as is shown to exist by the constantly increasing demand made for admission to our reformatory and correctional institutions for juvenile offenders.

Trace the causes of nine-tenths of these offences against the law among juveniles, and they can be summed up in the word "neglect," either parental or municipal. To amend this neglect by establishing reformatories will not excuse the body municipal from the evident failure it is guilty of in neglecting sanitary measures to prevent the development of the germs of moral and mental disease, viz, pauperism and crime.
The proper authority to apply these measures is the Board of Education, as that in its broader sense implies instruction and consequent training. The means to be employed are (1) the enactment of laws for the punishment of wrongs to children; (2) the establishment of homes for dependent children where they can be reared to become good and useful citizens: in the interest of public economy this is to be done at public expensc. Neither abject poverty nor neglect can properly be chargeable to a child, yet they both lead directly to pauperism and crime. Ncither is a child to be blamed for no home, or, what is worse, a bad one. Of all these the child is innocent; and it is a sacred duty of the State to maintain this innocence and not remain an idle spectator until it is lost, and then as a matter of law apply corrcetives.
Until our system of public instruction shall have inaugurated effectual measures to drain these pestiferous moral and mental pools and marshes of society-thus killing the germs of moral and mental disease, and so removing the cause which mainly fills our houses of correction, crowds the dockets of our police conrts, and furnishes candidates in increasing numbers for juvenile reformatorics-it will not in my opinion liave accomplished the full scope of its duty.

The experience of the year gives new emphasis to the following recommendations, which I hereby renow:

First. An increase of the permanent force of the Office. The experience of the Office indicates clearly that the collection of educational information and publication of the same, as required by the law regulating it, cannot be properly done with the present limited clerical force.

Secondly. The enactment of a law requiring that all facts in regard to national aid to education and all facts in regard to education in the Territories and the District of Columbia necessary for the infornation of Congress, be presented through this Office. For the purpose of enabling the Government to meet its responsibilities with respect to the education of the people in the Territories, I recommend that the office of superintendent of public instruction for each Territory be created, to be filled by appointment by the President; his compensation to be fixed and paid as in the case of other Federal appointees for the Territories.

Thirdly. In view of the large number of children growing up in ignorance on account of the impoverished condition of portions of the country, and in view of the special difficulties in the way of establishing and maintaining therein schools for universal education, and in consideration of the impcrative need of immediate action in this regard, I recommend that the whole or a portion of the net proceeds arising from the sale of public lands be set aside as a special fund, the interest of said fund to be divided annually pro rata among the several States and Territories and the District of Columbia, under such provisions in regard to amount, allotment, expenditure, and supervision as Congress in its wisdom may deem fit and proper.

Fourthly. I respectfully recommend that such provision as may be deemed advisable be made for the publication of ten thousand copies of the Report of the Commissioner immediately on its completion, to be putat the control of the Bureau for distribution among its correspondents, in addition to the number ordercd for distribution by members of the Senate and House.
Fifthly. I also recommend that provision be made for the organization of an educational museum in connection with this Office and for the exchange of educational appliances with other countries.

## CONCLUSION.

The year, like the last, has been one of severe strain upon my assistants and myself. For all their coöperation they have my heartiest thanks. The tax upon us, as I have indicated, has been specially increased, first, by the historical inquiries incident to the year among our own educators; secondly, by inquiries from foreigners stimulated by the exhibition at Philadelphia; thirdly, by the exacting demands for the results of experiments in various sections of the country made by those called upon to encounter here and there the reactionary educational tendencies. Much of this additional strain in the Office could have been lessened if there had been adequate means for publication; besides, the benefits of these efforts would have been much more widely diffused, and educators in embarrassment would have received aid in their struggles to advance public intelligence if the information furnished in manuscript form had all been printed.
I desire to acknowledge my indebtedness for aid in prosecuting the work of the Office for the year to the Secretary of State, the officers of the Smithsonian Institution, the Commissioner of Patents, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Commissioner of the General Land Office, and for the cordial coöperation of yourself and the President.

> I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOHN EATON,
Hon. C. Schurz,
Commissioner.

## ABSTRACTS

OF THE

OFFICIAL REPORTS OF THE SCH00L OFFICERS OF STATES, TERRITORIES, AND CITIES,

WITH

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

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## PREEATORE NOTE.

The following abstracts of education in the States and Territories are derived from a great variety of sources. First among these come reports of State officials, such as State boards of education and State superintendents of instruction ; next, those of county and city superintendents, school committees, acting school visitors, and principals of State institutions. From these is derived nearly all the information given respecting elementary and special instruction, city school systema and normal schools, and much of that relating to secondery schools, as the high schools of the States and cities. What concerns private secondary schools is almost wholly from returns made by the principals of these to the Bureau of Education, supplemented by catalogues and other documents.
For the matter relating to universities, colleges, scientific and professional schools, dependence is based on the annual catalogues of these institutions, on occasional circulars issued by them and on special return3, made usually in the autumnal and winter months, in reply to circulars of inquiry sent them by the Bureau.
In every instance, official authority only is relicd upon for statements distinctly and definitely made the printed catalogucs and reports being chiefly used for this purpose, thongh sometimes a piece of interesting information from other than official sources may be given, with a reference to the quarter from which it is derived. In such cases, however, the effort is always made to verify the statement before it is committed to the press.
The matter derived from the various sources above indicated is formulated, in the abstracts of education for each State, substantially in accordance with the schedule given below.

## GENERAL PLAN OF THE ABSTRACTS.



The statistics furnished the Bureau in answer to its circulars of inquiry, for convenicnce of reference and comparison, are given in tables at the conclasion of this volume, while summaries of these statistics may be found under their appropriate heads in the preceding report of the Commissioner.
For the general courtesy with which his circulars have been replied to, alike by State and city officials, by college presidents and heads of schools, as well as for documents additional to these replies, the Commissioner of Education herewith teuders his cordial thanks to all concerned.

## ALABAMEA.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

(From returus of Hon. Leroy F. Box, State superintendent of education, for the two years indicated.)
$a$ Whites, 236,520; colored, 168,706.
6 Whites, 86,485 ; colored, $54,745$.
$c$ Whites, 61,584 ; colored, 40,092.
$d$ The township is here the ordinary school district, but parts of townships, cut off by streams or mountains, and also incorporated cities or towns with 3,000 or more inhabitants, may constitute separate school districts. - (School laws of 1876 and 1877.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A State superintendent of education, elected by the people and commissioned by the governor for a term of two years, ${ }^{1}$ has the care of providing for a uniform and efficient administration of the system of public schools and of reporting annually to the governor.

## LOCAL.

A county superintendent of education, appointed by the State superintendent for a term of two years, has under him in each county the general supervision of the school system.
${ }_{1}$ In the report of this Bureau for 1875 it was stated that the term of the superintendency had been once fonr years. This was an error induced by the language of an old State roport. The term has been two years from the beginning.

A township or other school district has ordinarily a board of 3 trustees to care for the interests of its public schools, the exceptional cases being cities with school boards organized under special laws.- (School law of 1877.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

No report of the public schools having been published for 1876-77, the statistical summary before given contains all our official information respecting common school education in the State, except what relates to Mobile. From this summary we learn that there was an increase of 14,337 in the public school enrolment, notwithstanding a diminution of 35,779 in the number of youth of school age from a contraction of that age by two years. The number of public schools reported, too, increased by 1,012 ; they continued in session longer by two days than in the preceding year; there were 374 more teachers, with an augmentation of 65 cents in the average of monthly pay; while the receipts for schools were $\$ 79,966$ in advance of those of $1875-76$, and the expenditures $\$ 55,217$ more. These are favorable indications, show a large improvement already reached, and seem to point to a much more hopefin condition of educational affairs in the near future.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## MOBLLE.

Officers.-The school system here, which includes by special lav the county as well as the city, is under a school board of 9 commissioners, with the ${ }^{\text {rr unty }}$ superintendent as ex officio member and treasurer. One-third of the commissioncrs are to be changed by election every two years.- (Code of 1876, sections 1225-1231.)

Statistics. - Population at the latest return (1875), 45,000; children of school age (5-21) at that date, 18,044; enrolment in 1877, white males, 1,016 ; colored males, 942 ; white females, 1,255 ; colored females, 830 - total, 4,043; average attendance, 3,705. City schools, 20 ; country schools, 42 ; teachers in the former, 51 ; in the latter, 53 ; expenditures, $\$ 45,489$.

Further particulars.-Of the 20 city schools, 5 were for colored pupils; of the 42 country schools, 17 were also for them. The advancement of the pupils in these schools is said to have becn much beyond that of former years. In writing, especially, better results have been obtained than at any preceding period.

In the city schools gencrally, notwithstanding the disadvantage of a short term, the pupils are reported to have shown remarkable success in penmanship, arithmetic, and English composition. Quite a number of papers of 25 to 30 pages, presented at the written examinations for promotion, had not a single error nor a blot or erasure; and this, too, though they were written against time, with no opportunity to copy or remodel. This is believed to have been largely due to the fact that, instead of grammatical dissection of sentences, much time has been given to written composition and the building up of sentences after good English models.-(Report of Superintendent E. R. Dickson for 1876-77.)

## THE TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS.

Of these there are at present three. (1) The State Normal School at Florence, established by the board of education in 1872, opened for students in 1873, and at first dosigned to prepare only white young men for teaching in the public schools, but soon ordered to admit young women also. Teachers, 4 ; normal students, 54 ; other students, 83, in 1876-'77. (2) The Lincoln Normal University, at Marion, organized in 1870 , and meant to furnish the colored people of the State advantages for higher education, as well as give special preparation for employment as teachcrs in the public schools. Instructors, 3 ; normal students, 120 in 1876-77. (3) The Normal School at Huntsville established by the board of education in 1871, to provide for training teachers of colored schools, had in 1877 two instructors and 81 pupils, with an average attendance of 45 . The Florence school has a course of 3 years; that at Marion, beginning at a much lower point, one of 8 years. - (Published reports and returns to Bureau of Education.)

OTHER NORMAL SCHOOLS.
Under the auspices of the American Missionary Association (Congregational) normal departments have for some years been maintained in the following institutions: (1) Talladega College, Talladega, chartered in 1869; (2) Trinity School, Athens; (3) Emcrson Institute, Mobile, which last had the misfortune to lose its building by fire in 1877. The Methodists also maintain at Huntsville the Rust Normal Institute. All these aim to train young colored pcople for successful teaching in schools of their own race

The course at Talladega, beginning with elementary instruction, covers 6 years; that at the Rust Institute and the others is not stated. At Talladega and the Rust Institute vocal and instrumental music enters into the coursc. Normal students in all, at latest date, 213.-(Published reports and written returns.)

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

The old law requiring county superintendents to organize and hold annually county conventions of teachers, and to provide beforehand for the delivery at such conventions of lectures upon cducational topics, does not appear to have been formally reënacted cither in the code of 1876 or in a new act of 1877 "to organize and regulate a system of public instruction." But that the idea of such meetings was not abandoncd is evident from the fact that the State superintendent of education is directed, among other duties of his annual visitation of the counties, "to encourage and assist at organizing and conducting teachers' and superintendents' institutes."-(School law.)

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.
The only reported high schools in the public sehool system of the State for 1877 are one for boys and one for girls at Mobile. The numbers of pupils in these, however, are not given. From the girls' high school, in which were 3 teachcrs, 19 pupils graduated at the close of the school year 1876-77, and 2 others received certificates of having passed through a partial course.-(Report of Superintendent Dickson.)

## PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

Many of these appear to have been compellcd to yield before the advance of the public school system and the continued pressure of hard times. For detailed statistics of such remaining ones as report themselves, see Table VI of the appendix and a summary of this in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## PREPARATORY SCHOOLS AND DEPARTMENTS.

Talladega College, Talladega, remanded to the list of preparatory schools because of having no students in collegiate classes, appears to be hardly maintaining even that rank, its return for 1877 presenting no indication that any of its 236 students were preparing for either a classical or scientific collegiate course.
Of the preparatory departments of La Grange College and Spring Hill College there is no information. In that of the State Agricultural College there were, at the date of the last return, 53 students; in that of Howard College, 35 ; in each case under 1 instructor, exclusive of those in the collegiate dcpartments. In the last, 25 students were preparing for a classical course in college, and 10 for a scientific course.

## BUSINESS COLLEGES.

There is a " commercial school" in connection with Howard College, Marion, with 3 instructors. Students in 1876-'77, at least 16.-(Catalogue for 1876-77.)

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## CLASSICAL COLLEGES

The University of Alabama cmbraces in its academic department 9 separate schools which are elective. Each student, however, is required to take the studies of at least 3 schools, unlcss there be reasons satisfactory to the faculty that he should not. There are in cach school two courses of instruction: a special one required for graduation in the school, and a general one for students who propose to graduate in other schools. The academic degrees are A. B., graduate of a school, and A. M., which last requires one year of residence additional to the ordinary course, as well as graduation in 3 schools.
The other colleges reporting their statistics for 1876 -77 are Southern University, at Grecnsborough, and Howard College, at Marion. Here the departments, courses of study, \&c., appear to bo substantially as reported in 1876.- (Returns and catalogues, 1877.)

## Spring Hill College, ncar Mobile, sends no report for 1877.

For statistics of the reporting collcges sce Table IX of appendix, and for those of the institutions for superior instruction of young women, Table VIII, with the summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

Of the latter class of institutions it may be said, however, that music, drawing, painting, French, and German were tanght in nearly all, and that the greater part had some means for chemical experiment and illustration of physics.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

At the Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical College, Auburn, the system is by classes and courses; the classes embracing 1 preparatory and 4 collegiate; the courses, (1)
agriculture, (2) literature, (3) science, (4) civil enginecring, (5) surveying, (6) building and architecture. The first 4 of these are termed regular, and lead each to a degree after 4 years of successful collegiate study. The other 2 are special, and secure only a certificate of proficiency aftcr such study as may be necessary to complete them. Drawing forms a regular part of the instruction in the first two years of the collegiate course; but during the third and fourth years is obligatory only on the students of civil engineering. Telegraphy is also taught. Latin and Greek enter into the courso in literature; Latin, German, and French, with some liberty of choice respecting them, into the other 3 regular courses. Instructors here, 8 ; students in regular collegiate course, 120; in partial courses, 47.-(Cataloguc, 1877, and return.)

## PROFESSIONAL.

In theology some instruction is given by President Murphee in the "School of moral science and theology," Howard College, and by Chancellor Smith in the "School of biblical literature," Southern University. Talladega College also trains colored students for the ministry, and reported 18 students under 2 instructors in 1877 . No report of theological students at the others, except of 1 at Greensborough in the catalogue for $1876-7 \%$.

In law, there appear in the catalogues for 1876-77, besides the school of law at the State university, with 2 professors, a law school at Howard College, with 2 professorial chairs, only 1 being filled at the time of printing; a college of law at the Southern University, Greenshorough, with 3 professors and 2 schools, 1 of common and statute law, and 1 of equity jurisprudence. Course at the State university, 15 months; at Howard, "may be completed in one scssion"; at Greensborough, not stated. Total of legal instructors, 6 ; of students at the University of Alabama, 12, in catalogue for 1876-77; in a return for the fall term, 23; in the other colleges, not given.
In medicine, we have again the Medical College of Alabama at Mobile, with its 3 years' course of study, 8 instructors, and 50 students, and the College of Medicine of the Southern University, Greensborough, with 5 instructors and only 1 reported student. Requirements for graduation: full age, good character, 3 years' study of medicine, with attendance on 2 full courses of lectures, the last one in this college, or a reputable practice of 4 years and 1 full course of lectures.- (Return and catalogue.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## ALABAMA INSTITUTION FOR THE DEAF AND DUMB AND THE BLIND, TALLADEGA.

Returns for 1877 give 6 as the number of instructors and 60 as the number of pupils in the deaf-mute department here; and 2 as the number of instructors, 12 as the number of pupils, in the department for the blind. In the former, the branches of study attended to are reading, writing, arithmetic, mathematics, geography, history, and music; the employments are boot making, cane seating, wood carving, broom making, farming and gardening. In the latter, the studies are the ordinary English branches and music; the employments, cane seating and chair and broom making.

# CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER. 

## AREANSAS.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-'76. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (6-21) | 189,130 | No returns. |  |  |
| Enrolled in public schools | 15,890 | . . do.. |  |  |
| Average daily attendance.. |  | ....do...... |  |  |
| SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND SCHOOLS. |  |  |  |  |
| Number of school districts |  | No returns. |  |  |
| Number of schools. |  | ....do. |  |  |
| Number of school-houses. | 1,625 | ....do...... |  |  |
| Cost of these. | \$365, 315 | ....do...... |  |  |
| teachers and their pay. |  |  |  |  |
| Teachers in public schools | 461 | No returns. |  |  |
| Average monthly pay............. |  | . do. |  |  |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole receipts for public schools. | \$344, 074 | No returns. |  |  |
| Whole expenditures for the same... | 119, 403 |  |  |  |

OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.
GENERAL.
A board of commissioners of the school fund, composed of the governor, secretary of state, and State superintendent of public instruction, is charged with the management and investment of the common school fund belonging to the State, and must make semi-annual settlements with the State treasurer.
A State superintendent of public instruction, to be elected every two years by the people, has general supervision of all other matters relating to the free common schools, and is to make annual report of them to the governor.

## LOCAL.

County excminers, one for each county, are appointed by the county court at the first session after each general election, and are to examine and license teachers and perform most of the duties of county superintendents of schools.

Boards of district trustees, 3 for each school district and one-third changed each year, are chosen by the people of the district at their August meeting, for care of school houses, engagement of teachers, and local supervision and report of schools.- (School law of 1875 .)

## ELEMENTARY INS'TRUCTION.

NO REPORT.
The school law of 1875 calls not only for the presentation to the governor of an annual report of everything relating to the public schools, but also for the publication of such reports. But up to the time of sending these sheets to the press no report for $1876-$ ' 77 appears to have becn published, nor has it been possible to obtain even a statistical summary exhibiting the main facts as to the State schools for that year, though one for 1877-78 has been kindly forwarded.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## LITTLE ROCK.

Officers.-A board of school directors of 6 members, one-third liable to change each year; a board of visitors and examiners of 4 members, and a city superintendent of schools.

Statistics.-Population in 1870, 12,380; estimated present population, 17,000. Youth of school age ( $6-21$ ), 6,462 ; cstimated number between 6 and 16 , the practieal school age, 4,200; enrolled in public schools, 1,960 , of whom only 95 were over 16 ; average daily attendance, 1,129 , an increase of 203 for the year 1876 -'77; number of days of school, 180 ; number in which school was taught, 170 . Teachers, 27 , exclusive of superintendent; expenditures, $\$ 12,068$.

Additional particulars.-The sehools are divided into primary, intermediate, grammar, and high, each of these divisions having 3 grades, with a regularly arranged course of study. The year past is said by the superintendent to have been marked by encouraging progress in discipline and methods of teaching throughout the schools, and by special advance in the junior class in the high school, which was carried through a thorough review of elementary studies in which it was found deficient. Two of the schools are for eolored children, and one of these is tanght quite suecessfully by colorcd teachers, whose work is considered by the superintendent quite as good as that in eorresponding grades of the other school, where white teachers are employed. In all the sehools corporal punishment is discouraged; is only resorted to where milder measures will not avail; and is not allowed to be administcred till the day after the eommission of the offence, that unreasonable anger may have time to cool and that the parents may be consulted. The consequence has becn a great diminution in eases of severe discipline. The board of examiners says that especially gratifying eare is taken to ground the pupils well in those elementary studics which are the foundation of all education, and that reasons as well as rules for operations are distinctly given.- (Report for 1877.)

## THE TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS.

Aiming to utilize to the utmost the teaching foree of her State Industrial University at Fayetteville, Arkansas established in connection with it a normal department, to furnish a thorough course of instruetion for whites desiring to teach in the public schools. The training and course of study in this department, the latter extending through four years, are partly academic and partly normal. The former is attended to in the other departments of the university, the work in methods, theory, and art of teaching being reserved for the normal department. Drawing and vocal and instrumental musie form a part of the instruction given in the university, while a chemical laboratory and apparatus for illustrating physics add their advantages to those afforded by a small museum of natural history, a library of about 700 volumes, and a model school for training in the methods and art of tcaching. Diplomas are given to those who complete the course. Number of resident instruetors, including those of the other departments, 12; normal students, 41 ; normal graduates, 5.- (Report of the university and return for 1876-77\%.)

As the above mentioned department was meant only for white studcnts, a braneh of it was opened in Scptember, 1875, at Pine Bluff; on the Arkansas River, to afford the colored tcachers of the State an opportunity to fit themselves for more thorough work in the schools for the children of their own race. It is under the same board of trustees as the other, and is governed by the same rules; affords aceommodations for more than 100 students, and reports 27 male and 28 female normal students under 1 resident instructor, with pupil assistants, and 13 students licensed and teaehing school during vacation. The course is 4 years. Drawing is taught both separately and in conjunction with every other branch where it is applieable. Vocal nutsic forms a part of the daily training. Instrumental musie is optional. - (Circular of school and return for 1876-77.)

## ANOTHER NORMAL SCHOOL.

An institution entitled the Pine Bluff Graded School, with normal department, apparently receiving some aid both from the public school fund and the American Missionary Association, reports 35 normal students for 1877 , of whom 9 received teaehers' eertifieates and engaged in teaching. Vocal and instrumental music, with drawing in line and perspective, was taught; some apparatus for illustration of physics was possessed, and the normal students were taught in the graded school for practice.- (Return.)

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

The law of 1875 requires that the State superintendent of public instruction shall hold a teachers' institute annually in each judicial district of the State, to be called a normal district institute. He is to arrange the programme for each institute and preside at it in person, though if he should fail to be present the assembled teachers may organize and hold the institute.

County examiners are also to hold institutes for their respective counties, but in case of inability to attend in any instance, may appoint some suitable person to perform the duty.

The Arkansas department of the Eclectic Teacher indicates that both State and county officers are attending to this important duty.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC IIIGII SCHOOLS.

The high school at Little Rock is the only one in the State of which any full account is given. It has a course of three years, is said by the city superintendent to have been well tanght, to be in prosperous condition, and to afford the basis for a strong high school, with the beginning of a systematic classification of the same. The curriculum is not yet as complete as could be wished, but the school officers prefer to wait, advancing slowly but surely toward a permanent and satisfactory condition. In the autumn of 1876 the study of Latin and German, which had been required, was made optional. The result was an almost entire failure of the pupils to take that work, and the study of these languages was consequently dropued till it should be again made obligatory. The board of visitors regret this, thinking that there can be no high school courso worthy of the name in which these studies are not included.-(City report for 187\%.)

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS

For full statistics of private schools for secondary training, and preparatory departments of colleges, see Tables VI, VII, and IX in the appendix and the summaries of them in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

The colleges which report for 1876-77 are Arkansas College, Batesvillo; Cane Hill College, Bloomsborough; Judson University, Judsonia, and St. John's College, Little Rock. All report preparatory and collegiate departments, and have students in both, except Judson University, which was not opened until 1875, and has as yet, besides the preparatory, only 9 students in irregular courses. All these colleges except St. Jolin's are open to both sexes, and of the 14 graduates of 1877 at Arkansas and Cane Hill Colleges who received the degrce of A. B., 8 were women. - (Returns to the Bureau of Education.)
For statistics, see Table IX of the appendix and the summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

The Arkansas Industrial University, at Fayetteville, serving as tho agricultural and mechanical college of the State, embraces a college of general science and general literature; one of engineering; one of commerce; also normal and preparatory departments. Provision is made for 238 State beneficiaries, and an equal number of non-paying normal students, ${ }^{1}$ and both sexes are admitted. The beneficiaries are selected among the different counties, in proportion to the population, and are entitled to 4 years' free tuition, each of the courses, except the preparatory, covering that period. By recent action of the board of trustees, all male beneficiaries who are hereafter appointed will be required to take a course in agriculture and mechanics, "with permission to select such other studies as circumstances may allow." An experimental farm has been provided contiguous to the university. Agriculture and the mechanic arts will be more fully taught, it is stated, when many of the joung men shall have become better grounded in the rudiments of general knowledge.- (Catalogue for 1876 and announcement for 1876-777.) Aggregate of students in the 4 years' course, according to return, 253; students in partial courses, 3 ; graduato students, 3 ; professors and instructors, 12.

## PROFESSIONAL.

It appears, from such information as has come to hand, that there are no legal, theological, or medical schools in Arkansas.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## ARKANSAS DEAF-MUTE INSTITUTE, LITTLE ROCK.

This institution was organized in 1868, and is under the control of the State government. In 1876-77, it had 63 pupils under tho instruction of 3 teachers. No employments are taught. The course of study embraces history, grammar, composition, arithmetic, geography, philosophy, writing, and drawing. In the "American Annals of the Deaf
${ }^{1}$ A written return, however, gives 100 as the number of State scholarships, and states that there are no other free scholarships.
and Dumb" for January, 1878, it was statcd that Mrs. Caruthers, widow of the late lamented principal, had rcturned to the institution as matron, and that the school was in as flourishing a condition as the cmbarrassed state of its finances would allow.(Return, 187\%.)

ARKANSAS INSTITUTE FOR THE BLLND, LITTLE ROCK.
There have becn 119 pupils under instruction here since the foundation of the school. Its present number is 32; teachers and other officers, 7. All the branches of a common school education, with gymnastics and music, are taught, besides ccrtain employments, such as broom and mattress making, seating of chairs, sewing, kuitting, and basket making.-(Return, 187\%.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## STATE ASSOCLATION.

A report of the meeting of the State Tcachers' Association, in the Eclectic Teacher of October, 1877 , is the only one that has reached the Burcan. This report notes the assembling of the members in Little Rock, August 29, State Superintendent Hill being present as chairman, and the other officers, with one exception, answering to their names; but the number of members prescnt is not given, nor is there any account of the proceedings of the mecting beyond the appointment of a delegation to the National Educational Association, the elcction of a new sct of officcrs for 1877-78, the nomination of a committce to report on a revision of the school law, and the passage of a resolution expressive of approval of Superintendent Hill and of readiness to coöperate with him in his work.

It was thought best by the board of councillors to defer a mceting for discussion, that was to have been held in November, till some time in the summer of 1878.

## other educational meetings.

In the Arkansas department of the Eclectic Teacher there appeared during 1877 various notices indicative of the holding of comnty teachers' institutes and the normal institutes required by law to be held ammally in each judicial district of the State. There was, however, no such report of the instructions at these mectings as to call for further note of them than this brief paragraph.

CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER.

> [Term, 1878-1880.]

Hon. James L. Denton, Ntate superintendent of public instruction, Little Rock.

## CALIFORNIA.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| porulation and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Children of school age (5-17) | 184,787 | 200, 067 | 15,280 |  |
| Enrolled in public schools... | a126, 220 | a135, 335 | 9,115 |  |
| Average number belonging | 91,784 | 97, 527 | 5,743 |  |
| Average daily attendance. | 83, 391 | 89, 539 | 6,148 |  |
| Per cent. of this on average belonging | . 89 | 15, 91 | - 719 |  |
| Children in private schools. | 14,625 43,023 | 15,344 49,035 | 6,012 |  |
| Children $5-17$ in no schools. Mongolian children in schoo | 43, 383 | - 266 |  | 17 |
| Mongolian children in scho | 744 | 735 |  | 9 |
| Indian children in schools ............... 283 |  |  |  |  |
| districts and schools. |  |  |  |  |
| Number of school districts | 1,742 | 1,828 | 86 |  |
| Districts with good accommodations | 1,410 | 1,414 | 4 |  |
| Districts with sufficient gronnds...... | 1,529 | 1,636 | 107 | 3 |
| Districts with well improved grounds | 656 1,594 | 659 1,060 |  | 534 |
| Districts with well ventilated schools. Districts with well furnished schools. | 1,594 | 1, 785 |  | 19 |
| Districts with good apparatus.. | 488 | 488 |  |  |
| Districts maintaining schools less than <br> eight months. 913 659 $\ldots . . . . .$. 261 |  |  |  |  |
| Districts maintaining schools eight months or more. | 794 | 1,134 | 340 |  |
| Number of first grade schools .......... | 964 | 914 |  | 50 |
| Number of second grade schools | 817 | 627 | 161 |  |
| Number of third grade sc | 2,337 | c2, 524 | 187 |  |
| New school-houses erected | 99 | 122 | 23 |  |
| Average length of schools in days..... |  |  |  |  |
| teachers and their pay. |  |  |  |  |
| Number of male teachers | 1,129 | 1,184 | 55 |  |
| Number of female teachers | 1,853 | 1,983 | 130 |  |
| Wholo number | 2,982 | 3,107 | 185 |  |
| Teaching in one school more than a year | 329 1.298 | 1832 1,819 | 103 |  |
| Attended county institutes. | 1,298 | 1,819 | 40 |  |
| Graduates of State Normal School ......- |  |  | 28 |  |
|  | 272 | 328 | 56 |  |
| Average monthly pay of men .......... | \$8500 | \$83 78 |  | \$1 22 |
| Average monthly pay of women........ | 6815 | 6968 | \$153 |  |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Total receipts for schools | \$3, 302, 604 | \$3, 610, 163 | \$307, 559 |  |
| Whole expenditure for schools | 122, 858, 601 | 1a2, 749,730 |  | 1 |

[^22]Statistical summary-Continued.

|  | 1875-776. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| expenditure per capita. |  |  |  |  |
| Cost of tuition for each pupil on enrolment. | \$1412 | \$1506 | \$0 94 |  |
| Cost of tuition for each pupil on average attendance. | 2162 | 2204 | 42 |  |
| Cost of tuition for each pupil on daily attendance. | 2379 | 2400 | 21 |  |
| Whole cost, iucluding current expenses: On enrolment |  |  |  |  |
| On average attendance .................. | 2635 | 1868 | $\begin{array}{r}103 \\ \hline 33 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |
| On daily attendance .................. | 2899 | 2906 | 07 |  |
| valuation of school property. |  |  |  |  |
| Sites, buildings, and furniture School libraries | \$5, 369, 984 | \$5, 617, 917 | \$247, 933 |  |
| School apparatus | 173,213 88,299 | 207, 336 | 34, 123 |  |
| Total valuation |  |  |  |  |
|  | 5,631,496 | 5, 933, 243 | 301, 747 |  |

(From biennial report of Hon. Ezra S. Carr, State superintendent of public instruction, for the two ycars above indicated.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A State superintendent of public instruction, elected by the people cvery 4 years, has supervision of the public schools of thic State, with the duty of visitation of them and of biennial report respecting them. He is also trustee of State schools for special training and visitor of all incorporated literary institutions. He is allowed a deputy.

A State board of education, composed of the governor, State superintendent, and the superintendents of 6 central counties, has power to prescribe a course of studies for the public schools, with a uniform series of text books, except for the city and county of San Francisco; to adopt a list of books for district school libraries, and to grant and revoke for canse life diplomas to teachers.
A State board of examiners, composed of the State superintendent and 4 professional teachers appointed by him, recommends to the State board highly approved teachers for its life diplomas, and grants to others, according to their ascertained qualifications, diplomas for two, three, four, and six years.

## LOCAL.

County superintendents of schools, chosen by the people every 2 years, have the usual visitorial and supervisory duties of such officers.
City boards of education, chosen by the citizens under local laws, have general oversight of the school systems of their respective cities; while county and city boards of examiners examine teachers for the county and city schools, granting diplomas valid in their respective fields for one, two, and three years.
District trustees, chosen by the people of their districts for terms of 3 years, one-third being changed each year, care for the schools and school-houses of the districts for which they are elected.-(School laws of 1870 and 1874.)
Women are eligible to school offices, and one now serves as deputy superintendent of public instruction.

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

The summary of statisties given by State Superintendent Carr and condensed in the table on a preceding page shows that the enrolment in the schools has kept fair pace
with the increase of school population; that the average daily attendance at school has increased in larger proportion than the average number belonging, and has gained somewhat on the increase of non-attendants at any school; that there is a gain, too, in the number of schools with grood accommodations, sufficient grounds, and terms of eight months or more ; that although the list of first grade schools has sonewhat diminished, that of the second grade has been enlarged in more than triple measure beyoud such diminution; and that, with higher receipts for school purposes, the expenses have been kept below the income through economy in builaiug.

There is only one thing which looks unfavorable, viz, that, while the number of teachers has increased, there seems from the figures to be a considerable decrease of certificated ones, which would indicate deterioration in quality beyond the gain in names. But, on the other hand, the superintendent says, on page 3 of his report: "It is believed that at no time in the history of the State have the teachers been as well qualified, or more earnest and zealous in their work."-(State report.)

## KINDERGÄRTEN.

Three of these schools, one at Brooklyn, one at Los Angeles, and one at Santa Barbara, reported 32 children under training in 1877, with 1 instructor in each school, and the usual results, viz, quickened perception, improved sense of beauty and order, and the getting of profitable study out of apparent play. The school at Los Angeles, subsequently to the return made, was removed to Oakland.

## VACATION SCHOOLS.

As very many children have to remain in cities during the long vacation of the schools, Superintendent Carr suggests that, to keep these usefully employed, vacation schools should be established, differing from the ordinary term schools both in the studies pursued and the methods resorted to. He would have them arranged on the half-time principle in order to benefit the greatest number, and would make them give training in industrial pursuits. For instance, a girls' school of sewing could, he thinks, be so arranged as to cover elementary exercises in needlework, cutting and designing of patterns, and the use of the sewing machine for more advanced scholars. These instructions could, he conceives, be accompanied with illustrated lessons and lectures on materials; for boys he would have industrial drawing, exercises in the use of tools and vise work. He lases these suggestions partly on the inherent propricty of doing something towards a fuller training of children now left largely to the education of the streets, partly on the expediency of fostering the present drift towards a more practical and industrial education, and finds encouragement to urge the matter in the fact that vacation schools, in some measure of this character, have been maintained at Providence, R. I., with a very considerable measure of success. In these schools-as mentioned in the Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1875, p. 379-much oral instruction was imparted as to the names and uses of the various products of agriculture and manufactures as well as of those which constitute the main elcments of com-merce.-(State report.)

## FREE TEXT BOOKS IN SCHOOLS.

In view of the advantages that have been found in Eastern cities from a supply of free text books to pupils in the public schools-such as diminution of expense, securing uniformity, aiding better classification of the pupils, and leading to increased attend-ance-Superintendent Carr favors the adoption of this plan in California. And as there is no obstacle in the way of it in the schoel law, he suggests that any district which nay choose to do so should go forward and supply free text Wooks for its schools.(State report.)

## QUALITY OF EDUCATION TO BE GIVEN.

In common with several superintendents of instruction whom he quotes, Superintendent Carr evidently leans to the belief that there have been for some time too many studies in the schools and too much merely theoretical instrnction, to the neglect of the practical, the industrial, and the moral. He therefore urges, with these gentlemen, and largely in their words, that there shonld be a concentration of the pupils' work on fower subjects, and these of a more practical and useful kind; that the cffort shonld ing have each of these completely mastcred before it is passed away from; that draw-
ing, with a view to industrial pursuits, should be among the subjects studicd: and that good morals and good manners, not tanght at all to many children in their homes, should, for the safety and woll being of the State, be taught systematically by the teachers in her schools.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

In San Francisco, a board of education of 12 mombers, clected biennially by the people, with a superintendent (who may have a deputy), also bicnnially chosen; in San José, a board of 2 members from each ward, with a supcrintendent; in both, boards of examincrs for proof and certification of the qualifications of persons proposing to teach; in Stockton, also, a board of cducation and of examination, with a superintendent.(School law and reports.)

STATISTICS.

| Cities. | Population. | Children of <br> school age. | Enrolment. | Average at- <br> tendance. | Teachers. |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | Expenditure.

## a Estimated.

$b$ This is the number of State school ago (5-17) entitled to draw public money. The number of city school age (6-17) entitled to attend city schools, was 49, 404.
c Besides 6,984 in private and church schools.
d Besides 694 in private schools.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

San Francisco.-According to a table of classification and attendance, the schools here consist of 2 high, 14 grammar, 25 primary, 1 evening, 1 model school, and 9 unclassified. The grades below the high schools are 7. Superintendent Bolander says that the year was a very satisfactory one, a reduction of the material to be studicd from text books having given teachers more time for explanations and a better presentation of the subject matter of lessons, while the principles underlying, object lessons have been better adhered to and applied. There has been less nemorizing, more training in the habit of observation, and in the proper expression of ideas. In arithmetic the burden has been lightened, the whole work in the lower grades being made to consist of a thorough treatment of the numbers from 1 to 25 . In the same grades a careful attention to penmanship has been productive of most favorable results. In drawing and music kindred progress has bcen securcd. In geography, natural philosophy, physiology, and the art of reading, the effort has been to get rid of needless technical details, and have the substance of things well understood; the theory being that the true work of the schools is not to teach everything in all the text books used, but to discipline the mind and store it with the most useful knowledge. And this knowledge is held to be not mercly a grasp of certain facts, but also of the principles which underlie all facts and are applicable to great multitudes of cases.

The deputy superintendent argues for a system of frec text books as greatly better than the present system of purchase by those able to buy and free supply to those only who profess indigence. He also says that in several schools where there was a great pressure for admission into the lowest grades, the experiment has been tricd of half day classes, onc set of children coming in the morning and another in the afternoon. In spite of coinsiderable opposition from parents who wanted their children to be taken care of during the whole day, the experiment worked well, and, according to the testimony of both priucipal and teachers, the advancement has been equal, if not superior, to that of whole day classes.
Botany, zoollogy, physics, and chemistry cnter into the school course, as well as the common English branches, music, and drawing, and in 2 cosmopolitan schools, as well as in the boys' high school, French and Gcrman.- (Report for 1876-77\%.)
San José reports 9 school-houses, furnishing accommodations sufficient to admit every child in the city to a seat, the best and latest improved furniture, first class apparatus, and an energetic, hard working corps of teachers. Under a new course of study the schools are so graded as to give 2 years to primary work, 2 to intermediate, 2 to grammar, and 3 to high school studies. This arrangement was based on the obscrvation that heretofore in most instances from nccessary absence and other causes it had taken $8 \frac{1}{3}$ years to complete the first 6 years of school work, so that, with the 6 years thus divided, the average pupil would not reach the point of admission to the high school under $14 \frac{1}{2}$ years of age. In the new course oral instruction, morals and manners, music and drawing, find a place, which they had not before. Technical edncation, as a preparation for future trades, is also contemplated and nged, as well as the cstablishment of an evening school for such as have had to leave before completing the studies of the grammar grade. Other proposals are that new teachers be put on a probation of 5 months, to be continued and receive full pay only on the condition of
proving their efficiency, and that every elected teacher hold a position during good behavior, with increase of pay proportioned to the length of efficient service.-(Report
for $1876-77$.)
Stock:ton, not sending any printed report, makes return of the following, besides the figures in the table: Estimated enrolment in private and parochial schools, 120; public school buildings, 10 ; valuation of school property, $\$ 142,900$; sittings for study, 1,693 ; a high school with at least 3 teachers - number of pupils not given - and, apparently for the city schools in general, special teachers of music and penmanship.

## THE TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.

Established in 1862 and housed in a noble building with ample grounds at San José, this school has prepared more than one-sixth of the present teaching force of the State. Its full course of study covers 3 years, the first 2 of which constitute an elementary course, from which individuals may graduate with lower rank. Diplomas entitling their holders to State certificates of corresponding grades, are granted to those students who complete either the elcmentary or the full course. The printed report for the school year ending March, 1877, showed 459 pupils in the regular normal courses, with 78 in a preparatory course. From a later writtcn return, it appcars that during the year there were in all 523 normal students additional to the 78 preparatory; resident instructors, 12; graduates, 53 from the 3 years' course, 28 from the 2 years' course. Of the latter, several returned to.complete the full course. Drawing and vocal music are among the branches tanght, and the students have the advantage of a library of 1,075 volumes, of a laboratory to aid in chemical study, of apparatus for the illustration of physics, of a small museum of natural history, and of a model school in which they may practically apply the instruction they receive as to methods of teaching.-(Report for 1876-77 and return.)

## OTHER NORMAE TRAINING.

The formation of a normal class in connection with the girls' high school of San Francisco was noticed in the Report of this Bureau for 1876. The report of the State superintendent speaks of it as continuing to do good work. He thinks that similar classes might be formed in other cities to supply traincd teachers for the schools.
The Pacific Kindergarten Normal School, established by Miss Emma Marwedel first at Los Angeles and subscquently transferred to Oakland, reported 4 normal students for 1877, of whom 3 subsequently engaged in teaching. Drawing and vocal music entered into the course of instruction given.
Then, in counties with twenty or more school districts, teachers' institutes of thrce to five days each are required by law to be held by the county superintendents and to be attended by the teachers of the public schools. These become temporary normal schools in the counties where they are hcld, dealing with methods of teaching and discipline, and contributing greatly to the improvement of teachers as respects such things. More than 70 institutes were held in 1875-'76 and 1876-77.- (State report and school law of 1874.)

## NEW EDUCATIONAL JOURNAL.

In March, 1877, Mr. Albert Lyser, as editor and publisher, started at San Francisce a monthly octavo paper devoted to the intercsts of education and promising to render most efficient aid to thesp interests on the Pacific coast. Its title is The Pacific School and Home Journal.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

Referring to the objections often raised against this class of institutions, the superintendent of public instruction says that the right of the State and of municipal governments to maintain high schools is not legally distinguishable from the right to maintain elementary schools; that sohools exist because of a well founded claim on the part of children to an education; that this education is not a fixed quantity, to bo measured by one generation for that which succeeds it: the "common schooling" of the past century, for instance, not adequately fitting the average citizen of to-day for the business of life ; that the demand for high schools now is far more general throughout the United States than was the demand for elementary schools half a century ago; and that, as the education given in such high schools is nccessary to the welfarc of the State, it should not be left to private greed or sectarian ambition.
In answer to the charge that high schools are expensive, he says their cost is triffing compared with that of the popular vices which they help us to suppress; and that, rightly managed, they pay fully for their cost, increasing the productive power of a
community by keeping at home youths who would otherwise be sent away, and retaining in the schools those pupils who will give them the highest character and exert the healthiest and most beneficial influence.- (State report.)
In a table of the appendix, the superintendent enumerates the high school pupils in 45 counties of the State, the whole number of such pupils reaching 3,433. Of this number 1,570 were in Alameda County and 1,060 in San Francisco City and County.(Report.)

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For statistics of business colleges, private secondary schools, preparatory schools, and preparatory departments of colleges, see Tables VI, VII, IX in the appendix, and the summaries of them in the report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES.

The University of California, at Berkeley, crowning the educational system of the State, though not.yet formally linked with the lower schools, presents for 1877, in its "college of letters," essentially the same elements as in previous years. The requirements for admission to the "classical course" are fully up to those of the best kindred institutions elsewhere ; those for the "literary course," more moderate. The college library contains more than 14,000 volumes. The statistics for the fall term of 1877 were as follows: Academic scnate, comprising officers of the college of letters and of 5 colleges of science and the instructors, 38 ; students in the classical course of the college of letters, 61 ; in the literary course, 90 ; total, 151 . Besides these and the students of the colleges of science, there were 28 special course students, who, as a class, take up but one or two lines of study and are not required to pass the general examinations for admission, and 21 students at large, giving all their time to special studies under direction of the faculty, with 4 post-graduates.-(Register for 1877-78.)

Nine other institutions for superior instruction report by printed catalogue or written return, or both, for some part of 1877 : College of St. Augustine, Benicia (Protestant Episcopal), 10 instructors and 60 collegiate students; Pierce Christian College, College City (Christian Church), 5 instructors and 3 classical students; Pacific Methodist College, Santa Rosa (Methodist Episcopal South), 4 instructors and 13 classical students; Santa Clara College, Santa Clara (Roman Catholic), 26 instructors and 227 students, unclassified; St. Ignatius College, San Francisco (Roman Catholic), 12 instructors and apparently 187 students in collegiate studies, besides 85 in a business course and 150 in grammar and higher arithmetic, who are rated as collegiate, the college course here covering 8 years and embracing in the first four many things classed as elementary or secondary elsewhere ; St. Mary's, San Francisco, 138 students in classical and scientific collegiate classes; St. Vincent's, Los Angeles (Roman Catholic), 6 instructors and 94 students in English, Latin, Spanish, French, book-keeping, \&c.; University of the Pacific, Santa Clara (Methodist Episcopal), 10 instructors and 33 students in classical course; and Washington College, Washington, 10 instructors and 14 students in classical course.-(Catalogues and returns.)
For detailed statistics of universities and colleges, see Table IX in the appendix, and the summary of it given in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.
. Of 7 other colleges believed to be in the State (not including 2 for young women), 3 send statistics, which may be found in Tables VI and VII of this Report, while 4 have not reported for 1877.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

The privileges of the State University, Hesperian College, Pierce Christian College, Pacific Methodist College, University of the Pacific, and Washington College are offered to young women as well as to young men. Pacific Methodist College makes especial provision for them. Besides these, there are several institutions in the State for superior instruction of young women. Two of them, the Young Ladies' Seminary, Benicia, and the College of Notre Dame, San José, report for 1877, the former, 7 instructors and 78 students, of whom 46 were in a preparatory department, 26 in the regular collegiate course, and 6 in optional studies; the latter, 26 instructors, 350 free and 285 pay students, 46 of them in collegiate course and 1 in special course. Notre Dame, which is anthorized to confer degrees, has a library of 2,500 volumes. Music, drawing, painting, French, and German are taught in both; at Notre Dame, Spanish also.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

The colleges of agriculture, mechanics, mining, engineering, and chemistry connected with the University of California are the chief agencies for scientific instruction in the State. Most of the other colleges and universities, however, have scientific depart-
ments or courses in accordance with the prevailing demand for special preparation for practical and useful industries. Students in the scientitic department of the university, 116.

There has been also, since 1862, in San Francisco, a private school of engineering, for iustruction in all the branches belonging to that science. It reported for 1877 a total of 4 instructors and 60 students. In connection with the Mechanics' Institute of the same city, courses of lectures on scientific subjects have been sustained for years past, while discussion of such subjects has been customary at the semimonthly meetings of the California Academy of Sciences, also of San Francisco.-(Catalogues, returns, and reports to Bureau of Education by Mrs. S. B. Cooper.)

## PROFESSIONAL.

Theological training continues to be given in the Pacific Theological Seminary, Oakland, established under Congregational auspices in 1869, and in the San Francisco Thicological Seminary, first opened under Presbyterian influences in 1871. Course of study in each, 3 years. In the one at San Francisco the possession of the degree of B. A., or its equivalent, is one of the requisites for admission, but students of any Christian denomination, duly qualified, may enter.- (Catalogue, 1877, and returns to Bureau of Education.) In Pierce Christian College there is a Bible department, which may prepare for either ministerial or general Christian work.- (Catalogue for 1877-78.)

Legal training appears to be in about the condition indicated in the report for 1876, no college or school of law seeming to have been yet established.
Medical training is cared for (1) by the Medical College of the Pacific, organized in 1858 as the medical department of the University of the Pacific, and transferred to University College, San Francisco, in 1870; (2) by the medical department of the University of California, formerly Toland Medical College, San Francisco, which has as its auxiliary now the California College of Pharmacy, recently affiliated with the university as a branch of its medical department. All thesc seem to be well appointed and to have a good and fair course of instruction, though without the preliminary examination for literary qualifications now required in some such institutions at the East. Requirements for graduation in the two medical colleges, attendance on two full courses of lectures, with three years' study of medicine, good character, full manly age, at least one course of anatomical instruction, with clinics and a medical thesis; in the College of Pharmacy, like attendance on lectures, four years' service in a drug store, full age, and thesis.- (Catalogues and returns to the Bureau of Education.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

CALIFORNLA INSTITUTION FOR THE EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUNB AND THE BLIND, BERKELEY.
The buildings of this institution, which were burned January 17, 1875, have been renewed upon the now much favored plan of scparate "homes" for from 40 to 50 persons each. The arguments in favor of this arrangement over the older one of a single large establishment for all are (1) less danger from fire; (2) easy isolation of the sexes; (3) better sanitary conditions; (4) coonomy of expenditure: as on this plan additional buildings of the same class can be constructed at a much smaller outlay than if one great structure had to be put up; (5) greater convenicnce: as, when nerw buildings are required, they can be erected without interruption of the exercises of the school. For these reasons two such homes have been constructed, with solid subfoundations of cement, stone foundations with granite water table, superstructure of plain brick, and roof of slate, the brick walls bcing hollow and plastered without wooden lathing, so that danger from fire is reduced to the least possible degree. With further wise precaution against this peril, the staircases have been made of stone, an extra spiral one extending from the extreme end of the sleeping apartments to the ground, to make sure of a safe exit for all in case of any fire; while the basement floor is laid three inches thick with artificial stone.
The pupils on the rolls; June 30, 1875, were 64 deaf-mutes and 30 blind; added, since that date, 23 of the former class and 4 of the latter; graduated and discharged: of the former, 14 ; of the latter, 4 ; died, 3 ; remaining, June ${ }^{*} 30,1877$, deaf-mutes, 71 ; blind, 29 ; total, 100. Teaching force, including principal, instructor in wood carving, and foreman of shoeshop, 10.-(Report for 1876 and 1877.)

## TRALNING OF SEAMEN.

To supply intelligent and trained young sailors for vessels leaving the port of San Francisco, acts were passed by the legislature of California and Congress, from 1874 to 1876, looking to the establishment of a training school on board ship in that harbor. Through the coöperation of the United States Government, which furnished the ship Jamestown for the purpose and detailed a naval officer to command her, such a school has been instituted, under the special direction of a committee of the supervisors of the city and county of San Francisco, with an allowance of $\$ 25,000$ annually for its support. Two hundred boys, of 14 to 18 years of age, are made admissible to its privileges,

100 from the city and county of San Francisco, and 100 from the other counties of the State. They must be in good health, must evince an aptitude or inclination for sea life, must have the written consent of their parents or guardians for their entrance on it, and must, on entering, sign an agreement to serve at least two years on the training ship or such other vessel as they may be sent to for service after any semiannual examination. Once entered, they receive instruction in the common branches of an English education, and in all that relates to practical seamanship. At the close of their two years' course, if not sooner provided with employment, they are to receive certificates showing their character and proficiency in nautical matters, which cortiflcate, it is believed, will insure employment in first class vessels trading with the port.- (Prospectus.)

## industrial and reformatory training.

The City and County Industrial School of San Francisco, organized in 1859, admits youths under 18 years of age who are in danger of becomiug criminals through neglect, and trains them in the elements of a common school education, in music, and in such industries as farming, gardening, shoemaking, tailoring, and carpenter work. lior the session of $1877-78$, there was a total of $: 0$ instructors and 232 pupils. Of these, 24 were taught instrumental music and constituted a brass band, while 30 were so drilled in vocal music as to be able to lead the whole school in singing. A library of 1,000 volumes, to which 200 were added in the year, augments the means of instruction and improvement. - (Return from Superintendent D. C. Woods.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## State convention.

The State Educational Convention met at San Francisco October 25, 187\%. State Superintendent Carr delivered the opening address on "Educational progress," in which he dwelt upon the need of a greater number of more highly trained teachers and of a more practical course of study in the public schools. Addresses and papers were presented afterward by Mrs. Jeanne C. Carr, deputy State superintendent, on "Education at the Centenuial;" by Hon. John Sweit, principal of the Girls' High School, San Francisco, on "Teachers and teaching;" by President Le Conte, of the university, on "The importance of unity in the methods of instruction in the public schools;" by Rev. O. P. Fitzgerald, former State superintendent, on "The press as an educator;" by Prof. William White, of San Francisco, on the "Claims of the high schools to support firom the State;" and by Prof. A. L. Mann, city superintendent elect of San Francisco, on "Classical and scientific studies." J. B. Chesney, chairman of the committee on industrial education, presented an elaborate report, taking strong grounds against the plan of ingrafting a system of manual labor on the common school system.

Resolutions were adopted (1) favoring the introduction of sewing into the primary, grammar, and ungraded country schools taught by women, so far as it way bo made avalable as a means of education, and not as a trade; (2) urging upon the legislature the organization of a Kindercrarten in connection witl the State Normal School at San José; (3) expressing the opinion that the "Present State course of study as applied to country schools is defective, in that it requires too many things to bo taught children in the primary grade that would be better learned, and without effort, when age shall have matured the child's mind;" and (4) that "Some of the text books prescribed by law for use in public schools are entirely inadequate to meet the wants for which they are designed, and that we, as school officers and teachers, earnestly desire a change."-(Educational Weekly, November 15, 1877, and Pacific School and Home Journal, November, 1877.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

## Hon. Ezra S. Carr, State superintendent of public instruction, sacramento.

[Term, 1876-1880.]

## Mrs. E. S. Carr, deputy superintendent, Sacraniento.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.
[Term of the governor expires December, 1879; that of the superintendents, in 1880.]

| Name. | Office. | Address. |
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| F. L. L. Landes. | Superintendent of Sacramento County schools. . Superintendent of Santa Clara Connty scbools... | Sacramento. San dosé. |
| J. C. Gilson | Superintendent of Alameda County schools. | Pleasanton. |
| E. W. Davis.. | Superintendent of Sonoma County schools... | Santa Rosa. |
| S. G. S. Dunbar | Superinteudent of San Joaquin County schools | Stockton. |
| Charlos H. Alle | Principal of State Normal School ...... | San José. |

## COLORADO.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| POPULATION AND ATTENDANCE. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (6-21) | 21,962 | 21,612 |  | 350 |
| Enrolled in public schools | 14,364 | 14,085 |  | 279 |
| Average daily attendance. | 8,043 | 8,141 | 98 | .......... |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| School districts | 341 |  |  |  |
| School-houses | 217 | 219 | 2 |  |
| Average time of school, in days | 100 | ...... |  |  |
| teachers. |  |  |  |  |
| Teachers in public schools. | 401 | 433 | 32 |  |
| Average monthly pay of men | \$60 00 | \$56 10 |  | \$3 90 |
| Average monthly pay of women.. | 4800 | 5145 | \$3 45 |  |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole receipts for public schools. | \$235, 854 | \$198, 975 |  | \$36, 879 |
| Whole expenditure for schools.... | 233, 298 | 215, 256 |  | 18, 042 |
| expenditure per capita - |  |  |  |  |
| On school population | \$7 93 | \$7 95 | \$0 02 |  |
| On enrolment | 1212 | 1220 | 08 |  |
| On average attendance | 2165 | 2110 |  | \$0 55 |

(From returns of Hon. Joseph C. Shattuck for the two years above indicated, except the items of districts and school-houses in 1875-76, which are from the report of Hon. Horace M. Hale, late superintendent. Mr. Shattuck writes that the statistics for 1876 -' $^{\circ} 7$ are correct as far as they go, but that from some counties (Mexican) he had no reports. His explanation of decrease at several points is that heretofore estimates have been put in the summaries of particulars for counties not reporting. He has thought it best to stop that, and has made no effort to swell the aggregates by any guessing.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

For supervision of all county superintendents and of the public schools of the State there is a State superintendent of public instruction, formerly appointed by the governor, now chosen by the people for a term of 2 years.

For granting State diplomas to teachers of proven character, experience, culture, and ability, there is a State board of education, of which the State superintendent is president. The diplomas are to be of two grades, one entitling the holder to teach in high schools, the other in schools of lower grade, both for life.

## LOCAL.

For supervision of county and district schools there are: (1) county superintendents, chosen by the people every 2 years, the year of election alternating with that for choice of State superintendent; (2) boards of directors for school districts (3 or 6 persons, according to population), chosen by the people with a view to eventual 3 years' service, but to be changed in one-third of their material by annual election; (3) high school committees, composed of the county superintendent of the county in which a union
high school may be projected, and of 3 other persons to be chosen from their own number by the directors of districts uniting for the establishment of such a school.(School laws of 1876 and 187\%.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## NO STATE REPORT.

The report of the State superintendent of public instruction under existing laws is presented biennially, and none is due till the close of 1878. The information given in the preceding statistical summary and in the following matter relating to the schools of Denver is, therefore, the ouly intelligence as to clementary instruction for $187 \%$.

## CITY SCHOOL SYS'TEM.

## DENVER.

Officers.-A board of education of 6 members, chosen by the people for terms of 2 years, one-half being changed each year, has charge of the city school system. The board when organized chooses a superintendent not of its own number.- (Special school law of 1874.)

Statistics.-Children of school age (6-21), 2,481; enrolled in public schools, 2,078; a verage number belonging, 1,327 ; average daily attendance, 1,281 . Teachers, including the superintendent and 2 teachers of German, 36 ; average number, 34. Expenditure, $\$ 59,061$.

Additional particulars.- Corresponding with the steady growth of the city, the increase in emrolment during 5 years has been 76 per cent. and the increase in the average number belonging to the schools 145 per cent. The schools of the city are classed as primary, grammar, and high, the course in each of these covering 4 years. All pupils in and above the third primary grade are permitted to study German. The high school - in which are 3 courses of stndy, an English, a classical, and an English and classical - had in 1877 an enrolment of 103 , and in the summer of that year graduated its first class, apparently of 8 , and admitted 40 out of 50 candidates for the session of 1877-78.- (Report of Superintendent Aaron Gove and of the board of education, 1877.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

The only provision for the preparation of teachers for especially efficient school work, besides the institution of normal classes in the university, of which we shall hear more in a year or two, is one for institutes. Respecting these the law of 1877, section 80, directs that whenever assurance shall be given to the superintendent of public instruction by the county superintendents of two or more counties in any judicial district that not less than 25 teachors in said district dessire to assemble for the purpose of holding a teachers' institute, he shall appoint the time and place of meeting and give due notice to the county superintendents of all the counties in the district. The State allows a sum not to exceed $\$ 100$ for expenses, and permits boards of directors to close their schools during the scssion to allow teachers to attend, the pay of attending teachers going on during attendance.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

In the absence of a State report for 1877 there is no other information respecting these than that contained in the preceding paragraph respecting the Denver high school, except that the new school law of 1877 authorizes school boards in districts with populations of 350 and upwards to establish a scparate high school whenever they shall deem it expedient or necessary, but not to erect or lease a building for it without the consent of the voters of the district. Two or more districts, as before intimated, may unite to form a union high school.

## CHURCH SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

Two schools of high class for young ladies-St. Mary's Academy, Denver (Roman Catholic), and Wolfe Hall (Protestant Episcopal), at the same place-report for 1877 a total of 16 teachers and 181 pupils, 2 of these in classical courses and 46 in modern languages. Drawing and mnsic are taught in both and each has apparatus for instruction in physics; Wolfe Hall, some means of chemical illustration, also. The latter reports a library of 840 volumes, the former of "about 500. ."

Jarvis Hall, Golden (Protestant Episcopal), a classical and commercial school for young men and boys, was also in operation during 1877, as previously.

## PREPARATORY SCIIOOL.

The regents of the new State univcrsity at Boulder have perfected their arrangements for preparing students for such of the university courses as they may select.(Circular for 1877-78.)

A return, apparently for the fall term of 1877, gives an attendance of 64 students, of whom 30 were in training for the classical and 10 for the scientific course.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

The University of Colorado, at Boulder, and Colorado College, at Colorado Springs, are now open, at least to preparatory students.
The university is, by law, "to provide the best and most efficient moans of imparting to young men and women, on equal terms, a liberal education." It is to include eventually classical, philosophical, normal, scientific, law, and such other courses of instruction as the board of regents may determine, with a department of physical sciences. But all these, except the normal course and a preparatory department, are to be of gradual growth. A printed announcement for 1877-78 states that arrangements have been made for preparatory and normal classes, and that classes in the university courses will be formed as required. It is to receive for its support one-fifth of a mill on all property assessed in the State ; product at present, about $\$ 8,000$.
Respecting Colorado College, there was a statement in the Colorado Springs Gazette, of June 23, 1877, that the college was then prepared to receive pupils of advanced standing and to carry them on to graduation. The school was taught in a wooden building, owned by the college, awaiting the erection of the new one, for which preparations were in progress. This was expected to cost $\$ 30,000$, nearly $\$ 10,000$ of which sum had been subscribed by the citizens of Colorado Springs. The American College and Education Society, it was stated, had pledged $\$ 20,000$ toward the endowment of professorships. A later issue of the same paper states that contracts for the erection of of 1878 .
No information respecting Evans University is at hand.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

The State School of Mines, at Golden, reports for 1877 an attendance of 14 pupils in its regular scientific department, besides 2 studying telegraphy and 14 in the preparatory department. This school was reorganized in 1877 as a free scientific school. After January 17, 1878, it is to be supported by a State tax of one-tenth of a mill on the dollar. The course of study appears to be substantially the same as reported in 1876.-
(Ret (Return and printed circular, 1877.)
The State Agricultural College, Fort Collins, is, by law, "to afford thorongh instruction in agriculture and the natural sciences connected therewith;" is to combine physical with intellectual training, to have a course of not less than 4 years, and to be open to both sexes. For its maintenance, a State tax of ouc-ifth of a mill is to be
added to the interest of the moness derived from the added to the interest of the moneys derived from the sale of the lands donated to it.

## PROFESSIONAL.

Matthews' Hall, at Golden, the only institution that has been open for instruction in theology, or indeed for any of the professions, is now closed.- (Return for 1877.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## INSTITUTE FOR THE EDUCATION OF THE MUTE AND BLIND, COLORADO SPRINGS

Thirty pupils have received instruction in this institution since its foundation in 1874. The present number is 26 , of whom 12 are males and 14 females. English language, composition, penmanship, geography, history, arithmetic, scripture lessons, and drawing are taught. The employments are printing, shoemaking, gardening, housework, plain and fancy sewing, cutting and fitting of clothing, and crocheting. A 16 column weekly paper is published by the pupils.- (Return, 1877.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFTICERS.

Hon. Joserh C. Shattuck, State superintendent of public instruction, Denver.
STATE BOARD OF FDUCATION.
[Terms of office expire January, 1879.]

## Members.

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## CONNECTICUTT.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-777. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Children of school age (4-16) | 135, 189 | 137, 099 | 1,910 |  |
| Scholars registered in winter. | 98, 923 | 99.657 | 1,734 |  |
| Seholars registered in summer. | 89, 832 | 90,845 | 1, 013 |  |
| Number registered over school age.. | 4, 454 | 4, 894 | 440 |  |
| Different scholars in public schools . | 119, 106 | 119, 208 | 102 |  |
| Pupils in other than public schools Pupils in schools of all kinds . | 9,816 | 10, 180 | 364 |  |
| Pupils in schools of all kinds .... | 128, 922 | 129, 388 | 466 |  |
| Children of school age in no school... Average attendance in winter | 12, 297 | 13, 865 | 1,568 |  |
| Average attendance in winter ........ Average attendance in summer..... | 74,369 | 75, 732 | 1,363 |  |
| Average attendance in summer....... | 66, 621 | 68,588 | 1,967 |  |
| Per cent. in schools of all kinds...... | 88.10 95.36 | 86.95 94.38 |  | 1. 15 |
| SChool districts and schools. |  |  |  |  |
| School districts in the State | 1,493 | 1,487 |  | 6 |
| Public schools. | 1,628 | 1,629 | 1 |  |
| Departments in these | 2,499 | 2,530 | 31 |  |
| Schools with two departments | , 118 | -112 |  | 6 |
| Schools with more than two.... | 152 | 165 | 13 |  |
| Whole number of graded schools | 270 | 277 | \% |  |
| Departments in these ${ }^{\text {New }}$ school-houses built | 1,148 | 1,176 | 28 |  |
| New school-houses built. Honses in good condition | 26 | 22 |  | 4 |
| Honses in good condition Houses in fair condition.. | 883 | 922 | 39 |  |
| Houses in fair condition. | 556 | 524 |  | 32 |
| Houses in poor condition. | 212 | 201 |  | 11 |
| teachers and their pay. |  |  |  |  |
| Teaohers in winter schools. | 2,656 |  | 20 |  |
| Teachers in summer schools . | 2,638 | 2,659 | 21 |  |
| Teachers continued in same school | 1,780 | 1,904 | 124 |  |
| Teachers who never taught before | 1,539 | 478 |  | 61 |
| Average monthly pay of men | \$67 43 | \$64 55 |  | \$288 |
| Average mouthly pay of women | \$67 16 | \$3620 |  | \$2 88 |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Total income for schools |  | \$1,506, 218 |  | \$54, 347 |
| Total expenditure for schools | 1,529, 181 | 1,510,222 |  | 18,959 |

(From the reports of Hon. B. G. Northrop, secretary of the State board of education, for the two years indicated.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## general.

A State board of education, composed of the governor, lieutenant governor, and four persons appointed by the general assembly for terms of four years each, with change of one each year, has general supervision and control of the educational interests of the State. This looard appoints a secretary who acts as its executive officer throughout the State, with an assistant secretary for office work, and a general agent for the enforcement of the law which forbids the employment of untaught children in familics, factories, or shops.

## LOCAL.

Boards of sch:ool, cisitors for towns are composed of 6 or 9 members chosen originally in full at the annual town meeting, and changed in one-third of their number at each subsequent meeting. These boards have, under the State board, the direction of studics, examination and certification of teachers, and visitorial oversight of the town schools, attending to this last mainly through their secretary and a member annually assigned to that duty, called the acting school visitor.

Boards for school districts, into which towns may be divided, are ordinarily of 3 persons chosen by ballot at the annual district mecting, with a clerk, a treasurer, and a collector. The exceptional cases are in school districts succecding to the old school societies, in which boards of education of 6 or 9 members have been elected, and are changed in one-third of their material by subscquent annual election.- (School laws, edition of 1872.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

No great or striking signs of progress can ordinarily be looked for in any single ycar in the school system of an old and well established State. It is only as we compare several years one with another that such progress can usually be found. But here the board of education says in its report that the history of the schools for 1877, as far as it could be read through the statistics, was very satisfactory; and looking at these statistics we see ground for the satisfaction shown. The increase of enrolment in the public schools, 734 in winter and 1,013 in summer, indicates, for example, some fair approach to a harvesting of the increase of children of school age, 1,910 . The increase of a verage attendance, 1,363 in winter and 1,967 in summer, is even more encouraging, although against this has to be set an increase too of 1,568 in the number attending no school; but, as the board says, a large proportion of these non-attendants are children of such tender age that their absence from school is hardly a matter for regret. We find 7 more graded schools, with 28 more departments; while to meet the increase in emrolment and attendance there were 20 more teachers in the winter schools and 21 in the sumner schools, as well as 124 more who, for at least the second year, were settled in the same school, showing a gradual approach toward permanency. The receipts for school purposes have, it is true, fallen off $\$ 54,347$; but in view of the shrinkage in the valuation of all property and in the prices of the commodities of life, the whole receipts, with even this large falling off, the board says, represent a greater sacrifice upon the people's part than formerly, and a greater power to purchase commodities and services than the larger looking income of 1876.
The part of the history not to be told in figures, in the opinion of the board, is not less satisfactory; the interest of the people in the schools which they maintain, the industry and activity of the corps of teachers, and the obedience and diligence of the scholars having been fully up to the high standard of past years.-(Report of board for 1877.)

## NEGLECTED CHILDREN.

Mr. Northrop says that Mr. Giles Potter, the agent of the State board for the purpose, has rendered during the year efficient service in securing the observance of the law for the prevention of illiteracy. The plan of visiting schools to ascertain from pupils and teacher the extent of absenteeism has proved very useful. The question "Does any scholar in this school know of a boy or girl of school age who has attended no school this term or this year?" usually reveals the real facts in each case. These inquiries have increased attendance and served to magnify the importance of the school both with pupils and parents. For the mere fact that the State, in its enforcement of attendance, is found thus to be looking after individual children, leads many parents, especially foreigners, to a higher appreciation of the school and of their own parental duties.

The gain in attendance since the adoption of a compulsory law (it being followed up by the visits of an agent) abundantly shows the value of the enactment and compensates for the effort to secure a general observance of it. Besides the systematio work of the agent, Mr. Northrop himself, as the secretary of the State board, keeps in view the needs of the neglected children in his visits to towns, to schools, and factories, in his conferences with school officers, and in public lectures. He has thus delivered 76 lectures and paid 57 visits to 42 different towns, while Mr. Potter has visited 43 towns and 258 departments in 189 schools, each finding children illegally kept from school and bringing many of them in.

The law, as Mr. Northrop justly says, should not relax efforts at persuasion. The prime thing is to make the schools so good and their advantages so inviting that attendance may come to be regarded as a privilege and not have to be imposed as a necessity. A little kind endeavor in such circumstances will usually bring in the absentees. But when such means fail and reasoning also fails, coercion must come in to protect helpless children in their right to an education, and give them at least the 60 days of anual schooling which the law now requires.- (Report for 1877.)

## SOME EFFECTS OF COMPULSION.

Mr. Northrop, having been abroad in the summer of 1877 to observe some things in European school systems, makes a favorable report of the workings of a compulsory educational law in scveral of the English eities. In London, where such a law has been pretty rigidly enforced, he says that, as a result, there has been already, according to the testimony of the eity offacers, a considerable reduction in the number of juvenile offences and in the cost of youthful pauperism. Every gang of young thieves known to the police has been broken up, and city Arabs that had been almost unmanageable sit now in the schools beside the sons of industrious citizens in healthful and inproving competition. The superintendent of the Holloway Prison testified that, apparently in consequence of this training of the children, there had been committcd to his prison in the year past only 28 male juvenile offenders and no females, though in 1869 there were 136 males and 21 females so committed. Similar testimony to the good effects of compulsory attendance on the sehools, with moral influences bronght to bear upon the children there and elsewhere, came to him from other cities.- (Report for 1877.)

## OTHER TOPICS TREATED.

The adornment of school grounds with proper shade trees is strongly urged by Mr. Northrop in this as in previous reports, and it is pleasant to note that through his efforts much progress in this good work has been effected. State uniformity of text books he writes decidedly against, as greatly expensive to begin with and fruitful afterward of embarrassment and litigation. Industrial edueation, as a preparation for the future work of life, has considcrable spaee devoted to it, but no definite plan for it is proposed. The advantages of European schools of forestry are also largely dwelt upon and the methods of those schools described.

## KINDERGARTEN.

One school of this elass, 287 Myrtle avenue, Bridgeport, reports 80 ehildren of 4 to 9 years of age under the instruction of one principal and 4 assistants in 1877, the school being held 5 hours daily for 5 days in each week, with 40 weeks in the sehool year.(Return.)

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

In Hartford, a board of school visitors of 9 members, one serving as aeting sehool visitor; in the other cities, boards of education of 9 or 12 members, with city superintendents of schools; term of service in each case, 3 years, one-third going out each year, to be replaced by new election.
statistics.

| City. | Population. | Children of school age. | Enrolment. | A verage attendance. | Teachers. | Expenditure. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bridgeport. | 24, 745 | 5,864 | 4,735 | 3,193 | 81 | \$60, 188 |
| Hartford.. | 41,600 | 9, 621 | 7, 596 | 5, 038 | 160 | 194, 962 |
| Meriden ..... | 10,945 7,000 | 1,415 | 1,048 | 676 | 22 | 26, 272 |
| Now Haven. | 58,675 | 12, 964 | 11, 426 | 7,491 | 204 | 206,436 |

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

In Bridgeport, 333 scholars in the ordinary evening schools and 99 in an evening drawing school, added to the 4,735 enrolled in the day schools, give a total ewrolment of 5,167 . Adding also the 6 teachers in the evening sehools to the 81 in the day schools, we have a total of 87. The evening schools were open only twice a week, and henee secured a more regular attendance and more satisfactory results than is customary where the sessions include 4 or 5 evenings in the week. The schools were newly classified and graded in the school year 1876-77, in aceordanee with a course of study adopted at the leginning of the year. In the primary sehools, the word and phonic methods of teaching reading took the place of the longer and more tedious alphabetic method, saving much time and trouble. In the grammar and high sehools, a system of monthly written examinations was carried on through the year with excellent results; and, as the teachers were thus relieved from keeping daily recorls of scholarship, they were able to give their whole time in school to the work of instruction. Oral examinations by different members of the board of education and by the city superintendent have also aided in stimulation. For this purpose some 1,400 visits have been made to the schools, the visits varying in length from a fer minutes to a room to an entire session. A eity high school, opened at the beginning of the year,
enrolled 82 different pupils, and spread an influence for good through all the other schools, by presenting a standard toward which all may strive. Drawing was introduced into the schools during the year and vocal music was prosecuted astin previous years from the lowest to the highest grade.-(Report of Superintendent H. M. Harrington for 1876-77.)
Hartford had, in addition to her day schools, 2 evening schools coutinued during the winter and enrolling 529 pupils, with an average attendance of 192. The studies were mainly elementary and the results appear to have been encouraging. In all the district schools the text books used are of the same kind, and only such books are used and such studies pursucd as have been prescribed or anthorized by the school board. A portion of eacli session is devoted to singing, in which all pupils are expected to join. Instruction in the rudiments of nusic is also given. Drawing is begun in the tirst grade, and is continued through at least the sccond year of the high school. German is provided for in 6 grades, entering also into the tirst two high sclool years. The high school, under its able principal, Mr. Joseph Hall, retains its high standard of admission and graduation, and includes, besides the pupils from the grammar schools, about 100 scholars from the neighboring towns, elrolling 450 in the spring of 1877. The great increase in its attendance required in that year the erection of an addition sufticient to accommodate upwards of 200 more pupils with study and recitation rooms. This was accomplished at comparatively small cost, and with great improvement of the interior ; but unfortunately the exterior was not made to harmonize with the elegance of the main building, and thus impairs the beaty of the whole.-(Report of board for 1876-'77, through Acting School Visitor John H. Brocklesby.)
Middetown.-As to teachers, it is pleasant to learn that here all who were appointed at the commencement of the school year 1876-77 were retained to its close, and, at the annual eiection in June, were reëlected to their former positions. As to studies, we are told that drawing receives attention, that instruction in the metric system has been introduced, and that in the "senior department" there is a commercial course to fit pupils for business, as well as classical and English courses to fit them for college or for refined domestic life. As to methods, we learn that in the primary classes the book is laid aside and words in common use placed on the blackboard in view of all. These the children write on slates and learn to spell from memory. The slate receives also a copy of the drawing lesson while some are constructing the same figure of larger size on the board. The pupils are taught to make figures and form their simpler combinations on the slate. The teacher walks among the pupils, needing no book, and ealling for auswers to her questions from whom she will. Frequent revicws fix these lessons in the mind, until at the close of the term a review of 80 days' work seems little more than an ordinary lesson. The little ones store away in a year nearly one thousand useful words which they can write or spell at any time, besides the first lessons in drawing and arithmetic.-(Report of the board of edacation, acting school visitor, and Superintendent H. E. Sawyer for 1876-'\%\%.)

At New Haven the system of instruction, based on a scheme of studies adopted in 1870, has become quite uniform throughout all the grades, and has, during 1876-77, demonstrated its efficiency even more than in any previous year. The ratio of curolment to the number of school age has been also greater and the aggregate attcndance fuller than ever before. In the truant school, the attendance has been 94 per cent. of the enrolment throughout the year, many of the boys not being absent once in a whole term and some not for two terms. The number attending the evening school was not as large as in preceding years, but the application to study on the part of those who came resulted in an improvement more than usually satisfactory. The grading of the day schools-with the exception of 3 that, for special reasons, are un-graded-is upon the now customary basis of 8 grades of a year each below the high school, with 4 years in that school. Class promotions are made, as a rule, each year, sometimes twice a year, while individuals found, at the monthly examinations, to be fitted for a higher grade are advanced without waiting for their classes. With a view to securing a steady supply of home traincd teachers, 22 pupil teachers have been kept under training, doing duty as instructors and furnishing substitutes for regular teachers who from any cause are absent from their posts. Diuring each year these young teachers are said to save the city more than one thousind dollars, which, without them, would have to be paid for substitutes brought in from without or kept in pay for meeting exigencies.-(Report of Superintendent Ariel Parish for 1876;77.)

## THE TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## STATE NORMAL SCHOOL

This institution, still continned at New Britain and devoted to special preparation of teachers for the public schools, reported for the fall term of 1877 a total of 8 instructors with 127 students, 36 graduates in the preceding scholastic year, and 26 of these engaged in teaching. Drawing is taught, with the aid of models, casts, apparatus,
and examples. Vocal music is also attended to, and there are means for illustration in chemistry and physics, with a library of about 1,200 volumes.-(Return for 1877.) Of the continued and increasing efficiency of the institution Secretary Northrop speaks very highly in his report for the same year.

## TEACHERS' LNSTITUTES.

Legal provision is made for holding these with a view to instruction in the best modes of administering, governing, and teaching public schools, and it appears from the report that twenty-three such were held, five as county institutes and eighteen for towns. At these last, the custom has been to visit in the morning the schools of the place and observe their methods in order to adapt the instruction in the mectings to local needs. Then, in the afternoon, the schools being dismissed, the teachers and friends of education hold a session of two or three hours, with another shorter one in the evening. Special prominence has been given during the year to instruction in map drawing.-(State report.)

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HGGH SCHOOLS.

No specific report of the high schools of the State being made through the board of education or its secretary, we are dependent, as in former years, on city school reports for almost all our information concerning them. In the liigh schools of Bridgeport, Hartford, and New Haven, we find well arranged 4 years' courses, both English and classical, the latter preparing for the academical departments of the best colleges, the former for the scientific departments or for ordinary busincss pursuits. At New Haven, Greek, which has been for some years omitted, was restored in 1876, making the school again preparatory to Yale Collcge, as well as to the Shefficld Scientific School. The "senior department" of the schools of Middletown appears also to be substantially of high school grade, with a 4 years' course in classical as well as English studies, the former including Latin and French for 3 years, the latter substituting history for the Latin and French of the second and third years. In these 4 schools there appear to have been 1,213 pupils enrolled during 18\%6-'77, with an average attendance of 828 , under 35 teachers.

In the town reports of Enfield and Thomaston, appended to the State report published in 1877, three high schools in the former and one in the latter are spoken of as adding much to the advantages for cducation; but no statistics respecting them are given. In that from Meriden, in the appendix of the report for the following year, the nced of such a school is strongly dwelt upon. In most of the larger villages there are understood to be higher departments of graded schools which give high school instruction, while such institutions as the Bulkeley School, New London; the Morgan School, at Clinton, and the Norwich Free Academy appear to unite the characters of the old academy and the modern high school.

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For detailed statistics of private academic schools and schools for the preparation of students for college, see Tables VI and VII of the appendix, and the summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## BUSINESS COLLEGES.

No business college is reported for 1877 in this State, but a commercial course extending through two years is reported by the board of eaucation of Middletown as"connected with the "senior department" of the public schools there, which is substantially a high school. The course includes arithmetic, algebra, commercial forms and calculations, book-keeping, rhetoric, and natural philosophy.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

Trinity College, Hartford, Wesleyan University, Middletown, and Jale College, New Haven, report by catalogue or circular for $187 \%$ a total of 58 instructors in academical departments, with 832 students, of whom 15 were in special courses and 51 graduates pursuing studies beyond those of the regular 4 years' course. In the Art School of Yale there were also 23 students. The libraries of the three colleges number respectively $18,000,27,000$, and 83,000 volumes, besides those of students' societies and others to which students have access. All three set a high standard for admission to the freshman class and in all the course of study is well arranged and full. In Trinity there is little option as to the studies of the regular course; but studies additional to that may be prosceuted by those who desire a degree in science as well as in arts, and students in special courses are allowed to prosecute such studies, always including Latin, as they may be found qualified to pursue, reciting with the regular classes in these studies.

At Wesleyan and Yale there is large liberty of choice in the junior and senior years, and at Yale, where this liberty was not given till 1876, it is reported to have worked most satisfactorily, the students being carried farther in the separato departments, and this with more continuity of effort and more enthusiasm.-(Catalogues and reports of 1876-'77 and 1877-78.)

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

For detailed statistics of this class of institutions, see Table VIII of the appendix, and the summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

The Sheffield Scientific School of Fale College, having received in 1873 the national grant for the promotion of scientific education, thus became the Comnecticut College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts. There is a 3 jears' conrse, with graduate courses beyond this. The instruction is intended for graduates of colleges and other persons qualified for advanced or special scientific study, as well as for undergraduates. The gradnate courses lead to the degree of PH. B., C. E., or D. E. (dynamic engineer). In the undergraduate department the courses of instruction most distinctly marked out are in chemistry, civil engineering, dynamic or mechanical engineering, agriculture, natural history, biology as a preparation for medical studies, studies preparatory to mining and metallurgy, and select studies preparatory to other higher studies. The number of students in 1877 was 194.-(Catalogne of college, 1877.)

## THEOLOGICAN

The institutions for theological instruction in Connecticut are the Theological Department of Yale College (Congregational), the Berkeley Divinity School, at Middletown (Protestant Episcopal), and the Theological Institute of Connecticut, at Hartford (Congregational), each with a course of study covering 3 years, and all together containing about 175 students. The school at Yale requires for admission a liberal education at some college or such other literary acquisitions as may be considered an equivalent preparation. The requisitions for admissions to the Berkeley school are nearly as high; ont of 27 stndents reported in 1877, some degree in letters or science had been received by 24. In the Theologieal Institute, at Hartford, 18 out of the 31 students had received such a degree; at Yale, 86 out of 102 undergraduate theologues, and 2 out of 5 resident licentiates.- (Returns and catalogues, 1877.)

## LEGAL.

The Law Department of Fale College embraces one course of instruction for graduates and another for undergraduates, each covering 2 years. The methods of instruction in the undergraduate department are by daily lectures and recitations from text books, with weekly moot courts. In the graduate course, the degree of master of law is conferred at the close of the first year and that of doctor of civil law at the end of the second.-(College catalogue and return of law school, 1877.)

## MEDICAL.

The Medical Institution of Yale College reports an attendance for 1877 of 56 students, of whom 16 had received a degree in letters or science. Only the more elementary branches are studied during the first year; the more practical stndies come in the second, while provision is made for a third in which those of the entire course are reviewed, with the addition of such collateral branches and advanced courses of reading as may be advisable. To receive the degree of the school, students must have attended two full courses of public lectures and studied medicine for three years; except in the case of college graduates, whose diplomas are received as equivalent to certificates of medical study for one year.- (Return and college catalogue, 1877.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.

The American Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb at Hartford was founded in 1817, and has since had 2,141 pupils under instruction. The present number attending is 272 , of whom 162 are males and 110 females. Sixty graduates of this school have become teachers in similar institutions. The course of study comprises the common English branches aud articulation. Cabinet making, shoemaking, and tailoring are the employments taught. During the year, instruction in articulation and lip reading has been given to 40 pupils, of whom 16 are semi-mutes and 24 are deaf-mutes. The number of deaf-mutes of school age in New England is estimated at 775, of whom perhaps 400 are at school, leaving 375 , nearly half, not receiving a regular education. These fig-
ures, it is remarked, are not creditable to New England, although it is believed that since the American Asylum first opened its doors no deaf-mute applying for admission has been turned away for lack of room. - (Reports for 1876-'77 and 187\%-78.)

Whipple's Home School for Deaf-Mutes, at Mystic River, a private school orgamized in 1869 for the special purpose of teaching articulation and lip reading, reports for 1876 - 77 an attcndance of 19 pupils, 15 of them being males. The branches taught are reading, silent and vocal, penmanship, composition, arithmetic, history, geography, facts from natural history, chemistry, astronomy, and lip reading. The boys are employed about the farm and the girls in the house. No trades are systematically tanght. The institution owns 57 acres of land.-(Return, 1877.)

## SCHOOL FOR IMBECILES, LAKEVILLE.

This school, established in 1858, reports an attendance during the year 1876-77 of 84 pupils, 48 of them malcs and 36 females. The branches taught are hand training, object lessons, articulation, reading, spelling, arithmetic, geography, writing, drawing, sewing, fancy work, singing, dancing, gynnastics, and manual labor. All the children in the institution have made some progress during the year. Even those who are too low in the scale to show very marked advancement in school education have improved as to order, quiet, and tidiness.-(Return and report, 1877.)

## school for nurses.

The Connecticut Training School for Nurses, at New Haven, opened in 1873, reports for 1877-78 a head nurse and 11 to 14 pupil nurses in training for intelligent ministration to the needs of the wounded and the sick.- (Return.)

## CONNECTICUT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GrRLS.

This school, situated at Middletown, is not a State institution, as its name would seem to indicate, but a private charity, incorporated and employed by the State for the guardianship and training of girls who are in danger of being led into vice and crime. Retained till they are 18 years of age, or till safc places can be found for them at an earlier day, they receive the elements of a good English education, are trained to various industries, and have the use of a good library, with pleasant shelter in three different "homes," one of which was completed and occupied by the older girls during the ycar 1876. At the opening of 1877 there were 109 inmates under 16 instructors, including matrons and superintcndents.-(Report, 1877.)

## CONNECTICUT STATE REFORM SChool, west meriden.

There were 404 boys under instruction here during 1877, of whom the greater part were almost wholly ignorant at the time of their admission, while the 256 remaining at the date of the report could all read and write, nearly all could perform the simpler operations in arithmetic, 198 were studying geography, and 10 were studying history. Four hours each day are devoted to study under 6 teacliers; vocal music is tanght, and with instruction in morals, manners, and religion, there is also a training in such industriés as gardening, chair making and seating, shoemaking, \&c., for six hours in each working day. In all, 2,665 boys have enjoyed these advantages since the organization of the school. - (Report for 18\%7.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## STATE ASSOCLATION.

The thirty-first annual meeting of the State Teachers' Association was held at Hartford, commencing October 25, 1877.

The first address was delivered by Prof. W. M. Barbour, of Yale College, on "The rights of the taught." The remainder of the day was occupied by music, recitations, and the appointment of committees. The other papers presented were "Physiology in school," by F. A. Brackett, principal of the Bristol High School; "Concerning primary teachers," by Miss Marshall, of the New Britain High School; "Taskbooks and taskmasters," by H. C. Davis, of New Haven; "Curiosities of our school laws," by I. C. Libby, of Middletown; "The teacher, his work and rewards"" by J. K. Bucklyn, of Mystic Bridge; "Confidence between boys and teachers," by F. W. Gunn, of Washington, Ct.; "Teachers" reading," by Mr. Spaulding, of Rockville; "The claims of writing in our public schools," by Superintendcnt Harrington, of Bridgeport, and "History in all grades," by Mr. Drake, principal of the South School, New Haven. Addresses were made by Secretary Nortlirop, Rev. Mr. Noble, of New Haven, and Governor Hubbard; also briefer remarks by Mr. Burleigh, of Plainfield, J. Coats, of Andover, and others, in which each made various suggestions based upon his experience in teaching. A number of gentlemen also took part in the discussion of most of the papers read. The programme was varicd by music, readings, and the excreises of a military company composed of the boys of the Asylvin Avenue School. - (New-England Journal of Education, November 1, 1877.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

STATIR BOARD OF EDUCATION.


## DELAWARE.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

$a$ This includes the salary of the State superintendent, $\$ 1,800$.
(From returns of Hon. James H. Groves, State superintendent of free schools, for the two years indicated.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

General.
For supervision of the free instruction given in the State, there is a State superintendent of free schools, appointed by the governor for a term of one year.

A State board of education, composed of the president of the State colloge, the State secretary, and State auditor, with the State superintcndent, hears appeais from the superintendent's dccisions and from those of lower officers, determines the text books to be used in the free schools, and issues blanks for records and returns.

LOCAL.
School committecs of districts, composed of 3 persons, one chosen by the school voters of the district every year for a term of 3 years, have charge of all school matters in their respective districts in the rural portions of the State. For the city of Wilmington there is a board of education elected under a special law. - (School laws of 1868 and 1875.)

## ELEMENTARY NSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR TIIE COLORED CHILDRENT.

The Delaware Association for the Education of Colored People, which, by act of 1875, amended in 1877, has special care of the interests of schools for this race, reports that in the year ending June 30,1877 , these schools have made creditable progress. As far as possible, able and competent teachers were placed in charge, and personal inspection of schools by the actuary showed them to be, as a rule, well managed. The average expenses of each school are about twenty-four dollars a month, of which eight or ten dowars are furnished by the association from the proceeds of the taxes levied on the colored people, the remainder coming from voluntary subscriptions, mainly paid by the colored people themselves. The number of sehools thus sustained in 1877 was 3:3; the highest enrolment in them in any one month, 1,663 ; the income for them, $\$ 1,963$; the expenditure, $\$ 1,866$. (Report of actuary, 1877.)

## FREF SCHOOLS FOR WHITES.

The report of the State superintendent is presented at the bicnnial sessions of the legislature, which occur in the years of even numbers. None was published therefore for 1877 except a brief summary of statistics. The items of this, given above, atford few points of comparison with those of the preceding year, but they show an enrolment of white and colored pupils in the free schools increased by 2,474, with an increase of 71 teachers. As the system of examining teachers and licensing only those found qualified has been going forward meanwhile, this increase in the number of teachers counts for much morc than it would have counted before 1875 .

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## WILMINGTON.

Officers. - A board of education, composed of two persons chosen from each of the 10 wards into which the city is divided, one-half apparently changed each year, with a city superintendent as executive officer.
Statistics.-Estimated population, 40,000 ; youth of school age (6-21), 9,178; enrolled in public day schools, 6,687 ; a verage number belonging, 4,58\% ; average daily attendance, 4,158 ; per cent. of attendance on average belonging, 90.8 ; number of teachers, 105 : expenditures ( $\$ 15.61$ per pupil curolled), $\$ 104,384$.
Addifional partioulars.-The city owns 18 school buildings, with a capacity for scating 5,364 pupils, and with furniture, apparatus, and books valued at $\$ 18,445$; total value of all school property, $\$ 265,339$. There are 16 primary schools, in which both sexes are taught together; 2 grammar schools and 1 highl school for girls, and the same number of each for boys; with a Friday evening special school to instruct teachers in their work and prepare them for their examinations. Considerable extra time on other evenings was given to this school during 1876-77. From November 21, 1876, to February 20 , 1877 , a night school was maintained for such as could not attend the day schools, the emrolment in it reaching 116 and the average attendance 72. In addition to the other instruction, lectures on chemistry, electricity, natural philosophy, sulphur and its compounds, were delivered in this school, with illustrative experiments, which appear to have been both interesting and instructive.-(Report of Superintendent David W. Harlan for 1876-'77.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL CLASSES.

In the State College at Newark there appear to have been, in 1877, 13 normal students preparing for work in the public schools, though no special normal coursc is indicated.(Catalogue, 1877.)
In the city of Wilmington-besides the Friday evening normal class before mentioned, which deals with already accepted teachers, and prepares them for examinations and for higher work - there was in 1876-77 a training school for the preparation of young persons for teaching. The standard of qualifications for admission requires candidates either to complete the high school course (for women) or pass an examination. When admitted they are made familiar with methods of teaching, discipline, and classification, by teaching under the supervision of a principal 4 weeks in each of 3 primary divisions of the public schools, being required to prepare each day's lessons in advance and to observe and follow ont the methods of instruction and discipline presented to them. Fifteen young ladies were enrolled in this school during the Jear, of whom 8 received appointments as regular teachers before the expiration of the term for which they entered, 6 completed the term of 12 weeks, and 1 remaincd on tho roll at the end of the year.- (Report of Wilmington schools for 1876-7\%.)

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

For five years past the teachers of the Wilmington public schools have been called together once a month to hear lectures on educational subjects, deriving much benefit therefrom. During 1876-77 a variation was made in this order by calling together occasionally only the teachers of particular grades. These grade meetings have proved so useful, by admitting a closer discussion of methods of teaching and governing and a freer criticism of observed defects, that Superintendent Harlan advises a change of rule providing for holding only a tro days' institute after the Christmas holidays and for meetings of the superintendent with teachers of one grade at a time as often as onco a month.- (Report.)

The State superintendent by law holds in each county annually a three days' institute for the teachers of the county, who are required to attend.-(School law of 1875.)

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

In the Wilmington High School for Boys, Latin, including the Æeneid, is studied in connection with a good English course. In the one for girls in the same city the course has been reported as "nearly the same," modern languages being apparently substituted for the Latin. In the former there were 63 enrolled during 1876-97 and 16 withdrawn, leaving 47 at the close of the year, of whom 9 were graduated. In the latter the total emrolment was 41 ; the withdrawals, 5 ; the number remaining at the close, 36 ; the graduates, 8.-(Report for 1876-'77.)

## PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For detailed statistics of this class of schools, see Table VI in the appendix, and a summary of this in the Commissioner's Report preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## DELAWARE COLLEGE.

There was here, in 1877, as previously, the usual classical collegiate course of 4 jears, as well as a literary couse of 3 , the latter designed especially for young women, but open to others who may prefer it. This omits the higher mathematics and substitutes one of the modern languages for Greek. A selection of studies is also allowed to snch students as may not care to take a full course in any department. Normal students réceive training for instruction in the public schools. Statistics for 1876-77: Instructors , 5; classical students, 7; literary, 19; normal, 13; independent, 4.- (Catalogue, 187\%.)

## WESLEYAN FEMALE COLLEGE, Wilmington.

This institution for the superior instruction of young women includes in its studies music, painting, drawing, Latin, French, and German, and has apparatus for illustration of chemistry and physics. There is no library belonging to the college, but those of three societies of students aggergate about one thousand volumes. There is no report of instructors or students for 1877.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

SCIENTIFIC.
The scientific department of Delaware College supplies the place of a distinct agricultural and mechanical college for the State. Its course is of 3 years, embracing English literature, mathematics, engineering, the physical sciences, and agriculture, with Latin, French, or German. The farm of the professor of agriculture, near by, is used as a field of practice and experiment. For the accommodation of young men who can only leave their homes during the winter, and who do not wish to pursue a full course of collegiate study, a special course in agriculture has been arranged to extend through the months of November, December, Jannary, and February. To this, any person of good character over 16 years of age may be admitted without preliminary examination, on a simple pledge to conform to the college rules of order and study. The instructors in this department are the same as in the college; scientific students, 19.- (Catalogue for 1877 and circular for 1877-78.)

## PROFESSIONAL.

As stated in reports of previous years, there appear to be no professional schools within the State, those of the neighboring city of Philadelpluia being sufficient for all present needs.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

training of time blind, mute, and ferble-minded.
Without institutions of her own for training these unfortunates, Delaware arails herself of the facilities afforded in this direction by her neighbor Pemsylvania, and had under instruction there in 1877 at least 7 deaf-mutes, 5 blind, and 4 feeble-minded children. - (Reports of Pennsylvania institutions for these elasses.)

CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.
Hon. James II. Groves, State superintendent of free schools. Smyrna.
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

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## FHORHDA.

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A State superintondent of public instruction has "the oversight, eharge, and management of all matters pertaining to the public schools, school buildings, grounds, furniture, libraries, text books, and apparatus."

A State board of education, eomposed of the State superintendent, secretary of state, and attorney general, has charge of the school lands and school funds of the State, of the preparation for a future State university, and of questions and appeals referred to it by the superintendent, with coüperative power in the organization of the department of instruction for the diffusion of knowledge throughout the State.

## LOCAL.

County boards of instruction, of which the eounty superintendents of schools are the secretaries and agents, have charge, for their respective counties, of all matters relating to the establishment, visitation, and general management of public schools within their field of action, the visitation being by the connty superintendent once in each term at least, and the examiuation of teachers mainly by him.

District trustees, appointed by these county boards, have like eharge and responsibility within their narrower spheres; they are to visit the schools once a month and to make quarterly reports of them to the county superintendent.
The terms of offce, in all cases not to exceed four years, are during good behavior.(School law of 1872.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## no state report.

Partly from a change of the legislative sessions from annual to biennial and partly from an almost complete change of the school officers of the State in 1877, no report of the public schools for 1877 has been published. The State superintendent does not feel able to furnish even an outline of statistics until the school system shall have been put into some fair working order. For any full information, therefore, we shall probably have to await the bienpial report for 1878 and 1879.-(Letter from Siperintendent Haisley.)

## SCHOOLS.

According to the State law of 1872, still in force, the elementary schools are to be of primary, intermediate, and grammar grades; and the studies in them are to be spelling, reading, writing, arithmetic, geography, and history. In the eountry districts, however, as shown by past State reports, grading has been generally impracticable and appears to have been only carried out in a few of the larger towns. The grading in these has been greatly aided by the requirement of the agent of the Peabody fund that places receiving help from the fund should grade their schools (providing a teacher for every 50 pupils) and make them model scliools with sessions of about ten months. The towns helped in 1876-'77 were Jacksonville, Tallahassee, St. Augustine, Key West, Monticello, Ocala, and Pensacola. In these, of course, the schools were graded, under the condition above mentioned, and the amounts allowed them indicate a total of more than 1,800 pupils, with an average attendance of over 1,500 , taught by some 37 teaehers.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## public high schools.

Of these Mr. Hicks wrote in 1876: "The high schools of the State are the Douglas (colored) and Sears (white) High Schools at Key West; the Duval (white) and Stanton (colored) High Schools at Jacksonville; the Peabody (white) High School at St. Augustine; the Madison High School at Madison; the Lincoln Academy (eolored) at Tallahassee; the Midway, near Miccosukee, in Leon County; the Quincy Academy at Quincy; the Jefferson High School at Monticello; the Frankin High School at Appalachicola, and the Pensacola High School, Pensacola. These are all high schools in the sense that their curriculum of studies embraces Greek, Latin, chemistry, natural philosophy, astronomy, physiology, botany, and all the higher branches of arithmetic. The East and West Florida seminaries, situated at Gainesville and Tallahassce, are not included among these, and rank as distinct institutions." How many of these survived in 18 \% 7 does not appear from any official authority; though efforts have been made to
ascertain. A private correspondent says that most of the old academies in the list, once managed by boards of 5 to 9 trustees, went down at the conclusion of the war. Subsequently, however, they were revived and ran as free schools, though not always with success. Under an arrangement with the agent of the Peabody fund in 1867, the Jefferson Academy at Monticello, which had survived the war, became also a free school, and continued such till the close of 1877 , when it reverted to the pay school system. "The high school at Jacksouville" (which one is not specitied) is reportect by the same correspondent to have been in fine order up to the same period, and the Pensacola Acadeny to have emrolled 241 scholars, with an average attendance of 209.

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For statistics of all schools of this class in the State, including those of the East and West Florida seminaries, which have a special academic character, while aiding somewhat the public school system, see Table VI of the appendix, and the summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUCTION.

## STATE UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE.

The constitution of 1868 declares that "the legislature shall provide a university." The school law adopted under this constitution is entitled "An act to establish a uniform system of common schools and a university." In section 11 of that law the State board of education is required "to use the available income and appropriations to the university or seminary fund in establishing one or more departments of the university at such place or places as may offer the best inducements, commencing with a department of teaching and a preparatory department." The financial condition of the State has not thus far been propitious for such enterprises, and even theso incipient departments of the future university are yet to be established.
The State Agricultural College meant also to bo a department of the university, being in danger of losing through lapse of time the land grant made for it by Congress, was located in 1876 at Eau Gallie, in the southern portion of the State, and some buildings were erected for its use. Of its organization and operations since that time no report has reached this Bureau.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## NO SCHOOLS.

As far as known, there are in this State no schools for the instruction of the deaf and dumb, of the blind, of the feeble-minded, or of those who need to be at once educated and reformed.

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Hon. W. P. Haisley, State superintendent of public instruction, Tallahassee.
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.
[Terms, January 1, 1877, to January 1, 1881.]

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| Hon. George P. Ranoy, attorney general | Tallahassee. |
| H. N. Felkel, secretary . | tallahassee. |

## GEDIRGIA.

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

The new constitution of 1877 retains as the chief executive officer of the school system a State school commissioner, appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate for a term of two years, with the duty of administering the school laws, superintending public school business, apportioning the State school moneys, and making biennial reports.

As the next legislative assembly, under this constitution, does not meet till November, 1878, the State board of ellucation called for by the existing school law must hold at least till that time. This board, consisting of the governor, secretary of state, attorney general, and comptroller general, with the State school commissioner, is custodian of State school lands and funds, serves as an advisory body to the commissioner, and may decide appeals from his decisions.

## LOCAL.

County boards of education ${ }^{1}$ are elected in each county every fourth year by the grand jury, and have charge of the formation of school districts, the establishment and support of schools, the purchase of grounds, erection of school-houses, prescription of text books, licensing of teachers, supervision of schools, and determination of local controversies on school matters, subject to appeal to the State commissioner.

County school commissioners, closen by the county boards, serve as executive officers of the boards for examination of tcachers, visitation of schools, taking quadrennial census of school children, and making to the State commissioner such reports as he may require.- (School law of August 23, 1872, and constitution of 1877.)
No local officers below these are provided for in the school law, though the existence of such seems in one place to be implied.

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## LEGAL PROVISIONS.

The existing school law requires the county boards to lay off their counties into subdistricts, in each of which they must establish one or more primary schools; while, in those subdistricts where the public wants demand ampler educational facilities, they are given power to establish graded schools from the primary to the high school. They are also authorized to organize evening schools for the instruction of such youth, over 12 years of age, as are prevented by their daily occupations from attending day schools, and may institute one or more manual labor schools in each county on a self sustaining plan. These last permissions, however, seem to remain substantially dead letters on the statute book, the only evening schools attempted having proved too costly for continuous s:ipport and the self sustaining plan for manual labor schools not having been devised. The minimum school year is three months, except in sparsely settled neighborhoods, where only a few scholars can be brought together. In such cases schools with not less than 15 pupils may continue for two months only, and be held from point to point in the same region, so that one teacher may serve two or more such schools in the same year, and scholars within reach of these different schools have the benefit of a double or treble school term if desired. Admission to all the public schools during the legal school term must be gratuitous to scholars residing in the subdistricts in which the schools are situated, provided that white and colored children may not attend the same school. Confederate soldiers under 30 years of age are also entitled to school privileges. The studies in the primary schools are spelling, reading, writing, English grammar, geography, and arithmetic. Beyond that they are not prescribed by law, but under the rules of good school boards include, up to tho high school, the elements of the natural sciences, vocal music, drawing, composition, history, and elocution, in addition to more advanced instruction in the preceding studies.- (School law of August 23,1872 , and reports of school boards.)

## GENERAL CONDITION.

The new constitution of 1877 having changed the sessions of the legislature from annual to biennial, the report of the State school commissioner, which has hitherto been

[^24]made annually to that body, will not be dhe till the first session of the biennial assembly in November, 1878. WVe are, therefore, without statistical report of the condition and progress of the public schools for 1877, except in the cities and one or two of the counties connected with them. But, in a letter to the Eclectic Teacher, dated December 22,1877, Mr. Orr says :
"You miay state in general terms that the public school system of Georgia is steadily gaining ground, and may now be considered as firmly established in the State. The new constitution incorporates in its provisions the same essential requirements on this sabject as those contained in the constitution of 1868 . This is a great step for us, as one of the greatest difficulties in the way of success was for a long time the prejudice arising fiom the manner of the adoption of the common school system. This feeling arose from the fact that the instrument above mentioned was made by a body which did not represent the people of Georgia, and many of whose acts were very odious to them. This sentiment, however, can no longer exist, as the convention of 1877 was composerl of men of our own selection, and their work has been overwhelmingly ratified by the people at the polls. Thus a barrier to progress, already melting away, is now entirely gone.
"This year I have continued the canvass prosecuted by me during 1876 [for exciting stronger interest in education], have visited many counties, and delivered many addresses. I have been aided in this work by a number of influential men in different parts of the State, a great portion of them being lawyers. I believe much has been accomplished in this way.
"Our school returns every year have shown an increase of attendance over the year preceding. All the reports are not yet in for 1877, but I have no reason to believe that this year will prove an exception to the rule."

## KINDERGARTEN.

A Kindergarten established at Atlanta in 1876 reports, for 1877, 1 instructor and 7 pupils 3 to 7 years old. Children are kept in school two and a half to three hours daily for 5 days of the week in a sehool year of 36 weeks. The conductor reports the usual apparatus for block building, sewing, weaving, pricking patterns, drawing, paper folding, paper cutting, and clay modelling, with the usual results of improving both the physical and mental powers of the scholars.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

In Atlanta there is a board of education of 12 members, one-third changed every 2 years, with the mayor as member ex officio; in Columbus, a board of trustees of 11 members, with provision for a periodical change by choice of the city council. In the other cities there appears to be a combination of the city with the county system, each having its representatives in the school board. In all the cities here included there are superintendents of schools, whose jurisdiction extends in some cases over the countios also.-(City and county reports.)

STATISTICS.

| City. | Population. | Children of school age. | Enrolment. | A verage attendance. | Number of teachers. | Expenditure. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Atlanta. | a32, 000 | b10, 362 | 3,280 | 2, 409 | 53 | \$35, 662 |
| Augusta. | c23, 768 | 4,912 | 2,202 | 1, 273 | 34 | d13, 597 |
| Columbus | e8, 648 | b2,455 | 1,212 |  | 20 | 133 |
| Macon |  |  | 1, 2:37 | 742 2.629 | $\underset{76}{22}$ |  |
| Savannahf | $g 28,235$ | b6,919 | 4,081 | 2,629 | 76 | 42,181 |

$a$ Census of $18 \% 5$. $b$ Enumeration of 1874. $\quad c$ Ceusus of $187 \%$. $d$ Exclusive of high schools. $e$ City census of 1873 . $f$ The statistics of Savannah necessarily include those of the country schools connected with the city system. The proportion of pupils in these, however, is very small, a little over one-fourth. $\quad g$ Census of $18 \mathrm{r}_{0}$.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Atlanta. -The year of 1876-77 was one of trial to the schools. For the first time in their history the appropriation from the city was insufficient to carry them through the school year. Consequently for 3 months it was necessary to charge tuition fees. This diminished the enrolment, but made the attendance in proportion to enzolment fuller and more punctual.
The Saturday meetings of teachers for discussion of methods of instruction and school management were enlivened by several interesting lectures, were kept up throughout the year, were well attended, and have helped to make the teachers much more efficient in their work. The result has been that a considerable extension of the course of
study has been made practicable, increased skill in teaching enabling each instructor to a.ecomplish more than formerly.
On each subject studied in the schools there is a written examination of the pupils every month. The effects of this are said to be increasingly manifest in the neatuess and accuracy of the scholars' written work.

The schools are designated as grammar and high schools, the course in the former occupying 8 years, that in the latter 4 . There are 2 ligh schools, one for boys and one for girls. Enrolment of boys, 75 ; of girls, 139; total, 214.- (Report of Superintendent B. Mallon for $18 \%(6-77$.)

In Augusta the classification of schools is into primary, intermediate, grammar, and high. The course in the primary and high schools covers, in each case, 3 years; in the others, 2. Of the 30 teachers cmployed in the city schools 10 were colored, the propriety of having teachers of their own race for the colored children being recognized, and the University of Atlunta furnishing them in some fair degree. Nornal classes for teachers here, as at Atlanta, have aided much in the improvement of the schools. The city high schools, one for boys and one for girls, have enrolled 186 pupils.-(Report of County Commissioner William H. Fleming for 1877.)

Columbus owns 6 school buildings, with 885 sittings; a library of about two thousand miscellaneous books; a fine cabinet of shells, minerals, and ores; a good philosophical and chemical apparatus, and two pianos-all bought, except the buildings, with the proceeds of amnual concerts given by the schools. Uniformity of text books is secured by the city owning and furnishing the books and charging each white scholar able to pay $\$ 3, \$ 6$, or $\$ 12$ for the use of them each year, according as he may be in the primary, grammar, or high school. This charge, remitted to the colored pupils and to about one hundred of the whites, covers not merely the text books, however, but also copy books, blank books, drawing books, paper, pens, ink, ạd other stationery. The amount called for is believed to be less than pupils would have to pay for such things if purchased by themselves, while it prevents all trouble about obtaining what is nceded for daily nse in school. In the high school there is also a charge of $\$ 12$ a year on each scholar for the advanced teaching there afforded, making this school pay its own expenscs. Its course, nominally 3 years, seems to be practically 2.-(Rcport of Superintendent George M. Dews for 1876-77.)

Macon reports 22 school rooms capable of seating 878 pupils. The school term of 1876-77 lasted 7 months. The percentage of white children enrolled was 47 ; that of colored children, 26 ; but there was a falling off in attendance during the last two months from the necessity of making a charge for that time, on account of an insufficient appropriation.- (Report of Superintendent B. M. Zottler for 1876-7\% .)
Savannah, because of an epidemic, had to begin her school term two months later than usual, but the teachcrs endeavored to make up this loss of time by increased exertions, and were readily seconded by the pupils. The promotions for real progress were consequently as numerous as in former years. A reorganization of the schools was effected in January, 1877, by which the two classes of each sex in crery grade below the high school were brought together and taught as a single class. The new arrangement is reported to have worked well, resulting in a healthy emulation between the sexes and in a consequently higher order of recitations. The teachers testify that their labors have been sensibly diminished, while the progress of the pupils in general has increascd. After a trial of six months the superintendent reports it as his conviction that the efficiency of the schools has been decidedly promoted by the change. Under the present organization there are in the city, below the high schools, 5 white and 2 colored district schools, divided into 7 or in some instances 8 grades, including the primary, intcrmediate, and grammar classes, whichi heretofore gave names to separate schools. - (Report of Superintendent W. H. Baker for 1876-'\%7.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOLS AND NORMAL CLASSES.

The provision urged by State School Commissioner Orr in his reports for 1875 and 1876, for the establishment of three State normal schools, was not made by the legislature in 18\%7. The State, as such, has therefore no means of providing trained teachers for the schools, except as they may be prepared at Atlanta University, to which she grants an annual appropriation. In fact, a considerable number of the best teachers for colored schools do come from this institution, which has higher and lower normal departments for the special preparation of teachers for their work. Something is done in the same way by the Lewis High School, Macon (Congregational); the Haven Normal School, Waynesboro, and Clark University, Atlanta (both Methodist); St. Augustine School, Savannah (Protestant Episcopal) ; and the Angusta Institute, Augusta (Baptist). In all these institutions there were, at the last accounts, 205 distinctively normal students and 205 more who could probably be counted on as teachers if their services should be required.
In the sereral cities, whose reports have been referred to, there were weelily or
monthiy normal elasses, intended primarily for the improvement of the teachers already in employment, but open also to others who might desire to prepare for teaching. Through these classes, in which educational questions were discussed and essays on school management and othcr topics presented, the teachers were no doubt largely benefited. - (Reports and returns to Bureau of Education.)

For full statistics of normal schools reporting, sce Table III of the appendix, and the summary of this in the Commissioner's lieport preceding.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

For these means of improving teachers by instruction in methods of teaching and discipline, there is thus far no explicit provision in the school law.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGII SCHOOLS.

The tables which usually aceompany the report of the State school commissioner not being available for 1877, the only information as to this class of schools which comes to us is that contained in the reports from citics and thrce counties in which city and county systems are united. The aggregate of students in thesc schools is not entirely clear.

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For full statistics of reporting business colleges, private academic sehools, preparatory sehools and departments, see Tables IV, VI, YII, and IX of the appendix, with the summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioncr preceding.
Of the private academic schools it may here be said that, while about one-fourth of those reporting thenselves tanght draving and rather more than one-half musie, the means for the illustration of chemistry and physics appear to have been very limited.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

Six colleges and universities in this Statc send reports for 1877 , through special returns and eatalogues, namcly: The University of Georyia, Athens; Atlanta University, Atlanta; Mercer Cniversity, Macon; Guinesville College, Gainesville; Pio Nono College, Macon, and Enory College, Oxford. All these colleges appear to bc exclusively for young men except Atlanta University, which is open also to women, and the college at Gainesville, which makes a special point of coeducation. The departments and courses of instruction in all from which information on that point has becu reecived remain substantially the same as reported in 1876. For statistics of these colleges, see Table LX of the appendix, and stmmary in the Commissioner's Report preecding.
The University of Georgia reports in its academic department 11 separate sehonls. Every student who is qualified and over 17 years of age, or who has completed the prescribed course of the freshman and sophomore ycars, has the privilege of election among the several schools, but his class in each school is determined by the professor. The eourse in each class is preseribed; likewise the course for each degree. The university comprises 5 departments: the academie; the State College of Agrieulture; the law department; the North Georgia Agricultural College, at Dahlonega; and the medical department; this last being the Medieal College of Georgia, at Augusta. The three first mentioned are situated at Athens.- (Returns and catalogues, 1877.)
The absence of return from Bowdon College induces the apprehension that the temporary suspension, mentioned in the report for 1876, may have continued for a longer period than was expeeted.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION OF YOUNG WOMEN.

For full statisties of the schools of this class, see Table VIII of the appendix, and the summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

[Statistics of institutions under this head may be found in Tables X, XI, XII, and XIII of the appendix, and in the summaries of these in the Commissioner's Report preceding. $]$

## SCLENTIFIC.

The State Agricultural College, Athens, presents 3 regular courses of study, each corering 4 years, namely: agriculturc, cngineering, and applied chemistry. Students may eleet a partial course or may, in addition to the studies prescribed, attend any of the schools of the university for which they are prepared, provided that this does not interfere with the daily schedule of recitations and leetures. There were 61 students attending in 1877. State scholarships are granted to as many students, residents of tho

State, as there are members of the State house of representatives, the number at present being 250 . There are also 20 other free scholarships.-(Catalogue of university, 1877.)
The North Georgia Agricultural College, at Dahlonega, receives a portion of the annual iucome derived from the national land grant. The eourse of study aims to prepare students for home and farm life, for the higher classes in the University of Georgia, and for the profession of teaching. Tuition is free.-(Catalogue, 1877.)

## THEOLOGICAL.

The Department of Theology at Hercer Unirersity is still one of the 3 departments amounced in the catalogue, but there is no information to show what is the course pursued. There were 15 "ministerial students" in 187\%.-(Catalogue of Mercer University, 1877.)
The Augusta Institute (Baptist), established in 1869 for the benefit of the freedmen by the American Baptist Home Missionary Society, reports for 1877 an attendance of 8.5 students. This school is for the preparation of both preachers and teachers. The extent of the course of study is not fixed, but depends on circumstances, and the examination for admission is very slight.-(Return and circular, 1877.)

## LEGAL.

The Law Department of the University of Georgia provides a eourse of instruction covering one continuous year, without vacation. It embraces common and statute law, constitutional law, equity, medical jurisprudence, parliamentary law, rhetoric, metaphysies as applied to the legal profession, and cominercial jurisprudence. Instruction is given by text books, daily recitations, examinations, and expositions, with oral lectures.-(Catalogue of university, 1877.)

The Law Sehool of Mercer University had a elass of 4 in 1877 studying international and constitutional law, common and statute law, equity jurisprudence, pleading, and practice. A diploma of graduation from this school entitles the holder to practise in all the courts in the State.-(Catalogue of Mercer University, 187\%.)

MEDICAL.
The Merlical College of Georgia, Augusta, a department of the State university, reports an attendance for 1877 of 46 students, besides 40 who only took the course iu ehemistry. Among the facilities for instruction enumerated are a library of about five thonsand volumes, an extensive chemical laboratory, good anatomical facilities, and a full cabinet of materia medica, besides two hospitals and the city dispensary for elinical practice and illustration. To obtain a degree, students must have attended two full courses of lectures, in addition to the usual private readings. - (Catalogue of State university, 1877.)
From the Savannah Medical College there is neither return nor catalogue for $187 \%$.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## GEORGIA ACADEMY FOR THE BLIND, MACON.

This institution reports for $1876-77$ an attendance of 63 pupils, who were instructed iu the common English branches; also, vocal and instrumental music, besides the employments of broom making, mattress making, cane seating, sewing, and fancy work. The library numbers 1,000 volumes.- (Return and report of the academy, 1877.) georgia institution for the education of tile deaf and dumb, cave spring.

No report from this school has been received since the appearance of the one for 1876, when a principal and three assistant teachers, with a steward, matron, master of printing office, and master of shoeshop, were reported, having under their care 107 pupils. A neighboring property for a branch institution for instruction of colored deafmutes had then been purchased, and appropriations for the inprovement of this property and for the support of a class of colored mutes were asked. It is intended that this shall be conducted as an entirely separate establishment, but on the same plau as the other and under the eontrol of the same trustees.

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## teachers' assoclation.

The eleventh annual meeting of the Georgia Teachers' Association convened in Toccoa City, August 7, 1877, remaining in session three days.

Among the addresses and papers presented were the following: "The work of edueators," by T. E. Atkinson, principal of the high school, Senoia; "Influence of school life upon eyesight," by Dr. A. W. Calhoun, of Atlanta; "Analysis of the English senteuce," by Mr."W. B. Bonnell, principal of the Walker Street Sohool, Atianta; "The
utility of mathematics and the best method of teaching it," by Hon. G. J. Orr, State school commissioner; "The right of the State to educate," by Hon. H. A. M. Henderson, of Kentucky; "The geology of Georgia," by Dr. George Little, State geologist; "Practical education," by Professor O. D. Smith, of the State Agricultural College, Auburn; "The teacher the practical metaphysician and philosopher," by Rev. H. T.; Morton; "How to supply teachers for our country schools; a plea for normal training," by W. P. Price, president of the board of trustees of North Georgia Agricultural College; "The relation between high schools and colleges," by C. M. Neel, principal of Kirkivood High School; "The State and education," by Hon. Joseph B. Cumming, of Augusta; "What can we do to improve education in our smaller towns?" by Col. A. P. Mooty, superintendent of public schools, West Point; aud "Methods in geometry," by Hon. Samuel Barnett, of Washington, Ga. The association also listened to remarks from the venerable Dr. Means, the oldest teacher and one of the most eloquent men in Georgia; from J. H. Carlyle, D. D., president of Wofford College, S. C.; and from Hon. Hugh S. Thompson, superintendent of public education in South Carolina, who were present as visitors. All the important topics presented were freely and sometimes largely discussed.-(Published proceedings.)

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## ILLINOES

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-7\%. | Increase. | Decreaso. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| POPULATION AND ATTENDANCE. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (6-21) | 973, 589 | 992, 354 | 18,765 |  |
| Enrolled in public schools. | 667, 446 | 694, 489 | 27,043 |  |
| Average daily attendance |  | 420, 031 |  |  |
| Enrolled in private schools. | 49, 375 | 59, 375 | 10,000 |  |
| SCHOOLS. |  |  |  |  |
| Public school-houses | 11,693 | 12, 083 | 390 |  |
| Average term of school in days | 150.48 | 12, | 39 |  |
| Public graded schools. | 822 |  |  |  |
| Public high schools | 110 |  |  |  |
| Privato schools.. | 527 |  |  |  |
| TEACHERS AND THEIR PAY. |  |  |  |  |
| Male teachers in public schools | 9, 295 | 9, 162 |  | 133 |
| Female teachers in public schools | 12, 826 | 12, 836 | 10 |  |
| Whole number | 22, 121 | 21,998 |  | 123 |
| Average monthly pay of males | \$47 96 | \$46 17 |  | \$179 |
| Average monthly pay of females | 3330 | 3223 |  | 107 |
| Teachers in private schools | 1,276 |  |  |  |
| INCOME AND EXPENDITURE. |  |  |  | :- |
| Whole income for public schools. Whole expenditure for public schools |  |  | \$1, 191, $8 \%$ |  |
| Whole expenditure for public schools. | 8, 168, 539 | 7, 388,596 |  | \$779, 943 |
| PROPORTION OF EXPENDITURE. |  |  |  |  |
| Per capita of school population....... |  | \$7 45 |  |  |
| Per capita of enrolment................ |  | 1063 |  |  |
| STATE SCHOOL FUND. |  |  |  |  |
| Amount of permanents school fund .... | \$5, 752, 565 |  |  |  |
| SCHOOL PROPERTY. |  |  |  |  |
| Estimated value of sites, buildings, furniture, \&c. | \$18, 058, 386 | \$17,783, 929 |  | \$2\%4,457 |

(From printed report and written return of Hon. S. M. Etter, State superintendent of public instruction, for 1875-976, and written return for 1876-97, for which year there is yet no printed report.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

For the State at large, the one officer charged with the care of all public school interests is a State supcrintendent of public instruction, chosen every fourth year by the people.

## LOCAL.

For counties there arn county superintenderts of schools, also chosen every fourth year by the people, to apportion the school funds, inspect the schools, examine and license
teachers, manage teachers' institutes, and make annual or biennial report to the State superintendent, as he may direct.
For townships there are three trustces chosen by the people for terms of three years each, one being changed each year. These care for the township school lands, and, with the aid of a treasurer appointed by them, for funds arising from these or other sources for the schools. They settle the boundaries of school districts, apportion to them the ammal school fund, and make to the county superintendent biennial reports concerning the schools of their township.

For school districts, there are, in ordinary cases, three directors chosen by the voters in each district for terms of three years, one being liable to change each year. These levy taxes for all school purposes within their districts; make annual report to the district meeting of their receipts and expenditures for such purposes, as also of the illiterates within the district betwreen the ages of twelve and twenty-one, with a statement of the causes of the illiteracy. They appoint teachers for the district schools, fix their salaries, determine the branches of study to be taught and the text books and apparatus to be used, and are bound to keep open in their district enough free schools for all the children of school are who need instraction. The clerk of each district board of directors reports annually to the township treasurer the statistics of the schools thus held.
For districts with two thousantl inhabitants there are. elected, instead of three directors, boards of education of 6 members, with 3 additional for overy additional 10,000 inhabitants. In cities with a population of 100,000 the board of education for each has full charge and control of the public schools, the concurrence of the city council, however, being required for certain acts involving special pecuniary obligations. Women are eligible to all school offices equally with men.-(School law, edition of 1874.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

The reports in this State are only published biennially, and none is due for the year 1876-77. The return for that year, kindly furnished by the State superintendent, shows the following facts: (1) That there was an increase over the preceding year of 18,765 in the school population, with a much more than corresponding increase in the eurolment in public and private schools, it advancing 27,043 in the former and 10,000 in the latter; (2) that to meet this increase of children of school age there was aniohe provision on the part of the authorities in 390 additional public school-houses; (3) that, probably from the stringency of the times, there has been a decrease of 123 in the number of teachers employed in the public schools, with a diminution also of $\$ 1.79$ in the average monthly pay of men and $\$ 1.07$ in that of women; (4) that while the receipts for school purposes have been augmented by $\$ 1,191,873$ the expenditures have been reduced by $\$ 779,943$, leaving, of course, a considerable remainder to be applied to an increase of the permanent fund or to meeting the exigericies of another year.

A diminution in the estimated value of school sites, buildings, furniture, \&c., amount ing to $\$ 274,457$, goes for nothing, as it is greatly less than the proportion of shrinkage in the value of any other class of property of like amount, the whole valuation having been $\$ 18,058,386$ in the preceding year.

The return throughout indicates active energy and wise oconomy in administration, as well as a wonderfully prosperous condition of the schools for such a time of trial.

## KINDERGÄRTEN.

Four schools of this class, all in Chicago, and two of them under German influences, report for 1877 a total of 111 children, 3 to 9 years of age, under the instruction of 8 teachers for three or four hours daily 5 days in each week during a school year of 40 weeks. All the Kindergarten apparatus is said to be possessed, and the customary occupations were pursued, with the results of quickened intelligence and clearer sense of order, form, and beauty.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

Except where special acts have made other arrangenents, cities remain parts of the school townships in which they are situated, and come under the general law, which requires in school districts of not less than 2,000 inhabitants a board of education of 6 members, with 3 more for each additional 10,000 inhabitants. Boards are chosen for terms of 3 years each, and one-third changed by anuual election. Chicago has a board of 15 members chosen under the same conditions; Jacksonville, one composed of the mayor and a member from each ward, chosen by the council ; Peoria, one composed of the mayor and two from each ward, elected by the people ; Springfield, one of 9 members, chosen by the council; in each case with provisions for partial amual chango.

In almost all eases, if not in all, city superintendents serve as the agents of the boards.(General and special laws.)

STATISTICS.

| Cities. | Population. | Children of school age. | Enrolment. | Averago attendance. | Teachers. | Expenditure. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alton. | 10,500 | 3,164 | 1,496 |  | 21 | \$15,078 |
| Belleville.... | 12,000 | 4,467 | 1,964 | 1,612 | 40 | \$15, 078 |
| Bloomington | 25, 000 | 7, 292 | 3,486 | 2,294 | 64 | 35, 043 |
| Decatur | a405, 291 | al10, 184 | b53, 5:9 | c37, 132 | 751 | $\begin{array}{r}654 \\ 684 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Galesburg | 10,000 14,000 | 3, 094 | 1,869 | 1,321 | 29 | 20, 910 |
| Jacksonville | 12, 000 | 4, 127 3,682 | 2, 231 | 1,525 | 34 | 20,813 |
| Joliet....... | 14,000 | 3,682 | 1,844 | 1, 253 | 34 | 48, ह69 |
| Peoria | 14, 000 | 3,557 | 2, 606 | 1, 500 | 36 | 20,6.50 |
| Quincy | 32, 000 | 8, 8,511 | 4, 173 | 2,783 | 67 | 76, 795 |
| Rockford | 14,000 | 8,511 4,901 | 3, 554 2, 100 | 2, 2:35 | 55 | 54, 323 |
| Rock Island. | 11, 100 | 4,501 3,567 | 2, 100 1,955 | 1,960 | 50 | 43, 623 |
| Springfield.. | 11, 100 | 3,507 | 1,955 2,559 | 1, 2,058 | 36 43 | 25,433 35,867 |

[^25]$b$ Besides 18,664 in private and parochial schools and 3,029 in evening
ng schools.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Alton reports only by written return through Superintendent E. A. Haight, giving the figures embodied in the table, with the additions that her school buildings numbered 5 ; that the estimated value of these, with their sites, apparatus, furniture, \&c., was $\$ 75,500$; and that, besides the 1,496 enrolled in her public schools, there were about 600 in private and parochial schools.
Belleville. - There has been here a steady increase in all respects except in the number of teachers, an average of 52 pupils being taught in $1886-77$ by one teacher. The percentage of average daily attendance on the number enrolled shows a fair regularity of attendance, while punctuality in such attendance has eonsiderably increased. The discontinuance of a school for colored children, and the consequent admission of these into the regular classes, is reported to have been attended with the happiest results to the eolored pupils thus admitted, improved behavior, better appearance, and much greater attention to study having been developed. There have been special teachers of German employed, but it appears that hereafter that language is to be taught by the regular class teachers, and is to have one hour a day given to it.- (Report for

Bloomington.-The written return of Superintendent Sarah E. Raymond shows, besides the statistics in the table, 11 school buildings, giving 2,670 sittings for study, and valued, with their grounds, furniture, and apparatus, at $\$ 230,471$.

Chicago.-In addition to the $5: 3,529$ pupils attending public schools, 18,664 were enrolled in private schools, and 20,767 youth of legal school age, it is estimated, were at regular employment, making 92,960 profitably engaged for at least a part of the year. Making allowance for those unable to attend school by reason of home necessities or sickness, it is estimated that there still remains upon the streets of the city an army of over six thousand idle children without a day's schooling in the year. To this number may be added from two thousand to three thousand more whose attendance upon school is so brief as to be almost valueless. Many of these youth now growing up in ignorance and indolence, the superintendent thinks, would be in school if they could find a place for regular and full instruetion within a reasonable distance of their homes. The number of sittings for study in buildiugs owned by the board is, however, only 37,489 ; in buildings rented, 4,191; total, 41,680. At least 10,000 additional seats are needed. This lack is partially met by half-day divisions and by crowding. About 6,000 pupils go to school but half a day and not less than 5,000 go to school in rented buildings, most of which are entirely unfit for school purposes and in which there is often most inconvenient crowding.

Attendance upon the grammar department is slightly less than in the previous year, but this loss is made up by the largely increased attendance upon the high schools, mainly due to the establishment of the division ligh schools, with a shorter course, principally English in it: character. The demand for classical study is apparent in the recent introduction of Latin into these schools. The number of pupils attending the Central High School was 646, while at the Division High Schools there was an enrolment of 902 .
Instruction in German is now limited to the grammar and high schools. There were 2,093 pupils studying it, of whom 1,096 were of German parentage, 535 of American, and 462 of other nationalities.
The normal school has been temporarily closed, because it was graduating more teachers than could be employed in the eity.

An ungraded sehool room was opened in each of 4 grammar sehool buildings for the enefit of those pupils. who, for varions reasons, need special individual instrue ion nd supervision. The resnlt was good. Some pupils were prepared to go on with heir classes after a fow weeks of individual instruetion in subjects mpon which they were deficient, and they were thas saved the necessity of falling back in their course.
The number of proils attending the deat-mute sehonls sustained by the board of education was not as large as it should have been owing to the distance of the school from the homes of many of the children. Remarkable progress, considering the difficultics to be overcome, was made in reading, writing, arithmetic, and composition; and a number took up the study of geography.- (Report for 1876-77.)
Decutitr.-Average per cent. of attendance, 94 ; per cent. of tardiness, 47; cost of instruction for each pupil, based on average daily attendance, $\$ 18.67$; average attendance in high school, 165 ; teachers in high school, 5 ; average attendance to each teacher in high school, 33 ; in ward schools, 48 . Sittings for study, 1,728 , in buildings valued, with their sites, furniture, and apparatus, at $\$ 95,600$; enrolment in private and parochial schools, 200.- (Report and return for 1876-77.)

Galesburg.-A written return from Superintendent M. Andrews states that drawing is taught by the regnlar teachers, and gives $\$ 112,815$ as the valuation of all school property, without specifying the number of buildings. There were, however, 33 school rooms, with sittings for 2,100 pupils.

Jachsonville. -The number of school buildings here is 8 , giving sittings for 1,600 pupils; valuation, with their grommds, furniture, $\mathcal{L}$. ., $\$ 1: 9,500$. In private and parochial schools there were abont 1,000 pupils. The enrolment in the public schools was larger in 1876-77 than during any previous year. The percentage of attendance on emrolnent, however, slightly decreased. Fifty-two pupils were neither absent nor tardy. There was an enrolment of $1 \approx 3$ in the high school and 14 gradnates in 1877, one of whom was colored, the first of that race who has completed the publie school course in this city; where, it is remarked, the problems of sex and color have been quietly solved without any of the tronble that has been experienced in some other cities. For the first grate of the schools the Kindergarten system has been adopted as far as practicable. - (Report for $18 \% 6-77$ and return for the same year.)

From Joliet there is only a return by Superintendent Joseph F. Perry, indicating, besides the tabular statistics already given, the possession of 8 public school buildings, with 1,692 sittings and a valnation of $\$ 65,650$; while, in addition to these, appear. 7 private and parochial schools, with 604 pupils.

Peoria.-The public schools here are housed in 9 buildings, valned, with their sites, at $\$ 157,300$, and are graded as primary, gramnar, and high, each covering a period of 4 years. There was an attendance of 1,557 pupils upon private schools, which, with the public school emrolment, gives a total of 5,730 . The average daily attendance of pupils in the high school was 163 ; graduates, 21 in 1877. This sciool has a well selected library of 1,200 volumes. Good progress was made in drawing during the year, partly stimulated by prizes offered at the agricultural fair for the best specimens; but the necessity for economy in expenditure prevented the employment of special teachers either in this study or in music, and caused the services of a superintendent of schools to be dispensed with.- (Report for 1877.)
Quincy, through Superintendent T. W. Macfall, makes return of 9 public school buildings, with 2,900 sittings for study and a valuation of $\$ 217,000$ for all school property In private and parochial schools there was an estimated enrohment of 1,800 pupils additional to the 3,554 in public schools. A special teacher of German was employed in the public schools.
Rockford; through the principal of her West High School, reports 10 public school bnildings, valued at $\$ 120,000$, and an enrolment of 475 pupils in private and church schools, making, with those in public sehools, a total of 2,575 under instruction.
Rock Island, through a return from Superintendent J. F. Everett, gives 6 as the number of school buildings, with 1,100 sittings for the prinary pupils, 880 for those in the grammar schools, and $1: 20$ for those in the high school. The valuation of all public school property was $\$ 112,600$. In private schools there were 450 pupils, making, with the 1,955 in public schools, 2,405 receiving some form of sehooling.
Springficld makes fuil printed report of her schools through Superintendent Andrew M. Brooks, showing that good order was maintained during the year, with fow complaints of undue severity in discipline; that careful attention was given to the slate work of the primary departments, one day in each month being spent in looking orel the drawing and penmanship; that at the close of the summer term there was a thorough written examination of the higher grades, carried on through three days; and that no pupil was promoted from these grades to the high school who did not receive at least an average of 70 per cent. credit marks, most going much above this. Reading in the Phonetic Primer and First Reader is begun here the first year, in connection with the elements of drawing, music, and botany, besides writing, arithmetic, grammar, and throught t; and these studies are carried steadily on, in regularly ascending progression, of 173 pupils in grades below the high school. This sehool had an average registration (Report for 1876-77.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOLS

The Illinois State Normal University, at Normal, ineludes a normal and a model department, the latter with primary, grammar, and high sehool grades. The former, iu 1876-77, numbered 436; the latter, 229. Tuition in the normal department is free.(Catalogue, 1876-77.)
Southern Illinois Normal Cniversity, at Carbondale, has two departments, a normal, with a course of study oceupying 4 years, and a preparatory normal of 3 years. The number of students in normal studies in 1876-77 was 308; in other studies, 146.(Return and eatalogue, 1876-77.)
The Dover Normal School, at Dover, was organized in 1876, with 70 students in attendanee. The course of instruetion eovers 3 years. There is a preparatory eourse of one year for those who need it. Total attendanee during the year, 112.- (Catalogue and return, 1876-277.)

Coolv County Normal School, at Englewood, has 3 departments, the normal, the preparatory, and the training or model school. Tuition is free to residents of Cook County. The studies of the normal department eover 3 years. The number of students in $1876-\% 7$ was 245.- (Return for that year.)

The Northwestern German-English Normal School, Galena, under the auspices of the Methodist Episeopal Chureh, reports 4 resident instruetors and 69 normal students for 1877, with 31 other students; course, 3 years; graduates in 1877, 7 , of whom 4 engaged in teaehing.-(Return.)

Another school, styling itself normal and seientifie, makes a report, but shows no normal students.

## NORMAL DEPARTMENTS.

In addition to the foregoing, faeilities for preparing to teach are afforded, to a greater or less extent, either in regular courses or in speeial elasses connected with Abingdon, Eureka, Ewing, Illinois Agrieultural, Monmouth, and Westfield Colleges, aud in the Wesleyan and Rock River Universities.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

In the absenee of a State report, it is impossible to tell, with certainty, what number of these means of improving teachers were held during the year or how many availed themselves of them. At least one in each eounty may be supposed, besides many hold by other than county superintendents. State Superintendent Etter wrote in June, 1877, that he was already engaged to be present at 51 . One, with the eharaeter of a summer vaeation sehool, was held at Jaeksonville, for instruetion in elocution, and had at least suffeient attendanee to eneourage the holding of it in another year. At Springfield, one for the teachers in the eity schools has been held as often as once a month.

## EDUCATIONAL JOURNALS.

The Edueational Weekly, published at Chicago, eontinued during 1877 to do excellent service, not only by printing the freshest news respecting schools in Illinois and the surrounding States, but also by lively discussion of a great variety of important edueational questions and by publishing many most useful artieles on the improvement of methods of instruetion.
The Practieal Teaeher, a monthly mueh resembling this, aided greatly in the same good work by kindred publieations.
Barnes' Educational Monthly, published simultaneously in Chieago and New York, coutinued its work in the same direetion during $18 \% 7$.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

From lack of a State report for 1877, the number of these sehools for the year eannot be given. For 1875 there were 133 reported; for $18 \% 6$, a number less by 23 . In neither of these years was there a report of the attendance, save in the case of 4 township sehools.
In the high sehools of Chieago there were 1,548 pupils in 1876-\%77, 646 in the full course of the Central Sehool and 902 in the shorter eourse of the Division Schoois. In those of Deeatur, Jaeksonville, Peoria, Roek Island, and Springfield 762 more were roported. In returns from other eities the existence of high sehools is indieated, bat 120 elear statistics of them are given.

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For the statisties of business eolleges, private seeondary sehools, preparatory sehools, and preparatory departments of colleges and universities, see Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX in the appendix, and the summaties of these in the Report of the Commissioner
preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

Of the 23 colleges and miversities in the State reporting, all but 5 are open to both sexes and report over 300 young women in regular sollegiate classes, besides a mumber in special or partial courses. For statistics, see Taules VIII and IX of the appendix, and summaries, of these in the Commissioner's Report preceding.
The Illinois Industrial University, at Urbana, which is at once the State university and agricultural and mechanical college, claims to be a true miversity in the best American seuse, thongh differing designedly in the character of some of its colleges from the older institutions of this comtry. It is divided into four colleges, namely: Agriculture, engincering, natural science, and litcrature and sciencc. These colleges are subdivided into schools, each one of which is understood to embrace the course of instruction needful for some one profession or vocation. The various schools, now numbering 14, are arranged as reported last year, with the exception that a school of art and design las becn placed among the additional schools and the school of domestic science has becu constituted one of the regular schools in the college of natural science. In the college of literature and science, embracing the schools of English and modern languages and of ancient languages and literature, the plan of instruction embraces, hesides the ordinary text book study, lectures and practical exercises, including original researches, essays, criticism, proof reading, and other work intended to illustrate the studies pursued and to exercisc the student's powers. Of the 126 students in the college of literature and science, 41 were women. Tuition is free in all departments of the university.-(Catalogue, 1876-'77.)
The Illinois Wesleyan University, at Bloomington, embraces collegiate, law, music, and preparatory departments. The first includes classical and scientific courses, each covering 4 yeurs. Provision is also made for graduate and non-resident courses. Women are ardinitted to all departments, both as students and instructors.-(Catalogne, 1876-’ส7.)

Carthaye College, Carthage, from its catalogne for 1877, appears to have but two courses in its collegiate department, the classical and scientific. No mention this year is made of the philosophical department reported in 1876. - Women are admitted to either course and receive the corresponding degree, but with them the Greek and calculus are optional.

Northwestern University, at Evanston, reports 6 departments besides the Garrett Biblical Institute, which, though situated upon the same grounds as the university and closely linked with it, is under a distinct corporate, government. The departments are (1) college of literature and science, (2) woman's college of literature and art, (3) conservatory of music, (4) college of medicine, (5) college of law, and (6) preparatory school. The college of literature and science now presents 4 courses of study, each requiring 4 years' work, namely: the classical, the Latin and scientific, modom literature and art, and the scientific. All the university courses are open to women.(Catalogue, 1877.)

Illinois Colleye, at Jacksonville, has added another year to its scicntific course, making it equal to the classical in length. Whipplc Academy is under the management of the college, and constitutes its preparatory department.-(Catalogue, 1877.)

The collegiate department of Westfield College, at Westfield, has discontinued its ladies' course, considering it mnecessary, since young women are admitted to all the privileges of the institution in the shape of classes and degrees.- (Catalogue, 187\%.)

In the remaining colleges the departments and courses of instruction, as far as the information of the Burean extends, are substantially as reportcd in 1876.

Information from Rock River University is to the effect that this institution was closcd in 1877, to remain thus for a year, when it was expected to reopen.

No reports for 1877 have been received from Abingdon College, Hedding College, St. Viateur's College, or Illinois Agricultural College, the last being (as stated in the report for 1876), by reason of its amended charter, a literary and not an agricultural institution.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

Besides the colleges open to young women in common with young men, 8 especially devoted to the superior instruction of women report statistics for the first session of 1877-78, for which see Table VIII of the appendix, and a summary of this in the Commissioner's Report preceding. All thesc institutions are chartcred, all teach music, drawing, painting, French, and German, save one which omits the French, while another adds Latin to the two other tongues. Six have apparatus for illustration of chemistry and physics, 4 have cabinets of natural history, 1 has an art gallery, and 3 have gymnasiums. Seveu report libraries ranging from 400 to 3,000 volumcs.-(Returus.)

# SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION. 

[For full statistics, see Tables X-XIII of the appendix, and summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.]

## SCIENTIFIC.

- The Illinois Industrial University, Urbana, furnishes scientifie and industrial training in its colleges of natural science, agriculture, and engineering; also, in the additional schools of military science, commerce, and art and design. Vocal and instrumental music, telegraphy, and photography are taught, but not as parts of the regular courses. It has been the aim to give to the college of agriculture the largest development practicable. The instruction unites theory and practice as far as possible. Technical studies are tanght in connection with or following instruction in the sciences to which they are especially related, the chief means of instruction being lectures, with careful readings of standard agricultural books and periodicals and frequent oral and written discussions by the students of the principles presented. These are also illustrated by demonstrations and observations in the fields and stables. 'The college has a stock farm of 410 acres, provided with a large stock barn; also, an experimental farm of 80 acres.

Scientific departments or courses exist, too, in Abingdon College, Blackburn Unirersity, Carthage College, University of Clicago, Northwestern University, and Northwestern College, Ewing, Illinois, McKendree, Monmouth, and Westfield Colleges and Lake Forest and Lombard Universities. In Westfield College a department of natural science receives especial attention, a full analysis of various specimens in zö̈logy illustrative of one branch, one class, several orders, \&c., being required from each student, at first with the aid of books of reference, afterward, as far as possible, without other aid than the speeimens. These analyses are handed to the teacher for rriticism, like other written exercises.- (Catalogues and letter from the instructor at Westicld.)

## THEOLOGICAL.

Instruetion in theology is given by 5 independent theological schools, also in classes or departments connected with several colleges of the State. The schools referred to are Chicago Theological Seminary (Congregational), Presbyterian Theological Seminary of the Northoest, at Chicago, Garrett Biblical Institute, at Evanston (Methodist Episcopal), Baptist Union Theologieal Seminary, near Chicago, and Augustana Thcological Seminary, Rock Island (Evangelical Lutheran). These have courses of study covering 3 years, with the exception of the last, which has one of 2 years. In the three first mentioned a total of 73 students out of 172 had received degrees in letters or science.- (Returns, 187\%.)

Theological departments, with comrses covering 3,2 , and 3 years, respectively, are reported by Blackbun University, Carlinville; Nortlucestern College, Naperville, and Lincoln University, Lincoln. The department at Blackburn University, fiom its catalogue of $187 \%$, appears to have no theological students.

In addition to the above, a limited course of instruction in theology is given in the Wesleyan University, at Bloomington; in St. Joseplis Ecelesiastical College, Tcutopolis; in McKendrec College, Lebanon, and in Eurcka College, Eureka.-(Catalogues, 1877.)

LEGAL.
The law schools from which reports have been received for 1877 are the Union College of Law of the Chicago and Northwestern Universities and the law departments of Illinois Wesleyan Unirersity and of McKendree College. 'These all provide a 2 years' course of instruction. Eight of the 15 young men studying law at McKendree College had received degrees in letters or science.- (Returns and catalogues.)

## MEDICAL.

The two regular medical colleges in Chicago reporting, namoly, the Rush Mredical College, a department of Chicago University, and Chicago Mcdical College, a department of the Northwestern University, had respectively an attendance in 1878 of 392 and 156 students, respectively. Of the total number attending both colleges, 103 students had received degrees in letters or science. The course covers 3 years and atteudance upon two full courses of lectures is required for graduation. A spring course additional to the regular one has recently been introduced at Rush College, consisting of lectures and recitations at the college and clinical instruction at the hospital and dispensaries.

Bennett Medical College, at Chicago (eclectic), offers a course of equal length with the foregoing. - (Catalogue for 1877.)
The Chicago Homocopathic College and the Mahnemann Medical College, Chicago, report for the winter course of 1877-78 a total of 282 students, of whom 39 had recei ved degrees in letters or science. The course in the former is 2 years of 26 wecks each; in the latter, 2 to 3 years of 22 weeks each, with a spring terin of 10 weeks. - (Returns.)

The Chicago College of Pharmacy reports an attendance of 61 students, tanght by 5 professors and instructors. Its course of study covers 2 years. A knowledge of medical botany is essential to obtain a diploma.-(Return, 1877.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## THE BLIND.

Thie Illinois Institution for the Education of the Blind, at Jacksonville, reports for the session of 1877-78, instructors, 9; other employés, 23 ; pupils, 121. Besides the common school studies and music, the cliddren are taught broom and brush making, chair seating, sewing, embroidery, and bead work. Volumes in library, 770 ; increase in the last year, 60.

## THE DEAF AND DUAMB.

The Illinois Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb, also at Jacksonville, according to its printed report for 1876-'77, had, besides its superintendent, 15 teachers in its literary department, 3 in the department of articulation, 2 in that of art, with 6 foremen in the industrial and 11 other employes. There were 484 pupils on the rolls, with an attendance of 459 during the year. Industrial occupations, such as farm and garden work, shoemaking, cabinet making, and printing, enter into the course of training in connection with the usual school studies, with training in articulation and some instruction in art. A new building for the industrial occupations pursued was in process of erection, to be completed by the winter of 1877-78. The library numbers 3,000 volumes, having added 500 during the year.

The Chicago Day School for Deaf-Mutes, under the control of the city board of education, had in it, at the date of the ammal return, 2 male and 2 female pupils under 3 instructors in reading, writing, spelling, grammar, arithmetic, geography, and drawing.

THE FEEBLE-MLNOED.
The Illinois Asylum for Feeble-Minded Children, at Lincoln, had in it for the fall and winter term of 1877-78 a total of 50 instructors and other employés, with 182 children under training in reading, writing, arithmetic, geography, and such industrial pursuits as tend to develop a capacity for useful occupation.-(Return.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## STATE ASSOCIATION.

The twenty-fourth ammal meeting of the State Teachers' Association was held at Springfield, December 26-28, 1877.
After an address of weleome ly Governor Cullom, President Lewis delivered the anmal discourse, in which he sketched briefly the history of the association and its progress during the past year, and spoke of the benefits of associated work in the profession.
On the sccond day, Superintendent Brooks, of Springficld, and J. H. Blodgett, of Rockford, discussed the question, "Should our high schools give instruction in the elements of political economy?" The next topic for discussion was, "What can be done to develop in our students a higher taste in English literature?" This was discussed by Professors J. H. Ely, of Mount Carroll, and H. L. Boltwood, of Princeton. Dr. Baily, of Lake Forest University, presented a paper on "Manners and morals in our public schools." Papers on "Prublic high schools" were oftered by Dr. Newton Bateman, of Knox College, and Dr. J. M. Gregory, of the Industrial University. The question, "What can be done to make our pupils speak better English?" was discussed by Prof. O. E. Haven, of Evanston, and J. T. Ray, of Oregon. In the eveniug a lecture was delivered by Dr. McCosh, of Princeton College, on the theme "Upper schools necessary to elementary instruction."

The discussion of the following day was opened by Dr. Allyn upon the subject, "How shall our county superintendency be made more effective?" He was followed in a few brief remarks loy Hon. S. M. Etter, superintendent of public instruction. A paper was read by C. I. Parker on the question, "Do we have too many examinations?" He was followed by P. Walker, of Rochelle, and E. A. Gastman, of Decatur. Mrs. Abby Sage Richardson then offered a paper on the subject, "How can we awaken a greater interest in the study of English literature?" Professor Peabody, of Chicago, gave a lecture upon "Sap," showing the manner of growth of vegetable and tree life; and Prof. A. A. Kendrick, of Shurtleff College, presented an essay on "The relation between public schools and public morals," and J. L. Pickard, of Chicago, one upon "The education of women." The paper by Mr. S. H. White, on competitive examinations, was ordered to be deposited with Superintendent Etter for preservation and future use.

Among the resolutions adopted was one appointing a committee of 5 to take into
consideration the subject of reform in spelling and report at the next meeting on the advisability and practicability of substituting for the present orthography a phonetic system of representation; one, also, appointing a committee to gather facts relative to the matter of truancy, and report them at the next mecting; and one indorsing, "with emphasis and without equivocation, the coeducational system of schools, primary, secondary, and university, now in snccessful operation in this State, believing that the trime interests, physical, mental, and moral, of both sexes are far better subserved by this plan than by the system of separate instruction."-(Educational Weekly.)

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## PROFESSOR SAMUEL ADAMS, M. D.

Dr. Adams, distinguished in his ripened years for long and faithfnl service as an educator, was born at Gilead, Maine, December 19, 1806, and grew up anid the labors and privations of a pioneer settlement on the Upper Androscoggin. His school days in those early years were few, but he appears to have made the most he could of small advantages, and at 18 became teacher of a district school in lis native town. Prosecuting his own studies while instructing others, he prepared himself for an academic course, and during two successive ycars spent some months at Gorhain Academy; he entered Bowdoin College in 1827, and was graduated in 1831 with the highest honors. He contributed to his own support in college by teaching a vinter school every year except the last. It was a great felicity of his collegiate life that Longfellow was then professor of modern languages at Bowdoin. Under the inspiration of such a teacher he acquired a taste for linguistie culture which stood him in good stead in later years. The first year after his graduation he tanght in a high school at Bucksport, Maine; the next, commenced the study of medicine. While still engaged in medical study, he was appointed tutor of modern languages in the college and served as such for two years, during the absence in Europe of Professor Goodwin, who had succeederl Longfellow. The taking of his medical degree was thus deferred till the spring of 1836.

On gradnating, he began the practice of medicine at Brunswick, pursuing scientific and linguistic stndies still, and acquired such reputation as a scientist and scholar that in 1838, probably on the recommendation of the Bowdoin facnlty, he was chosen professor of chemistry, mineralogy, and geology in Illinois College, Jacksonville, Ill., which had been chartered but three years before, thongh founded in 1829 . He accepted the position, entered on it in October of the year of his election, and, with some changes in the title and duties of the chair, continued in it till his death, a period of more than 38 years. His labors as a teacher were, however, by no means confined to his own department. The resources of the college were not large, and he and his associates often had to perform much miscellaneons work, for which his broad culture eminently fitted him. He gave instruction, therefore, in the French and German languages for many years, and during his life as professor taught at intervals nearly every branch connected with the college course.

In addition to his labors as a teacher, he made no inconsiderable contribntions to the more solid periodical literature of his time-first in a series of six articles in the Biblical Repository, from 1838 to 1848, originally designed to form the foundation of a book on "The natural history of man in his spiritual relations," which he never fonnd the leisure to complete; next in a review of Darwin's Origin of Species, publishied in two snccessive numbers of the Congregational Review in 1871; and finally in reviews of Comte's Positive Plilosoply and of Herbert Spencer's Proposed Reconciliation between Religion and Science, the former in the New-Englander of January and April, 1873, and the latter in the same for January, 1875. For all these revicws he prepared with most painstaking care, and the value of them is said to have been extensively acknowledged.

His friends found great satisfaction in believing that to all his accomplishments Dr. Adams added a firm Christian faith, and that it gave him support in the hour of death as it had in the labors and cares of his useful life.
Dr. Adams died of typhoid pueumonia, April 28, 1877, extensively beloved and generally respected.-(From a memorial notice by Ex-President J. M. Sturtevant, LL. D.)

CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER.
Hon. S. M. Etter, State superintendent of public instruction, Springfeld.

## INDIANA.

STATISTICAL SUMNARY.

|  | 1875-\% 6. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (6-21) | 679, 230 | 694,706 | 15, 4 วิ 6 |  |
| Enrolled in public schools. | 516, 270 | 498, 726 |  | 17,544 |
| Average daily atteridance .-. | 314, 168 | 298, 324 |  |  |
| Colored children enumerated.. | 10,261 6,963 |  |  |  |
| -shhool districts and schools. |  | * |  |  |
| Number of school districts | 9, 310 |  |  |  |
| Number in which schools were taught. | 9, 259 |  |  |  |
| Number of colored schools taught .... | 115 |  |  |  |
| Average term of schools in days...... | 129 | 128 |  | 1 |
| Public graded schools... | 9, ${ }^{1298}$ |  |  |  |
| Public ungraded schools Public school-houses ... | 9, 9,434 |  |  |  |
| Valuation of school property | \$11, 548, 993 | 11, 376, 730 |  | \$172, 263 |
| teachers and their pay. |  |  |  |  |
| White teachers in public schools. | 13, 317 |  |  |  |
| Colored teachers. |  |  |  |  |
| Men teaching | 7, 852 | 8, 109 | 257 |  |
| Women teaching | $\begin{array}{r}\text { 5, } 559 \\ 13 \\ \hline 141\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}5,465 \\ 13 \\ 13 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  | 94 |
| Whole number - .-...... | 13, 411 | 13, 574 | 163 |  |
| Arerage monthly pay of men.... Average monthly pay of women. | $\$ 6320$ 4140 | $\$ 6127$ 39 20 |  | $\$ 1$ 220 |
| hacone and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole income for public schools....-. |  |  |  | \$210, 196 |
| Whole expenditure for public schools. | $4,921,085$ | 4, 673, 766 |  | $\text { " } 247,319$ |
| per capita expenditure- |  |  |  |  |
| Of school population | \$6 29 | \$5 90 |  | \$0 39 |
| Of enrolment... | 823 | ${ }_{13} 83$ |  |  |
| Of average attendance | 1356 | 1376 | \$0 20 |  |
| SCIIOOL FUND. |  |  |  |  |
| Available school fund | \$8, 8\%0, 872 | \$8, 842, 291 |  | \$28,581 |

(From printed report and written return of Hon. James S. Smart, State superintendent of public instruction, for 1875-\% $\%$, and written return from the same for 1876-'7\%.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A State superintendent of public instruction, clected every second year by the people, is charged with the administration of the system of public schools, with the superintendence of the business relating to them, and with the supervision of the funds and revenues appropriated to their support. He is ex officio trustee of the State Normal School and president of the State board of education.

This State board of education consists of the superintendent, governor, and presidents of the State University, Normal School, and Purdue University, with the school superintendents of the three largest cities of the State. It meets quarterly, is an advisory council to the supcrintendent, issues instructions and questions to county superintendents for examinations of teachers applying for a license, grants licenses valid thoughout the State to teachers who have passed its own examinations, and appoints the trustees of the State University and the official visitors of the Normal School.

## LOCAL.

A county superintendent of sohools is appointed biennially in each county by tho boardis of township trustees, meeting at the office of the county anditor on the first Monday in June. ${ }^{1}$ He has general superintendence of the schools of his comnty, examines and licenses teachers for them, directs the apportioment of school funds to them, visits them for inspection at least once in each year, and as often must attend and preside at each township institute, making annual report to the State superintendent of all statistics relating to the county schools.
A civil trustce, elected every two years by the people in each township, acts also as a school trustee for his township, to engage teachers, apportion school money, care for the schools, and hold monthly institutes, and he and the three trustees of each incorporated town and city in the county form a county board of education for the adoption of text books, \&c.

A school director in every school district is chosen by the people at each annual district meeting.

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

The State superintendent in Indiana makes full report to the legislature of all thing connected with the school system only once in two years. In the intermediate year only a brief written report to the governor is called for. The statistics of this last, embodied in the return kindly furnished by Mr. Smart for 1877, afford our only information for that year. These show an increase in the number of youth of school age amounting to 15,476 , with an increase of 163 in the number of teachers in the public schools; but, possibly from lack of full reports from minor officers, the enrolment in publie schools appears to have diminished by 17,544 and the average attendance by 15,844 , the receipts for schools diminishing also by $\$ 210,196$ and the expenditures on them by $\$ 247,319$. An estimated diminution of $\$ 172,263$ in the value of school property does not count for much, as it is not more thau proportionate to the shrinkage in all values, and probably the same may be said of a talling off of $\$ 28,581$ in the available school fund.

## KINDERGARTEN.

Only one Kindergarten is reported for 1877, that one apparently connected with the public school system of Iudianapolis, and held in the high school building of that city. It had 30 children, 3 to 6 years of age, under the instruction of the principal and 4 adult pupils, the younger elildren being kept in school 3 hours daily, the advanced class an hour and a half longer, for 5 days in each week of the school year of 40 weeks. The younger ones are trained in the use of Fröbel's gifts and the exercise of his occupations, with plays, marches, music, and gymuastics; the older ones study natural history and read.

## CITY SCIIOQL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

The boards of school trustees for cities with less than 30,000 inhabitants, under a general law, are ordinarily composed of 3 persons appointed by the common council for terms of 3 years, 1 retiring each year. Indianapolis, under a special act, has a hoaird of 11 school commissioners, elected by the people for terms of 3 years.-(Schools of Indiana, 1876.)

STATISTICS.

| Citios. | Estimated population | Cbildren of school age. | Enrolment. | Average attendanee. | Teachers. | Expenditure. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fort Wayne | 23,400 | 10,58? | 3,553 | 2,653 | 84 | \$71, 642 |
| Indianapolis | 100, 000 | 22, 806 | a12, 030 | 68,355 | 183 | 215, 410 |
| Jeffersonville | 10, 000 | 2, 223 | 1, 300 |  | 26 | 19, 126 |
| Lafayette. | 22, 000 | 6, 059 | 2,705 | 1,608 | 47 | 38, 856 |
| LaPorte... | 7,000 | $\bigcirc$ | 1,190 | 1,877 | $\therefore 6$ | 37, 9:2 |
| Logansport | 15, $\mathrm{C00}$ | 3,788 | 1, 824 | 1,191 | 31 | 41, ¢88 |
| Richmond. | 14, 0 c0 | 4, 236 | 2, 094 | 1, 874 | 45 | 34, 158 |
| South Bend. | 15, 000 | c3, 265 | 1, 601 | 1,082 | $\bigcirc 6$ | 17, 093 |
| Terre Haute | 21,000 | 7, 101 | 3, 80: | di, 707 | 80 | 66, 440 |

[^26]${ }^{1}$ This is the direction of the school law, both in its edition of 1873 and that of 1877; but the State superintendent, in the rolume on The Schools of Indiana, published 1876, says that county superinteudents are appointed by the county commissioners at their June meeting every second year. Thoss commissioners have the right to dismiss a superintendent for immorality, incompetency, or neglect of duty.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Fort Wayne. - Respeeting this city, the only official iuformation is from a written return of Superiutendent Johu S. Irwin, no printed report haviug been issued for some years. From this return we find that there were in 1877 special teachers of drawing, misic, penmanship, and reading employed in the public schools, and that there were in drivate schools 25 teachers, with 2,300 pupils, making the whole number of teachers in the eity 110 and the whole enrolment in schools 5,858 . High school pupils, 189; graduates in 1877, according to the Indiana School Journal, 17, chiefly in the Latin and scientific eourses.

At Huntington a method of teaching reading by a combination of the word method, the alplawet method, the phonic method, and the sentence method is reported to have proved highly successful, partly through use of selections from The Nursery, The Wide Awake, and other juvenile publications, with some aid from the daily newspapers. Dull pupils were aroused and all interested by having fresh and lively articles for reading, instead of stale repetitions from long used school readers.

Indianapolis.-Here, according to a return from Superintendent George P. Brown, there were special teachers of music, drawing, and penmanship in the public schools with salaries whieh indicate a determination to have in these branches instruction worth something. The private school emolment is put at 1,340 (an estimate which seems very low for a city with suel a populationi), while, in addition to the 12,050 in the ordinary publie seliools, there were 33 in a city normal school and 872 in city evening schools, making a total of 14,305 in private and publie schools. The high sehool, according to the Indiana School Jourual of June, 1877, numbered 572 , pupils, and graduated 46 in the summer of that year, of whom 18 were from the 2 years' course, 28 from the full course. The principal of the school writes, in the Educational Weekly of September 13, 18\%7, that, from somewhat intimate knowledge of the circumstances, he believes not lalf the number of pupils educated in it would obtain more than the mere elements of education were the high school not within their reach, while, of its beneficial influence on even many who do not graduate and on the other schools, he speaks in decided terms.

Jeffersonville.-Two teachers of German are employed here in the publie schools, these being the only special teachers indicated. The enrolment in private and parochial schools is put at 300 . Public school buildings, 5 ; valuation of school property, $\$ 60,000$. Gradation of schools, primary, grammar, and high.-(Return to Bureau of Education.)

At LaPorte improvement in composition writing has been effected by first designating each week those who are to write, then questioning each scholar thus designated, till some subject with which he is familiar and on which he has opinions is obtained. This point reached, the teacher aids in getting the subject outlined and has the scholar hand in a sketch of the outline proposed. This is revised and the composition written, which is first subjected to careful criticism and returned to be rewritten. Not until after this do readings take place, when a new criticism before the school occurs, ineluding the reading as well as the style.
Lafayette. -The graded course of instruction in this city eovers a period of 13 Years. The high school, the course of which is ineluded in the foregoing, had in $18{ }^{7} 6-77$ an enrolnent of 94 pupils, taught by 4 instructors. Special teachers of drawing and penmanship were employed in the schools. The per cent. of daily attendance, based on the average number belonging, was 91 ; eost of instruction, $\$ 20.91$; public school buildings, 11; sittings in these, 1,000 ; sittings in private and parochial schools, 700 ; enrolment in such schools, 1,000 for the year.- (Printed report and return.)
Logansport.-The figures given in the table are from a return by Superintendent John K. Walts, no official report having been published for 1877. The schools are classed as primiary, grammar, and high, the last having an enrolment of 113. Sittings for study, 976 in the primary grades, 394 in the grammar, and 110 in the high. Valuation of school property, $\$ 180,000$.
Richmond. - No other information eomes from this place than that given in the table from a return by Superintendent Jolm Cooper, except that the public schools had 1,975 sittings, with property valued at $\$ 81,000$, that a special teacher of music was employed, and that in private and parochial schools there were 565 pupils.
South Bend.-There are 7 public school buildings belonging to the system in this city, including 1 high, 5 grammar, 12 intermediate, and 6 primary schools, with 1,700 sittings. Eurolment in the high school, 122. Graduates of this school are admitted to the freshman class of the State university without examination. Teachers' meetings were held weekly throughout the year. Private and parochial schools, 4; emrolment in these, 250.- (Printed report and return.)

Terve Haute.- The number of desks and sittings here in 1876-77, including those in the German and recitation rooms, was 4,124 ; number exclusive of these, 3,687 . Value of all school property, $\$ 215,471$. There were 597 pupils studying German during the year. Enrolment in the high school, 199; graduates, 16. A Saturday drawing class
was kept open, and had a total enrolment of 76 boys and 32 girls; average attendance each Saturday, 70. An evening school was in session 4 months, eurolling 53 pupils, with about 17 in arerage attendance. Careful attention was given to the subject of discipline, and with good results. Cases of eorporal punishment and suspension were less fiequent than during any year for a long time, and of the pupils enrolled 903 were not tardy and were very seldom absent from school.- (Report and written return.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCIOOLS.

For full statistics of normal sehools, see Table III of the appendix, and the summary of this in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.
The Indiana State Normal School, Terre Haute, was ereated by the legislature for the special purpose of instructing and training teachers for the public schools, and forms part of the State school system. Tuition is free and there are no incidental fees. Only such students are admitted as intend to qualify themselves to teach in the public schools of the State. The course of instruction covers three ycars, and includes, besides the subjects required by law to be tanght in the priblie schools, drawing and vocal music and the elcments of those branches of science and philosophy which bear upon the industrial, social, and political interests of the eountry. There is also a Traduate course for those who wish to qualify themselves for teaching in high schools. The diploma of the school is, by law of the State, equivalent to a State certificate, rolieving the holder from county examinations. The number of studcnts in the normal school proper, in 1876-\%7, was 282, of whom 146 were women and 136 men; in the model training schocl, 223.- (Catalogue, 1876-'77.)

Northern Indiana Normal School and Business Institute, at Valparaiso, not a State school, but aided by the county and eity, was organized in 1873, and has since continued in rapid and regular growth. Among the various courses of study offered are preparatory, scientific, classical, select, musical, fine arts, and teachers' eourses. Students thoroughly versed in the common branches can complete the classical course in two years of 50 wecks each, the scientifie in one year, and the teachers' in two or three terms of 11 weeks each. Tuition is $\$ 8$ a term, withont extra charge for rocal music, elocution, penmanship, and German.- (Catalogne for 1878-79.) A return gives the number of instructors in the preceding year at 20 ; number of pupils, all counted by the principal as normal, 2,555 .

Elkhart County Normal and Classical School, Goshen, reccives no State, county, or eity aid, has 4 ycars in its full course of study, and, according to a return for $187 \overline{7}-78$, in the early part of that year, had 11 instructors and 175 pupils. Educational journals and magazines taken, 150 . Drawing and musie are tanght, the former apparently from text books and copies only, without models and apparatus for free hand work.
Lagrange County Normal, Lagrange, instituted for the training of teachers in county and town schools, is conducted by the county superintendent, and had in the last ycar, according to a return from him, 4 instructors and 75 students. Music and drawing are
taught, the latter with the same limitations as at Elkhart: taught, the latter with the same limitations as at Elkhart:

## teachers' institutes.

By law, at least one Saturday in each month during which the publie schools may be in progress is to be devoted to township institutes or model schools for improvement of the teachcrs. Such institutes are to be presided over by a teacher or other person designated by the township trustee, and teachers in the public schools of the township must attend them or forfeit one day's wages for every day of non-attendance, unless the absence is from sickncss.
County teachers' institutes are also provided for, and to encourage them each county auditor is authorized to draw on the treasurer of the county for $\$ 35$ whenever the county superintendent shall file with him an offieial statement that there has bcen held in his county such an institute for five days, with an arerage attendance of 25 teachers or persons preparing to become such, while for one with an attendance of 40 there is an allowance of $\$ 50$. Only one such payment, however, is to be made in any year.
Then, during the summer vacations, great numbers of independent institutes appear from the school journals to be held for the improvement of teachers who desire to qualify themselves for higher usefulness in their profession. More than fifty, apparently of this class, were noted, for the summer of 1877, in the Indiana School Journal, one of them a summer school for teachers in drawing, held at Purdue University; another, a "summer tramp," led by the scientifie faculty of Butler University through a considerable portion of the Southern States for the field study of geology, mineralogy, botany, and zoülogy.

## other means of normal trayning.

In addition to the foregoing, facilities for the training of teachers are provided in a number of the colleges of the State. Union Christian College has a normal course each
spring term which affords students a review of the common school branches and special instruction in theory and practice. Bedford College has a normal department intended to cover 2 years, embracing all the studies required for a first class State certificate. At Moore's Hill College a normal department is sustained during the spring term when desired. Indiana Asbury University reports a normal course beginning iu the spring term, but its extent is not stated. Fort Wayne College has two normal courses of 2 and 3 years respectively.

## educational Journals.

The Indiana School Journal, organ of the State Teachers' Association and of the superintendent of public instruction, continucd its useful work throughout the year, ditusing a large amount of local and general school news and publishing many papers of much value to teachers. It has been well aided in this direction by a younger companion, The Common-School Teacher. Both are monthlies, the former published at Indianapolis, the latter at Bedford.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGII SCHOOLS.

From the Indiana School Journal, which, as the organ of the State superintendent, probably derives its figures from his looks, we have reports of high schools in 45 cities and towns, with 133 teachers, 3,511 pupils, and 391 graduates in 1877 . Sixteen, however, do not report the number of pupils, 3 omit the number of teachers, and 4 give only the number of graduates.-(Indiana School Journal of June and July, 187\%.)

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For full statistics of bisiness colleges, private academic schools, preparatory schools, and preparatory departments of colleges and universities in this state, sce Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX, in the appendix, and summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

Information for the year 1877 has been received through special returns or printed catalogues from 16 colleges of the State; all but 4 of these colleges are open to young women as well as to young men.
The Indiana State University lias discontinued its law school, and reports only preparatory and collegiate departments, the latter with classical and scientific courses. Both sexes are on an equal footing. Tuition is fice.- (Catalogue, 1877.)

Bedford College reports four separate complete courses, the classical, the scientific, the ministerial, and the ladies' course, which lead respectively to the degrees of B. A., B. S., and b. L., the last being couferred on those who complete cither the ministcrial or the ladies' course. Young women are admitted to all the classes and privileges of the college.
The name of the Northwestorn Christian University has been changed to Butler University. Its colleges, as at present organized, are (1) biblical literature and Christian evidences; (2) pure and applicd mathematics; (3) English literature; (4) Latin language and literature; (5) Greck language and literature ; (6) matural history; (7) intellcetual, moral, and political philosophy, logic and rhetoric; (8) physics and chemistry, and (9) modern languages. For ficld instruction in natural sciences, such of its students as desire it are now regularly conducted by some of the professors on a "summer tranp" through portions of the country that afford special advantages for study in this line.
At Ridlyerifle College a change has been made in the courses of study by substituting an English coursc for what lias been termed the practical course. The three courses now provided, English, scientific, and classical, cover 8 years, the English and classical each occupying 4 and the scicntific being made from the last 2 years of the English and the first 2 of the classical, Grcek excepted.

The courses of instruction in the remaining colleges appear to be the same as reported in 1876.
For full statistics, see Table IX of the appendix, and a summary of this in the Report of the Commissioncr preceding.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

Besides the colleges open to young women in common with young men, 2 especially devoted to the higher education of women make report for 1887. Each of these colleges is chartered and both teach music, drawing, painting, French, and German. Ono has some means for illustration in chemistry and both have apparatus for instruction
in physics. They report libraries numbering respectively 500 and 800 volumes. (Returns, 1877.)

For full statistics of these colleges, see Table VIII of the appendix, and a summary of this in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.
[For full statistics of scientific and professional schools, see Tables X-XIII of the appendix, and the summaries of these in the Coramissiouer's leport preceding.]

## SCIENTIFIC.

Purdue Cniversity, at Lafayette, the agricultural college of the State, provides 3 genteral departments of instruction, as follows: (1) the academy or preparatory school; (2) the college of general science; (3) the special schools of science and technology. The course of study in the college of general science is similar to the scientific comse in several other colleges, but it devotes more time to the natural and physical sciences. These are the leading branches in the course, and require at least one-third of the student's time for four years. The special schools are those of agriculture and loorticulture, civil engineering, industrial design, ${ }^{2}$ physics and mechanies, clomistry and metallurgy, and natural history. The university has a well stocked farm of 189 acyes of choice land, with appliances for teaching both agriculture and horticulture. A new university building, costing over $\$ 40,000$, has been completed, and was formally dedicated November 21, 1877. It is four stories high and 154 by 56 feet.-(Catalogue of university, 1876, and Indiana School Journal, December, 1877.)
Rose Polyteehnic Institute, at Terre Haute, was chartered in 1874, but has not yet been opened for pupils. This institute was founded and endowed by Chauncey Rose, esq., late of Terre Haute, who died August 13, 1877.- (Retura, 1877.)

## theological.

St. Meinrad's Colleye has a theological course which, covering four years, appears to be a modification of the collegiate. There were 23 students in 1877 .

In Bedford College there is a ministerial course which is the same as the classical, except that it omits the mathematics of part of the sophomore and all the junior year, substituting therefor certain theological studies.

In Indiana Asbury University a biblical course has been arranged, which, commencing with the sophomore year, by a system of substitutions, gives a course in Hebrew, patristic and New Testament Greek, biblical chronology, archæology, church history, \&c.

In Hanover College biblical instruction is a part of the regular course of study.
Butler University has a department of biblical literature and Cluristian evidences, in which the Bible is the text book.
In Union Christian College the New Testament is used as a text book for regular recitation in Greek during 3 terms of the classical course.

Coneordia College, according to a letter from its "director," was established for the especial education of ministers of the gospel. It does not, however, give the stndents preparing for the ministry a theological training; but, having prepared them for this by collegiate instruction, turns them over to the Theological Seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio, and other States, at St. Louis.

## IEGAL.

The Law Department of the University of Notre Dame has a course of instruction covering 3 years and embracing chiefly constitutional and international law, municipal lawr, law of contracts, equity jurisprudence, criminal law, evidence, pleading, and practice.(Catalogne.)
The Law Department of Indiana University, as before mentioned, has been "suspended until further notice."-(Catalogue, 1877.)

## MEDICAL。

The Medienl College of Evansville had an attendance of 40 students in 1877, of whom 3 had received degrees in letters or science. The plan of instruction requires the attendance of the student through two annual sessions and 3 years of study under the direction of some regular physician.
The Indiana Medical Colleye, at Indianapolis, had 82 students in 1877, of whom 5 had received degrees in letters or science. The return from this college gives 2 years as its course of study; but from the catalogue it appears that the requirements for graduation are as great as in other colleges whose course is given as 3 years, namely, studying medicine for 3 years under a competent preceptor and attendance upon two fall

[^27]courses of medical lectures, the last of whieh must have been in the institution. (Returns and printed report.)

The College of Physicians and Surgeons, Indianapolis, makes no report beyond that published in the report of this Bureau for 1876, when return was made of 72 students in a 2 years' course of study, 19 of whom had received a degree in letters or science.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## MDIANA INSTITUTION FOR EDUCATLNG THE DEAF AND DUMB.

A return of the statisties of this institution for 1877 shows an attendance of 353 , making 1,158 who have received instruetion since the foundation of the institution The eouse of study eomprises primary and higher departments, the former eovering 7 years, the latter 3. The instruction in work is considered seeoud in importance only to the intellectual and moral culture of the pupils. Two hours each day are given to labor and 5 to literary studies.- (Printed report, 1876.)

## INDIANA INSTITUTE FOR THE EDUCATION ON THE BLIND, LNDLANAPOLIS.

This institution, since its foundation in i847, has had 572 pupils under instruction. In 1877 there were 110 attending, who were instrueted in the common English branehes and musie, both roeal and instrumental; also in the employments of broom making, chair seating, sewing, and faney work. It is estimated that there are about 250 blind ehildren of sehool age in the State, and that more than half of them are growing up in ignoranee through laek of suffieient publie interest in their welfare to see that they are placed in the sehool provided for them by the State. - (Return and report, 1877.)

## INDIANA IIOUSE OF REFUGE, PLALNIIELD.

This reformatory sehool had in November, 1877, a total of 339 inmates under training, an increase of 14 over the preceding year. The boys are classified into 9 school grades, taught by 3 eompetent teachers, and each boy is required to attend a session of sehool daily. It is proposed to grade the school anew, forming 8 grades only, under 4 instruetors, seeuring 3 hours of sehooling eaeh day. In the intervals of school the boys are employed in ehair caning, tailoring, shoemaking, farm and garden work, and sueh other oceupations as will make them useful and train them to habits of industry and capacity for self support.-(Report for 187\%.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## STATE ASSOCIATION.

The twenty-fourth ammal meeting of the Indiana State Teachers' Association was held Deember 26, 27 , and 28, 1877. The address of weleone was made by Mr. W. A. Bell, president of the Indianapolis sehool board. His remarks were responded to by Mr. W. H. Wiley, the retiring president, who then introduced his suceessor, Rev. J. H. Martin, of Franklin. He took for his topic "Moral eulture in the school room," and said he would have all science, whether physieal, moral, or intellectual, taught in most intimate comneetion with the Bible.

A paper was read on "Scienee in elementary schools" by A. W. Brayton, superintendent of the department of natural seience in the Indianapolis schools, and Joseph Moore, president of Earlham College, followed with remarks on the same subjeet. B. C. Burt, of the Indiana State Normal Sehool, read a paper entitled "Enthusiasm for English," which, by rote of the association, was ordered to be printed in the Iudiana Sehool Journal. President Tuttle, of Wabash College, opened the disenssion, stating his approval of the arguments used in favor of better and more thorough appreciation and study of English literature. Temple H. Dum, of Fort Wayne, presented a paper entitled "How to deal with slow pupils in graded schools," whieh was discussed by Mr. R. G. Boone, of Franlifort, and Mr. H. B. Jacobs, of New Albany. Superintendent M. Sciler, of Auburn, read a paper entitled "Edueate a boy and he won't work." He said many boys become idle not beeanse they are educated, but rather because they know so little as to be incompetent for the higher kinds of employment, and that the eure for idleness is to make the publie sehools more efficient. President W. T. Stott, of Franklinl College, Hon. J. H. Smart, and President White, of Purdue University, diseussed this paper. Mr. Smart thought it possible to edueate a man so that he will not work; but if the dignity of honest labor be taught he will work. President White said "the listory of civilization refutes the assertion that edueation unfits a boy for manual labor. The most industrious people in every nation are the edueated. Our system may be imperfeet, but, with all its defeets, it is having a benefieial effeet. * * * Edueate a people and they will work with their hands and their brains."

In the evening Dr. George A. Chase, of Louisville, delivered the annual address of the association, on "The publie sehool teaeher." He said that what the system needs most is the edueated, well equipped teacher, who thoroughly knows the subjects
he treats of; that he shonld have self control, sound bodily health, take invigorating exercise in the sun and air, and sleep at proper times, to lreep himself in the best condition for his work.

The other papers and addresses presented were: "How to economize time in ungraded schools," by TS. D. Tharp, superintendent of schools, Grant County ; "Gmbe's method in numbers," by a teacher in one of the Indianapolis schools, Miss Ruth Morris, which, with the illustrations offered, seems to have awakened much enthusiasm; "The relation of public libraries to the schools," by Mrs. Sarah A. Oren, of Purdue University; "Tenuperance," by Mrs. Governor Wallace; "Dr. Annold of Rugby as an educator," by Dr. Rogers, of Asbury University ; "Horace Mann as an educator," by Prof. A. R. Benton, LL. D., of Butler University ; and "The Russian system of industrial art education as applied at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology," by Dr. J. D. Runkle, president of that institute.

The editor of the School Journal says: "The mecting was among the best that have occurred. The attendance was quite large, reaching 384 , and there was not a failure on the programme. The only absent person appointed to duty sent in his paper, and it was read. The programme was an improvement upon former ones in that it was not so much crowded. There is, however, nearly a unanimous sentiment in the association in favor of limiting the time occupied by each paper to 30 minutes or less."(Indiana School Journal, February, 1878.)

## MEETING OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS.

The annual meeting of comnty superintendents, held in Indianapolis, June 26, 27, 1877, was the largest, with one exception, ever held in the State, 57 counties being represented. Among the sulbjects before the meeting were: "The best mode of correcting mistakes when observed by superintendents," "The kind of work to be done in township institutes and the objects to be gained," "TThe county superintendient in the township institute," "The province of the county board of education," "How to conduct examinations," and "How to conduct teachers" institutes."

Among the resolutions adopted were the following: "That the pay of teachers should le in proportion to their qualifications and the size and requirements of the school;" "that county boards should adopt a course of study and rules for the regulation of the district schools of the county;" and "that comntry districts should hiave at least six months of school each year."-(Indiana School Journal.)

## COLLEGE ASSOCIATION.

Twenty-four collegians, representing 9 of the colleges of the State, met on Thursday, December 27, during the sessions of the State Teachers' Association. President Alexander Martin, of Aspury University, presided. After a full interchange of opinion, it was resolved at a second meeting to organize a separate association in connection with the general association, the amnual sessions to be held at the place and on the day preceding the anmual meeting of the last named association.- (Indiana School Jour-
nal, February, 1878.)

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## PROF. EDMUND OTIS HOVEY, D. D.

This gentleman, Rose professor of chemistry and geology in Wabash College, Indiana, died at his home in Crawfordsville, March 6, 1877. Born at East Hanover, N. H., July 15, 1801, he spent his boylood on his father's farm, and did not begin his studies for college till he was 21. Entering the freshman class at Dartmouth in the spring of 1825 , he was graduated in 1828, and entered the theological seminary at Andover in the antumn of that Jeax. Completing its 3 years' course and graduated in 1831, he was sent by the American Home Missionary Society to preach in the Wabash country, Indiana, as an evangelist. In connection with four fellow missionaries in that region, he aided in laying the foundations of Wabash College, in 1832-33; became agent for it in 1834, securing its first president and $\$ 24,000$; in the same year he was appointed professor of rhetoric in it; made professor of chemistry, mineralogy, and geology, in 1836, he thenceforward continued in connection with it till his death. For 26 years ho added to his labors as professor the treasurership of the college, did much for the improvement of its buildings and grounds, and industriously collected for it a cabinet, which he made of great interest and value. In such useful labors the quiet evening of his days was spent, and in 1869 came the degree of D. D. from Dartmonth to brighten with its well earned honor the later life of him who had probably done more than any other one man to establish and build up into permanence the college with which he was comnected. - (Origin and Growth of Wabash Collere, by President Tuttle; funeral discourse by the same; Christian Union of April 4, 187\%.)

PROF. JOILN O. HOPKINS, A. M.
On the morning of October 16, 187\%, Professor Hopkins went buoyantly to the hall of Butler University, in which he held the chair of Greek, and while in conversation
with the presitent began to complain of loss of sight, then of vertigo, and, sinking soon into what appeared ia fainting fit, gently and vithont any apparent death struggle passed away. This sudden death, at the age of 38 , was probably the result of heart disease, from whieh his father, Hon. Milton B. Hopkins, late superintendent of publie instruction in Indiana, had suffered before him.
Under the training of this excellent father, Professor Hopkins early sought all available opportunities for the best mental and moral enlture; he stadied at Ladoga Academy, at Wabash College, at the Northwestern Cliristian University, and finally at the Keintucky University, where he was graduated with honor in June, 1871. Engaging at once in the work of edueation, he became vice president of Howard College, Kokonno, Ind., which his father had founded in the early portion of the year 1870 and from which he had passed to the superintendency of publie instruetion in the spring of 1871. But the earrying on of sneh an institution after its founder had forsaken it involved great labor and responsibility, and in 1872 the offer of the chair of Greek in the Northwestern Cliristian University (now Butler University), at Irvington, Indiana, tempted the young viee president away. Entering heartily into the work in his new field, he strove to secure, alike in himself and in his students, a thorough mastery of the beautiful language he was set to teael. He sueeeeded so well in the endeavor and made such progress in the five years of his professorship as to indieate that if his life had been prolonged he would have made limself a considerable name in this line; but he died ahmost on the threshold of the labors he had undertaken. - (Memorial notice by Prof. A. R. Benton, in the Indiana School Journal for November, 1877, and letter from Professor Benton.)

## CIIAUNCEY ROSE, ESQ.

This gentleman, whose death, August 13, 1877, is among the records of the year, was eminently a fricud of edueation. Among the educational donations made by him during his lifetime were $\$ 8,000$ to the Indiana State Normal School, for its library ; $\$ 60,000$ to Wabash University, for the endowment of 2 professorships ; and $\$ 450,000$, to establish and endow the Rose Polyteelmie Institnte at Terre Hante, his place of residence. His domations to benerolent eanses were equally gencrous. But, while his gifts were heralded in the newspapers and noised abroad by men, lis whole life was, in its quict modesty, an exemplification of the rule "Let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth." By the terms of his will, the Rose Polytechnic Institnte, the name of whieh was given it by others and not by himself, is his residuary legatee, and it is hoped will reeeive a eonsiderable addition to the large endowment mentioned.- (Indiana School Journal, September, 1877.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Hod. James H. Smart, State superintendent of public instruction, Indianapolis.
[Second term, 1877-1879.]

## STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

[Term, membership in the State board lasts during continuance in office.]

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| Hon. Emerson E. White, LL. D., president of Purdue Cnive | Terre Haute. |
| Hon. Horaee S. 'Iarbell, superintendent of Indianapolis public | Indianapolis. |
| John M. Bloss, superintendent of Evansrille public schools. | Eransville. |
| Dr. John S. Irwin, superintendent of Fort Wayne public schools | Fort Wasue. |

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

$a$ Incorrectly returned last jear as $\$ 47.27$.
(From printed report of Hon. C. W. von Coclln for the years 18i5-'76 and 1876-'T7 and returns to Burean of Education for the same years. The itcms of income and expenditure are from the latter.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL。

For supervision of all county superintendents and of all the common schools of the State, there is a State superintendent of public instruction, chosen by the people every
two years. two years.
For government of the State miversity, and thus exerting some infiuence on secondary and superior instruction generally, there is a board of cerfents chosen by the legislature, composed of the governor, State superintendent, and president of the State university, ex officiis, with one person from cach congressional district.

## LOCAL.

For supervision of public schools in countics, comty superintendents of public instruction, elected every two ycars. ${ }^{1}$ Women are eligible to all school offices.
For the care of schools in townships, which are the ideal school districts, a board of directors, of at least 3 members, elected annually for the township if undivided into subdistricts; if divided into these, composed of a subdirector from each subdistrict, with one for the township at large in case there are only twg.
For independent districts, composed of towns with 300 to 500 inhabitants, boards of dircctors of 3 members; with 500 or more, of 6 members. Each board of directors elects a president of its own number, with a secretary and a treasurer, who may be of that number in the smaller independent districts.-(School law, 1876.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

GENERAL CONDITION.
Superintendent von Coclln, at the beginning of his report, expresses the opinion that there is reason for encouragement as to the general condition of the school system, and an examination of the reports of county superintendents to him shows much ground for that opinion.

The number of good school-houses furnished with patent desks, and sometimes with pleasantly ornamented grounds, appears to be steadily increasing. A superintendent of one of the average counties writes: "Many of the school-houses are ornaments to the neighborhoods in which they are situated; trees and shrubbery are planted and the entire surroundings made attractive. Sir new houses have been erected during the year, all comfortable and convenient." Though notices of this kind are not invariable, they are frequent in the reports.

Normal institutes for the improvement of the teachers seem to have been very generally held and numerously attended. In a considerable number of cases the effects of these upon the teachers are spoken of with great enthusiasm, and these effects are pretty sure to be increased by a course of study now marked out for all the institutes.

In several counties voluntary associations of tcachers have been formed for discussion of studies, methods of discipline and management, and these associations, holding meetings additional to the institutes, have aided the good work which the institutes have commenced. In Keokuk County, such meetings were held monthly in nearly every township, and in this and in at least three other counties library associations grew out of the meetings of the teachers, the need of larger and more varicd reading appearing and being realized as various sckool questions were discussed.

## THE TEXT BOOK QUESTION.

The subject of the heavy cost of text books, in connection with the frequent change of them, is discussed by the superintendent in the light of the experience of other States, and lis opinion is given against the adoption of a system of State uniformity. He says that there should be uniformity of books in the same school, and, if possible, in the townslip, and for this the law intends to provide; but it fails to command boards of directors to adopt a series of text books, and therefore changes are made by teachers and subdirectors to suit themsclves. This, he thinks, should be remedied by a provision of law requiring an authoritative adoption of text books by boards of directors. It is agreed that the books shonld be furnished to the pupils at less cost than they now are, and a law is favored similar to the Wisconsin law on this subject, permitting the purchase of text books by townships, the books to be loaned or otherwise furnished to pupils under such conditions as may be preseribed by the school authorities. Scholars might be charged enough for the loan of books to reimburse the district, and they might be made to pay for all wantonly destroycd. There are, however, certain classes of scholars who absent themselves from school chiefly because they are too poor to buy books or pay for the loan of them, and, if the masses are to be educated, such children must be furnished books at the expense of the public.(Biennial report, $1875-7 \%$.)

## COMPULSORY EDUCATION.

In discussing this question, the superintendent begins with the proposition that the right of the State to tax a person for the education of other people's children implies the right of the taxpayer to demand the education of those children. He thinks that in compulsory laws a mistake has been made in not recognizing the difference between compulsory education and compulsory attendance at school. The State not only has the right, but it is its duty, to require a certain amount of intelligence in all the children who live within its borders. To accomplisli this, it may be necessary to compel

[^28]the attendance at school, but this should be done only when it is clear that the edncation of the child is neglected at home, and then only long enongh to secure that limited knowledge which the State has a right to demand, including, the superintendent thinks, searcoly anything except reading, writing, and the fundamental rules of arithmetic. He believes that nearly all the children of 'this State between the ages of 8 and 16 living in the rural districts attend school some portion of the year, and that, therefore, no urgent necessity exists for a compulsory lar. In towns and cities there is a class of children who are growing up wholly without proper training; but for these he woukd have reformatory or industrial schools established.- (Report,
$1875-77$.)

## IMMATURITY OF TEACIERS.

Superintendent yon Coelln says that it has been customary to employ girls of 14 and 15 and boys of about the same age to teach schools, and that this has been done more particularly by subdirectors in engaging relatives; he therefore issned instructions to county superintendents, partly at their request, forbidding the granting of certificates to young women of less than 17 and to young men of less than 19 years of age. He suggests that the legislature enforce this rule by enactment, advancing the age one year, making it 18 and 20, and prohibiting subdirectors from cmploying relastives by blood or mairiage to the third degree. - (biennial report, 1875-\%7.)

## mindergarten training.

One Kindergarten only, situated at Cedar Rapids, reports itself for 18\%7, having a principal, assistant principal, and three other teachers, with 40 children in attendance, 3 to 8 years old, who are kept under instruction 3 hours of each school day for 40 weeks in the year. The claidren are trained in the use of Fröbel's gifts and the practice of his occupations, with calisthenies and games as tanght by Mrs. Kraus-Bolte, their exercises being aided and regulated by the music of a piano.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICESS

By law, cities and towns containing not less than 300 inhabitants may, with the consent of the district townships with which they have been connected, be constituted independent school districts. These elect loards of 3 directors, when their popalation is under 500 ; boards of 6, when the population is 500 or more. Each board of directors chooses a president of its own number, and a secretary and treasurer, who may be of that number in the smaller boards, but not in the larger ones. In cities a siperintendcut often becomes the executive ofticer of the board.- (School laws, 1876.)

STATISTICS.

| City. | Population (estimated) | Clithren of school age, 5-21. | Enrolment | Arerage attendance. | Teachers. | Expenditure. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Burlington. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Davenport.. | 30,000 | 5,963 | a3, 4,710 | 2,003 3,269 | 71 | \$50, 535 |
| Kookuk | 25, ${ }^{\text {2 }}$ | 9,347 | - 3,879 | - 2,488 | 724 | 71,500 $44,45.2$ |
| Ottumara | 15., 000 | 5,732 | b2, 500 | 2,100 | 52 | 4.5, 344 |
| West Des Moines | 12,500 14,000 | $\stackrel{\text { 2, }}{3} 409$ | 1,490 | 972 | 26 | 25, 032 |
|  | 14,000 | 3,592 | c1, 055 | 1,399 | 36 | 49, 183 |

a Besides 1,000 in private and church schools. b Besides 500 in private and church schools. clesides 400 in private and clurch schools.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Burlington reports 10 school buildings, with 61 school and 12 recitation rooms; a high school, city normal school, apparently 3 epening schools, and 25 private or parochial schools; but makes no specific designation of the mumber of teachers and pupils in these, except the last.

Davenport returns 11 school buildings, with 70 rooms, 19 of them for recitation in German; high school or schools, city normal school, and 2 evening schools, the high school enrolment being 248; that of the normal school, 22; that in the evening schools, 236. Special teachers of drawing, peumanship, and German are employed. There is no note of private or parochial schools.

Dubuque, in a printed report, indicates the existence of 8 graded and 2 ungraded schools, the grading of the former extending up through 16 primary, secondary, and grammar school classes to a high school, which has a business course of 2 years, with classical and Latin scientific courses of 4 years each. Enrolment in ligh school, 142. Of the 72 teachers employed by the board, 3 are special teachers of German and 56 were educated in the public schools of the city.

Keokit makes written return of 2,500 sittings for study, with indication of the existence of prinary, grammar, and high school grades, and of the employment of speeial teachers of pemmanship and vocal music, but does not designate the number of school buildings and school rooms or the enrolment in the various departments.
Ottumua, in a printed report, shows 3 school buildings, with apparently 22 rooms, the schools divided into 8 grades below the high school, in which last the course is of 4 years and the enrolnent 62 for the year.

West Des Moines reports 4 sehool buildings, with 38 rooms, of a seating capacity of 2,150 ; primary, grammar, and high sehool grades; 146 pupils in the high school. A certificate given by the State superintendent and two other members of an examining committee attesting the thorough training afforded in the high sehool is mentioned.

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOLS.

Iowa State Normal Sehool, at Cedar Falls, presents in its first annual catalogue for 1876-'77 three courses of study: (1) an elementary course of 2 years for such as propose to teach in any of the schools below the high school; (2) a didactic course of 3 years, meant to prepare for high school tcaching; (3) a scientific course of 4 years, qualifying for any position in conneetiou with the schools. Thus far, students seem to haveentered for only the lowest of these three courses, the catalogue showing 155 in its two classes, 105 of them young ladies. ${ }^{-}$The number of resident instructors is 4 , besides the principal. Drawing and both vocal and instrumental music are taught, the twoformer without charge, as a portion of the course in which tuition is frce; the last at a charge of $\$ 12$ for twenty lessons on the piano and organ.
Eastern Iowa Normal School, Grandview, not under State control, has (1) an elementary normal course, which, its catalogue for 1876-77'says, "persons having a good knowledge of the common branches and a few of the higher will be able to completein one year;" and (2) an "advanced" normal eourse, supplementary to the former, the time required for whieh is not distinctly given, but seems to extend to two years. There are also scientific and business courses, with a department of music. Resident instruetors, 5 ; non-resident, 6 ; normal students, 120 , equally divided in respeet to sex; other students, 30. Here, too, drawing and musie are taught, and, aceording to aw return to the Bureau of Education, there is a chemical laboratory with apparatus for illustrating physics.
In the report of the State superintendent appear two other institutions, the Southern Iova Normal and Scientific Institute, Bloomfield, Davis County, and Troy Normal and Classical Institute, Troy, in the same county. The former reported to the State superintendent 6 instructors and 200 pupils, without classification of tho normal students. The latter made no report.

City normal sehools, as before stated, appear in connection with the city school systems of Burlington and Davenport, the latter having 22 pupils.

## OTHER NORMAL TRAININGG.

A chair of didactics, in connection with the State University at Iowa Citr, is meant to prepare for advanced sehools those senior students who intend to become teachers, and also such speeial students as may be qualitied to be classed with them. The number under instruetion in 1876-'77 was 22; ; graduates, 4, all engaged in: teaching.(Return to Bureau of Edueation.)
Formal or teachers' courses, generally of 2 to 4 years each, are announced in the catalogues of Algona College, Algona; Ámity College, College Springs; Cornell College, Mount Vernon; Iowa Wesleyan University, Mount Pleasant ; Oskaloosa College, Oskaloosa; Penn College, at the same place; Parsons College, Fairfied ; Tabor College, Tabor, and Upper Iowa University, Fayette. Whittier College, Salem, sends return of one, with 4 instructors and 34 normal students. Iowa College, Grinnell, proposes also to establish such a course, and with a view to this is endeavoring to secure the endowment of a professorship of the theory and practice of teaching.

Normal institutes, which are substantiatly short training schools for teachers and such as desire to teach; are required by law to be held annually in each county by tho county superintendent, with such aid as may be necessary. The State superintendent attends as many of these institutes as due attention to his other duties will permit, and assists in the instruetiou and management of them. The expense of the institutes is defrayed by a fee of $\$ 1$ on every teacher's certificate issued and a registration fec of $\$ 1$ from each person attending, with such additional sum as may be appropriated by the board of supervisors in the county in which the institute is held. ${ }^{2}$ The sessions

[^29]are from one to six weeks. An excellent course of instruction for them is given in the State report.

In 1875-76 there were 98 such institutes; 1876- 77 , one more. Attendance on the former, 9,548 ; on the latter, 11,929.- (Appendix to report.)

## NEW EDUCATIONAL JOURNAL.

Partly "to show what should be taught in the schools, how it should be taught, and how the school may be made so interesting that even the dullest boy or girl may be stirred to higher aims," a new school journal, called the Iowa Normal Monthly, was started by W. ©. Shoup \& Co., of Dubuque, Angust, 1877, and has since continued to fill efficiently the place vacated at the close of 1876 by The Common School. The new paper, which has been adopted by the Statessuperintendent as his medium of official publication, coitains much important matter from his pen.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

The number of public graded schools in 1876 was 405 ; in 1877 it was 476 . In 89 of these schools some foreign language is taught, viz, German in 45, Latin in 70 , Greek in 11, and French in 3, but the number of pupils engaged in such studies is not given. ${ }^{1}$
A course of study for these graded schools and others that may adopt a graded system has been prepared by a committee of the association of principals and city superintendents, and is given in Superintendent von Coellu's report. It provides for a four years' high school course beyond the eight years of primary and grammar school, and includes Latin and German, with mathcmatics, natural sciences, English grammar and analysis, American and English literature, composition and rhetoric, gencral history, civil government, and mental philosophy. It admits of separation into two courses, English and preparatory, and the effort has been to have each year complete within itself, thus making it possible for any board to adopt one, two, or more years for its high school course, it leeing thought that most cannot judiciously undertake more than three years and that many should limit their course to two. $\dot{A}$ 4 years' course is recommended only for cities having more than 6,000 inhabitants.(Report for 1876 and 1877.)
The superintendent of Guthrie County reports a county high school, with 53 pupils enrolled and an average attendance of 51. In the cities of Davenport, Dubuque, Ottumwa, and West Des Moines the high school emolment reported aggregated 598 . Burlington and Keokuk had high schools, but did not report the enrolment in them.
For full statistics of these cities, see Table II of the appendix, and its summary in the Commissioner's Report preceding.

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

Selecting from a list of "academies and other private schools" given by Superintendent von Coclln 60 whose statistics and titles seem to indicate some sort of academic character, we find in them a report of 233 teachers, with 5,171 pupils, but no classification of these either as to the studies engaged in or the extent to which they are pursued.
For detailed statistics of business colleges, private academic schools, preparatory schools, and preparatory departments, see Tables IV, VI, VII, IX, and for summaries of these the Commissioncr's Report preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

Eighteen universitics and colleges report statistics for 1877, either by special return or printed catalogue. All except one admit both sexes.

For statistics of colleges and universities, see Table IX of the appendix, and a summary of this in the Commissioner's Report preceding.

The State University provides instruction in collegiate, legal, medical, and civil engineering departments. Its 6 years of academic study allow 2 for a preparatory course and 4 for the 3 separate collegiate courses, namely, classical, scientific, and philosophical. These embrace instruction in English language and literature; ancient and modern languages; mathematics; astronomy; physical, natural, political, and moral science, and didactics. The degrees conferred on completion of the academic courses are A. B. and PII. B.

Penn Cotlcge, Oskaloosa, in charge of Frieuds, reports collegiate, preparatory, normal, and commercial departments ; the first with classical and scientific courses, each of four years.

[^30]Central Cniversity, Pella (Baptist), has preparatory, musical, and collegiate departments; the last with classical :und scientific courses, each covering 4 years.
The courses of instruction in the remaining colleges appear to be the same as reported in 1870.

## colleges for women.

Besides the facilities afforded women for higher instruction in colleges open to both sexes, the Immaculate Conception Academy, at Davenport, which has a collegiate charter, is exclusively deroted to the cducation of women in the higher branches. Music, drawing, painting, French, and German are taught; there are apparatus for the illustration of chemistry and physics, a cabinet of natural history, a gymnasium, and a library of 1,100 volumes.-(Return.)

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

[For statistics of scientific and professional schools, see Tables X-XIII in the appendix, and summaries of these in the Commissioner's Report preceding.]

## SCIENTIFIC.

The Agrioultural College of Iowa provides courses of instruction in agriculture, mechanical engineering, civil engineering, gencral science for women, and normal training, besides a number of special courses made up from the forcgoing.
The Department of Civil Engincering in the State University provides five years of instruction in this and related branches. One of the years is preparatory; the others are collegiate; and students, upon completing the course satistactorily, receive tho degree of $\mathbf{c}$. $\mathbf{x}$.

## THEOLOGICAL.

Griswold College (Protestant Episcopal), lately reopened, has a department of theology, with a course of instruction covering 3 years. The branches to receive special attention are systematic divinity, apologetics, biblical exegesis, ecclesiastical history, church polity, pastoral theology and homiletics, liturgics, and canon law.
The German Thcological School of the Presbyterian Chw ch of the Northuest, at Dubuque, sends a return from which it appears that 3 professors and instructors were engaged in the school. The number of students is not given, nor is the extent of the course of study.

German College, counected with the Iowa Wesleyan University and designed to bo the theological institution of the German Methodists in the valley of the Mississippi, has a theological course of 3 years, in which 3 students were engaged during the year 1376-77.-(Catalogue.)

Thie Bible Department of Oskaloosa College (Disciples) reports for 1877 an attendance of 15 pupils, taught by 2 instructors. The course of study covers 3 years.

Central Uriversity (Baptist) and Simpsoin Centenary College (Methodist Episcopal) have classes in theology for the benefit of those who cannot take a full course.

## LEGAL.

The Law Department of Iowa State University reports an attendance of 113 students, of whom 25 had received degrees in letters or science. The course of instruction covers one or two years, at the option of the student. It is intended to embrace ail branches of a complete legal education, so far as is practicable within the time allotted, and to prepare students for the bar of any State in the Union, special attention, however, being given to the subjects most likely to be useful in western practice.

The Iowa College of Laiv, a department of Simpson Centenary College, had 20 students in 1877, of whom 6 had received degrees in letters or science. The course of instruction embraces the whole field of elementary law found in Blackstone, Kent, and Walker, and is so arranged as to be completed in one year, beginning in September and ending in June.- (Return and catalogue, 187\%.)
The Iowa Wesleyan University provides what appears from the range of subjects embraced to be a fair course of instruction in law, lout the number of years in the course is not given. There were 8 students during the year 1876-'77.- (Catalogue.)

## medical.

The Medical Departmont of the State University and the College of Physicians and Surgcons, at Kcokuk, report an attendance respectively of 85 and 230 students in $187 \%$. Total attendance, 315 ; number of graduates in 18\%7, 123; resident and non-resident instanctors and lecturers, 19. The 3 years' course of medical instruction reported in the State university comprises two full courses of lectures; but, in order to receive the degree of M. D., students must have been engaged in the study of medicine mider some reputable practitioner 3 years, including the 2 devoted to the course of lectures. The College of Plysicians and Surgeons makes the same requirements, but allows 4 years of reputable and regular practice of medicine to be accepted as an equivalent for ow of the courses of lectures.-(Returns and catalogues.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## STATE INSTITUTIONS.

From the State report for 1875-76 and 1876-77 we take the following statistics of the several special schools under State control as reported for 1877:
State College for the Blind, at Vinton, 12 instructors and 102 pupils; State Institution for Deaf and Dumb, Council Bluffs, 12 instructors and 153 pupils; State Reform School (for boys), Eldora, 3 instructors and 188 pupils; State Reform School for Girls, Salem, 5 instructors and 50 pupils; State Soldiers' Orphans' Home, Davenport, 3 instructors and 180 pupils; State Asylum for Feeble-Minded Children-an addition to the other State schools dating from September, 1875-3 instructors and 85 pupils.

The ordinary branches of an elementary English education are taught in all these schools, as indicated by returns from them, with such industrial occupations as will promote good health and aid in future self support; while to the blind a knowledge of music is imparted and to the deaf-mutes some training in drawing, with a view to the same end. In the State Asylum for Fceble-Minded Children the pleasant methods of the Kindergarten system are used to some extent to arouse the dormant intellect and awaken interest in the studies pursucd.

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

STATE ASSOCIATION.
The twenty-second annual meeting of the State Teachers' Association was held at Cedar Rapids, December 26, 27, 28, 1877.
After the address of welcome by Mr. Hormel and Superintendent von Coelln's rcsponse to it, the president of the association, Miss P. W. Sudlow, delivered her inaugural address, in which she ably discusscd various topics of interest to cducators, viz, Kiudergarten instruction, industrial education, the increasing defect of visiou in school children and in the educated classes generally, and women as educators. Following this were various addresses and papers; among them "Normal schools, their courses of study and degrees," "Political science," "The metric system," "Denominational schools," "Moral training in public schools," "Normal institutes," "Secondary education and preparation for college," "The inductive philosophy in its application to theology," "Thc prominence that should be given to the English language in the public schools," and "The education of women," the last two being by Hon. J. L. Pickard, of Chicago.

The following, among other resolutions, were passed: One in favor of teaching social and political science in the public schools and one favoring instruction in the principles of morals as well as in scholarship.

The paper on "Secondary education and preparation for college," by Prof. N. C. Camplocll, sets forth that the educational field is occupied loy two distinct systcms, bascd on widely differing theories, the college system and the public school sjstcm; and that our educational scheme can never reach its full usefulness and success until these two features are harmonized and work in mutual helpfuluess; that as matters now stand the high school graduate is unfitted to enter college, knowing too little Latin and Greek, however much of everything else. The public school course, it is stated, is judiciously selceted and arranged to produce symmetrical mental derelopment and practical knowledge; hence it would seem that the college should adjust its course somerwhat to that of the schools; but, as the one system can scarcely be expected to come the whole way to mcet the other, a fair compromise shonld be made by the high school taking some of the natural sciences, literature, and history from the colleges, and teaching a little more Latin, with oue year of Greek.-(Iowa Normal Monthly.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER.

Hon. C. W. von Coella, state superintendent of public instruction, Des Moines.

## KANSAS.

## STATISTICAL SUMMMARY.

|  | 1875-\%6. | 1876-7\%. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| POPULATION AND ATTENDANCE. |  |  |  | , |
| Youth of school age (5-21) | 212,977 | 232,861 | 19,884 |  |
| Enrolled in public schools. | 147, 224 | 157,919 | 10,695 |  |
| Average daily attendance............. | 89, 896 | 118,612 | 28,716 |  |
| SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND SCHOOLS. |  |  |  | 4 |
| School districts in the State | 4,658 | 4,875 | 217 |  |
| Reports from districts.... | 4,442 | 4,536 | 94 |  |
| School-houses for public schools ...... | 3, 881 | a 4,008. | 127 |  |
| Graded schools with course of study .- Average term of school in days...... | 556 103.5 | -...... 108 | 4.5 |  |
| Pupils in private elementary schools.. | 3, 525 | 4, 476 | 951 |  |
| Teachers in such schools ....... . . . . . | 202 |  |  |  |
| Teachers in public schools, men ...... | 2,402 | 2,772 | 370 |  |
| Teachers in public schools, women.... | 3, 174 | 3,279 | 105 |  |
| Whole number............. | 5,576 | 6,051 | 475 |  |
| Average monthly pay of men......... Average monthly pay of women ..... | $\$ 3366$ 2703 | $\$ 3319$ 2982 | \$279 | \$0 47 |
| Income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole receipts for public schools..... | 製1, 244, 688 | \$1,570,755 |  |  |
| Whole expenditure for public schools EXPENDITURE PER CAPITA- | 1, 198, 437 | 1, 328,376 | 129,939 |  |
| Of school population | \$5 69 | 4570 | \$0 01 |  |
| Of enrolment | 828 | 841 | 13 |  |
| Of average attendance. | 1356 | 1119 |  | \$2 37 |
| STATE SCHOOL FUND. |  |  |  |  |
| Available school fund.................. | \$2, 262, 559 | b\$2, 036, 000 |  | \$226, 559 |
| Fund, including part not now available. | 10, 482, 991 | 10,000,000 |  | 482,991 |
| STATE SCHOOL PROPERTY. |  |  |  |  |
| Value of sites, buildings, libraries, and apparatus. | \$4,600, 259 | \$4, 337, 654 |  | \$262, 605 |

a The number of school-houses for 1877 is derived, at second hand, from the office of the State superintendent.
$b$ Of this amount, $\$ 1,336,727.98$ are deposited in the State treasury; the balance is the (estimated) amount unpaid on school lands already sold.
(Returns from Hon. John Fraser and Hon. Allen B. Lemmon, State superintendents of public instruction, for the two years indicated, with printed report of the former for 1875-76.)

OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

For general supervision of the educational interests of the State there is a State superintendent of public instruction, elected every two years.

For examination of teachers, with a view to the granting of State diplomas valid throughout the State during the life of the holders, or State certifieates valid for three or five years, there is a State board of education, eonsisting of the State superintendent, the chancellor of the State university, the president of the State Agrieultural College, and the principals of the State normal sehools at Emporia and Leavenworth.

For management and investment of the State sehool funds, ineluding the university fund, there is a board of commissioncrs of the school funds, composed of the State superintendent, secretary of state, and attorney general.

## LOCAI.

For supervision of common sehools in comuties there is in cach county a county superintendent of public instruction, elected by the people every second year. He must report to the State superintendent each Oetober.

For examination of teaehers in each county there are county boards of examiners, composed of the county superintendent and two persons appointed by the county commissioners.

For the eare of schools in distriets, into which eounties are divided for local convenience, thgre are district boards, eomposed of a director, elerk, and treasurer, elected by the voters of the distriet for terms of three years, one of the three going out aumually in the order of election, to give opportunity for a change, if ealled for. Graded sehool distriets, composed of two or more ordinary distriets, united for the establishment of a graded school, have a board of three officcrs with the same titles, eleeted and changed in the same way.

For the eare of sehools in eities there are boards of education, eomposed, in eities of more than 15,000 inhabitants, of three members for eaeh ward, eleeted by the qualified voters thereof; in eities of 2,000 to 15,000 inhabitants, of two members for each ward. In each case, there is provision for an annual change of one member.

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

The figures of the statistical summary before given indieate an advance that is exceedingly eneouraging, the increase of 19,884 in the number of youth of school age being met by an inereased enrolment fairly corresponding of 10,695 in the public sehools, and mueh more than overtaken by 28,716 additional daily attendance in those schools, with 951 more in private or church sehools. The valuation of the State school fund and of the sites, buildings, and other property belonging to the sehools has gone down; but not more in proportion than that of almost every other kind of property, while the receipts and expenditures for maintenance of the sehool system have eonsiderably advanced, and that in the face of a finaneial pressure affeeting nearly' every kind of business. No report giving any further information respecting the public schools and their related iastitutions has been published for 1876-77.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

As stated previously, in cities of 2,000 to 15,000 inhabitants the general law calls for boards of education; consisting of 2 members, elected by the people from each ward for 2 years' terms; in eities of more than 15,000 , of 3 fiom each ward, elected for terms of 3 years each. In both eases there is provision for a change of one member each year in eaeh ward. City superintendents of sehools are the usual executive officers of the boards. -(Sehool liaws, 187\%.)

STATISTICS.

| Cities. | Popalation. | Children of school age. | Enrolment. | A verage at. tendance. | Teachers. | Expendituro. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Atchison | a12,000 | 3,000 | 21,320 | 1,130 | 23 | \$13, 640 |
| Lawreuco.. | $a 7,500$ | 2,652 | 1,449 | 1,210 | 30 | 25,815 |

$a$ Estimated.
$b$ In private and parochial schools about 300 more.

## additional particulars.

Atchison.-No report of the city schools for 1876-77 having been published, the statistics above given eontain all our information for that year, exeept that a return from Superintendent Seott shows 5 sehool buildings, with 12 primary, 6 grammar, and 4 high school rooms used for both study and recitation, and 4 high school rooms for reci-
tation only, the buildings, with their sites, furniture, and apparatas, being estimated at $\$ 4,100$. The schools were taught for 180 days out of the 200 school days of the year.

Laurence. - The classification here is the now common one of primary, grammar, and high schools, the course of the first covering 5 years, of the second 2 , of the third 3 . There was a regrading at the beginning of the sehool year 1876-77, making the course consist of whole year grades, instead of partly half year oncs, as formerly. This arrangement on the whole has worked more satisfactorily than the former one, and allows of as many promotions as the other, although not of as frequent ones. The higli school has a course in English, modern languages, and seiences; also such courso in the ancicnt languages as the board may from time to time prescribc.-(Report for 187G-77, with return from Superintendent Boles.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOLS.

It was mentioned in the Commissioner's Report for 1876 that, in consequence of tho failure of the legislature to make appropriations for the support of the three State normal schools, the one at Concordia and that at Leavenworth had been elosed for the greater part of that year. A letter from the president of the normal school board at Concordia informs us that the school remained closed at least through 1877, and the absence of either report or return from the school at Leavenworth appears to indicato that it also remains in the same condition. A circular, dated 1877, from the one at Emporia, however, shows that the struggle for existence which it made in 1876 has been successful, and that it is to go on in its work under an arrangement which involves dependence on the proceeds of the sale of lands and on tuition fees. A return for 1877 gives the number of instructors as 6 , the number in normal classes as 139 , of whom 80 were young women. There are two courses of study, an elementary common school course and an advancel normal and scientific courso. The printed eircular gives 3 years for the lower course and 2 for the higher; but the written return, of later date, states that the former covers 2 years and the entire normal course 4, indicating a modification made in the autumn of 1877.

## NORMAL DEPARTMENT.

The eatalogue of the University of Kansas for 1876-77 states that as no appropriation had been made by law for the support of the normal department for the two years beginning July 1, 187\%, the regents lad found it necessary to so ehange the course of study as to lessen the cost of instruetion. The common sehool course which had been tanght during 1876 and part of 1877 was therefore dropped, and arrangements made for onily a higher normal course of 3 years, to be prepared for either in the preparatory department of the university or in high sehools accredited as preparatory schools, and to be prosecuted afterward, as far as respeets aeademic studies, in the regular university elasses; as respects common English branches, under students from the upper normal elasses, direeted and supervised by the prineipal of this department. Stndents in the normal department, 120 in $1876-7 \tilde{7}$; in the higher normal course at the opening of 1857-78, only 12.

## NORMAL INSTITUTES.

To make $n p$ in some degree for the lack of normal schools and to bring the means of special training for the various duties of a school within reach of all who either were already teachers or might desire to be such, a law was passed in 1877 requiring county superintendents to hold amually in their respective countics a normal institute of not less than ten weeks' duration for these classes. The expenses of such institutes are to be defrayed from the fee of \$1 paid by each eandidate for a teacher's ccrtifieate and a registration fee of $\$ 1$ to be paid by each person attending the institutes, with whatever additional smm county commissioners might allow, this sum not to exceed $\$ 100$. Two or more counties with less than 3,000 inhabitants in each, with the consent of the State superintendent, may unite in lolding a normal institute under ecrtain prescribed conditions. An execllent course of study for these institutes has been prepared and issucd by State Superintendent Lemmon, and there are indications that they are being leld throughout the State. A Kansas paper, in close communieation with the office of the superintendent, states that "during the months of July and August, 1877, 60 were held, giving employment to over 200 teachers and providing a first elass school of methods to nearly 5,000 other teachers, at a total cost of less than $\$ 16,000$. For the support of these sehools the State appropriated $\$ 2,800$, the counties in which they were held about $\$ 5,000$, and the teachers paid the remainder."
The same paper says: "The most noticcable results of this system of cstablishing a normal school in each county for a term of weeks each year are a gradual raising of the.standard of teachers, a development of new and progressive ideas, and a correc-
tion of abuses andr[bad] praetices in schools, with a general awakening of tie people to a sense of their duties and responsibilities in the matter of educating the generations that are soon to follow them."

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

In the absenee of a State report, offieial information respeeting this class of schools is wanting, except what comes through the catalogue of the State university. This shows that the proposition made to the high schools of the State to adopt a uniform 3 years' course of study, with a view to linking themselves with the university and having their graduates admitted to its freshman class, has heen adopted thus far by only 5 high schools. These are the schools at Atchison, Emporia, Lawrence, Leavenworth, and Winchester. This arrangement implies that the high schools of these cities adopt for themselves the following studics, in eomnection with the higher English : in Latin, three books of Cesar's Commentaries and three of Virgil's Aneid; in Greek, Harkness's First Book and three books of Xenophon's Auabasis. Students preparing for a scientific course may substitute for the Greek an equivalent amount of study in natural philosophy and French or German.

Besides the above mentioned high schools, there are others at Burlington, Hiamatha, Manhattan, Salina, and Topeka, at least, with some 50 higher departinents in graded schools elsewhere; but from none except the one at Lawrence, where there are 5 teachers, including the principal, are any statistics now available.

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For statistics of business colleges, private academic schools, and preparatory departments of colleges and universities, see Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX of the appendix, and the summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

Returns for 1877 have been received from 8 universities and colleges of Kansas. For full statistics, see Table IX of the appendix, and the summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

In the Kansas State University, only 2 of the several departments contemplated have as yet been organized, viz, that of science, literature, and the arts, and the normal department. The former comprises 6 courses of instruction, namely, 2 leading to the degree of A. B. and 4 to that of B. S. A preparatory department has been organized to supply the existing need of suitable preparatory schools, but it is not to be a permanent feature of the university. Approved high schools are oxpected to do the preparatory work in the near future.
A majority of the colleges in this State are open to both sexes. Five of the 6 which report collegiate students have among the number 56 young women.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

In addition to the provision made for the higher education of women in the colleges just mentioned, one, the College of the Sisters of Bethany, at Topeka, is devoted exclusively to this work. The college is ehartered, and teaches among other branches music, drawing, painting, French, and German. It has apparatus for the illustration of physics, a gymuasium, and a library of 703 volumes.- (Return.) The bishop of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Kansas is its president and gives it his personal supervision.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

From the State Agricultural College, Manhattan, there is no information additional to that contained in the report of the State superintendent for $1875-76$, which showed that instruction was given in farm work, botany, practical horticulture, eliemistry, and physics, elementary English and mathematics, higher mathematics, German and French, industrial drawing, mechanical employments, printing, telegraply, and instrumental music. The number of instructors for that year was 16; of students, 303.
The three scientific eourses provided by the State University are in chemistry, natural history, and in civil and topographical engineering. The studies in the freshman and sophomore classes are the same as those of corresponding classes in the general scientifie course. During the remaining two years the studies are principally those whieh bear more nearly upon the various divisions of scientific study pursued.- (State report.)

In Baker Uriversity, Highland University, and Lane University there are also scientific courses. Total of students in these and in the scientific studies of the State university, according to returus from them, 110.

## SPECLAL INSTRUCTION.

## KANSAS INSTITUTION FOR THE EDUCATION OF TILE DEAF AND DUMB, OLATHE.

This institution has instructed 178 pupils since its foundation in 1866, and had in $1876-77$ an attendance of 115 , of whom 54 were males and 61 females. The elementary branches of a common school education are tanght, besides the employments of printing, shoemaking, and tailoring.-(Return, 1877.)

## . kansas institution for the education of the blind, wyandotte.

Forty-two pupils were under instruction here in 1876-'77. The branches tanght are spelling, Boston type, New York point; music, grammar, clocution, American literature, gcology, United States history, geography, arithmetic, and algebra. The employments are, for the boys, brush and broom making, and, for the girls, fancy work and palm leaf hat making. The plan has been recently adopted of paying the boys in the broom shop for their labor, and its results have been excellent. Under it the manufacture of brooms has been increased from 75 dozen to 500 dozen. By this plan, too, such boys as have had to depend on charity for their clothing are nearly enabled to pay for it themselves. Thus there is cultivated a spirit of independence, and business habits are fostered, each boy keeping his own accounts with the shop.-(Return and printed report, 1877.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Hon. Allen B. Lemion, State superintendent of public instruction, Topeka.
['Term, 1877-1879.]
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.
[Term, that of the official tenure of members in their several offices.]

| Members. | Post-office. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Hon. Allen B. Lemmon, State snperintendent of public instr | Topeka. |
| Chancellor James Marvin, D. D. of State University | Lawrence. |
|  | Emporia. |

## KENTUCKY.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-\% 76. | 1876-7\%. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| porulation and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age ( $6-20$ ), white | 448,142 | 459,395 |  |  |
| Youth of school age (6-16), colored | 50, $60 \%$ | 53, 126 | 2, 524 |  |
| Whole number of school age. | 493,744 | 512,521 | 13, 777 |  |
| Enrolled in public schools Colored enrolment $a . . .$. | 22S, 000 | 20, 500 |  |  |
| Average attendance. | 156, 000 | 122, 0001 |  | 17,607 |
| Average attendance of colored youth SChool districts and sciools. | 156, | 13, 393 |  | 17,607 |
| School districts not in cities (white).. |  | 5,836 |  |  |
| School districts (colored)............. |  | 5, 620 |  |  |
| School-houses for colored pupils Value of these ................ |  |  |  |  |
| Value of these.........il |  | \$83, 402 |  |  |
| New school-houses built Value of these.......... | -112 | 53 |  | 59 |
| Number of private scho | \$21, 000 | \$23, 000 | \$2,000 |  |
| Pupils in such schools.... |  | 35, 000 |  |  |
| Number of academies | 75 |  |  |  |
| Number of colleges | 25 | 25 |  |  |
| teachers and their pay. |  |  |  |  |
| Number of male teachers. |  |  |  |  |
| Number of female teachers | 1,610 | 2,000 | 390 | 0 |
| Number of colored males. |  | $3: 31$ |  |  |
| Average salary of males a month. |  | 199 |  |  |
| Average salary of females a month. |  | \$40 |  |  |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole income for public schools...... | \$1, 513, 789 | \$1, 827, 575 | \$313,786 |  |
| Whole expenditure for public schools. | 1, 401, 000 | 1,130,000 | \% |  |
| School fund and school property. |  |  |  |  |
| Permanent school fund. | \$1,600,000 | \$1, 600,000 |  |  |
| Estimated value of all school property. | 1, 970, 000 | 2, 300,000 | \% 330,000 |  |

[^31]
## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A State superintendent of public instruction is chosen by the people every fourth year for all the duties comnected with a general supervision and annual report of the public schools.

A Slate board of education, in which the attomey general, secretary of state, and two professional teachers selected by the other members of the board are associated with the superintendent, aids him in establishing rules and regulations for the schools, reconmending text books, and hearing appeals from the action of county commissioncrs.

A State board of examiners for testing the qualifications of such teachers as desire State certificates, good in any connty for five years, is formed by uniting with the State superintendent two professional teachers selected by lim.

## LOCAL.

A county commissioner of common schools is chosen for each county by the county court of claims every second year, and performs the ordinary duties of a superintendent of public schools. ${ }^{1}$
A county board of examiners, for examining and licensing those who wish to teach in the public schools of the county, is formed in each of these divisions of the State by the county commissioner associating with limself two persons chosen by him. Certificates issued by this board are good within the comnty for two or four years, according to grade. The board may also select, from the list of text books put forth by the State board of education, a uniform series for the county, which shall not be changed for two years.

A school trustee for each district is chosen anmually by the people, to engage teachers, provide the needful school buildings, and care for and make anmual report of schools; the boards are hereafter to consist of 3 members, one going out each year, to admit of new election. For colored school districts 3 trustees are appointed by the county commissioner.

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## general condition.

Notwithstanding decrease in the distributable school fund, a consequent decrease in the State allowance for each child, and considerable complaint of comparatively slight results from the State system, Superintendent Ifenderson thinks that on the whole there is an increasing interest in common schools. Exclusive of 15 cities and towns in which the schools are well graded and about 500 teachers are employed, schools werc taught in $1876-77$ in all but 36 of the $5,8: 36$ school distriets for white children in the State, and in 532 of the 620 districts for colored children. In the districts in which no schools were held, the failure to have them is attributed to epidemics, fire, or want of a suitable and comfortable place. Of the 700 private schools, too, with their twentyfive to thirty-five thousand pupils, many are said to have been in part public schools, the common school of the district being taught in connection with the private one, on consideration of a certain State allowance for each public pupil, or the latter being an extension of the former, as a pay sehool, after the free school session has expired. At least eight-ninths of the children inder instruction in the State, Dr. Henderson holds, are being tanght throngh the agency of common schools; and he conceives that the results achieved are far beyond what could be reached with the same expenditure under any other than a public swstem. By a comparison of Kentucky with many other States, he shows that the want of still larger and more satisfactory results is to be attributed not to a lack of sufficient State aid for the schools, but to the absence of voluntary local taxation, supplementary to the State allowance. On this point he says decidedly: "The school system of Kentucky can only be made the equal of that of other States whose suocess we admire and covet for oarselves, by doing as they have done, namely; cease to rely solely upon an insufficient and variable State bonus, and by district taxation raise the necessary funds to lengthen the term and improve the character of the district school." -(State report for 1876-'77.)

## SCHOOLS FOR COLORED CHILDREN.

There were 532 schools for colored children taught during the year. Thongh the aid given these schools by the State is comparatively small, the colored people have by private subseriptions supplemented the public bonus and in many instances had good schools. In some localities the farmers, recognizing the value of schools for the colored people, as contributing to the permanency of their labor, have aided in sustaining such schools. That antagonism which at first threatened to overthrow the system or impair its usefulncss is rapidly yielding to more enlightened views and to the judicious counsel of prudent, intelligent men of the colored race. In several counties institutes are being organized composed of colored teachers, and colored citizens of the better class are accepting the office of trustee.
There are colored school districts reported in all but 8 counties, a mgregating 620 districts. In all but 88 of these districts schools were tanght, and in those which had no schools the colored population is sparse and scattercd. These results are certainly

[^32]remarkable for a system that has had strong prejudiees to contend against and hasbeen not more than three years in praetical operation.-(State report, 1876-77.)

## GRADED SCHOOLS.

The graded sehools in the 15 cities and towns where they have been established are said by Dr. Henderson to be the pride of the citizens and to have so demonstrated their educational efficiency as to awaken no regret exeept that they were not tried earlier. He wishes every town of 600 inhabitants to eudeavor to establish and maintain one, and proposes to draft a supplementary artiele to chapter 18 of the law, under the provisions of which any town may establish a system of graded sehools without further speeial legislation. To aid still further in this good work, he publishes in tho appendix to his report abundant suggestions as to the proper grading of such schools.-
(State report for 1876-7\%.)

## mindergärten.

A Kindergarten of the German and English Academy, Louisville, reports 1 eonductor with 25 to 30 ehildren, 4 to 7 years of age, trained in the oeerpations and with the apparatus of Frübel's system, "with excellent results." Another, forming a department of Mrs. W. B. Nold's sehool, in the same eity, reports a conductor who is a graduate of Mrs. Kraus-Bœelte's training elass in New York City, a teaeher of daneing, and 24 pupils, 3 to 8 years of age. In the former the children are under training, 5 hours daily; in the latter, 3 hours. The latter, besides the usual Fröbel occupations, with oral lessons in German, has dancing and light gymnastie exereises, and speaks of the effects of the training as "deeidedly beneficial," fostering habits of obedienee, promptness, neatness, and patience, cultivating the taste, bringing out latent inventive genius, and imparting grace of motion, polish of manner, and improved plysical condition. A third sehool, whieh was held in conneetion with the Female Seminary in Georgetown, is reported by the prineipal to be diseontinued for want of proper appreciation by the parents of the merits of the system, though he himself was delighted with it and lolieved it a method of instruction for primary classes which must eventually supersede all others.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

Boards of trustees, differing in number and in term of offiee in different places, appear to be the ordinary sehool officers for the eities of the State, no general law prescribing the number or the term. City superintendents serve as exceutive offeers of the boards in the elief eities. In Louisville, besides the board of trustees, eomposed of two members from each ward, there is a board of examiners, composed of the eity superintendent and 6 or more professional teachers, ehosen by the committee on examination and course of study, to examine applieants for the position of teacher
in the public sehools.
statistics.

| Cities. | Population. | Children of school age. | 1 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Enrolment. | Average attendance. | Teachers. | Expenditure. |
| Corington | 35, 000 | 9, 800 | 3,500 |  |  |  |
| Lexington | 15, 000 | 5,989 | 3, 1,788 | 2,420 | 63 31 | \$68, 800 |
| Louisville.. | a12.), 0 ¢0 | 45,000 | 17,533 | 11,951 | 6284 | $\begin{array}{r} 17,967 \\ 285,30: \end{array}$ |
| Newport | 18,500 | 6,500 | 2,674 | 1, 1,989 | 284 40 | $\begin{array}{r} 285,309 \\ 29,645 \end{array}$ |

a Statistics of Louisville are for 1876, none for 1877 having been received.
$b$ Besides 4 music teachers and 27 teachers of German.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Grades in the city schools. - State Superintendent Henderson, in his Kentueky School Lawyer, published 1877, says, p. 259: "We have now graded schools in every city of the Commonwealth, with the exeeption of Bowling Green, and efforts are being made there to establish one."

Corington.-A return from Superintendent Best gives 35 as the number of primary school rooms; grammar school rooms, 24; high sehool rooms, 5 ; sittings in all, 2,720; uumber of days schools were taught, 200 ; valuation of all sehool property, $\$ 196,000$.
Lexington.-"The edueational system here includes colored as well as white children, and is purely elementary as to both, except that in the most advaneed department of each sehool some studies are attended to which form part of the course in high sehools."-(Letter from Superintendent Harrison.) The number of eolored ehildren enrolled was 768; average daily attendance of these, 661; teachers for them, 12;
sehool buildings for both white and colored, 9 ; sehool rooms, 31 ; value of sehool buildings belonging to the free school system, $\$ 40,000$. - (Return.)

Louisville. - There are in this city 8 grades below the high sehools, the course in whieh is 4 years, and the enrolment in $1875-76$, of both sexes, 660 . For the preparation of teachers, there is a training school in which young women receive speeial instruetion as to methods and diseipline, and are then appointed to positions as openings oceur. Five of the eity schools are for colored ehildren, and in the year covered by the report 3 night schools were maintained, eurolling 888 pupils, with an average attendance of 443 additional to the numbers given in the table. These night schools were open from the third Monday in Oetober to the last Friday in February. They have been for boys and young men. Others for girls and young women are proposed.(Report for 1875-76.)
Newport. - The enrolment is the same as that reported for 1875-76, but the average attendance is 80 less. Schools were in session 10 months. In 1876 the high school was nominally abolished by the board and one class substituted for it called the higher intermediate. Two grades were tanght, however, with the assistance of the superintendent, corresponding to the first and second year grades of the former high school, with an enrolment of 48 and average attendance of 37 pupils.-(Report.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOLS.

That better teachers are desirable and that normal schools are the great agents to supply them, Dr. Henderson says, no one at all aequainted with the facts will deny. Nor can it be denied that all the States having a well developed system of common sehools have supplied such sehools as necessary adjuncts to that system. The testimony as to their utility, too, he holds, is muiform. Having addressed inquiries on this subjeet to a number of representative educators, he received from all substantially the sanie reply, namely: "They are invaluable anxiliaries to our system;" "they have improved the qualifications of our teachers 60 per cent.;" "the normal graduates are always preferred;" "the nornal graduates raise the aspirations of the teachers and induce them to study and pursue the approved methods of the new education;" "hy teaching in the institutes they multiply themselves through inducing others to adopt their methods;" "they have proven a grand power in grading and disciplining our sehools;" "they have elevated, in the public sentiment, the esteem in which teaching is held;" "by all means secure them for your State at the earliest possible moment;" "once tested you will wonder that you have done without them so long;" "nothing yields so large a dividend on the cost."

As a means of seeuring sueh valuable aids to the State system with very little extra cost, Dr. Henderson suggests the addition of two normal professors to the present staff of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, utilizing the other professors for such brauches as would fill out a good normal course. This plan would yield the full means of instruction at a cost of only about $\$ 5,000$ annually beyond what is now incurred. Then, to secure normal students, he wrould have 200 young men seleeted by the county courts of elaims and sustained at the college out of the interest of the surplus sehool moneys, whieh, now amounting to $\$ 339,000$, have been bonded by the State and yield for distribution nearly $\$ 20,000$. This sum, apportioned to the counties in proportion to sehool population, gives, in most eases, less than two cents a child, an amount so little appreciable in results that Dr. Henderson thinks there would be a real gain in appropriating the whole surplus bond revenue, with the consent of the several conntics, to the proposed training of 200 better teachers amually for the schools. If the plan thus outlined should be earried out, it would give the State a normal school, in conncetion with its own existing college, at an expense of only $\$ 5,000$ annually, to begin with, additional to the present cost of sehools - a small sum for a large State and as a meaus to a great benefit.
Other plans for securing normal instruction, less practicable and more expensive, have been suggested: (1) that the State establish a normal professorship in each of the colleges withiu it and in several of the female seminaries; (2) that a faculty of normal professors should be organized, who should eonstitute a peripatetic school, travelling from one section to another and holding at each point a session of two to four months; (3) that several sehools for training teachers, with a grand eentral normal university, should be established.
Pending the discussion of these plans for State normal sehool training, the dependence for special preparation of teachers has to be on the normal departments of Berea College and Columbus College; the Kentucky Normal School of Messrs. Vanee and Campbell, at Carlisle; ${ }^{1}$ the Glasgow Training Sehool, under A. W. Mell, at Glasgow;

[^33]the Normal School at Morgantown, under W. J. Finley; and the Louisville Training School, connected with the school system of that city. For statistics, see Table III of the appendix, and a summary of it in the Commissioner's Report preceding.- (Stato report for 1876-'77 and returns of nermal schools to Bureau of Education.)

## TEACILERS' INSTITUTES.

Institutes for fuller instruction of teachers were held during 1877 in nearly every county, and were largely attended. The reports respecting them made to the superintendent were uniform in attestation of their value. The State regards these institutes of such importance as to require the attendance of teachers, prescribing the penalty of forfeiture of certificate when there is wilful absence. - (Report of superintendent, 187.6-77.)

## EDUCATIONAL JOURNAL.

A great aid to the fuller preparation of teachers for their work is now afforded by a useffil educational journal established in 1876 and still continued. This is the Eclectic Teacher, published monthly at Carlisle, and containing, besides much matter for the teachers, the official decisions of the State superintendent, with intelligence from correspondents in a considerable number of the Southern States. In this last respect especially it supplies a need that has been long and deeply felt.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGIF SCHOOLS.

The report of Superintendent Henderson for $1876-77$ contains no definite information as to this class of schools, and the returns from the few cities reporting add littlo to our knowledge either of the number of them or the pupils in them; there are 2 teachers, with 46 pupils, at Cynthiana; apparently 3, with 175 pupils, at Covington; 1 , with 48 pupils, at Newport; and 20, with 660 pupils, at Louisville. The figures for Louisville are for 1876, and the high school there is spoken of in exalted terms of commendation by the committee on examinations.

## OTHER SECONDARY SCIOOLS.

For statistics of business colleges, private academic schools, and preparatory departments of coileges, see Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX of the appendix, and the summaries of these in the Commissioner's Report preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## colleges.

The colleges reporting for 1877 number 10. Four of these admit both sexes.
For statistics under this head, see Table IX of the appendix, and a summary of this in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

The State University, with buildings valued at $\$ 250,000$ and prodnctive funds yielding an income of $\$ 25,000$ annually, comprises the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Kentncky; there are also colleges of arts, of law, of medicine, of the Bible, and a commercial college. In all departments, the faculty numbered 24 , the students 301.

No information has been received for 1877 from Warren College, Murray Institute, and Central and Kentncky Wesleyan Universities.
The departments and courses of instruction in those which send catalogues remain the same as reported in 1876.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

For full statistics of these institutions, see Table VIII of the appendix, and a summary of this in the Report of the Comnissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

[For statistics under this head, see Tables X-XIII of the appendix, and summaries of them in the Report of tho Commissioner preceding.]

## SCIENTIFIC.

The Agricultural and Mechanical College of Tentucky, a department of the State university, has a 4 years' course of instruction, embracing 9 separate sehools, namely: English language and literature, mental and moral philosophy, mathematics, chemistry and physics, natural history, civil history, modern languages, civil engineering and mining, and military tactics. All students are required to spend a portion of their time in active labor, either in the agricultural or horticultural department, and they aro left free to eleet either compensated or uneompensated labor. Those who desire to
defray a portion of their expenses are required to labor from four to fire hours each daty, six days in the week, npon the farm. Each legislative district in the State is entitled to send to this college, free of charge for thition, thee properly prepared students. Such students are also entitled to receive, free of charge, instraction in the college of arts of the miversity and in the department of biblical instruction. There were 110 students in 1877 in the agricultural college, tanght by 8 instructors. (University catalogue, 1877.)

## TIMEOLOGICAL.

The Theologieal Seminary of the Presbyterian Chutroh, at Danville, provides a 3 years' conrse of strictly professioual study, and requires for adnussion that the applicant be a graduate of a college or that ho stand an examination on the ordinary college course. Its number of students in 1877 was 15 , of whom 12 had received degrees in letters or science.- (Return and catalogne.)
The Southern Baptist Theologieal Seminary, at Lonisville, has a conrse of iustrnction which comprises 8 distiuct and indepeadent sehools, and is completed in 3 or 4 years, according to circumstances. The studies of each school (execpt Hebrew and Greek) are finished in a year; the classes of the various departments meet at such hours as not to conflict; and thims a student may enter for a single session aud take up and complete such subjects as he selects. Number of matriculated students, 88.- (Catalogne, 1877.)

The course of theological instruction at Georgetown College has been so arranged that it can be pursned concurrently with studies in the college, but neither its extent nor the umber of students engaged in it is given in the catalogne for $18 \% \%$.
The College of the Bible, in the Kentucky State University, lad an attendance in 1877 of 51 students. The course of instruction covers a period of 2 years.-(Cataloguc.)

## LEGAL.

The Laie Denartment of the State Unixcrsity provides a 2 years' course of study which is designed to bo complete and thorough, except in merely local law and practice. There is no note of any preliminary examination or requirement for admission. A diploma, however, is granted only after a rigid written examination; it is a license to practise law in the courts of Kentucky. There were 19 students in 18\%7.-(University catalogue, 1877.)

## MEDICAL.

The Medieal College of Kentuckiy University has been reorganized during the last Jear, and elaims to offer inducements equal to those of any other medical college in the State. Attendance upon three courses of lectures, each of 8 months, is requisite for graduation.
The Hospital College of Medicine, which is the medical denartment of Central University, provides, in addition to the didactic course, abundant facilities for elinical instruction. F'or graduation, a 3 years' course of study of medicine under a regular practitioner is required, including two full courses of lectures; the latter course must have been in this institution. The student must also have dissected at least one session in this or some other medical school, must have followed the practice of a hospital, and must have passed satisfactorily severe didactic and elinical examinations. There were 87 matriculates during the session of 1876-77, and at the beginning of the following session there were 75. - (Ammual amouncement and return, 1877.)
The Louisville College of Pharmacy has a course of instruction which includes chemistry, botany, materia medica, and pharmacy. The annual course of lectures begins in October and closes in Marcl. Attcndance upon 2 courses, with at least 4 years' apprenticeship in the drug business, is required for graduation. Number of students, 19.-(Return and seventh annual announcement.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## KENTUCKY INSTITUTION FOR TIE DEAF AND DUMB.

This is at Danville, and has been in operation since 1824. It is a school for the training of the senses and the improvement of the mind. As in the case of the blind, every deaf-mute in the State of sound mind and body may receive all the bencfits of this institution gratuitously for seven years. The studies pursued are reading, writing, arithmetic, grammar, geography, history, natural history, physiology, the Bible, morals, and manners. There is no return of statisties for the year.- (State report, 1876-77.)

## KENTUCKY INSTITUTION FOR THE BLIND.

This place for training the unfortunate is in the neighborhood of Louisville. The couse of iastruction embraces everything tanght in the common sehools, with special tuition in music and various trades. Every child in the State whose eyesight is too defective for education in the common schools may obtain instruction free, aud, in
case of destitution, may be clothed as well as tanglit and fed for seven years. The boys are tanght, in connection with their other studies, to make broons and mattresses, to do upholstering, and to cane chairs. The girls are tanght to knit, to sew by hand aud with machines, and to do various likuds of fancy worli. Students in the last year, 95 ; teachers, including principal, 20 . (State report, 1876 - 77 , and special return.)

## KENTUCKY INSTITUTION FOR THE FEEBLE-MINDED.

The school is sitnated near Frankfort. Its olject is not to furnish an asyhm for mimprovable idiots, but a State school for improvement of feeble-minded ehildren. The fullest term of residence is 10 years. As mental inbecility is often a froit of physical weakness, special attention is paid to gymmastie exercises, and erery muscle of the body is daily bronght into play by calisthenic movements timed to musie. In several instances, throngh improvement of the bodily health, this has resulted in great mental benefit, while the general school training is said to show results proportionately eqnal to those realized in public schools. Pupils in 1876-77, 127; teachers, 4, with 18 other employés. - (State report for $18760^{-} 7 \%$, and special retirn.)

## LOUISVILLE IIOUSE OF REFUGE.

This institution gave reformatory, industrial, and literary training during 1877 to a total of 322 children, of whom 25 were colorel, a department for such hiaving been opened in September of that year. Besides the elements of an English education the iumates are tanght laundry work, sewing, slocmaking, eane seating, and basket weaving, those with musical ability being also taught music and exercised as a band.- (Report for 1876-'7\%.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCLATION.

The anmad mecting of this association was held in Louisville, Angust 13, 187. Owing to the fact that the National Educatioual Association was to meet the following day, io programme had been prepared, and the session was prineipally devoted to business. This accomplished, Superintendent Henderson, president of the State association, spoke at lengtll on the snlject of a school tax, arguing for voluntary local taxation in school distriets to supplement the State apportionment and sceure longer terms and better teachers. He said he had obtained the passage of a law permitting this and giving every town that desires to improve the charaeter or exteud the time of the publie schools a right to rote a tax of 30 eents on the $\$ 100$ and every country district a tax of 25 cents. This, he said, is the only way in which a good public sehool sysfem can be bnilt up, and not till the notion is eradicated that the public bonus must pay all the costs of the schools, without such local aid, can the system of the State reach the perfection and effectiveness to bo desired. By invitation, Superintendent Wiekersham, of Pennsylvania, gave a sketch of the system of common sehool education in that State. He especially commended township, organization, and reënforced the ideas of Dr. Henderson respecting direct local taxation for support of sehools; he said he did not desire a large State bonns, thinking it an evil rather than a good; and he wanted from the State little more than an organization, officers, laws, blanks, and normal schools, preferring to depend mainly on the people of a district for supplying further needs. President W. F. Phelps, of the Whitewater Normal School, Wisconsin, was then introducel. He explained the Wisconsin system of improving teachers by normal school and institute instruction, and commended this as the surest and most direct way of bettering the common schools through the improvement of those who have them in charge. The session, thongh a brief one, was thus made useful, and it is hoped that it may bear good fruit.- (State report for 1876-77 and Educational Weekly, August 23, 187\%.)

## district associations.

During the year 1876-77, five district associations of teachers were formed, each district embracing several connties, the oljects leiug the discussion of educational themes, with a view to individnal and mutual improvement and a more intimate acquaintance with each other on the part of persons laboring in neighboring fieds. The five associations formed are termed "The Central Kentncky," "The Metropolitan," "The Green River," "The Sonthwestern Kentucly," and "The Northwestern." It is proposed to establish at least two others, embracing the counties not included in the foregoing list.-(State report, 1876-77.)

## State association of colored teachers.

A convention of representative colored teachers and trustees was held in Frankfort, Angnst 22, 1877, in response to a circular eall issued by Superintendent Henderson. A permanent association was organized under the law, a eonstitutiont and by-laws
adopted, and officers elected. Dr. Henderson, in opening the convention, said that he had issued the call to organize an educational association which should be perfectly free from all sectarian and political influences, and whose aims should bo to secure an improvement of the teachers by union of effort, to ascertain the real wants of the colored race, and to lay before the legislature the necessities and desires of colored citizens. The meeting was subsequently addressed by J. M. Maxwell, of Louisville, and others, on the importance of unity, mutual sympathy, and cö̈peration in efforts to secure the education of the colored children, as well as on the encouragement to such efforts from the friendly feeling of many white people on this subject.
Before adjournment, a resolution was adopted for the organization of county teachers' associations auxiliary to this, and a cireular was subsequently issued by Dr. Henderson directing county commissioners to form both county associations and institutes wherever ten teachers of colored schools could be assembled with the trustees of such schools.
The next meeting of the association was appointed to be held in Danville, August 7, 1878, succeeding annual meetings to be always held on the first Wednesday of August in each year.- (Report of State superintendent, 1876-’77, and special pamphlet report.)

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## PROFESSOR NATHAN L. RICE, D. D.

Intelligence, though with few particulars, has reached the Burean that this reverend gentleman, widely known as pastor of important churehes in some of our chief cities, and anthor of several considerable works, died in June, 1877, in Kentucky, which was his native State, and in which he had filled for several of his later years the position of Laird professor of theology at the Danville Theological Seminary.

CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.
Hon. Howard A. M. Hendersox, state superintendent of public instruction, Frankfort.
[Second term, 1875-1879.]
state board of education.


GTATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS.


## LOUISIANA.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (6-21) | 274,688 | a 266, 033 |  | 8,655 |
| Enrolled in public schools | 74, 307 | 85, 000 | 10,693 |  |
| Average attendance in such schools .. | 52, 315 | b54, 390 | 2, 075 |  |
| Pupils in private schools.............. |  | 20,693 |  |  |
| Schools. |  |  |  |  |
| Public schools reported |  | 1,044 |  |  |
| Public school-houses |  | 323 |  |  |
| Average time of school in days....... | -97 | 135 | 38 |  |
| Valuation of public school property .- | \$803, 062 | \$736, 575 |  | \$66, 487 |
| Private schools; elementary, 246; secondary, 60. |  | 306 |  |  |
| teachers. |  |  |  |  |
| Teachers in public schools . | 1,615 | 1,507 |  | 108 |
| Average monthly pay of men.... | \$31 | \$45 | \$14 |  |
| Average monthly pay of women. Teachers in private schools..... | 31 | 35 | 4 |  |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole receipts for public schools. | \$776, 009 | \$467, 368 |  | \$308, 641 |
| Whole expenditure for such schools... | c776,009 | d 360, 829 |  | 406, 180 |

$a$ Whites outside of New Orleans, 88,567; colored outside of New Orleans, 108,548. Mr. Lusher, p. xviii of his report, protests against this enumeration as imperfect or unfair in presenting a population of school age smaller than in 1874.
$b$ Whites, including Now Orleans, 31,211 ; colored, 21,840 ; estimated enrolment in parishes not reporting, 1,330 .
$c$ This includes salaries of secretaries, porters. and portresses in the New Orleans City school system, payment of provious indebtodness of parish school boards, and $\$ 32,921$ of funds in the hands of parish school board treasurers; this last included to make a balanca.
$d$ This includes payment of $\$ 23,691$ of claims under previous boards.
(From return of Hon. William G. Brown, then State superintendent, for 1875-76, and report and return of Hon. Robert M. Lusher, State superintendent of public education, for 1877.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

For supervision of the State school system, there is a State superintendent of public education, elected by the people every 4 years, with the duty of general visitation and annual report.

For control of all free public schools established and maintained by the State, there is a State board of education, composed of the governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, attorney general, State superintendent of public education, and 2 citizens appointed by the governor for a term of 4 years.

LOCAL.
For care of all public school interests in the several parishes-divisions of the State which answer to counties elsewhere - there are parish boardl of directors, of 5 to 9 members, appointed from the citizens of the parish by the State board of education, except in the parish of Orleans, where only 8 members of a board of 20 are so appointed. Their term of service is 4 years. They fix the bounds of school districts, apportion
funds to these according to the school population, examine and license teachers, and visit and annually report upon the schools.
The parish boards may, at their diseretion, appoint cuxiliary risiting trustecs for each ward or school district in their respective parishes, requiring such trustees to make quarterly reports to them of the condition, prospects, and needs of the schools put under their care.-(School law of 1877.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## THE REORGANIZATION OF TIIE SCHOOL SYSTEAY.

The year 1877 was one of reorganization of the public school system of the State, rather than of marked suceess in achicving educational results. A good foundation for such results appears, however, to be laid. The following is the system outlined in the published rules of the new state board of education:

1. The public schools of the State are to be designated as elementary, academic, and normal schools.
2. The elementary sehools in citics and torms are to contain six or more grades, designated ordinarily as first, second, and third primary and first, second, and third grammar departments. In sparsely settled districts liberty is given to unite the primary and grammar grades.
3. In the primary departments are to be taught spelling (oral and written), the rudiments of reading, writing, geography, arithmetic, and familiar seience. In the grammar departments instruction is to be given in the definition and derivation of words, dictation, reading, writing, arithmetic, grammar, geography, the history of the United States, elocution, composition, declamation, the elements of the natural sciences, and, where practicable, vocal music and drawing are to be added.
4. The academic schools are to be for the continued instruction of such youths over 14 years of age as are competent to pursue those branches which, in optional courses suited to their known aptitudes, will fit them for business pursuits or for admission to the normal schools or to thie agricultural and mechanical college or State university of Louisiana.
5. The normal schools are to be for the gencral improvement of young teachers who desire promotion in the primary or grammar grades, and for the professional training of such graduates of academic schools as desire to become teachers.
6. The scholastic year is to commence on the first Monday in January; and in every school district there are to be kept, for at least 24 weeks in each ycar, at such times as the local board may deem most appropriate, a sufficient number of schools for the instruction of all the children who may legally attend publie sehools therein.

It is further ruled that in all the schools a public examination shall take place at least once in each year; besides which, all the classes in academic and normal schools shall be subjected to written examinations in each branch of study, when it is cora-pleted.-(State report for 1877.)

## NEED OF SUPERVISION.

The former division superintendents having been dropped in the reorganization of the school system, Superintendent Lusher suggests to the legislature the need of a much mere active supervision of the rural schools than ean be looked for from the unpaid parish boards or the auxiliary visiting trustees appointed by them. A parish superintendent or kindred officer is needed to select good places for the schools, to persuado the local arthorities and citizens to provide and furnish school-houses, to induce proper persons to prepare themselves for teaching, to aid in examining those who propose to teach, to inspect the schools from time to time and improve the methods of instruction, and to introduce a system of half day schools for younger chilidren, or some other practicable system by which teachers may extend the benefits of instruction alternately to groups of children in different localities.
The legislature having failed to make provision for such superintendents, action has in some instances been taken by the parish boards. The parishes of Aroyelles, East Baton Rouge, Livingston, and St. James have taken the lead in securing for their schools the supervision needed, and it is hoped that the beneficial results ensuing may induce others to follow their example.-(State report, 187\%.)

## KINDERGARTEN.

The State superintendent, in his report respecting private schools in New Orleans, speaks of a Kindergarten department of the Loquet-Leroy Collegiate Institute, independent of the primary, elementary, and academic departments, which was introduced in the fall of 1877 . It is intended to be a means of preparing young children, through Fröbel's pleasant methods, for intelligent cntrance on the studies of the primary depart-ment.- (Report.)

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## NEW ORLEATS.

Offcers.-A board of 20 directors, 8 appointed by the State board of education and 12 by the city administrators, for terms of 4 years, with a superintendent appointed by the board for the same term. - (School law of 1877.)

Statistics.-Population of thp city at the last census, 1870, 191,418; estimated present population, 203,000 ; youth of school age ( $6-21$ ) at last enmmeration, in 1874, 68,018; enrolled in public schools, 22,518 ; average enrolment, 18,713; average-daily attendance, 15,366 . Schools, 71 , of which 4 were academic, 46 grammar, 17 primary, and 4 of mixed grades; teachers, 435 , of whom 28 were men; average daily attendance to each teacher, 37 ; expenditure for public schools, $\$ 285,415$.

Besides the enrolment in the public schools abore given, the State report gives 16,000 pupils in 125 private schools, under 400 teachers, making a total enrolment of 38,518 in all the schools of the city.

Alditional particulars.-When the present board assumed direction of the city schools in April, 1877, it found that the expenses of the schools had been based on figures largely in excess of the means at its disposal, and that, for the three months preceding, there were due the teachers and other employes about one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars, which sum was more than $\$ 40,000$ in excess of the allowance for those months. The only choice, in such a case, was betwcen a reduction of the force empleyed and a reduction of their salaries. The latter painful alternative was resorted to and the pay roll was cut down from nearly forty thousand dollars a month to less than twenty-five thousand dollars; while, to aid further in making the income meet the expenses, the schools were ordered to be closed from Jume 30 to October 15, and all payments of the salaries of teachers suspended for this long vacation.
There being 1,200 applicants for the 447 teachers' places then existing, it was ordered in the spring that all teachers should vacate their positions June 30, 18\%7, and new appointments be made only after a competitive examination. This was done; with what result as to the reappointment of former teachers is not stated.
The want of means for repair of old and poor school-houses has been, to some extent, remedied by the benefits derived from the McDonogh sclool fund. The administrators of that fund, within a few years past, have erected seven substantial school buildings, besides three that were erected before the war, in a great measure from the same fund. Two of these buildings, large and well built of brick, are appropriated to the use of colored children; another is probably by this time in process of erection. All built since the war bear the name of the donor of the fund, with the numbers 1,2 , 3, \&c., to indicate the order of erection.
The present school board, by a nearly unanimous vote, has decided that, as the effort to educate together under the constitution the white and colored children has proved at many points a failure, separate schools shall hereafter be maintained. With a view to secure to the colored children full advantages, a special academy for their use has been instituted, together with a normal school to educate teachers of their own race. For statistics of this school, see Training of Teachers following, and for some account of the city high schools see Secondary Instruction.-(Report of New Orleans schools, in State report for 187\%.)

## TRALING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOLS.

Since the wreck of the first teachers' seminary in the Southwest, which was established by the legislature of Louisiana in the session of 1859-'60, the existence of normal seminaries and departments has been wholly due to the benevolence of Mr. Peabody and other benefactors. Through generous donations from the Peabody fund there have leen established (1) the Peabody Normal Scminary, No. 247 St. Charles street, New Orleans, for the training of white youths over 16 years of age who are graduates of high schools or other institutions in a 2 years' course, covering all the branches taught in the common schools, with the option of a further course in higher studies; and (2) the Peabody Nornal School for Colored Students, corner of Royal and Hospital streets, New Orleans, which also has a 2 years nornal course for graduates and advancod scholars over 17 years of age. In the fall of 1877, the former had in its normal departmont 3 teachers and 90 students, besides 1 teacher and 42 pupils in a preparatory department. The latter, in December, 1877, had 2 teachers and 40 students.
Then, in the same city, Straight University, the New Orleans University, and Leland University give special instruction in the common school branches, and to some extent in school management and discipline, to such students as desire to be prepared for teaching. The catalogue of Straight University for 1877-78 showed 118 normal students as present in the fall term. From the other two there are no statements of the number of such students in any part of $18 \% \%$. (State report and catalogues of
institutions.)

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

The provision made for these in the school law of $18 \% 0$ does not reappear in the new law of 1877, the division superintendents by whom they were to be held having been dropped.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

The only schools of this class fully reported are 4 in New Orleans, now known as academic departments of the public schools therc. One of these is for white males, 2 for white females, and the fourth for advanced colored pupils, apparently all ginls. In these, under 14 teachers, were registered 86 white boys in 1877, with 228 white girls and 10 colored girls; total registration, 324 ; average attendance, 310. The course in these schools is limited to 2 years, and is to embrace 4 departments: English literature and language, mathematics and book-keeping, physical science, and ancient and modern languages. Graduates, 92 in 1877.

Besides these there appears the Guion Free Academy, at Thibodeanx, with 3 teachers and 100 pupils, but without clear indication whether these are all of high school grade.-(State report.)

## Other secondary schools.

For statistics of business colleges, private academic schools, and preparatory departments of colleges or universities, see Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX of the appendix, and the summaries of these in the Commissioner's Report preceding.
It may be said, however, that the State superintendent, in his return to this Burear, indicates the existence in the State of 60 private schools corresponding to the public high schools: Assigning to such schools an average of 30 pupils, there would be in them 1,800 pupils. A generous amount of space is given to these schools in Mr. Lusher's report, and the impression produced by his accounts of them is that several are of quite high grade.

## SUPERIOR NNSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

Returns or printed reports for some portion of the jear 1877 have been receired from 6 colleges and universities. For statistics of these, with any others that may report themselves, see Table IX of the appendix, and a summary of this in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

St. Charles College reports that, owing to the impoverished state of the country, to the difficulty of communication, and partly, also, to the indifference of the people to a classical education, the number of collegiate students there "has dwindled down to nothing, or nearly so." Leland and Straight Eniversities, so called, are schools for the colored race. Leland has a theological course of instruction and a scientific one of 3 years. Straight, besides primary, preparatory, normal, law, and theological departments, has a classical course of 3 years.

A new State institution was constituted by the union of the State university and the agricultural and mechanicai college, under an act of 1876, promulgated June 1, 1877. It bears the united titics of the two institutions and commenced its session in October, 1877, that being the eighteenth session of the miversity and the fifth of the acricultural college. The facilities for instruction embrace much philosophical and chemical apparatus, large museums of natural history, good appliances for instruction in engineering, a library of fully 14,000 volumes, and a good equipment of small arms and artillery for military exercises.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

For full statistics of these institutions, see Table VIII of the appendix, and the summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

[For statistics under this head, see Tables X-XIII of the appendix, and the summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.]

## SCIENTIFIC.

The Agricultural and Mechanical College aims not only to afford pupils the means of instruction in agriculture and the mechanic arts but also to encourage them to pursue such studies. It is the intention to carry out faithfully the object of the federal law creating the agricultural and mechanical college and of the legislature in uniting that college with the State university. To make, on the one hand, intelligent planters or farmers and skilled managers of plantations and, on the other, to train mechanics in the scientific principles of their professions are among the leading objects. Tuition
is absolntely free and is so declared by a legislative enactment.-(State report for 1876-77.)

## THEOLOGICAL.

Leland University and Straight University report theological departments attended respectively by 28 and 11 colored students preparing for the ministry. At the former, the theological department is designed to embrace biblical interpretation, church history, Christian theology, pastoral theology, and homiletics. A fuller course of studies will be arranged as soon as the advancement of the students shall make it advisable. At Straight University the course appears to we essentially the same.(Catalogues for 1876-77 and 1877-78.)

LEGAL.
A two years' course of instruction in legal studies is given in the Law Department of the University of Louisiana. This university has thus far organized only two professional schools, namely, of law and of medicine. The methods of instruction are lectures, expositions, examinations in connection with these, and moot courts. Straight University also reports a 2 jears' course of instruction in law, with an attendance of 17 students.(Printed report of law department of the former and catalogue of the latter.)

## MEDICAL.

The Medical Department of the University of Louisiana reports an attendance of 183 students, and a 3 years' course of instruction, which includes attendance upon two complete courses of lectures. The act establishing this department gives it the use of the Charity Hospital as a school of practical instruction.-(Return and circular.)

The Charity Hospital Medical College, at New Orleans, has a course similar in extent to the foregoing. Its college building is directly opposite the gates of the Charity Hospital, and several hours of each morning are devoted to bedside teaching.-(Circular.)

In the New Orleans Dental College the curriculum has been raised to meet the demands of the age for higher professional attainments. Candidates for graduation must have attended at least two full courses of lectures, exclusive of the usual two years' office pupilage. The departments of instruction are theory and practice, institutes of medicine and dentistry and special therapeutics, science of dental mechanism, chemistry, operative dental surgery, anatomy, dental materia medica, clinical dentistry, and plyssiology.-(Tenth amual announcement.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## LOUISIANA INSTITUTION FOR THE EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB, BATON ROUGE.

No information later than that given in the report for 1866 has been received from this institution. In addition to the literary branches usually taught in such schools, instruction was then given in type setting and presswork. No training had been provided in ofher employments for want of means to purchase the necessary material. (Report of trustees, 1876.)

## LOUISLANA LNSTITUTION FOR THE EDUCATION OF THE BLIND.

This school was organized at Baton Rouge in 1871, and has had under instruction 40 pupils. The number in 1877 was 30 . It is sustained by the State, from which $\$ 6,000$ were received during the year. No permanent home has been provided for the school, which is still kept in rented buildings. 'All the common school branches are taught, wesides the employments of broom making, mattress making, and cane seating.- (Return and report for 1877.)

CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

## Hor. Robert M. Lusher, State superintendent of public education, New Orleans.

[Term, 1877-1881.]
state board of education.
[Term, 1877-1881.]

| Members. | Post-office. |
| :---: | :---: |
| His Excellency F. T. Nieholls, governor, preside | New Orleans. New Orleans. New Orleans. New Orleans. |
| His Honor Louis A. Wiltz, lieutenant go |  |
| Hon. H. N. Ogden, attorney general.. |  |
| P. Bi S. Pincliback, citizen appointee |  |
| Johu P. Cazelar, citizen appointeo . |  |

## MAINE.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.


[^34](From report of Hon.W. J. Corthell, State superintendent of public instruction, for
the school year closing April 1, 1877, with returns from him to the Bureau of Education for the two years indicated, the financial statement being from the latter.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

For supervision of all the common schools, direction of studies, giving advice to town committees, and making annual report to the supreme authorities, there is a Stafe superintendent of public instruction appointed by the governor and council for a term of 3 years or during the pleasure of the exccutive.

## LOCAI.

For the supervision of the schools of towns and districts contained in them, directing local studies, choosing text books, examining and certifying teachers, making reports, \&e., every town elects by ballot at its annual meeting one member of a school committce of three, or in the same manner a town supervisor of schools, in which case the committee is dispensed with. Towns may also, and if they do not districts must, choose school agents for the care of school-houses, engagement of teachers, returns of the sehool children, and calling of district meetings. Districts may choose committees to superintend the expenditure of the school moneys raised by them.- (School laws
of Maine.) of Maine.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

A gradual decrease of population, and consequently in many places of production and of wealth, is evidently telling to some extent upon the schools, notwithstanding the exertions of a young and active superintendent and of many excellent school officers. Hence we find 1, 073 fewer persons of school age, a decrease of 720 in the number of different scholars registered, and a percentage of average attendance of sueh scholars not increased. There are, however, more sehool-houses, a larger number of them in good condition, more teachers to the fewer scholars, and an inerease in the number of those from normal schools. The reason why there are no more of the graduates from these schools is said by the superintendent to be that "agents have in many cases refused to give these graduates $\$ 4$ a week and have hired for $\$ 3$ girls of 16, who were inconpetent and whose influence on the pupils was bad so far as intellectual growth is concerned." The result of this injudicious parsimony has been that 34 of the graduates of the normal sehools, after redeeming their pledge to teach two years in the schools of the State, have gone elsewhere.
The great difficulty in the way of improvement seems to be the division of the State into distriets altogether too minute. "There were several hundred schools during the past year which averaged 5 scholars or less, several hundred averaged less than 12, and 1,000 averaged less than 20. T'o carry on these schools costs the same for schoolhouses, repairs, fuel, board of teachers, \&c., as for sehools of 40 pupils." In fact, one school cost in $1876-77 \$ 3$ a week for each scholar. The remedy for this is consolidation of the districts, and a person who has studied the matter says that 1,000 of them might be thus consolidated and the expense of that many schools be saved, without obliging any pupils to walk more than a mile. In favor of such consolidation, which would secure larger schools and better paid teachers, the example of New Brunswiek is cited, where, with a population equally sparse, there is a better arrangement of school distriets, and consequently a smaller cost per scholar, even with higher pay for teachers and schools 16 weeks longer than in Maine. And if to consolidation of the districts there can be added examination of teachers by a county board, more continuous training of them through normal institutes, and more constant supervision on the part of school committees, Mr. Corthell thinks that there may soon be a great improvement in the educational condition of the State, especially if a system of free text books can be introduced.-(State report, 1877.)

## KLNDERGÄRTEN.

For 2 reported schools of this class, see the succeeding account of the city system of Lewiston, with which system they are connected.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

Superintending school committees of varying numbers, ${ }^{1}$ a part of their material changed yearly by election, with sehool agents-in some instances with city superin-

[^35]tendents of schools-form the official staff of the city systems of the State.-(School laws and reports.)

STATISTICS.

| City. | Popalatiou. | Children of school ago. | Enrolment. | Arerago attendanco. | Teachers. | Expenditure. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Biddeford. | a12, 000 | 3,451 | 2,092 |  | 38 | \% 821,393 |
| Bangor | 618, 289 | 5,412 | 3, 700 | 3, 034 | 92 | 41,512 |
| Lewiston | c13, 603 | 6, 479 | 3,560 | 2,200 | 68 | 32, 011 |
| Portland. | a36, 500 | 10, 634 | 5,748 | 4,332 | 114 | 79, 256 |

## a Estimatod.

$\checkmark$ Census of 1870.
$c$ Census of 1870 . The other figures for Bangor are from a printed report for 1876-77, and differ somo what from those in Table II, which are probably for the fall term of 1877-'78.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Bangor.-Number of schools, 49, viz, 1 high, 2 grammar, 13 intermediate, 20 primary, and 13 suburban. The cost of education per capita, based on the average number belonging, was $\$ 11.88$. Percentage of averago attendance to school census, 50 ; enrolment in the high school, 202; graduates in 1876, 14. The course of instruction in the high school covers 4 years and embraces 2 departments, the classical and English. About 8 years ago more than 300 pupils were withdrawn from the public schools and organized in Roman Catholic Church schools, and this cause still operates to reduce the number of those that might otherwise be in the public schools.- (Report of Schoor Agent C. P. Roberts for 1876-77.)
Biddeford.-The only information from this place for 1877, additional to the figures in the table, relates to its high school, which is said to have cxisted since 1848 , to have graduated since then 19\%, of whom 4 are ministers, 3 lawycrs, 3 doctors, 19 teachers, and many more in influential positions in the city and State. It has 3 teachcrs, and its course of study is reported by the committee to be liberal and comprchen-sive.- (Extract from rcport.of school committee in New-England Journal of Education, May 3, 1877.)

Lewiston. - In consequence of a change of superintendency here, no printed report of the city schools was issued for 1877 . The statistics in the table aro therefore from a written return made by Superintendent Abner J. Phipps, late general agent of the Massachusetts board of education, who is now in charge of the city system, which comprises 15 rural schools, 27 primary, 9 intermediate, 1 grammar, and 1 high school. One interesting feature of that system is the connection with it of 3 Kindergiirten, one of which had in average of 20 pupils for the ycar ; another, of 19; attendance at the third, not reported. There is also a Kindergarten practice school. The usual Kindergarten occupations aro pursued in those schools, with full material and apparatus, and it is claimed with physical benefit from the excreises. Ideas of color, proportion, and beauty are soon acquired, together with a capacity for expressing such ideas in corrcet forms. These were the only Kinderg̈̈rten in connection with any city system in the State for that year.-(Returns to Bureau of Education for 1877 and letter from Superintendent Phipps.)
Portland.- The system in this city inchudes 23 schools, among which are a high school and a school for the deaf. The efficiency of the school management is shown in the fact that the attendance for the year reached 94 per cent. of the average number bclonging, notwithstanding the unusual severity of the minter of $1876-^{-7} 7$ and the $^{2}$ prevalcnce of scarlet fever, measles, and other contagious diseases. Music, as well as drawing, is made a regular study in all the grades of primary and grammar schools, and it is evidence of the success attained in drawing that at an exhibition in 1876 the work presented "was pronounced by competent judges to be equal to that of any similar exhibition they had visited." Of the general work done in the city schools the commissioners at the Centennial Exhibition in Philadelphia showed their favorable judgment by a warding in the fall of 1876 a diploma "for a good exhibit of the city school system and its fruits in the work of the pupils." The high school of the city had for the year an enrolment of 402 and an average attendance of 362 . With a view to stimulating the lower schools to more thorough work of preparation, the standard for admission to this school was raised considcrably in 1877:- (Report of school committee and of Superintendent E. Hunt for the year ending in February, 1377.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCIIOOLS

The normal school system of the State has for some years past embraced 2 principal schools, a western one at Farmington, established in 1864, and an castern one at Cas-
tine, first opened in 1867, with 2 auxiliary ones, the normal departments of the Maine Central Institute, Pittstield, and of the Oak Grove Seminary, Vassalboro'. ${ }^{1}$ The course of study in the first three is 2 years of 38 to 40 weeks each; in the last, it is said to be 4 years of 33 weeks each. But here, as elsewhere, the reports show that many enter for short periods and do not remain to complete the course and graduate. In the schools at Farmington, Castine, and Pittsficld, drawing and vocal music are taught, the former with the aid of apparatus, models, and examples for free hand work at the two chief schools. In these also, and to some extent at Pittsfichl, chemistry is illustrated in laboratory practice and physics is taught in connection with apparatus. Book-keeping is taught at Castine. Ample libraries are reported at Farmington and Castine. The latter reports also a good supply of maps and charts. Farmington, after trying for about two years a preparatory course, gave it up in the winter of $1876-77$ as a failure, and in the spriug of that year lost also its advantages of practice training in the public schools of the village. In place of this, it is proposed to resume the model training school, formerly conducted in the normal school building and under control of the normal school. A desire has been expressed by the principals of both the chief schools to lave the course of study lengthened, for the bencfit of such students as desire a thorough training for any class of school work; but thus far no effective extension has been secured. The statistics for 1876-777, as given in the State report, are : At Farmington, students in the fall term, 133; in the spring term, 135 ; number of different students, not given; graduates, 34 , of whom 27 engaged in teaching. At Castine, 123 in the fall term, 75 in the winter term, and 138 in the spring term; number of different students, not given; graduates $33,{ }^{2}$ all teaching. At Pittsfield, 31 normal students and 1 graduate teaching. At Oak Grove Seqminary, 61 normal students, but apparently no graduates.- (State report for 1877.)
Besides these State schools there is a normal course provided for in the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College, Kent's Hill, embracing the various studies to be tanght in school, with instruction in the theory and art of teaching, school organiza tion and government, and school laws of Maine. - (Catalogue 1876-77.)
In connection with the school system of Lewiston, Superintendent Phipps, in his return for 1877, says there is a practice class in which are 8 young ladies, graduates of the high school, who receive a moderate weekly pay for the teaching services they reuder while preparing for full employment in the schools.
For other statistics, derived from returns, see Table III of the appendix, and a summary of this in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

These mcans of improving teachers by gathering them for training in classes and by lectures as at normal schools have not existed in the State since 1875. The State superintendent, in view of the large number of teachers who, with a fair knowledge of subjects to be taught, have had no drill in methods of teaching, urges that provision be made by the legislature for holding annually eight such meetings in different parts of the State, believing that money so expended would yield a larger immediate, return in the improvement of the schools than an equal expenditure in any other way.(Report for 187\%.)

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

"Before the passage of the 'free high school law', in 1873, 21 towns and cities in the State maintained high schools. During the year 1877, 151 towns and cities maintained such schools one or more terms. Nearly 12,000 scholars reccived instruction in them. Their effect on the common schools has been very beneficial." This is the testimony of State Superintendent Corthell in his report for 1877. He goes on to show that these schools have improved the common schools by placing before the pupils an object to be gained and fixing a standard necessary for the attainment of it, as well as by giving them in many instances teachers of far higher qualifications; that they have improved, too, individual pupils by advancing then from studies of which they had grown weary to others more stimulating, taught by live men amid better and more scholarly surroundings; and that they are going forward to do this beneficial work more widely and more fully than the old academies could do it by opening their doors to all and inviting rich and poor alike to come in and enjoy their privileges. In answer to the current objections to such schools, he argues for them (1) as being based on the truly democratic principle of giving every child a chance for such an.education as will enable him to make the most of his powers; (2) as being cminently practical, imparting the common elements of education in higher forms than in the lower schools, and add-

[^36]ing to these such instruction in the natural sciences as will make the students better farmers, better mechanics, better manufacturers, and so on.- (State report, 1877.)
The following statisties are given of these schools: Registered students, 11,839; average attendance, 9,613. Pupils in Third Reader, 577 ; in Fourth Reader, 8,691; in arithmetic, 7,530 ; in English grammar, 6,423; in geography, 4,190; in ancient languages, 2,795 ; in modern languages, 992 ; in natural sciences, 3,369 . The number in attendance is somewhat smaller than last year; but, apparently from the absence of some returns, 151 towns only reporting, against 162 in 1876.

The expenses for instruction, met by town and district appropriations, State allowance, unexpended appropriations of last year, free subscriptions, interest of local funds, and amount received for tuition of non-residents, were $\$ 111,911$, leaving $\$ 11,457$ to be carricd over into another year.

## other secondary schools.

For statistics of business colleges, private academic schools, and preparatory schools, see Tables IV, VI; VII of the appendix, and the summaries of these in the Commissioner's Report preceding.

Besides the business college there found, there is a commercial department in the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, at Kent's Hill, in which the ordinary subjects of instruction preparatory to busimess pursuits receive especial attention.- (Catalogue for 1876-77.)

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

For full statisties, see Table IX of the appendix, and a summary of this in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.
The three especially known institutions for superior training in this State are Bowdoin College, Brunswick, dating from 1801; Colby University, Waterville, from 1818; and Bates College, Lewiston, from 1863. The first is for young men alone ; the other two are open also to young women, though comparatively fow appear to avail themselves of the advantage, 10 names on the rolls at Colby and 5 at Bates being the total in 1877. In the gencral outlines of the courses no material change seems to have been made since the report of them in 1876. Bates College has a special preparatory school, the Nichols Latin School, of Lewiston; Colby University has 3, the Waterville Classical Institute, close beside her, the Hebron Academy, and Houlton Acadeny, all under the control of her trustees; Bowdoin makes note of none. All three colleges allow students to take partial courses and to pursue elective studies under direction of the faculties.(Catalogue for 1876-77 and 1877-78.)
It was for some time feared that Bates might lose a part of its endowment through the embarrassments in the business affairs of its chief benefactor, Hon. Benjamin E. Bates, of Massachusetts; but it is understood that all is safe.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

Besides the facilities women enjoy at Bates and Colby, above mentioned, there are at the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, Kent's Hill, and at the Waterville Classical Institute, under the shadow of Colby, at Waterville, callegiate courses of 4 years, especially for young women.

For full statistics of these institutions, see Table VIII of the appendix, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

[For detailed statistics of scientific and professional schools, see Tables $\bar{X}$-XIII in the appendix, and the summaries of thow in the Commissioner's Report preceding.]

## SCLENTIFIC.

In the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, at Orono, there has been a change of terms from three to two, with a revision of the courses of study meant to equalize the amount of educational work in the different courses by providing for afternoon excreises by all the students. For the first two years the studies for all are esscntially the same. After that they branch out into courses in agriculture, civil enginecring, mechanical cngincering, chemistry, scicnce, and literature, this last (in science and literature) being a moditication of the course in agriculture, with a view to the needs of those who desire a practical education for other employments than farmular collegiate coursents and officers for the fall term of $1877-78$ shows 104 in the regunder 8 instructors, including the farm superintendent.- (Report and catalogue for 1877.)

The Scientific Department of Bowdoin College presents courses of 4 years each in civil
and mechanical engincering, the completion of which is rewarded by the degree of s. 1.

A summer school of scicnce has also been maintained at Bowdoin in succossive ycars since the summer of 1876. It is designed for teachers, graduates of colleges, and others of both sexes who desire a practical acquaintance with chemistry, mineralogy, and zö̈logy. The second session opencd July 16, 1877, and continued six weeks, with 27
students under 3 instructors.

## THEOLOGICAL.

Bangor Theological Seminary (Congregational) provides a 3 years' course of study and admits church members of crery denomination who have been educated at some college or university or who pass a satisfactory examination. There were 48 students attending the fall term of 1877, of whom 12 had received a degree in letters or science.-(Catalogue and return.)
The Theological School of Bates College (Freo Will Baptist) has a regular course of study and an English course. Each of these covers 3 years, the latter differing from the former only in the junior year, where Hebrew grammar, biblical criticism, and comparison of New Testament Greek with classical Greek occupy considerable spaco in the regular course, while the latter, in that year, deals only with mental and moral philosophy, Butler's argument from avalogy, exegetical and historical study of the English scriptures, and exercises in homiletics and clocution. Students unable to enter either course are admitted to the school for such a period as their circumstances will 1876,77 , besides 1 resident studies. There were 23 in attendance during the year 1876-77, besides 1 resident graduate.-(Catalogue.)

## MEDICAL

The Portland School for Medical Instruction reports itself for the first time for 1877, although organized as far back as 1856 and chartered in 1858. It docs not confor degrees, but is meant to be a preliminary school to prepare students for the completion of a full course of 3 years in other schools or under a regular physician, a certificate studies elsewhere enatory study being given, which, with due addition of required instructors are reported for 1877 . - (Return diplomas. Twenty-five students under 11 The Mcdical School of Maine, at Bowdoin Colletter from the secretary.) meant to cover 3 years and leading to the deollege, has a course of study and lectures The conditions of graduation are full the degree of M. D. from the school and college. under a regular physicion, attendance, good moral character, study for the full time incorporated medical institution, the passing of a courses of lectures in a regular, scribed studies, and the presentation of an anproved medical examination in preFebruary to June, 1877, in recular stadies, 92 ; in post medical thesis. Students from Instructors, 14, besides 2 visitors from the Maine post graduate and special courses, 5. Bowdoin for 1877-78.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF TIIE DEAF AND DUMB AND OF THE BLIND.

There is no State school yet for the instruction of either of these classes, schools in other New England States being generally used for such instruction, at the cost of the State where necessary. The city of Portland, howerer, has established for itsclf a school for deaf-mutes, which may eventually grow into a State school. A teacher who had been a pupil of Professor Bell, and was familiar with his system of teaching articulate speech, was put in charge of the school for $1876-77$, and is reported to have done excellent service in teaching this system in connection with the ordinary sign $1876-\% \%$.)

## REFORMATORY TRALNING.

The Maine State Reform School, at Cape Elizabeth, reports for 1877 a total of 197 boys under training, with a superintendent, matron, 3 teachers, and 7 overseers of industrial departments. Of the 197, it is stated that 50 were discharged for rarious reasons during the year, leaving 147 on the list to complete a total of 1,552 instructed since the first opening of the school. The ordinary English branches of a common school training are taught in graded classes for a portion of each school day, while at other hours employment is found for the boys in various useful occupations. On Saturdays there is a half holiday, when the first grade boys engage in outdoor sports in a large yard which is furnished with every needful appliance for such purposes. During the winter months or in stormy weather, they are, at this time, taken to the reading room, where is a library of 1,400 volumes, with enough daily and weekly papers to and it is thought that during the Religious and moral instruction is given on Sundays, and it is thought that during the past $j$ car this has been attended with specially bene-
ficial influences. Much of the good accomplished is attributed to a system of large coufidence, with special privileges to boys who are first grade in behavior.
The Maine Industrial School for Girls is not a place of punishment to which girls are sent as criminals, but a refuge for girls between 7 and 15 who by force of circumstances or association are in danger of becoming outcasts. It is a private corporation, but nuder State patronage. Instruction in the ordinary English stadies is given every weekday afternoon, and singing is made a prominent exercise both in the school room and at morning and evening devotions. At other hours the work of the house is done by the girls under the supervision of the ladies of the school, cooking, washing, ironing, and housc cleaning being included. By means of the training given, most of the girls have learncd to linit and sew; some, to run the sewing machine; one or two, to cut and make dresses, and several to be good breadmakers. The whole number received during 1876, the year covered by the report, was 22 ; placed in families dur. ing that year, 15 ; indentured, 5 ; remaining in the institution in January, 1877, 32.(Report of supcrintendent, 1877.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## STATE ASSOCIATION.

The elercnth annual session of the State Educational Association was held at Lewrs ton December 26-28, 1877. After an address of welcome by Mayor Russell and a reply to it by President A. E. Chase, of Portland, the lecture of the evening was given by Rev. A. D. Mayo, of Springfield, Mass., who took for his theme "The parents and the schools." The opcning address on the second day was a discussion by Prof. Charles 0 . Thompson, of the Worcester Free Institute, Mass., on "A place in education for the industrial arts." "The place and work of academies in the school system" was the subject of the next paper, by Rev. Mr. Burr, of Hallowell. A. H. Kelley, of Belfast, read a paper on the "Examination of teachers," in which he urged the importance of detcrmining the fitness of teachers by a careful examination, conducted by competent persons outside of school committees; for this purpose he proposcd the establishment of a board of three examiners for each county, to be appointed by the governor, the State superintcudent to be ex officio a member. Such board should annually examine candidates for teachers and give certificates of three grades, primary, grammar, and ligh, to be good in the State for two years unless revoked; permanent certificates to be granted at the end of two years. Superintendent Corthell advocated the system of examination proposed and showed the necessity of it in order to secure the best teachers.
In the afternoon the convention was divided into three sections, primary, grammar, and high school, the primary bcing the most largely attended. It was opened with an essay by Mrs. C. C. Rounds, on "Arithmetic," following which was a teaching exercise by Miss Sprague, of the Lewiston Training School, and a paper on "Form in the primary schools", by Miss Jennie Hayden, of Farmington. In the grammar school section a paper on "School discipline" was read by A. St. Clair, of Calais; one on "Arithmetic in grammar schools," by G. A. Robertson, of Augusta, and one on the "Distinctive work of grammar schools," by Mr. Robbins, of Saccarappa. In the high school seetion, papers were presented by Mr. Merrill, of Machias, on "Classics and English," and by Mr. Thurlow, of Freeport, on "Latin in the schools."
Before the general association a lecture was given loy Homer B. Sprague, of the Girls' High School, in Boston, on "Shakespeare's youth." Papers were read by Professor Whittaker, of Massachusetts Institute of Techinology, on "Workshops in industrial orucation;", by Professor Chase, of Bates College, on "English literature;" by Pro-
fessor Carmichael, of Bowvoin College, on "Science in the Allen, presidcut of the State Agricultural College, on "Education for farmers." and interesting discussions followed many of the papcrs. That on the two papers referring to industrial education was participated in by Principal C. C. Rounds, of the Western State Normal School, Farmington, and Professors Fernald and Pike, of the State Agricultural College, Orono. All these recognized the need of further industrial Journal of Education.)

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## HON. WARREN JOHNSON.

This gentleman, whose name and work have becn often referred to in our educational reports, died at Newton, Mass., April 28, 1877. A native of Kennebec County, in a little town of which he was born December 24,1830 , he received his preliminary education in the school of his birthplace, fitted for college at Farmington Academy near by, entered Bowdoin in 1850, and was graduated with high honors in 1854. He then served first as principal of Foxcroft Academy, and afterward as tutor at Bowdoin till 1857, when lie founded the Frauklin School for Boys at Topsham, where he
remained for 11 years. An active superintendent was then wanted for the public schools of the State, and Mr. Johnson, having made himsclf a name as an energetic and efficient educator, was appointed to the place by Governor Chamberlain in 1868. Ho gave such satisfaction to those in power as to receive two successive reappointments for terms of 3 years each, serving continuously till 1876 , when, as he was engaged in arranging the State educational exhibit in the Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia, he was offcred the easier and better rewarded place of city supcrintendent of schools at Newton, Mass. As his third State term was nearly out he accepted the position, and entered on its duties in September of that year, infusing his own active life into the city system. A discase which he had unconsciously contracted at Philadelphia prostrated his strength and carried him off.
In Maine he left his mark decidedly in several directions: first, by the institution of a mill tax on property for the support of public schools, from which has come an addition of about two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars to the annual school fund; next, by making the State aid to towns depend on proof of their having faithfuily used the school moneys; third, by securing the transformation of most of the old pay academies into free high school, bringing training for college within reach of all the youth; fourth, by having a compulsory school lave cnacted; and, finally, by steady and persistent efforts, to secure town instead of district school systems, with free text books loaned to pupils by the towns. The first four of these were accomplished facts before his death and the last two had made a progress towards accomplishment such as only the most persevering earnestness could have secured. Maine has good reason to remember Warren Johnson with gratitude.

# CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER. 

[Term, 1876-1880.] ${ }^{1}$
Hon. William J. Corthell, State superintendent of common schools, Augusta.

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## MARYLAND.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.



[^38](Reports of the publie schools of Maryland for the two years indicated, by Hon. M. A. Newell, State superintendent of public instruction.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

Educational matters affecting the State, with the general care and supervision of public instruction, are intrusted to a State board of education, composed of the governor and 4 county school ofticers appointed by him with the approval of the senate, the principal of the State Normal School being also, ex officio, a member of the board, the executive officer of the board, and the State superintendent of public instruction.

LOCAL.
Educational matters affecting a county are under the control of a board of comenty school commissioncrs, composed of 3 persons appointed by the judges of the circuit courts in counties having not more than 100 schools; in counties with more than 100 schools; of 5 persons so appointed. Their term of service is 2 years. In the January following their appointment they elect a person not a member of the board to serve as secretary, treasurer, and examiner, and he becomes substantially the county superintendent of schools.
Educational matters affecting a school district are under the supervision of a board of district school trustces composed of 3 persons appointed annually in May by the county school commissionars.

All public school property in each county is vested in the board of county school commissioners. The care of individual schools under them belongs to the boards of district trustees. The former build, repair, and furnish school-houses, fix the salaries
of teachers, purchase and distribute text books, and make annual report to the State board. The trustees look after the general condition of their own buildings, orersee repairs, engage teachers subject to approval by the county board, and exereise a general supervision over the school or schools of their districts. -(School law of 1872 as amended in 1874.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

The report of the State board represents the condition of the school system as satis. factory upon the whole, except in two eomnties - one on the bay, the other in the mountains. The trouble in the former has been caused by the inability of the county school board to eolleet the sehool tax and in the latter has eome from the difficulty of levying a suffieient tax in a poor and sparsely settled region.
The general statistics show a fair inerease of sehools tauglt, of pupils in attendance, of teachers employed, and of the average length of term. Those of the county sehools, exeluding Baltimore City, show like evidenees of improvement, there being reported 74 more schools, 2,280 more pupils emrolled, and 317 more in daily attendance. There appears, indeed, a decrease of $\$ 17,137$ in expenditure for sehool purposes in the counties, but this decrease was in the items of books purehased, interest and indebtedness paid, and miscellaneous expenses; while, in the important ones of supervision, teachers' salaries, building, repairing, and furnishing school-houses, there was a decided increase.

## SCMOOLS FOR COLORED CHILDREN.

In 1875-76 there were in the 320 sehools for this raee 402 teachers, with 22,883 enrolled pupils, of whom 8,512 were on an average in daily attendanee. ${ }^{1}$ In 1876-77 the 320 schools had inereased to 340 , the number of teachers to 426 , the enrolment of different pupils to 24,539 , and the average attendance to $9,432.1$ The expenditure on these selools, too, went up from $\$ 119,285$ in 1876 to $\$ 133,466$ in 1877 .-(Report of State board and of Baltimore City, 1876 and 187\%.)

## SUGGESTED IMPLOVEMENTS

In order to improve the edueational eondition of the State and to lead to a better acquaintanee with it, the State board renews recommendations previously made, of which the following are worthy of eonside:ation in other States than Maryland: (1) That provision be made for taking a eensus of the school population every two years, that it may be known who ought to attend school; (2) that arrangements be made for ascertaining at the same time the names, ages, and addresses of all deaf-mutes and blind within the State; (3) that heads of sclools, eolleges, and seminaries not conneeted with the State system be required to report amnually to the State board the number of pupils in such institutions; (4) that the same be required of the managers of orphan asylums and other benevolent educational institutions; (5) that provision be made for connecting incorporated aeademies with the State system, somewhat as has been done most sueeessfully in Maine.-(Report.)

## RESULTS FOR SCHOOL MONEYS SPENT.

In view of the cireumstances of the times, requiring the best possible results from the least possible expenditure, Superintendent Newell occupies mueh of his report with a discussion of what he thiuks the educational question of the hour, "Do the people of Maryland get the best possible return for the money they liave put into the public school system "", First showing that Maryland gets her ehildren taught more cheaply than 12 other States he names and one-half more eheaply than she eould have them taught by private agencies, he goes on to say that, this being the ease, the question resolves itself into another: "Have we in every public school the best teacher that our noney will enable us to proeure ?" Disenssing this, he reaches the following conclusion: "The sehools are not rendering the best possible return for the money expended on them, beeause the teachers are not, in all eases, the best that the money will eommand; and the teachers are not the best the money will command, becanso the examiners who license them, the trustees who appoint them, and the boards that confirm them do not feel anthorized or compelled by public sentiment to make any higher demands upon the teachers." Such a reetifieation of public sentinent as will make it demand the best teachers that can possibly be had is of course the remedy for this.-(State report, 1877.)

## kindergärten.

Three of these sehools for the little ones, all in Baltimore, report a total of 8 teachers with 33 pupils "between 3 and 8 " or $4-7$ years of age, the children being under training 3 hours a day in one school and 4 in the other two. The Patterson Park Kindergarten, removed from New Brunswick, New Jersey, reports 5 teaehers to 8 pupils, one of these

[^39]teachers a German, through whose aid German as well as English enters into the instruction. In all the three the full Kindergarten apparatus is said to be possessed and all Fröbel's gifts and occupations to be kept in exercise with evident quickening of the intelligence of the children, while study is made a pleasure and the progress in it easy and symmetrical.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## BALTIMORE.

Officers.-The mayor and city council, according to law, delegate their supervisory powers and control of the school system to a board of school commissioncrs of 20 members, one from each ward, appointed for terms of 4 years in each case, with change of one-fourth of them yearly. The board appoints a superintendent and assistant superintendent for terms of 4 years.

Statistics.-Estimated present population, 350,000; youth of school age (enumeration of 1870), 77,737 ; enrolled in public schools, 45,942; average attendance, 27,779; teachers, 764 ; expenditures for whites, $\$ 734,549$; for colored, $\$ 59,254$; total, $\$ 793,803$, including expenditure for new buildings and repairs and covering 14 months, through a change which makes the school year correspond with the calendar ycar.

Additional particulars.-The school system includes 12 day schools and 4 evening schools for colored pupils, with the following for whites: 3 evening schools, 5 EnglishGerman, 62 primary, 42 grammar, 2 high schools for girls, and the Baltimore City College, which serves both as a high school for boys and a preparatory school for the Johns Hopkins University, in fact if not in name. The course of the college has becn extended to 5 years, though there is also provision for a 1 year's course, embracing only English grammar, commercial arithmetic, book-keeping and business correspondence, history of the Unitcd States, physiology, physics, and drawing. In both the high schools for girls and in the college therc are full corps of instructors, and good work seems to be done. In grades below these drawing and music receive a fair amount of attention, the former having 20 minutes daily devoted to it and the latter 15 minutes. The old mode of teaching reading letter by letter through the alphabet is being abandoned for the new, which teaches from the beginning simple words with clearly defincd meanings, and thus carrics the pupils quickly into the reading of casy sentences composed wholly of such words. Beyond this the reading book is throughout coming to be used as a spelling book also, with great care as to perfect articulation and also as to correct use of words in ordinary speech. Arithmetic, too, is being taught less by rote and more through well arranged exercises in both mental calculation and practical operations.-(City report for 1877:)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## state normal school.

The State Normal School closed its twelfth annual session in June, 1877, having had 220 students on the roll during the year, of whom 197 were women and 23 men. Of these, 158 werc present at the close of the school, 36 were graduated, and 96 returned to school in Scptember. Twenty-two of the graduating class engaged in teaching, 4 in the city and 18 in the counties. The annual appropriation to the school is $\$ 10,500$. It is essentially a freo school, being requircd to supply tuition and books to 200 pupils free of charge; yet it has authority to receive one pay student for every two free students. This authority, however, has becn little exercised, for three years once passed without there being a single pay student in the school, and in the twelve years of its existence there have been only 39,11 of these in the last year.- (Rcport of the principal in State report for 1876 - $^{\prime} 7 \%$.)

## NORMAL CLASS FOR COLORED STUDENTS.

In connection with the Centenary Biblical Institute, Baltimore (Methodist Episcopal), there has been for some years a normal dcpartment, in which for the last year there were 30 students, of whom 3 graduated, 2 of the 3 engaging in teaching. In all, 26 persons educated here are said to have served as tcachers. The full course of the school, which is mainly for the training of colored preachers, covers 6 years. How much of this time is devoted to studies meant to prepare for teaching does not appcar.(Return from priucipal.)

## CITY NORMAL CLASS.

A normal class for the preparation of teachers for the city schools and the improvement of such teachers as nced further training for thicir work is hold on Saturdays in Baltimore during the annual scssion of the schools. It numbered during the year 234 pupils, with an average attendance of 138, under 5 teachers, and is said to be a useful and valuable auxiliary to the public school system of the city. - (School report of Baltimore, 1877.)

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

The school law requires that a teachers' institute of 5 days' duration, with the character of a temporary normal school, shall be held in each county once a ycar, presided over, if possible, by the principal or one of the professors of the State Normal School, with the assistance of the county examiner and of any member of the board of county school commissioners who may choose to attend. The State report says that 12 such institutes were held during the ycar, at 11 of which the principal of the normal school was present. It is also stated that these institutes were more largely attended than cyer before, the exercises more practical and interesting, and the good results more olvvious.-(Report.)

## SCHOOL JOURNAL.

The Maryland School Journal, temporarily suspended in the summer of 1877 in consequence of the death of the assistant editor, at the request of the State 'Tcachers' Association, in September of that year resumed its very valuable work of aiding the teachers of the State by the publication of articles on all topics relating to school management and instruction. Its editors are the State superintendent and the president of the Baltimore City Teachers' Association.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

In the Baltimore City College, which serves as both high school and college for the city boys, there were 624 different pupils in 1876-777; in the 2 high schools for girls, 994. The average attendance in the 3 was 983 ; teachers and professors in the college, 14; instructors in the female high schools, 23 . In the countics there are 18 other schools popularly known as high schools, and doubtless doing considerable high school work, but differing in their standards, from the want of any fixed course of studies for this grade of schools.

Then, "above the sixth grade" in the public, schools of the counties, there were 1,942 pupils engaged in 1876 - $77^{\circ}$ in such studies as book-keeping, algebra, natural philosophy, drawing, geometry, physiology, and Latin, many of theso doubtless approximating to a fair high school standard, though many, too, might fall bclow it. This class of students, Superintendent Newell says, is largely composed of youths who, employed during the warm months, enter the schools in winter, usually for a 10 weeks' term.(State report, city report, and letter from Mr. Newell.)

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For statistics of business colleges, private academic schools, and schools for preparing students for college, see Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX of the appendix, and the summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

Seven institutions for superior instruction report statistics for 1877. Loyola College does not report the number of its collegiate students. Westminster College, appareutly the only one in the State open to both scxes, numbers among its collegiate students 26 young women. The courses of instruction in all these colleges appear to be the samc as reported in 1876. For statistics, see Table IX of the appendix, and the summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.
Johns Hopkins University receives three classes of students, namely, graduate stridents, undergraduates who desire a collegiate training, and those who, without refercnce to graduation, wish to avail themsclves of the opportunities afforded by the laboratorics of chemistry, physics, and loiology, or who wish to attend particular courses of lectures in other branches.
The examination for matriculation as collegiate students is put at a high standard. After passing this, students are free to select, under the guidance of the faculty, such a combination of studies as they may prefer. Seven schedules, adapted to different intellectual aptitudes and intended to fit students for beginning the study of the various learncd professions, are suggested, and no one will receive the degrce of b. A. until lic has bccome proficient in languages or mathematics and in one or more branches of natural science. The time requisite for obtaining the degree of bachelor of arts after matriculation will differ with different individuals. One ycar's residence will always be required; commonly, 3 years will be requisite, and those who, by lack of health or funds, are compelled to take a longer time, will not lose their standing, as the 4 years' classes usual in Amcrican colleges are not established here. On the other hand, those who come to the university with attainments in advance of the requirements for matriculation are credited therefor.-(Register for 187\%)

St. John's College, the oldest of its class in the State, reports an increasing number of collegiate students and a corresponding decrease of such as lave to be preparcd for entrance on collegiate studies. Having lad the advantage of an appropriation from the State for the past 8 ycars, now amounting to $\$ 25,000$ annually, it hats becn able to train an average of nearly nincty students a year without charge for tuition, and since 1872 fifty or more of these without charge for board.

Besides St. John's College and the Agricultural Collcge, four others-Washington College, the Western Maryland College, Frederick College, and the Baltimore Fcmale College - reccive donations from the State, ranging from $\$ 300$ to $\$ 3,500$ annually.(State report.)

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

For the statistics of such institntions of this class as report for 1877, see Table VIII of the appendix, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

The Haryland Agricultural College, at College Station, has a 4 years' course of study, embracing 7 departments, namely: civil enginecring and astronomy; English literature; mental science, and history; pure mathematics; physics and applied mathcmatics; agriculture, architecture, and drawing; chemistry and natural history, and ancient and modern languages. This college receives from the State an annual donation of $\$ 6,000$ and from interest on Unitcd States land scrip $\$ 7,288$, making a yearly revenue of $\$ 13,288$. The farm contains 286 acres, and the students are encouraged to work it for pay. Tuition is free to all loys from the State. The number of students in regular courses was 41 ; in partial course, 5 . Number of instructors, 6.-(Return and report, 1877.)

The United States Naval Academy, at Annapolis, reports an attendance of 360 pupils, of whom 150 were in the first ycar of their course, 92 in the second, 68 in the third, and 50 in the fourth. The entire term of study covers 6 years, the last two being spent at sea. There were 145 applicants for admission examined in 1877, of whom 62 were rejected. Eight of these were rejected on the ground of physical disability and the remaining 54 for deficiency in litcrary qualifications. The course of study remains the same as described in the Report for 18\%6.-(Return, 187\%.)

## THEOLOGICAL.

The Centenary Biblical Institute, Baltimore, especially designed to prepare colored youth for the ministry of the Methodist Cliurch, has a regular biblical course of 3 ycars, beyond the preparatory conrse of 6 years before noticed, and had in this 24 students, under 5 instructors, in 1877.- (Return.)

Mount St. Clement's College, Hlchester, and Woodstock College, Woodstock, aim to prepare students for the Roman Catholic ministry, and have respectively 6 and 7 years in their full courses of study, this including literary as well as theological studies. The former reports 5 professors and 33 undergraduate students in 1877; the latter, 10 professors and instructors, without specification of the number of students. Mount St. Clement's has a library of 8,511 volumes; Woodstock, one of 18,200.-(Returns.)

## LEGAL.

At the Department of Lave of the University of Maryland the course of study covers 2 years. Attendance of students for 1877, under 3 professors, 60; graduates, 21.-(Return.)

## MEDICAL.

The School of Medicine of the University of Maryland, at Baltimore, has a 2 years' course, and reports, for 1877, an attcudance of 132 students, under 10 professors.-(Return.)

The Maryland College of Pharmacy, Baltimore, has a course in materia medica and botany and in practical and analytical chemistry in connection with direct instruction in pharmacy. To graduate, students must have attended two full courses of lectures and one of analytical instruction in addition to 4 years of service as a druggist's ap-prentice.- (Amnual circular, 1877, and return.)

The Baltimore College of Dental Surgery and Maryland Dental College, Baltimore, have courses of 2 years, each embracing 21 weeks of lecture attendance and practice. The former has also a preliminary course of 24 weeks. Number of instructors in this, 10 ; students for the year, 42; graduates, 19 in 1877. Instructors in the latter, 11 ; students, 20; graduates, 17.-(Returns and circulars.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## MARYLAND INSTITUTION FOR TIIE EDUCATION OF THE DEAN AND DUMB, FREDERICK.

There were 103 pupils attending this sehool during 1876-77, of whom 65 were males and 38 females. The branehes tanght are the common English, natural philosophy, chemistry, and drawing; the employments are cabinet making, shoemaking, dress making, and housework:. The library numbers 2,000 volumes. Special attention is given to vocal training in the ease of those who show any aptitude for aequiring speech or already possess the power in any degree.-(Return and report for 187\%.)

MARYLAND INSTITUTION FOR THE INSTRUCTION OF THE BLIND, BALTMMORE.
There was an attendanee here, in 1877, of 52 pupils, who were instrueted in music, spelling, arithmetie, algebra, history, philosophy, physiology, grammar, and rhetorie, besides the employments of broom and mattress making, eloair eaning, sewing by hand and machine, faney worl, and knitting. The institution owns grounds and buildings valued at $\$ 190,000$ and five thousand dollars' worth of apparatus. The library, which mumbers 150 volumes, reeeived an addition of 25 during the year.-(Return and report, 1877.)

## institution for colored blind and deaf-mutes.

This institution was organized by the legislature in 1872 as an experiment, but it has suceeeded so well that it is now regarded as a part of the system of public education. Enough has been saved from the yearly State appropriation to provido suitable buildings, whieh, with the grounds, are now estimated to be worth $\$ 20,000$. The number of blind pupils for 1877 was 14; deaf-mutes, 17. The eommon English branehes are taught, also shoemaking, broom making, and tailoring.- (Return and report of the institution, 1877.)

## THE M'DONOGH INSTITUTE, OWINGS' MILLS.

This is a farm sehool meant to train poor boys of respectable parentage at once in healthful plysical oceupation in farm and garden, and in the elements of a good English edueation, with some instruetion in modern languages. Boys from 10 to 14 years of age are received and retained under instruction till they are 16. Through the increasing favor in whieh it is held in the community, a steadily improving elass of boys is brought under its influence, and the standard of the instruction given is rising proportionately. Statistics for 1877 may be found in Table VI of the appendix.

## maryland industrial school for girls, orange grove station.

The girls committed to this institution are taught elementary English, Freneh, and musie, with "overy item of domestie work," plain and faney needlework, eulture of flowers and of grapes, paeking and eanning of fruit, and dress making. Teaehers, besides the superintendent, 3 ; pupils entered during the year, 47 ; remaining at the close, 25.-(Return for 187\%.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCLATION.

The eleventh annual session was held in the town hall at Easton, July 10, 11, and 12, the morning session of the 10 th being occupied with the usual preliminary exereises :and addresses, appointment of eommittees, and report of the executive eommittee, under the chairmanship of Viee President J. F. Arthur.
At the evening session, Professor Leakin addressed the audience on "Religion in the school," and Rev. Mr. Lewis, of Baltimore, spoke on "The relations of minister and teacher, the pulpit and the sehool room."
At the opening on the seeond day, the president of the association, Dr. James L. Bryan, of Cambridge, appeared and delivered his address. A paper on "Tho true end of teaelhing" was then read by Miss Corinne Noble, of Federalsburg. Reports of eommittees on xeforms and improvements, index books, and methods of instruction having been made, Rev. A. G. Harley delivered an address on the Latin language, urging on the teaehers the importance of this study. At a subsequent session, Professor Roche spoke of "University roforms, or specimen frauds perpetrated in scholastie institutions for the last three thousand years." Miss Fanny Delaney read a paper on "The seienee of teaching," whieh was received with great applause. Professor George Jaekson, chairman of the committee on Greek, made his report on that subjeet, as also, in the evening, did a committee which had been appointed to urge on State Superintendent Newell the eontinuance of the Maryland Sehool Journal, threatened with suspension. Following this last report eame a paper on "The elildren at home," by Miss Maria L. Sanford, of Swarthmore College, Pa., which exeited great interest.
On the third day, Professor H. C. Cushing, of the Western Maryland College, read a paper on "The true position of the teacher," and Mr. Reynolds, of Wilmington, Del., addressed the association on "The importance of Latin and Greek as studies." Dis-
cussions followed on thorongh teaching of primary studies and on the value of the study of the classios.

Officers were then elected for the ensuing year, John F. Arthur, esq., of Baltimore, being chosen president; and committecs were appointed on executive business, on defence, on discipline, on school exlibitions and examinations, on text books, on teachers' institutes, on reforms and improvements in text books and methods of instruction in high and low English, on Greek, on mathematics, on modern languages, on natural science, on moral science, on history, on geography, on arithmetic, and on reading and elocution. Baltimore having been selected as the place for the meeting in July, 1878, the association then adjourned.-(Maryland School Journal, September, 1877.)

STATE SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS' ASSOCIATION.
The annual meeting of the commissioncrs was held at the State Normal Sehool, Baltimore, on November 27 and 28, 1877. The president of the association, Rev. Samuel Cornelins, of Calvert County, being prevented by sickness from attending, the meeting was called to order by F. S. Everist, of Cecil County, second vice president, and all the counties save four were found to be represented, Dr. James M. Garnett, president of St. John's College, appearing also for that institution, and Superintendent Newell for the State Normal School. E. F. Perkins, first vice president, having arrived, he took the chair, and the greater portion of the morning session was devoted to hearing committee reports and to reading a summary of the reports of the several county school boards to the State board, which had been furnished by the secretary.
A committee of three, the acting president being one, was then appointed to consider and report upon the action of the State comptroller in refasing to make full payment of the State free school fund, because of the failure of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company to pay the State the proportion of its earnings required by law. This committee the next day reported a resolution declaring it to be the opinion of the association that the legislature should provide for the annual payment of the fund and of arrearages due to it from any unappropriated money in the State treasury. This was adopted, and another committee of three appointed to present to the general assembly the views of the association on this subject.
The remainder of the session was occupied with the discussion of a series of propositions reported by the committee on business, all which were adopted. Of these the more important were, substantially, as follows: (1) The public school system of the State, as at present organized, is well adapted to the education of the young of all classes and conditions and is entitled to the universal respect and sympathy of the people. (2) While it is not claimed that the system is insusceptible of improvement, any change that is proposed should be maturely considered and no alteration made merely as an experiment. (3) The association believes that the interests of public instruction would be promoted by the appointment of scparate officers to discharge the duties of principal of the State Normal School and executive officer of the State board of education. $(4,5)$ In view of the fact that the State comptroller has failed to distribute to the several counties, on the days appointed loy law, all the 'State school tax collected up to those dates, the association respectfully suggests to the legislature the propriety of instructing the comptroller to keep the State school tax and the income from the free school fund scparate from all othcr moneys in the treasury and to deposit the same in bank to the credit of the public schools of Maryland. If a judicial construction of the law should justify the action of the comptroller, the association prays the legislature to amend the law and make the school tax payable to the school boarils in full as collected up to the days appointed for the distribution of it. (6) The association views with favor the progress of public sentiment in favor of applying the academic fund of every county to the support of county high schools, under the control of the boards of county school commissioners. (7) The association recognizes, in the condition of secondary education in the State-i. $c$., the schools, academics, and other institutions of learning above the district school and below the college-a subject requiring the intervention of the legislature ; and yet sees so many local and personal interests to be adjusted and harmonized in this connection as to make it doubtful whether the questions arising could be satisfactorily settled at any single session of that body. It therefore recommends that the legislature appoint a commission to examine the subject in all its bcarings, and report, by bill or otherwise, to the next general asscmbly. (8) Apart from the above strggestions, the association is not prepared to advise the legislature to make any change in the school law, and especially deprecates any departure from the present mode of appointing the school commissioncrs by the judges of the circuit courts. (9) The association, believing that the permanent success of the school system depends on having good teachers and good school-houses, reconmends the continued and persevering use of the means presented in the school law: for the first, the State Normal School, teachers' institutes and associations; for the second, the building of school-houscs only when absolutely needed, in goot locations, of ample dimensions, with a supply of good desks, blackboards, and outhouses, as required by law. (10) No school-house can be regarded as sufficicnt which docs not
give at least twelve fect of foor space and one hundred and fifty culbic feet of air to each pupil; still more than this is held to be desirable. (11) The association, disbelieving that any effective method of artificial ventilation applicable to small and cheap houses has yet been invented, recommends that teachers and school offecers see to the changing of the air of the school room every half hour by opening all the doors and windows for a few minutes.-(Maryland School Journal, Deecmber, 1877.)

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## PROF. RICHARD SOMERS SMITI.

Professor Smith dicd suddenly of heart disease January 23, 1877, at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, where he had been chicf of the department of drawing since 1867. Born in Philadelphia, Pa., in 1814, he entered the Military Academy at West Point in 1829 and was gradnated in 1834. Two years later he resigned his position in the Army and for 4 years followed the profession of civil engincer, doing valuable service on several important public works. In December, 1840 , he returned to the Army, and in the following February was attached to the academical staff at West Point as assistant teacher of drawing. In 1846 he became assistant professor of drawing, and in 1852 principal assistant professor, resigning in 1856. He was then professor of mathematies in the Brooklyn Collegiate Institute intil 1859, and director of Cooper Institnte, New York, until 1861. The civil war then breaking out, he was reappointed in the Army with the rank of major of the Twelfth United States Infantry, and served as minstering and disbursing officer in Maryland and Wisconsin. He commanded a brigade at the battle of Chancellorsville, when he received notice of his election to the presidency of Girard College, Philadelphia, and with the full eonsent of Gcneral Mcade, then his corps commander, and of Hon. E. M. Stanton, Secretary of War, he accepted the position, entered on its duties May 30, 1863, and contimned in the diseharge of them till 1867. Resigning at that time, to be succeeded by Dr. William H. Allen, who had been of predcecssor in the post, he removed to Annapolis to supecrintend the department of drawing in the Naval Academy, in which he contimed till his death.

## PROF. JAMES H. MACLELION.

The Methodist of April 21, 1877, contained the announcement that this gentleman, prineipal of the Frederick Female Seminary, dicd there on Sunday, April 15, 187\%, His widow writes that he was born in Bristol, Maine, April 7, 1817, and that an illness of some ycars interrupted his early edncation. Reeovering from this, he pursucd an academic course, entered Bowdoin Collcge, and was gradnated in the class of 1844. Ho then went to Philadelphia, where he studied law and was admitted to the bar, but, being attacked with a scrious bronchial affection, went to Mississippi, in the hope that a change to a milder climate would effect a cure. There he engaged in teaching, first as instructor in natural science and languages in the Holly Springs Female Institnte, and afterward as prineipal of the Chalmers lustitute for Boys. His health having much improved, he remained in this position several years. He was then conneeted with the La Grange Femalc College for two years, first as vice president and aiterward as president on the death of his friend, President D. B. Johnson, with whom he had becel associated. Here he met and married Miss Maria W. Nash, a young lady teacher in the eollege, and the next year returned to Holly Springs to take charge of the Institnte for Young Ladies with which he had leen formerly connected. On the eonclusion of the war, schools being prostrate, he engaged for a time in business at Memphis, Tenn., but he was won fron this again by his old love for teaching, and in 1873 took charge of the Frederick Female Scminary, where he remained till lis death in 1877.
Mr. Hackelton was a member of the Protestant Episcopal Chureh, highly esteemed for his pure Christian eharacter and his mselfish devotion to his educational work; his labors in this line extending, with two or three interruptions, over a period of nearly thirty ycars, and his success in it being attested by the grateful aeknowledgments of the pupils he had edueated.

## NATHAN R. SMitif, M. D.

The Phitadelphia Press of July 4, 1877, announced that this distinguished surgeon and medical practitioner, born at Comish, N. H., died at Baltimore on the morning of June 30, 1877, in the cighty-first year of his age. In 1825 he was appointed professor of surgery and anatomy in the University of Vermont and organized the medical school of the institntion. In 1827 he accepted the chair of surgery in the medical department of the University of Maryland, whicll he filled for many years. He was known as a writer in varions medical journals, and published a volnminous work on the Surgical Anatomy of the Arterics, which was well received in this eountry and in
Europe and went through several calitions.

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Hon. M. A. Newell, State superintendent of public instruction, Baltimore.

## state boald of education.

[Torm of governor and of appointed members ends 1880.]

| Members. | Post-office. |
| :---: | :---: |
| His Excellency John Lee Carroll, ex officio president....................................... | Annapolis. |
| Mon. M. A. Newell, principal of State Normal School, exccutive officer of the board and ex.officio Stato superintendent of public instruction. |  |
| P. A. Witmer, of Washington Countr, member by appointment .......................... | Hagerstown. <br> Whaleyville. |
| Dr. J. P. R. Gilliss, of Worcester County, member by appointment......................... | Bel Air. |
| Dr. E. H. Richardson, of Harford County, member by appointment......................... | Ellicott City. |

## MASSACIHUSETTS.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-77\%. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Persons of school age (5-15) | 300, 834 | 296,375 |  | 4, 459 |
| Persons of all ages in public schools | 305,776 | 307, 832 | 2,056 |  |
| Persons under 5 attending | 2,084 | 2,058 |  | $2 \ddot{6}$ |
| Persons over 15 attending | 27, 213 | 28, 190 |  |  |
| Average attendance................... | 218,903 | 222, 704 | 3, 801 |  |
| Ratio of attendance to the number of school age. | 72.76 | 72.34 |  | 42 |
| Attending evening schools............ | 9,337 | 11,529 | 2,192 |  |
| Average attendance... | 4, 424 | 5,305 | 881 |  |
| schools. |  |  |  |  |
| Number of public schools | 5,542 | 5,556 | 14 |  |
| Number of high schools $a$ | 212 | 216 | 4 |  |
| Average length of term in day | 176 | 175 |  | 1 |
| Number of evening schools.. | 114 | 92 |  | 22 |
| teachers and thelr pay. |  |  |  |  |
| Male teachers in public schools | 1,201 | 1,176 |  | 25 |
| Female teachers in public schools | 7,650 | 7,544 |  | 106 |
| Number of both sexes.... | 8,851 | 8,720 |  | 131 |
| Number trained in normal schoo | 1,280 | 1,898 | 618 |  |
| Average monthly pay of men. | \$84 78 | \$82 22 |  | \$2 56 |
| Average monthly pay of wome | 3525 | 3420 |  | 105 |
| Teachers in evening schools | 364 | 445 | 81 |  |
| academies and private schools. |  |  |  |  |
| Incorporated acadomies. | 72 | 44 |  |  |
| Average attendance. | 5,776 | 3,939 |  | 1,83л |
| Aggregate of tuition fees ...... | \$225, 057 | \$131, 693 |  | \$93, 364 |
| Uniucorporated private schools....... Estimated average attendance...... |  | 385 | 44 |  |
| Estimated average attendance......... Estimated tuition fees.............. | 14,513 | 15,228 | 715 |  |
| Estimated tuition fees. | \$447, 915 | \$439, 603 |  | \$8,312 |
| state special schools. |  |  |  |  |
| Charitable and reformatory schools. | 18 | 18 |  |  |
| Number of different pupils | 1,308 | 1,541 | 233 |  |
| Avcrage number. | 804 | 875 | 71 |  |
| Number under 5 years of ag | 31 | 40 | 9 |  |
| Number over 15 years of age .-........ | 370 | 367 |  | $\overline{3}$ |
| Number between $5-15$ remaining at the end of the year. | 486 | 443 |  | 43 |
| Male teachers in such schools. | 3 | 2 |  | 1 |
| Female teachers in such schoo | 15 | 16 | 1 |  |
| Length of term in months | 12 | 12 |  |  |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Receipts for public schools | \$6, 105, 536 | \%\$5,481,598 |  |  |
| Expenditure for these... | 5,920,950 | 5,582,519 |  |  |
| state school fund. <br> Amount of available school fund |  |  |  |  |
|  | \$2, 065, 866 | \$2,067, 000 |  |  |

[^40](From reports of Hon. Joseph White and Hon. John W. Dickiuson, secretaries of the State board of education, for the two years indicated.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL

A State board of education-composed of the governor, licutenant governor, and eight other persons appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the council has general oversight of the school system, but with very limited power beyond that of receiving and publishing returns from the school officers of towns, cities, and State special institutions. Each appointed member holds office for eight years, one retiring anmally in the order of entrance on office.

The secretary of the board, appointed by it and retained during its pleasure, performs most of the executive work, and has substantially the character of a State superintendent of public instruction. To aid him in visiting different portions of the State with a view to inquiring into the condition of the schools and stimulating educational interests, one or more agents may be appointed by the board.

A State director of art education has general supervision of drawing in the public schools of cities and towns with 10,000 or more inhabitants, and is the special head of the State Normal Art School.

## LOCAL.

School committecs of three or some multiple of three have charge of all local school interests in towns and cities, except in cases where a district system prevails. In these a prudential committee of one person has charge of the school-house of his district, and may by vote of the town engage teachers for it. Where two or more districts unite for the maintenance of a union school, the prudential committees of the union district form together the prudential committee for the school.

Superintendents of public schools are appointed annually in such towns as require this by a legal vote and in such cities as direct it by an ordinance of the city council. Two or more towns may unite to elect a superintendent. - (State school laws, edition of 1875.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

One of the agents of the State board of education, whose travels through the counties give him large opportunity for observation, says in his report that in too many country neighborhoods methods of instruction survive which have been condemned for generations; an untrained person, closen from the district, teaches by mere rote and sometimes practises old repulsive modes of discipline. But these cases, thongh more numerous than would be supposed by those who have not extensively visited the schools, are now exceptions to the general rule. "The great proportion of the schools are characterized by good order; habits of industry are acquired; the mode of discipline which prevails is humane; the spirit of the teachers is in general kind, and from this better spirit many good results naturally follow. This improved spirit in the schools is general and the methods of teaching and management in most are changing for the better, while many are in the highest degree satisfactory. In most schools, if not in all, the class has made captive the individual, a gain in many ways; in the cities and villages, the graded school has prevailed over the mixed school; * * * courses of studies, programmes of work, and periodical examinations have aided very much in promoting classification. All these things assist in the good ordering of the schools."

Then, too, "in many the elementary work is done by the most rational of methods. In learning to read, the child is tirst led to name the thing described in his reading lesson, and then to recognize its written sign or name. The oral names which ho already knows, he sees in their written forms; the oral sentence which he has used is expressed for him in written words; and thus he learns the written expression. Learning to read in snch schools is thus made a natural process; the child takes delight in it, and, as the result, has his mind in the best possible condition. Other subjects are taught by the same rational method: lessons in numbers, with objects; geographical terins, in connection with the features of the earth itself; the elements of natural history, with specimens."
And, while this is the present improved condition of the schools, he sees, in the discoess.
ten of educational questions among the people, in the awakening of the committees, and in the study of the philosophy of school work by the teachers, indications of
demand that all the schools shall reach a higher plane.
ussentially the same view of generally marked advance, notwithstanding some disis becoming more rational, the committees mof the board. He says: "The teaching more earnest in their work, and both committees and teachers more thoroughly alive to whaterer promises better results."-(State report for 1876-77.)

## MEANS OF IMPROVEMENT.

Among accomplished facts in this direction has been the institution of a series of meetings of school committccs. These were held in 6 of the 14 counties of the State during the summer and fall of 1877. The calls for the meetings were issued by the agents of the State board of education, after conference with the committees in the several connties, but the meetings were officered and controlled by the school committees themselves.

The aim in holding them seems to have been to awaken the committeemen to a deeper sense of the importance of the duties which the law devolves on them and to secure a fuller cö̈peration between them and the teachers in efforts to elevate and improve the schools. The general question for discussion was, "How can the efficiency of the common schools be increased?" Subordinate topics were embraced under this general head, and with the aid of Secretary Dickinson and at lcast one of the agents of the board of education such themes were discussed as school supervision; powers and duties of committees, especially with regard to truancy; the examination and certiticating of teachers, and courses of study. The several branches of study, drawing in particular, received considerable attention. Methods of teaching were also talked ovcr. In all the meetings, it is said, there was shown an earnest desire to discover the best means of improving and conducting the schools. The results for the year have been (1) a quickening of intelligent interest in good school work among many of the school committees; (2) the formation of permanent associations of the committees in four of the counties, with a view to future mcetings of like character; ; (3) the adoption of a course of studies by the Eastern Hampshire Association, which is made the guide for the schools of that section, and which has been widely distributed throughout the State to aid the teachers in securing unity of plan in work; (4) the passage of resolutions looking to further improvements and likely to lead to them.
Amoug the unaccomplished things brought up at several of these meetings and discussed in other ways throughout the State, was the matter of fuller and more skilful supervision of the schools. One of the agents of the board says that sometimes there is a lack of supervision. The private business of the committeemen overshadows school duties or those who are competcnt to supervise the schools will not always serve on the committee. Not unfrequently, those best fitted in a town are men who forty years ago may have been successful teachers, but who have through all the intervening time been absorbed in other pursuits, and have not kept up with the progress of education. The supcrvision in this last case is very apt to be imperfect. Another agent says it is exceedingly unequal when local; $i$. $e$., when one member of a committee takes charge of a single school or group of schools and another member of another. The supervision, in some instances, is systematic and effective, in others onesided and weak. It is only where it is gencral, he says, that all the schools will be found working on the same plan and keeping nearly equal pace with one another. Accordingly, at two of the county committee meetings held in 18:7, resolutions were passed in favor of county or district supervision, and a petition to the legislature was signed by committees in attendance asking for the division of the State into sections, with the appointment of one or more school superintendents, whose duty it should be to supervise the educational work of the public schools within their scctions, examine and license teachers, and in all practicable ways aid the local sclool committees. Secretary Dickinson urges strongly the same neasure, believes it could be instituted with but slight addition to the prescnt cost of the school system and a real eventual economy, and says: "Our lcgislature could not secure for the State a greater good than would result from the passage of any act authorizing and requiring the appointment of county superintendents, who shall be the agents of the school committees of the county and exercise over the schools the same intelligent supervision as is now exercised by city superintendents."-(State report for 1886-7\%.)

## KINDERGÄRTEN.

Sceven of these institutions report for 1877 a total of 159 pupils under 7 principal and 8 assistant teachers. Three of these schools were in Boston, one of them in connection with the public school system of the city. The others were in Cambridge, North Cambridge, Florence, and Yarmouth Port. All had the Fröbel gifts and occup:1tions, and the one connected with the Boston school system expresses substantially the testimony of all as to the effects of the training, viz, that it "promotes healthy and harmonious growth of the mental, moral, and physical nature."-(Returns to Bureau of Education.)

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

In all cases there are school committees, composed of some number divisible by 3 , elected for terins of 3 years, one-third liable to change each year by new election. The committee usually chooses a city superintendent to visit and have general snper-
vision of the schools; in Boston, it chooses also 6 supervisors for the examination of schools, of candidates for teacherships, aud of candidates for graduation.- (School laws of Massachusetts.)
statistics.a

| Cities. | Population in 1875. | Children of school age, 5-15. | Enrolment. $b$ | Arerage attendanco. | Teachers. | Expenditare. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Adams. | 15,760 | 3,171 | 3,374 | 1,921 | / 63 |  |
| Boston. | 341,919 | 58, 636 | 55,417 | 42, 797 | 1,305 | \$1,816,615 |
| Camibridge | 47, 838 | 8, 218 | 9,593 | 6, 49: | 1188 | 183,564 |
| Fall River | 45, 340 | 8, 509 | 8, 814 | 4,843 | 123 |  |
| Fitchburg | 12, 289 | 2,208 | 2,319 | 1,783 | 60 | 37, 507 |
| Gloncester. Haverhill. | 16,754 | 3, 691 | 4, 20: | 2,994 | 98 |  |
| Holyoko. | 14, 628 | 2,608 | 2, 204 | 2,075 | 66 |  |
| Liswrence. | 34, 907 | 5, 234 | 1, 4,759 | 1,141 | 46 109 | 26, 220 |
| Lowell. | 49, 688 | 7, 400 | 7, 763 | 5, 249 | 141 | 1:27,691 |
| Lrun . .-... | 32, c00 | 5, 924 | 5,544. | 4,264 | 117 | 106,651 |
| New Bedford | 25, 876 | 4, 002 | 3, 925 | 3, 175 | 110 | 100,651 |
| Newburyport | 13, 323 | 2,505 | 2, 415 | 1,665 | 47 | 28,924 |
| Newton.. | 16,105 | 2, 853 | 3,194 | 2,439 | 80 | 83, 456 |
| Salem..... | 25, 955 | - 4,430 | 4,247 | 2,938 | 86 |  |
| Somerville - | 21, 868 | 4,028 | 4,960 | 3, 472 | 97 |  |
| Springfield. | 31, 053 | 5, 408 | 5, 890 | 4,183 | 120 | 92, 428 |
| Taunton Woburn | $20,4 \geq 9$ 9,568 | 3, 632 2.198 | 3, 5\%9 | 2, 649 | 75 | 50, 065 |
| Worcester | 9,568 49,317 | 2,198 | 1,957 9,936 | 1, 562 | 52 180 | 32,315 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 144,579 |

a For the sake of uniformity, the figures in these statistics, except for expenditure, are taken from the tables appended to the State report for 1876-'7\%. The expenditures and the additional particulars following the table aro from the published reports of tho cities mentioned, covering generally the earne year. In the cases of Holyoke, Newton, Springfield, Tamnton, and Woburn, the expenditures are from written returns. In a return from Adams the fuil expenditare is not given, but the rectipts for school purposes aro stated to be $\$ 29,483$.
$b$ The enrolment often exceeds the number of school age from the narrow limits of that age.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Boston had, during 1876-77, in connection with 466 ordinary day schools and 8 high schools, a city Kiudergarten, 16 elemcntary evening schools, 1 evening high school, 5 evening draving schools, 2 schools for licensed minors (ncwsboys and bootblacks), the Horacc Mann School for the Deaf, and a normal school for girls. This last will be noticed under the head of Training of Tcachers, further on, and the schools for licensed minors and the Horace Mann School under the head of Special Instruction. The Kindergarten had an avcrage registration of 34 and an average attendance of 31, under 2 teachers ; the 16 elementary evening schools, a total registration of 5,175 , au average belonging of 2,142 , and an average attondance of 1,205 , under 139 teachers; the 5 evening drawing schools a total registration of 1,244 , an average belouging of 635 , and an avcrage attendance of 279 , under 13 teachers; the evening high school an average of 950 belonging and of 352 in attendance each evening, under 11 teachers. In the average number belonging to all the schools of the city there was an increase of 1,144 , more than one-third of the increase being in the evening schools. Yet, with this cnlargement of numbers, there was, through careful economical arrangements, a reduction of expenditure to the extent of $\$ 198,765$; and this, Supcrintendent Philbrick thinks, without impairing in any perceptible degree the efficiency of the schools. With a view to the furtherance of this efficiency by the improvement of teachers already in the service, special courses of instruction and training in methods of teaching music, drawing, penmanship, and reading have becn institutcd in connection with the girls' normal school. It is proposed to continue these courses, with additional ones on teaching other branches, and that teachers just entering on service be required to attend them a certain number of hours weekly for a year or two. As a further means of promoting efficiency, the complete adoption of the frce text book system is earnestly urged by Mr. Philbrick, the system of partial supply of books to indigent children laving many of the objectionable features and results of the old pauper school plan.- (Thirty-second semiannual report.)

Gambridge, for the Jear ending December 31, 1877, had a high school, with 13 teachers ; 7 grammar schools, with 83 ; and 20 primary schools, with 75 ; besides a training school for the preparation of new teachers, 6 evening schools for ordinary studies, and 2 cvening drawing schools, the teachers in these evening schools numbering 45 . There were also a special teacher of singing, a supervisor of drawing, and a teacher of sewing employed on half timc. This last item of instruction was introdnced during the ycar in two classes of a grammar school, on the repeatedly pressed petition of ladies of the city. Tried as an experiment only, the intercst taken in the work by the children who lave been taught and by their parents indicates a favorable feeling with respect to it
on the part of those most affecter. The general attendance in all the schools being about the same as the preceding year, the increase in the high school and grammar schools involved a corresponding decrease in the primary schools. The evening schools, reaching from Novenber 1, 1876, to April 1, 1877, had an enrolment of 754 scholars and an average attendance of 290. The cxpenses of all the schools have been largely reduced, mainly by reduction of the salaries of teachers.- (Report of the school committee and superintendent for 1877.)

Fitchburg had, in 1877, 1 high school, with 8 teachers; 3 grammar schools, with 13 ; 9 intermediate, with $10 ; 10$ secondary, with $13 ; 10$ primary, with 12 ; and 7 ungraded, with 8. Three of the schools were open only a portion of the year, and some changes occurred among the teachers. Additional to the other teachers werc 3 special ones for singing, writing, and drawing. Two evening common schools were maintained, one for the winter months, the other for a few wecks only, with 11 teachers, an enrolment of 155, and an average attendance of 66, and an evening drawing school, with 3 teachers, an enrolment of 108, and an average attendance of 60 . - (Report of Superintendent Joseph G. Edgerly for 1877.)

Lowell reports, for 1877 , 1 high school, with 10 teachers, an enrolment of 300 , and an average attendance of $291 ; 8$ grammar schools, with 61 teachers and an enrolment of 2,$293 ; 1$ intermediate, with a single teacher and 30 pupils; 2 "mixed" schools, with 2 teachers and an enrolment of 48 ; and 64 primary schools, with 64 teachers and an enrolment of 3,070 . A reform scheol is also referred to as efficiently conducted, well taught, and under firm yet conciliatory discipline, and a "mill school" as kept up for 45 days during the summer, with a total enrolment of 78 and an average attendance of 28. Evening drawing schools were held from November 13, 1876, to April 1, 1877, with 9 teachers and 275 students, divided into architectural, machine, free hand, practical design, and crayon shading classes, 40 lessons being given in each class and 2,020 drawings accepted. Then there were at least 4 other evening schools for ordinary studies, with 57 teachers, 1,278 different scholars, and 541 in average attendance, taught for 55 evenings with encouraging results. An evening high school, apparently one of these 4 , was opened in the autumn of 1876 as an experiment, proved a success, and is likely to become a permanent part of the evening school system. The order in all the evening schools is said to have much improved. In the day schools, special teachcrs of penmanship, drawing, and vocal music have been employed. The musical instruction seems to have awakened very general intercst, and is reported to have achieved a decided improvement on previous results. - (Report for 187\%.)

Lynn reports for the same year 1 high school, with 5 teachers, an average enrolment of 154 , and an average daily attendance of $146 ; 7$ grammar schools, with 49 teachers and an average enrolment of 2,$115 ; 54$ primary schools, with 54 teachers and an average enrolment of 2,$656 ; 1$ evening drawing school, with 1 teacher, an average enrolment of 55 , and an average attendance of 35 . Several other evening schools for elementary studies, maintaincd in previous years, were not renewed in the winter of 1876-77 because of irregularity of attendance, difficulty in maintaining discipline, and lack of earnest work on the part of pupils. It is thought, however, that hy concentrating all the strength of effort on 2 such schools, with thoronghly good teachers, and secmring order by special police, if necessary, better results may be obtained in future. In the day schools, special teachers of vocal mnsic have been employcd, and, in the high school, a teacher of drawing and penmanship. The course of study in the high school has been changed within the year, with a view to more adequate provision for the thorough training of pupils who contemplate entering college. There is now an English course of 2 years; a classical, of 3 years, with provision for a fourth whenever a class of 10 pupils in it can be secured; and a college course of 4 years. In the classical comrse, Latin is stndied, but not Greek, and German or French may be taken up at the beginning of the second year and continucd throughont the course. The college course includes both Greek and Latin, with French in the third year.- (Report for 1877.)

New Bedford, through her school committee, reports 24 schools, 23 school buildings, and 104 school rooms, 1 used for a training school, 12 for high school pmoposes, 33 for her 3 grammar schools, 44 for her 11 primary schools, 11 for her 6 conintry schools, 1 for a mill school, 1 for a farm school, and 1 for drawing. Two evening schools liave also been maintained, and mnsic as well as drawing has received steady attention in the city system. The statement is made (and it applics to other cities also) that, adding to the public school emrolment those attending private schools and those at work in mills, at home, or elsewhere, there remain only abont 10 per cent. of the children of school age detained from school by the contingencies of city life which deprive of public instruction those entitled to its benefits. The average attendance on the public sclools, too, has very mearly reached the average number belonging. The new high school building, referred to in the report of last year as completed, is said to bear admirably the test of nse and to satisfy at almost every point the most exacting demands. The question of a possible alteration of the course and methods of this school, with a view to closer muion with the lower grades and to effecting still greater good for a
greater number, having been referred by the committee to Supcrintendent Harrington, he, in his part of the report, enters into one of his usually exhaustive arguments (1) in favor of public high schools as useful in a great degree; (2) against the too prevalent tendency to separate them in their course of study and arrangements from the schools below; (3) for such modifications of the course as may both bring the high school into closer relation with the grammar schools and satisfy the popular requirement for an education which will prepare the pupils for the pursuits and industries on which they must depend for a livelihood. The whole paper is a very scnsible and able one, and might well be made an effective campaign document in the present contest about high schools.-(Report for 1877.)

Newburyport, through her school committee, indicates the existence of apparently 3 high school departments, ${ }^{1}$ with a preparatory one answering somewhat to the upper class of grammar schools in some cities; of a large central graded school, in which both sexcs are successfully taught in the same rooms; of 6 grammar schools; of 13 primary schools, and of the Plains School on the outskirts, which has all grades of pupils under one teacher, from those learning the alphtbet to pupils preparing for the high schools. In these day schools there was, for 1877, an average bclonging of 1,697 and an average daily attendance of 1,495 . Then there were also 2 evening elementary schools, one for men and one for women, and an evening drawing school; the two former extending through the winter; the last, from January 29 to spring. Pupils in the evening school for women, total, 103; average, 61; in the evening drawing school, total, 65 ; in the school for men, numbers not given. The grammar school course in this city is shorter than in some others; but the committee think that this is more than compensated for by a preparatory high school year, in which the higher grammar school studies are taught by highly qualified teachers both economically and thoroughly in a central school. The adoption of a standard bclow which none could be admitted to the high school is said to have had a specially stimulating influence on the less successful grammar schools and to have done much to equalize results.-(Report for 1877.)

Newton rcports a per capita expenditure for schools among the highest in the Commonwealth, growing mainly out of the fact that the city is made up of villages widely separated from each othcr. The concentration of pupils in large buildings, with several schools under one roof, is thus made impossible; and numerous school-houses, with many masters and first assistants, add considerably to the total expense. One lady in an outlying district has only 18 pupils; but the various ages and attainments of these make almost as many classes as scholars, requiring wide attainments and peculiar teaching power, with, consequently, a salary large for the size of the school. Still, in gencral, the salaries are lower than in the large cities of the State, and only reach about the average of places of like population, while incidental expenses are kept down to the lowest possible limit. As a whole, the year was a successful one. Only one great shadow fell upon it in the death of Hon. Warren Johnson, late supcrintendent of the schools of Maine, who had entered on his duties as superintendent here, and was fast securing the confidence, coöperation, respect, and love of all around him, when he was suddenly removed.-(Report, 1877.)

Springfield had, in 1877, 1 high school, 6 grammar schools, 9 scparate primary schools, with 3 more in grammar school buildings, 10 ungraded schools, 2 evening clementary schools, and 2 evening drawing schools, in all, 33, apparently exclusive of a truant school, which had a total enrolment of 27 ; average attendance, 12. The schools generally are said to have improved, both in the amount and character of thcir work, through the successful cultivation of a better spirit and the prevalence of real teaching over mere hearing of recitations. The average attainnents of the candidates admitted to the high school from the grammar schools, as shown by their written work at examination, appear to have been not only higher than in previous years, but also to have indicated a better understanding of principles, with greater evenness of acquirements and a more attractive neatness in the work. The committce spcak most favorably of the condition of the high school, which contained 399 pupils, with 50 in the senior class, rivalling in its enrolment many reputable colleges and surpassing some in the fulness of its coursc. One of the evening drawing schools is also said to have becn exceedingly successful, while the other 3 evening schools also did useful work. Drawing and music in the day schools have reccived a fair measure of attention, and with good results.- (Report for 1877.)

Worcester reports, besides 10 suburban schools and 6 ordinary evening schools, 5 evening drawing schools, with (reckoning by the number of rooms for study) 65 primary schools, 42 secondary, and 39 grammar; the high school, counted as 1 , occupying 12 rooms additional. The total number of school buildings was 34 ; of rooms, 171 ; of sittings, 8,613 . The grading of the schools - which inchudes 3 primary, 2 secondary, and 4 grammar grades, with the ligh school - has not becn materially changed within the year, except by the institution in the high school of a class preparatory to college. For those who enter it, this adds a third year to the previons

[^41]2 years' course of the high school and prepares for the more difficult as well as the ordinary examinations for admission to collegiate classes. Physiology, formerly taught in the ninth grammar grade, las becn added to the studies of the high school. The number registered in this school, for the year was 643 ; number of graduates, 63. Special teachers of music and drawing are employed in the schools, and the latter study has been prosecuted with special reference to practical industrial results.(Report of Supcrintendent A. P. Marble for 1876-77.)

From Fall River, Gloucester, Haverhill, Holyoke, Lawrence, Salem, and Somerville 110 printed reports have been reccived furnishing particulars beyond those given in the table.

Of the towns reporting themselves, additional to the above named cities, Chclmsford, Quincy, and Woburn seem to descrve mention : the first, for maintaining 2 high schools in connection with 1 grammar school, 1 intermediate and 9 primary schools; the second, for having, according to various testimony, through the concurrent action of an intelligent committee and an encrgetic superintendent, brought her schools up to a remarkable degree of efficiency and thoroughncss; the third, for presenting, in a sensible and well prepared report, a system of 37 schools, "all graded according to the modern standard," all housed in good buildings with eomfortable single desks, inclined chairs, and other convenicnces, the head of the system being a high school which prepares students for collegiate courses or for positions of trust and influence.

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOLS.

The normal school system of Massachusetts, instituted in 1839, includes 5 schools for the preparation of teachers in the ordinary branches of instruction and a normal art school for training teachers of industrial drawing. In the first 5 - the regular course in which is 2 years, with an advanced course of 2 years more - the number of students for the year covered by the reports was 979 ; the graduates, 10 of them from the advanced course, $260 .{ }^{1}$ In the Normal Art School, where the course is of 4 years, the students for the year numbered 218, the first graduate receiving a diploma•which indicated the prescntation by him of 63 certificated works of art and the successful passing of 39 different examinations. In all the schools, increasing thoroughness of instruction appcars to be the rule, with increasing advantages from more extensive libraries, museums, and other apparatus for illustration in the five first mentioned. Drawing is taught in all; vocal music in all but the art school; and, with the samo exception, all have schools of practice to aid students in acquiring the art of teaching in connection with the science.- (Report of visitors of normal schools, in State report for 1876-77, and returns to Bureau of Education.)
Besides these State normal schools there is the Boston City Normal School for Girls, Which, according to Mr. Philbrick's report, had an average of 77 pupils during the first half year of 1877 , and graduated 65 in the summer of that year. The city reports of Cambridge and New Bedford also show a training school for the preparation of teachers in each of those cities, the former graduating 6 students in 1877, the latter 9.

## NORMAL COURSES.

At Harvard College, in the summer of 1877, there were 4 courses of instruction, each of 6 wecks, in botany, geology, and zoülogy; a summer school of biology, zoölogy, and botany in connection with the Peabody Academy of Science, at Salcm; and a private summer school of languages at Amherst; all meant to give to teachers the advantages of special instruction in this course of study and all constituting substantially summer normal schools. Harvard, it should be further noted, offers to teachers a 1 year's eourse of study in the elcments of natural history, chemistry, and physics, branches which come more and more into favor in botli private and public schools.- (Catalogue, 1876-'77.)

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

Under the law providing for these brief training schools for teachers, 9 institutes were held during the ycar 1876-77 in 8 counties and for 9 successive weeks. They were conducted by the secretary and agents of the State board of education, with the aid of special teachers skilled in the several departments which they taught. The exercises consisted of illustrations of the best methods of presenting flec various topics taught in the schools, with evening discussions of these methods and of the gencral necds of the schools with respect to teaching, management, visitation, and supervision: There were registercd at all the institutes 1,847 names, every connty in the State and nearly 200 towns being represented.-(State report.)

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## EDUCATIONAL JOURNAL.

The New-England Journal of Education, edited by a former State school commissioner of Rhode Island and largely devoted to the improvement of the methods of teaching and discipline in schools, continued its uscful course in this direction during 1877, and, with its extensive circulation, must have done much toward making the instruction judicious and the management effective, where, without this influence, both might have becn quite otherwise. Two others, the Primary Teacher and Good Times, published under the same auspices and from the same office, have aided in improving teachers in the lower schools and afforded pleasant excreises for the pupils.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

The number of these schools reported to the State board in 1877 was 216 ; teachers, 594 ; scholars, 19,160. In addition to the elementary branches tanght in the lower schools, the course of study in them is required by law to include "general history, book-keeping, surveying, geometry, natural philosophy, chemistry, botany, the civil polity of this Commonwealth and of the United States, and the Latin language." Some towns and cities voluntarily add other studies for such students as desire to enter college or to have a fair preparation for any busincss in life.

In view of the present frequent objection to high school education at public expense, Secretary Dickinson devotes several pages to an advocacy of the system. Beginning with Huxley's statement that "no system of public education is wortly of the name, unless it creates a great educational ladder with one end in the gutter and the other in the university," he answers the current objection that "socondary instruction is not necessary to the well being of the state" by a denial, saying, "The history of all people shows that the products of labor, to the laborer, will be in proportion to the skill with which he labors. But labor will be skilled or unskilled in proportion to the high or low state of public instruction, directed, first, toward general culture and, second, toward the arts which the laborer is to apply." The substance of the second common objection, that "only a small portion of the school population avail themselves of the instruction in the high schools," he grants, but says, "There will be more educated people in every town maintaining a high school than there would be without it; and the more educated poople there are, the greater will be the development of material resources, the more perfect the sccurity of property and of persons, the ligher the civilization, and the more complete the facilities for the unmolested enjoyment of all the objects of our natural rights." He then goes on to argue for the high schools on the ground that they give increased cfficicncy to the elementary schools below them, quoting Francis Adams's declaration, that "in the United States the common schools have always produced the best results where the means of higher education have been most plentiful," and saying further that, "by the standard they establish for admission to their classes and the opportunities they offer for a higher cducation, the high schools determine what the lower schools shall do, and they everywhere stimulate pupils to remain in the lower schools till what is required has been accomplished." But while thus arguing for high schools as the crowning excellence of the school system, he thinks that those in charge of them should guard against introducing into their courses of study more subjects than can be mastered, and that the topics chosen should be such as will lead the student in the direction of the most useful information and at the same time provide the greatest possible amount of mental discipline.-(State report for 1876-77.)

## OTHER SCHOOLS CORRESPONDING TO PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

For statistics of all schools of this class reporting for the year 1877, including busincss colleges, private academic schools, and schools specially preparatory to college, see Tables IV, VI, and VII of the appendix, and the summarics of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

For statistics of 8 reporting institutions of this class, see Table IX of the appendix, and the summary of this in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

Of these 8, Smith and Wellcsley are exclusively for women, providing courses, however, fully equal to all ordinary oncs for men. Boston University admits both sexes. In these three, in 1877, there were 254 women in regular collegiate classes, besides 41 at Wellesley in special or partial courses.

At Harvard a number of new elective courses were established for the year 1876-77\%; among them one in Homeric philology, for the special bencfit of students who intend to become teachers; also advanced courses in Latin composition and in rhetoric, new
courses in mathematies and in physies, a course in entomology, and one in musie, making the number actually open for choiee at the beginning of the year, 102 . The steady development of the optional system is shown by a table in the president's report, giving the number of elective excreises a week offered by the faculty for seven years, including 1877-78. The most striking fact deduced from this table is the deeline in the proportion of time given to the classies. It is thought that this is to be explained chiefly on the ground of the inereased attractions held out in other departments of study. Another important detail in the table is that both mathematies and physics showed a steady decline until the present year, notwithstanding the great facilities for study offered in those departments. It is not stated that this is due to the clective system, but it is remarked that if it be it is one of its least fortunate developments, and that the confirmation of some indieations of a change in favor of these departments is looked for with solicitude.

A revision of the requisites for admission has been made for the purpose of adjusting - more satisfactorily the conflieting claims of classical and scientifie studies. Every eandidate is now required to pass upon a specified minimum requisition in all the preparatory studies, and also upon a further or maximum requisition in at least two of the four principal departments, Latin, Greck, mathematics, and physical and natural seience.
This arrangement places physical and natural science upon the same footing as mathematies and opens a wider range of choice by allowing any of the possible combinations of the four branches in which the maximum requirements are to be offered.-(Catalogue for 1876-'77 and annual report.)
Among other changes at Boston University in 1876-77 is the abolition of the course leading to the degree of bachelor of philosophy. This was a 3 years' course which could be entered upon without a knowledge of Greek. As an evidence that the cliange made was wise, it is mentioned that the applications for admission in the fall of $18 \% 7$ to the arts course alone were more numerons than the candidates for the two had ever been.

It has been decided also to materially inerease the requirements for admission to the College of Liberal Arts. These requirements, as thus advanced, it is claimed, will cover a full year's work beyond the present average requirements in this country. The additions are to be distributed over 5 years, as follows: In 1878, clements of rhetorie, with French at sight; in 1879, elements of chemistry, elements of physies, and the hitherto unrequired portions of algebra; in 1880, Sallust's Catiline, the Cato Major and an additional oration of Ciecro, the hitherto unrequired portions of plane and solid geometry, and German at sight; in 1881, one book of Herodotus, 2,000 lines of Ovid, or books VII-IX of the Æncid, and the translation at sight of Latin passages not included in the regular requirements.

Out of a total attendance of 667 students in all departments of the university, 171 were young women. The percentage of young women attending lias steadily increased during the 4 years in which the sehool has been in operation, having been, the first year, 20 ; the second, 21 ; the third, 22 , and, the fourth; 25. (Amnual report, 1876-77, and Year Book.)
The plan of instruetion in the other colleges of the State, the requisites for admission, \&e., seem to be substantially as reported in 1876-77.

COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.
In addition to Wellesley and Smith Colleges, already mentioned, 8 institutions devoted exclusively to the higher education of young women report for 1877 . For full statistics,' see Table VIII of the appendix, and the summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

[For full statistics under this head, see Tables X-XIII of the appendix, and summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.]

## SCLENTIFIC.

The Massaehusetts Agricultural College, Amherst, has a farm of nearly four hundred aeres, new and good buildings, and a cash fund of $\$ 240,000$ in the State treasury. The trustees, however, state that it is greatly in need of money to enable it to do well the work devolved on it. The course of study extends over 4 years and embraces agriculture, botany, horticulture, chemistry, geology, veterinary science, zoölogy, mathematics, plysics, civil engineering, military science and tactics, the English, French, and German languages, and mental and moral science. Students, upon entering, are allowed to matriculate also in Boston University, and, on completing the college eourse satisfactorily, receive the degree of bachelor of science, and, if they choose, a diploma entitling them to the privileges of alumni of the university. The number of students attending in 1877 was 69 , all of them young men.
The Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, provides courses of instruction in
civil, mechanical, and mining engineering, architecture, chemistry, metallurgy, natural history, physies, science and literature, and philosophy. These courses extend over 4 years and are identical during the first one, but for the three remaining years the studies in each course are arranged with reference to the specific end in view. Adranced eourscs, eovering 2 years and more, have been established for graduates, leading to the degree of doctor of science. In addition to these courscs, the trustee of the Lowell Institute, under the supervision of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has established eourses of instruction open to vither sex, which are free of eharge. These are pursued generally in the evening, and embrace essentially the same elass of subjects as the courses before mentioned, but apparently in more popular form. A programme for six sueh courses is published, with a description of a seventh, which is designed to give instruction in practical desigu for manufactures. There were 22 graduate students in 1876-77, and 209 undergraduates, besides 49 who were not candidates for a degrce ; total, deducting names counted twice, 293.
A special course in vise work, eondueted during the year past, has a wakened much attcution throughout the country and forms the starting point in a line of industrial training that is likely to lead to great progress, which will be aided by a new schuol of mechanie arts in the institution.- (Twelfth annual catalogue.)
The Worccster Iree Institute of Industrial Scicnce, Worcester, following in general the plan of the polytechnic schools of Europe, offers a good education, based on mathematics, modern languages, physical sciences, and drawing. It also claims to give sufficient practical familiarity with some brancl of applicd science to secure to its graduates the means of gaining a livelihood. It is specially designed to meet the wants of those who wish to bo prepared as mechanics, civil engineers, chemists, or designers. The training of students preparing for mechanical engineers occupies three and a half years; that of all others, three years, of 42 weeks each. There are, therefore, four classes, viz, apprentice, junior, middle, and senior. Instruction is given by recitations, lectures, and practice. The departments for practice are (1) mechanical engincering, (2) eivil engineering, (3) drawing, (4) physics, and (5) ehemistry. In mechanics, shop practice is added to the course and incorporated with it. In the fall of 1877 there was an attendance of 87 students in the regular elasses, besides 2 pursning a partial course. Twenty-three graduates received the degree of $\mathbf{B .}$. S.-(Return and printed report.)

At Harvard, scientific instruction is provided in the Lawrence Scientifie School, in the Astronomical Olsservatory, in the Musenm of Comparative Anatomy and Zoölogy, in the Bussey Institution, and in 3 summer schools of seience. Lawrence Scientifie School offers courses designcd for (1) graduates of high schools and academies who desire a practical education in civil and topographical engincering, in mining, in ehcmistry, in natural history, or in mathematies, physics, and astronomy ; (2) for persons preparing to become teachers, instruction being given in the modern methods of teaching science by observation and experiment ; (3) for candidates for the degree of doctor of science and other advanced students. The Bussey Institution is a school of agriculture and horticulture, established in execution of the trusts ereated by the will of Benjamin Bussey. Systematic instruction is given in agriculture, useful and ornamental gardening, and stock raising. The summer schools of science, being largcly designed to aid teachers in their preparation for higher work, have been alrcady. noticed under the heading Training of Tcachers.

The 'Lowell Institutc, Boston, in its annual eourses of lectures, often traverses fields of popular seience and aids in diffusing throngh the general community a knowledge of at least the primary elements of astronomy, geology, and similar branches of science.

## THEOLOGICAL.

The Andover Theological Seminary (Congregational), Newton Theological Institution (Baptist), the Episcopal Thcological School of Massachusctts (Protestant Episcopal), Marvard University Divinity School (Unitarian), Boston University School of Thcology (Methodist Episcopal), and Tufts College Divinity School (Universalist) have each a 3 years' eourse of study, Tufts having also one of four years for such as have not received a collegiate training. Of the 221 students attending these schools in 1877, more than half were graduates of colleges. Special courses, not leading to a certificate of graduation or to the degree of bachclor of divinity, are arranged in some of the schools for the benefit of students who may be unable to take the full course. Another institution of this class, the New Church Theological School, Waltham, makes report of its existence since 1866, but appears from the return to have no settled course and no regular corps of instructors.

## LEGAL

At the Law School of Harvard University there had been some fear that the institution of an examination for admission in the case of non-graduates and the extension of the eourse from 2 years to 3 , mentioned in the report for 1876, would canse a diminution of the number attending. This apprehension proved unfounded, for in 1876-77 the
number of students (187) was greater by 2 than in the preceding year. There has, moreover, been one very satisfactory result, viz, an increase in the number of collcge graduatcs entering the school, with a decrease of non-graduates, a change sure to result in great improvement if it be permanent.- (Report for 1876-77.)
The Boston University School of Law is making a like effort to clevate the standard of legal study. In accordance with the recommendation of President Warreu, mentioncd in the report of last year, besides the continued preliminary cxamination of nou-graduates, the third year of the course has been changed from a post graduate to an undergraduate year, and henccforth the degree of bachelor of law is to be conferred upon no one who has not previously taken a degree in arts from some collcge in good standing. Diplomas of graduation, certifying the completion of the course, however, are to he given those who have studied law 3 years ( 2 of which must be in this or in some other approved law school), provided the candidate pass a satisfactory examination. Here too the extension of the course and elevation of the standard have been justificd by the immediate result, a larger attendance than in the preceding year, 143 against 141, with a still further increase at the opening of 1877-78.--(Rcport for 1876-77.)

## MEDICINE.

The Medical School of Harvard University, which in 1871 set the good example of instituting a 3 years' course of study, with a series of cxaminations on all main suljects extending through the course, added in 1877 still further to its services in this direction by instituting a preliminary examination of all candidates for admission without a degree in letters or science. This examination is in Latin prose and Balfour's Physics, French or German, however, being accepted instead of Latin, if desired. The inmediate effect was to reduce somewhat the number of new entries, 6 out of 13 who presented themselves in June being rejected and 2 out of 29 who presented themselves in September; but of course the better quality of the admissions must more than make up for this slight reduction in quantity, and the diploma will mean more and be worth more in the end. The number of stidents for $1876-77$ was 247 . Of these, 82 offered themsclves for examination for a degrce; 61 passed and reccived diplomas, the others withdrawing, failing to appear, or being rejected.
The Boston University School of Medicine has also a preliminary examination of all applicants for admission who are not college graduates, and a medical course covering 3 years essentially the same as that at Harvard. It is open to both sexes on the same terms. Stukents in 1876-77, 184; graduates, 45.-(Fourth annual report.)

The Dental School of Harvard now provides a progressive course of instruction extending over 2 years, the teaching of one year not being repeated in the next. To obtain the degree of doctor of dental medicine, however, there must be 3 years' study, at least onc contimnous year at this school. Students last year, 22; graduates, 8.-(Catalogue for 1876-77 and report.)
The Boston Dental College has greatly raised its standard for graduation during the last 2 years. In order to graduate, the candidates among other requirements must have pursued their professional studics 3 ycars under a competent instructor, must have attended 2 full courses of lectures in this college, and must pass a satisfactory examination. The number of students (25) attending in 1876-77 was not quite so large as in 1876 , yet the school is in a healthy and prosperous condition. - (Rcturn, with letter and printed catalogue.)
The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy has a 2 ycars' course, cmbracing chemistry, materia medica, and botany, and theory and practice of pharmacy. To obtain tho degree of the school, the student must have scrved an apprenticeship of 4 years with some qualified pharmacist in a dispensing store, besides having attended the 2 years' course of this college or one year here and another (the first) at some other recognized college of pharmacy.-(Catalogue, 1876-77.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING STUDY AT HOME.

This excellent association, which has its seat in Boston, but includes members from several States, aims to encourage young women to devote a part of every day to systematic and continuous study. For this purpose it arranges courses of reading and programmes of studies, which it distributes to its members, with directions and advice. The student members must be 17 years of age at least, and must pay annually $\$ 2$ for printing, postage, and the incidental expenses of the association. The yearly tcrm of study is from October 1 to June 1, at which latter time students are invited to send to Boston for examination essays in English, French, or German, on such suljects as it may please them to select. Ccriticates of progress are issued upon these according to the measure of advance shown.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.

The Clarke Institution for Deaf-Mutes, Northampton, which owes its name to the munificcuce of the late John Clarke, of that placc, is not a State school, but, owing to the excellence of its arrangements, it reccives an annual State allowance for the instruction of pupils from Massachusetts. Growing out of a school originally opened by Miss Harrict B. Rogers at Chelmsford in 1856, in the following year it was set on a sure basis at Northampton by Mr. Clarke's liberality, Miss Rogers being continued at the head of it. One of the main purposes of the school from the beginning has been to promote the education of deaf children at an carlier age than had been previously customary, and the success secured through taking quite young children has led to an extensive following of its plan in this respect, as well as in its efforts to teach articulation from the outset. It has three departments, primary, grammar, and high; in 1877 a new building was erected for the first of thesc. While giving a good English education, cabinet making is taught to such boys as need industrial instruction, and sewing and mending to the girls. It had 66 pupils under 8 instructors in 1877.- (Rcport and return.)

The Horace Mann School for the Deaf was organized in 1869 by the Boston school board under the name of the Boston School for Dcaf-Mutes. Its title was changed in 1877 to that above given, because the former one did not correctly express the condition of its pupils, many of them having bcen taught to talk, while the effort is made to cnable them all to do so. The school still remains under the control of the city school committee, forms a part of the public school system, and teaches the common English branches in six regularly graded classes, with Professor Bell's system of articulation. The only industrial employment taught is sewing.-(Return and report for 1877.)

## EDUCATION OF THE BLIND.

The Perlins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind aims to give to sightless children the same kind and degree of instruction as can be had in the best common schools for those who sce, and to train them to industry and useful occupations, improving meanwhile their physical condition and perfecting the delicacy of their remaining senses. At the close of the year 1876-77 it had 133 pupils under $\dot{7}$ teachers, with 13 men and 4 women employed in a workshop for adult blind persons. Besides the school exercises and the usual industrial occupations of each day, there are evening readings to thie pupils, divided into six clazses for this purpose, with a view to the improvement both of their information and their taste. A gallery in which the girl pupils may exercise and play is among the improvements of the year past, good bodily health and cheerful spirits being held to be important adjuncts to all mental training. A legacy of $\$ 80,000$ lately left the institution by Miss Charlotte Harris, of Charlestown, was, at the date of the report, still somewhat uncertain, because of its aiming to create a department which would have somewhat the character of an asylum.-(Report for 1876-77.)

## EDUCATION OF THE FEEBLE-MINDED.

This benevolent work, first instituted in this country by the late Dr. Samuel G. Howe, is now prosecuted in Massachusetts by three differcnt institutions: (1) The Massachusetts School for Idiotic and Feeble-Minded Youth, in South Boston, which had 88 pupils under 21 instructors, attendants, and other employés in 1877; (2) a private Institution for the Education of Fecble-Minded Youth, at Barre, which had 76 pupils, with what number of instructors and attendants is not stated, but apparently at least 13; (3) the Hillside School for Backward and Feeble Children, at Fayville, which had 9 pupils under as mauy teachers and other employes. All these aim to impart the elements of an English education, to develop both the mental and physical powers of the children, and to give training in pleasant and useful occupations. The Barre school and Massachusetts school were both established in 1848; the one at Fayville, in 1870.-(Reports and returns for 1877.)

## boston schools for licensed minors.

There were 2 of these schools reported in 1877; having 2 teachers, an average of 65 enrolled pupils, and a daily average attendance of 57 . The percentage of attendance was 87.7 ; the average number of pupils to a teacher was 32.5 .

## STATE CHARITABLE AND REFORM SCHOOLS.

The State Primary School, at Monson, had in it, for the year ending July 31, 1877, a total of 920 different scholars, with an average attendance of 393 , under 8 female teachers; the State Industrial School, at Lancaster, 125 different scholars, with an average attcudance of 8.3, under 3 fcmale teachers; the State Reform School, at Westborough, 496 different scholars, with 339 in average attendance, under 2 male and 5 femalo teachers.-(State report for 1876-77.)

## OTHER KINDRED INSTITUTIONS.

The House of Reformation for Juvenile Offenders, in the city of Lowell, reports for 1877 a total of 123 inmates, under 1 teacher besides the superintentent; the Lawrence Industrial School, Lawrence, 31 inmates, under 5 teachers or other officers; the Plummer Farm School, Salem, 29, under 5 teachers or other officers. In all the threc the elements of an English education are imparted and snch industrial oceupations as gardening and cane seating of chairs are pursued.- (Returns to Bureau of Education.)

## SCHOOL OF THE INDUSTRIAL SCIIOOL ASSOCIATION, BOSTON.

This school, formed by the union of an industrial school conducted for two seasons in the Lincoln Building, and the Boston Whittling School, carried on for five seasons in the chapel of the Hollis Street Church, admitted 32 boys, from 12 to 16 years of age, for two evenings of each week, in the winter of $1876-77$. Perhaps 12 had received some instruction in the use of the jigsaw and knifc, but none of them had been previonsly trained in wood carving or in the use of the chisel for this purposc. A course of 24 lessons in wood carving was prepared, the necessary benches and tools arranged, and an effort made to give the boys an acquaintance with mechanical manipulations in wood which would be useful to thiem in any one of many different trades. Besides the direct instruction of these boys, the object of the society appears to be to demonstratc the practicability of some industrial training for such children in connection with their education in the common schools. The aim is certainly a worthy one, and the development of its results must be looked for with much interest. To further the olject a day school of carving and modelling las been established under the anspices of the Woman's Educational Association, to give instruction in carving, modelling, and casting, for 5 hours daily of each school week during 8 months of the year. The projected course will require 2 years for its completion.- (Report of committee in State
report.) report.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## STATE ASSOCIATION.

The State Teachers' Association met at Boston December 28-30, 1877. Accorling to the New-England Journal of Education, most of the papers real were good, several of them unusually so, and the discussions following them thoughtfil, in the main, though off hand and extemporaneous. Two points stood out proninently in the plan of the mecting. One was primary school work and the other school supervision, tho latter conccaled under the topic "Rnts in education," discussel with great ability by Charles Francis Adams and others. Secretary Dickinson and his former associates in normal work advocated the philosophy of normal methods as especially valnable to primary teachers; but, beyond that, the meeting failed to suggest ways of improving primary instruction. This was not owing to a want of men and women with ideas on the sulject, but to lack of time to call them out, and lack, also, of that freedom of expression which comes of longer sessions and better matured plans.
Among the addresses and papers given before the general association was one by Rev. E. J. Beckwith, of Waterbury, in advocacy of technical instruction; one by Judge Aldrich, ${ }^{1}$ of Worcester, maintaining the right and duty of the State to support by general taxation higher educational institutions; and one also by Samucl Eliot, LL. D., of Boston, on "Nature in education." Miss Annie M. Wilson, of Boston, putit in " "Plea for better reading in our public schools," and Mr. George T. Angell one for "Legions of honor in the sehools," ly means of which, he urged, a large body of honest, patriotic looys might be sent forth from the common schools.
In the high school section, Prof. George H. Howison, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, discussed the question whe ther the study of geometry in its current form has any vital worth as a mental discipline, and Mr. H. H. Ballard, principal of the high school of Lenox, advocated a fuller and more systematic study of natural history
In the grammar school section, papers were read on the importance of grammar schools, on methods of teaching arithmetic, and on the study of civil government.
Mr. Parker, snperintendent of the Quincy schools, who presided over the primary school section, insisted upon the need of an entire revolution in primary teacling in the State. Hon. John W. Dickinson, of Boston, followed in support of this, saying that there was as yet no system worthy of the name in the primary rural schools at least, one great trouble being that the youngest, and often the poorest, teachers are given eharge of such schools. "The relation of primary schools to all others" was considered by Mr. Harrison Hune, of Lawrence, after which the question "What is the normal school doing for the primary schools?" was discussed by several gentlemen, the idea prevailing that, while teachers trained in normal schools have greatly

[^43]influenced grammar and high school training, they have thus far very slightly afiected the lower schools.

The proccedings of the association closed with an exhibition of the telephone in operation by Prof. A. E. Dolbear, of Tufts College, whogave a history of its discovery and explained the principles upon which it is based. - New-England Journal of Education.)

## CLASSICAL AND IIIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS' ASSOCYATION.

The tenth annual meeting of the Massachusetts Association of Classical and High School Teachers was held in Boston, April 6 and 7, 1877.

On the first day an important paper was read by Hon. T. W. Bickuell on "The publication of educational works" for the necds of teachers. He recommended that a society be formed among educators in New England the object of which should be (1) to establish such a depository as will contain a complete catalogue of educational works, (2) to secure the translation of the best German and French books on pedagogics, (3) to provide for the publication of all current writings of our most eminent liv. ing educators, and (4) to supply such publications at a low price to the great body of Anerican teachers. After some discussion, a committee of 5 was appointed to consider and report on the recommendations.

Papers were presented by Mrs. Clara B. Martin on "The study of French and German" and by Professor W. P. Atkinson, of the Institute of Technology, on "Entrance examinations to scientific schools." The last naued subject was discussed by a number of gentlemen, among whom was President Eliot, of Cambridge, who swished to see a higher standard of admission to all scientific schools.

A committee appointed at a previous mecting of the association to consider the subject of requisitions for admission to colleges and other higher institutions of learning submittcd their report, containing a number of suggestions and recommendations, with the view of securing uniformity in such requisitions.

On the secoud day the question of "Latin pronunciation" was discussed by E. R. Humphries, Ll. D., who favored the English method. Professor George H. Howison then reviewed Whatney's Essentials of English Grammar, criticising the failure of the author to recognize the copula as an essential element of the English sentence aud urging that he improperly classifies the parts of speech, which, the critic held, are only parts of the sulbject and predicate in a greater or less degree.

Betore the adjournment of the association, the committee appointed to consider Mr. Bicknell's recommendations as to the establishment of a teachers' publishing society reported favorably on them, and a committee of 9 members, headed by Dr. J. D. Philbrick, of Boston, was appointed to arrange details and perfect plans for such a society.-(New-England Journal of Education, April 12, 187\%.)

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## IION. EMORY WASHBURN, LL. D.

This ardent friend of every form of edncation died at Cambridge, Mass., March 18, 1877, having been born in Leicester, in the same State, February 14, 1800. His father had been an officer in the revolutionary war, under Gates and Washington. His mother was a woman of rare ability and energy. Pursuing his antecollegiate studies at the academy of his native place, he entered Williams College at an early age, and was graduated there in 1817; he then studied law at the Dane School of Harvard University, and was admitted to the bar in 1821 . For several years he practised law in Leicester, taking part in the local affairs of the town and representing it in the legislature in 1826 and 1827 . In 1828 he removed to Worcester, and ten years later became a representative from it, and again a State senator in 1841 and 1842 , when he was chairman of the judiciary committee. In 1844 he was appointed by Governor Briggs a judge of the court of common pleas, and served from that date till 1848 . Five years afterward, duriug an absence in Europe, he was elected governor of his native State for the year 1854-555. In 1856, having accepted the Bussey professorship of law in Harvard University, he removed from Worcester to Cambridge, and performed with great fidelity the duties of that chair till September, 1876 , when he resigned, having: scrved for ten of these twenty years also as a member of the State board of education and visitor of the Framingham Normal School.

In all the varions offices he held and all the many societies he was connecterl with, the prominent characteristic of Governor Washburn was a conscientious and most faithful devotion to whatever work he had in hand. For example, Miss Johnson, late principal of the Framinglam Normal School, says that in one of the earlier years of his service in the State board he visited that school twenty times, spending the whole sclool day, attending the classes and listening patiently to the recitations, to see what were the methods of instruction and to detcrmine what improveunents inight be made as well as what apparatus and appliance for illustration might be needed; and these visits were the whole day of a more than usually busy man, and required early rising
and a ride of an hour and a half in the morning to reach the school in time for the commencement of the session. On such occasions, too, he often lectured on school laws and kindred topics, and, knowing every teacher and the partieular work of each, not only exchanged pleasant greetings with them, but made sure, in hearty kindness, how each was getting on. At the regular monthly meetings of the board, too, he is said to have been always in his place, ready to bear his part in every work and his share of every responsibility; while at gatherings of teachers in State and county associations, he was often present, making addresses, taking part in discussions, and willingly doing anything within his power to help the canse of education. He did this, too, when time with him was money, and all thus done was a labor of love, bringing no pecuniary recompense whatever.

Notwithstanding the business devolved on him by his profession, and thus assumed in the offices he held, he found time to write historical sketches of his native place, first published in 1823 and enlarged and republished in 1830; Sketches of the Judicial History of Massachusetts from 1630 to 1775, published in 1840; a Sketch of the History of Leicester Acadcmy, 1855; a Treatise on the American Law of Real Property, a standard text book in various editions from 1860 on; a Treatise on the American Law of Eascments and Servitudes, 1863 and 1867, said by William Curtis Noyes to be "in comprehensiveness and accuracy without a rival;" a later work, entitled Lectures on the Study and Practice of the Law; and a large number of historieal and instructive addresses, generally published by request.

To such a man honors came naturally. Besides the public offices conferred on him by his fellow citizens, the degree of Ll. D. was given him by Williams and Harvard, both in 1854, in recognition of his legal learning and ability, while almost all the learned and benevolent societies of his day claimed him as officer or member.

Of his educational labors the success of the Framingham Normal School, during his visitorship, was onc monument. The prosperous Worcester County Free Institute of Industrial Science, largely indebted to him for early connsels and wise plans, was another. And, besides eare for public schools and Sunday schools, he was for many years intimately associated with Dr. S. G. Howe in the latter's noble efforts to improve the condition of the deaf and dumb. In such good works a grcen old age was largely passed. - (From papers kindly furnished by Mrs. M. C. Washburn and Miss Annie E. Johnson, with Allibone's Dictionary of Authors.)

## WILLIAM HATHORNE BROOKS.

This noble teacher died at his home in Cambridge, Mass., March 7, 1877, of pneumonia, aged 72 years. Mr. Brooks was a native of Salem, Mass., and a graduate of Harvard of the class of 1827. He deroted his whole life after his graduation to teaching - a period of fifty years. He went first to Lancaster, Mass., where for a few years he was an assistant teacher under Hon. James G. Carter, in a school for the education of teachers. Then, for a number of years, he was principal of the high school in his native city. Subsequently he returned to Lancaster, and for several years devoted himself to the instruction and training of students suspended from Harvard College, taking the young men into his own family and exercising over them a sort of parental control while carrying them along in their college studies, the aim being to correct their idle or vicions habits and return them as early as practicable to their classes. In each of these situations and enterprises he spent but a few years. His great life serviee has been in the conduet of a private classical school in the city of Boston for the training and fitting of boys for business lifc, and more generally for Harvard College. In this he confined himsclf to a small number of pupils, so as to be thorough in his work and to do all the teaching limself. He gencrally had about fifteen scholars, sometimes not more than ten or twelve, and scarcely ever so many as twenty. With such small numbers he could satisfy himself in the thoroughness of his work for every boy, and could always know just what the pupils were able to do and just what was needed for each. He knew the boys, what was in them, and what they required of repression, instruction, and stimulus, sometimes better than their fathers and guardians. With rare qualities of sympathy and character, he went on in this work of training young men and boys for the university or for business pursuits, for nearly forty years. Hundreds of the alumni of the university and scores of mercliants and manufacturers all over New England, to say nothing of other parts of the eountry, carry in their eentral being and life the qualities and acquirements which this one good man's conscientious work cultivated in them. Everybody was his friend, and few in thousands can look back pon so much good work done or pass from earth regretted and beloved by so many.-(Hon. Artemas Carter, in the Chicago Journal of March $9,187 \%$.)

SANBORN TENNEY, A. M.
On Monday, July 9, 1877, Professor Tenney, who was born at Stoddard, N. H., in 1827, died suddenly of apoplexy, at Buchanan, Mich. He had been in his usual health at the commencement at Williamstown the preceding week, and had set out after-
ward on an expedition to the Rocky Mountains for scientific purposes, when thus suddenly arrested by death at the house of a sister whom he had stopped to see. The professor, a graduate of Amherst in 1853, had lheld the chair of natural history at Williams College for 9 years, going there from Vassar College, where he had occupied the same position from the foundation of the professorship. An intimate friend of Agassiz and a warm admirer of his methods of study and instruction, like that great teacher he led his students to examine lovingly the wonders and beauties of nature. With something of his master's magnetism and with a gentle courtesy peculiarly his own, he won them equally to himself as their instructor and to the subjects which he interested them in studying. As an author in the same department ho had achieved high reputation, his Geology for Teachers and Manual of Zoölogy for Schools having proved great favorites. For 15 years he had been a lecturer in the Massachusetts Tcachers' Institute and had twice given courses before the Lowell Institute in Boston, where he was to deliver a third course in the winter of 1877-78. At least tluree times he was offered the presidency of important institutions. At Williams he added largely to the natural history collections, and brought them to great completencss and pericetion of arrangement. He leaves a wife, who has been almost his peer in science and herself an author in the same line with her lusbband, to gather his harvest and carry ou his work.-(Allibone's Dictionary, New-England Journal of Education, July 19, 1877, and Williams Athenæum.)

## DR. EDWARD IIAMMOND CLAREE.

The treatises of Dr. Clarke on Sex in Education and The Building of a Brain, published in 1873 and 1874, had made him so extensively and favorably known that all who are interested in the healthful development of woman's powers must have learned with regret of his death, which occurred at Boston, November 30, 1877, in the fiftyseventh year of his age. The son of a Boston clergyman, on preparing himself for college, he entered Harvard College, was graduated there in 1841, afterward pursuing medical studies at the University of Pennsylvania and receiving from it his degree in 1846, having meanwhile travelled considerably for his health. Settling in his native eity, with intervals of travel to Europe and the East, he made himself a name for skill and culture that soon brought him ample occupation in his profession, and led to his comnection with the Boylston Medical School, started by him and others in 1850. In 1855 he was made professor of materia medica in the medical school of Harvard, and tilled the chair till 1872. About that time his attention was drawn in his practice to some cases which seemed to him to prove that nature's laws are not sufficiently respected in the superior instruction of young women, and he embodied his ideas on that subject in an address he was invited to deliver before the New England Women's Club, in Boston. The address excited such attention as to induce him to enlarge and publish it under the title of Scx in Education, with additional physiological details and illustrations. Its appearance led to wide discussion, extending to both sides of tho Atlantic, physicians largely taking side with Dr. Clarke, while many engaged in the instruction of young women, or eager to promote it, vigorously assailed the position ho had taken. One result of the publication was a request from the exccutive committee of the National Educational Association that, at its next annual session, he would express his views on "The education of girls." He complied with the request, prepared a paper, and delivered at Detroit, in 1874, an address on "The building of a brain," embodying part of the material he had prepared, all which, with some additions, he afterivard published as his final utterance on that topic. A paper on practical medicinc, in the Century of American Medicine, followed this in 1876, and then tho skilled physician and able author, just risen into fame, succumbed to a disease before which medical skill seems powerless. He leaves a posthumous work on False Sight tho publication of which is announced.-(New-England Journal of Education, December 13, 1877, Buffalo Medical Journal, and introductions to Dr. Clarke's works.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Hon. Joun W. Dickinson, secretary of the State board of education, Boston.
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| Hon. C.C. Estr, term expires in 1880.... | Springfield. |
| Hon. Edward B. Gillett, term expires in 1881 | Framingham. |
| Rev. C. C. Hussey, term expires in 1882. | Billerica. |
| Rev. Charles B. Rice, term expires in 1883 | Danrers. |
| Ren. Alenry Chapin, term expires in 1884 | Worcester. |
| Hon. Gardiner G. Hubbard, term expires in 1886 | Boston. |
| Hon. Johu W. Dickinson, secretary and executi | Cambridge. Bostou. |

AGENTS OF THE BOAISD.

| Names. | Post-ofice. |
| :---: | :---: |
| George A. Walton, of Westfield..... |  |
| W. A. Hubbard, of Springfield......... | Boston. |

## RHCHIGAN.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| porulation and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (5-20) | 459,808 | 469, 444 | 9,636. |  |
| Enrolled in public schools. | 345, 096 | 357, 139 | 12,043 |  |
| Average monthly enrolment | 250, 000 | 260, 000 | 10,000 |  |
| Average daily attendance. | 200, 000 | 210, 000 | 10,000 |  |
| Attendance in private schools | 8,033 | 8,958 | ${ }^{1025}$ |  |
| hiool districts and schools. |  |  |  |  |
| Number of school districts | 5,834 | 5,947 | 113 |  |
| Number of graded schools. | -303 | 5, 295 |  | 8 |
| Number of ungraded schoo | 5,531 | 5,652 | 121 |  |
| Number of school-houses.. | 5,931 | 6, 078 | 147 |  |
| Number of sittings in these | 426,611 | 431, 707 | 5,096 |  |
|  | \$9, 257, 094 | \$9, 190, 175 |  | \$66,919 |
| Private and sclect schools............. | 170 | - 181 | 11 | , |
| teachers and their pay. |  |  |  |  |
| Men teaching in public schools . ...... | 3,548 | 3,781 | 233 |  |
| Women teaching in public schools.... | 9,286 | 9,220 | .......... |  |
| Average monthly pay of men... | \$48 50 | \$42 54 |  | \$596 |
| Average monthly pay of women ....... | 2828 150 | 2745 160 | 10 | 83 |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Total receipts for public schools | \$4, 067, 802 | \$3,792,122 |  | \$275, 680 |
| Total expenditure for these. | 3, 457, 860 | 3, 179, 976 |  | 277, 884 |
| Amount of available school fund | \$3,147, 918 | \$3,151, 418 | \$3,500 |  |
|  |  | . |  |  |

(From published reports of Hon. Daniel B. Briggs and Hon. Horace S. Tarbell, State superintendents of public instruction, for the two years indicated. The figures for 1875-76 differ somewhat from those given in the Report of the Commissioner for 1876, which latter were from a return by Mr. Tarbell. Those here given he has himself adopted as the basis of his calculations of increase and decrease in his own subsequent report. The figures for the average monthly enrolment and avcrage daily attendance are, however, still taken from his returns, these items not appearing in the published State report; they seem to be estimates.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A State superintendent of public instruction is elected biennially by the people to supervise the public school system and inspect, personally or through his deputies, the State University, the State Normal School, and other incorporated institutions of learning, respecting all which he is to make annual report to the governor. He is permitted to appoint a deputy, who may scrve as superintendent in his absence or in case of vacancy, but who may be removed at pleasure.

## SPECIAL.

A board of regents of the University of Michigan, composed of 8 persons chosen by the people, with the president of the university as an advisory member, has charge of
the general interests of that important institution. The term of the elective members is 8 years, with a change of one-fourth every 2 years.

A board of cisitors of the university is biennially appointed by the State superintendent for annual inspection of its condition in every department and for report to him of that condition, with suggestions as to any improvements they may think possible. A like board of visitors is ammally appointed by him to visit and inspeet incorporated institntions of learning other than the university and report thereon to him. Each of these boards is composed of 3 members.
A State board of clucation, for the supervision of the State Normal School, is composed of 3 members chosen by the people for terms of 6 years each, one to be elected every 2 years, the State superintendent being also an ex officio member.

## LOCAL.

A township school board is annually formed by the election of a school inspector, a township superintendent of sehools, and a township elerk, charged with the creation and alteration of school districts, eare of township library, and inspection of sehools. The townslip superintendent is intrusted with espeeial responsibilities in this last direction, including the examination and certification of teachers.
A district board of 3 members for an ordinary district, and of 6 for a graded school district with at least 100 children of school age, is formed by an elcetion of all these members on the first formation of the district, and continued by an annual clection of one member for the former and of 2 for the latter board for a 3 years' term in plaee of retiring ones. These boards have the special charge of the schools of their distriets, with the duty of engaging teachers, preseribing studies and text books, and looking after district libraries where they exist.-(School laws, editions of 1873 and 1875.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

The statisties before given show on the whole a favorable condition of the seliool system. An increase of 9,636 in the number of children of sehool age has been nore than met by an enrolment of 12,043 additional pupils in the public sehools, besides 925 additional in private schools. An advance of 167 in the number of teachers is probably sufficicnt, with those already in employment, for the enlarged enrolment, while the sittings in the schools are considerably beyond the demand for them. Schools have increased in about the same degree as sehool districts and sehool-houses in larger proportion still; the material for these houses, too, has improved, stone, brick, and neat frame structures gradually superseding the old unsightly $\log$ houses. In the distriet and township libraries, too, which are great aids to improvement in the schools, there has been an addition of 23,877 volumes in the year, making the whole number 221,230 at the date of the report.
The receipts and expenditures for sehools are, it is true, nominally much lower than they have been in some past years; but this does not imply any decrcase of interest in the sehools. It is partly a wise reaction from reekless expenditure on costly schoolhouses, partly in the linc of the reasonable economy which several seasons of finaneial depression have made necessary, and partly the fruit of a steady increase in the value and purehasing power of eurrent money, which makes smaller nominal amounts worth as much as larger ones have been for some years past. The deerease in the estimated value of school-houses and sites is largely explainable on this last ground, and so is the reduction of the pay of teachers, though both may have come to some extent from stretehing a wise economy too far; in the former ease, to the withholding of the means of required repairs for costly structures; in the latter, to the extent of parting with good teachers for the sale of getting cheap ones.

## UNIFORMITY OF TEXt books and free books.

Superintendent Tarbell devotes eonsiderable space to the former of these topies, so much debated recently in the Northwest, and concludes that the obstacles in the way of both State and connty uniformity are too great to make either possible at present. He would be satisfied with either township or district uniformity, bclieving that all practicable good results can be secured with either. He says that all the graded schools now have a uniform series of text books.
The plan of free text books seems to him the best solution of the difficulty arising from the heavy burden of expense which the purchase of books now imposes on many who are ill able to afford it, while it would do away with the somewhat invidious distinction now made, under the law, between those who ean and those who cannot furnish them. He therefore recommends the passage of a law like that existing elsewhere, allowing distriets to determine at their annnal meeting whether the distriet board shall furnish school books at the expense of the district to all pupils in attendance at their school during the year, the books to be the property of the district and to bo loaned to the pupils under suitable conditions.-(Report for 1876-'77.)

## TOWNSIIP OR COUNTY SUPERVISION.

In 1875, the system of county supervision, which had existed in the State since 1867, was overthrown and a system of township supervision put in place of it. Against this, which somewhat resembles one that had been previously tried and found unsatisfactory, Mr. Tarbell says a reaction has set in, but whether sufficient to overthrow it is uncertain. Individually he would be pleased to see a change and thinks the welfare of the schools demands it. The testimony of many of the township superintendents themselves, as cited by him, is against the system for these reasons, among others: (1) the difficulty of obtaining in every township men competent to fill the place; (2) the difficulty of retaining good men, even when such have been secured, political cabals or offence at their fidelity resulting in vast numbers of removals at the close of every year; (3) the impossibility of retaining any consistently high standard for teachers' certificates when disappointed candidates can go into the next township and try again with frequently a fair chance of success ; (4) the fact that the office brings too little pay to make incumbents leave more remunerative occupations and give the school work the time which it demands.
Whether county superintendency, with its fuller retrards, longer tenure of office, greater independence, and promise of higher work, can be replaced, however, seems at present doubtful. Mr. Tarbch therefore suggests a modification by which the existing township superintendents of each county should become the electors of a board of examiners for the county, this board to consist of 3 members, all elected at once in the begiming, but going out subsequeitly one by one each year, to give opportunity for new election. On the county board thus constituted he would devolve the whole work of examining teachers for the connty, leaving to the township supcrintendents their other dutics, with the added one of making to the examiners each term a report of the quality of the work done by each licensed teacher and a like report to the annual district mecting.
He thinks that unity, permanency, and consistency of requirement as to teachers would be sccured throughout each county under such a board, that favoritism and political wirepulling would be avoided, and that certificates would come to mean much more than they now do.-(Report.)

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

Boards of education of 2 members for each city ward, elected for terms of 2 ycars and one-half changed each year by new elcetion, are common in the cities of the State. Detroit has a board of 26 members, 13 changed ycarly ; Ann Arbor, one of 9, holding office for 3 years each, one-third changed yearly. In some cases, under a general law for graded and high school districts, there are boards of 6 trustees, chosen each for 3 years, with an annual change of 2 members. Most city boards, as elscwhere, have city superintendents of schools as executive officers.

STATISTICS. $a$

| Cities. | Popula. tion. | Children of school age. | Enrolment. | Arerage attendance. | Teachers. | Expenditure. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ann Arbor | 7, 984 | 2, 369 | 1,767 | 1, 298 | 35 | \$26, 8:6 |
| Bay City ... | 18,000 | 4,278 | 2,841 | 1,720 | 40 | 33, 07\% |
| Detroit $b$ | 101, 95 | 35, 173 | 13, 291 | 9,641 | 228 | 213, 214 |
| East Saginaw | 17,884 | 5, 155 | 3, 177 | 2, 2.24 | 52 | 40, 166 |
| Grand Rapids. | 3!, 000 | 9, 129 | 5, 019 | 3,148 | 87 | 72, 548 |
| Saginaw ...... | 10,500 | 2,835 | 1,564 | 1,003 | 28 | 28,373 |

$a$ The statistics of Ann Arbor, Detroit, and East Saginaw are from printed reports for 1876 -'7\%. Those of Bay City, Grand Lapids, and Saginaw, in the absence of such reports, are from written returns.
6 Population according to the census of 1874 ; Superintendent Sill gives in his report the following statistics for the fall term of 1877: Children of school age, 35,739 ; enrolment, 12,682; average daily attendance, 10,524 .

## AdDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Ann Arbor has in the past had 5 primary, 3 grammar, and 4 high school grades. Now each of these divisions comprises 4 grades. For promotion and regulation of grade rank the primary schools are examined twice and the grammar schools three times a ycar, but promotions may be made on special examination whenever merited. The standard for promotion at the primary cxaminations is 75 ; but in making up averages in other grades such studies as drawing, music, and object lessons rate at one-fourth the value of what are considered weightier branches, while readiness in reproducing the matter of a text book is ranked below independent knowledge and facility in applica-
tion. As respects promotions from the grammar to the high school, the standard to be reached is 80 in each study of the last year. With this high rate 55 out of 62 passed at the close of the year, 7 more than in the preceding year.
Special teachers of penmanship, drawing, and music are employed, the first giving one lesson a week in the ward schools and daily lessons in the sixth and seventh grammar school grades. The master of drawing teaches wholly in the grammar school, leaving the ward schools to the regular teachers, who are instructed fortnightly. The teacher of music gives one lesson a week in cach room below the high school.- (Report of Ann Arbor public schools, 18\%6-777.) For matter relating to the high school, see Secondary Instruction, furthcr on.

In Detroit, as in most other cities, 12 grades constitute the public school course of instruction, each grade representing an average of one year's work. The several grades are here divided into 2 classes, the least advanced designated by the letter B and that in the last half of any year's work by the letter A. The whole city system has the now customary three departments, viz, primary for the first 4 years' work, grammar for the second 4, and high for the last 4. The course of study in all has remained unchanged during the ycar 1876-777. Careful specifications of its requirements put into the hands of every teacher, together with the recently adopted plan of offering promotion to any class or individual prepared for it, have made the systematized arrangement more useful and effective than in previous years. Pupils and teachers now understand that no one need wait for others; and, as industry and skill may thus reach thcir legitimate reward at any time, there is a strong incentive to exertion.
The high school, for statistics of which see Secoudary Instruction, has become an important means of supplying teachers. Out of 87 candidates for teachers' certificates at the last annual examination, 70 were graduates of the city high school, and out of 20 who passed the examination successfully 15 were from that school.
As a stimulus to long continuance, the rate of pay for teachers entering the lower grades rises steadily for ten years after the first. In the case of principals, regular assistants in the ninth grade, and special teachers, the rise continnes only to the third or fourth y yar. There are special teachers of music and penmanship, drawing not entering into the present course.
A public library under the control of the school board adds much to the means of improvement from school studies. By a happy arrangement, crime is made to pay for this part of the education of the citizens, the funds for the creation and support of the library being drawn from the procecds of fines and recognizances. The 30,000 volumes composing the library were placed in January, 1877, in a new fire proof building with a capacity for 200,000 books, erected without any burden on the taxpayers.-(Report for 1876-77.)
At East Saginaw, without any considerable increase of enrolment, the attendance in all but the first grade has increased. The percentage of attendance on the average number belonging reached 94.27. Drawing, music, and penmanship are taught by special teachers. A public school library of ' 4,233 volumes was used during the year
by 920 persons.

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## STATE NORMAL SCIIOOL.

The number of students enrolled in the nornal department for 1876-'77 was 366 , of whom 174 were in the common school course, 54 in the full English course, 135 in language courses, and 2 unclassified. There were 77 graduates from all the courscs, 36 young men and 41 young women. Under a regulation similar to that existing at the university, 16 graduates of hrgh schools were admitted during the year without examination. This new feature promises much good to the normal as well as to the high schools. It presents to the students of the public schools a strong inducement to remain until they have completed the course, and at the same time secures higher qualifications in those entering the normal school. About thirty such graduates have already been admitted for the year 1877,78. Those who enter thus on diploma, by earnest work can usually complete the full English coursc in one ycar and either of the language courses in two years. Some slight changes have been made in the courses of study. A district school course has been added, with the object of giving special instruction to those who intend to teach principally in the district schools. The requirements for admission have been considerably increased, so that those who are admitted to the common school course may, by close application, complete it in one year. The increasing demand for graduates of this school to take charge of graded schools and to fill important positions as assistants in the best schools in this and other States affords gratifying evidence that the school is in some degree accomplishing the object for which it exists.- (State superintendent's report for 1876-77.)
The legislature in 1877 appropriated $\$ 30,000$ to repair the existing normal school building and to build another one, which will greatly add to the accommodations and advantages heretofore enjoyed.- (Laws of 1877.)

## OTHER NORMAL TRAINING.

At the State unirersity classes are organized to meet the wants of such students as desire to fit themselves for teaehing, and any member of the senior elass who pursucs courses of study with reference to this cnd, and who, on special examination in ancient and modern languages and mathematies, shows sueh protieieney as qualifies him to give instruetion, may receive a teacher's diploma. Battle Creek College had a normal cours in 1875-76, which may yet be continned. Olivet College reports a normal department with an English course of 2 years, under the supervision of Prof. O. Hosford, formerly State superintendent of public instruction. This is intended to prepare teachers for the common schools, and the satisfactory completion of it is rewarded by a normal certificate; those aiming at higher work may receive speeial training under Professor Hosford's direction and at the close of their course receive a normal diploma. There is also a normal elass for such as desire to become teachers of musie; it is under the supervision of the direetor of the Miehigan Conscrvatory of Music, which forms a department of the eollege.-(Catalogue for 1877-78.)

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

A law of April 14, 1877, provided for the formation in eaeh county of an institute fund out of fees of $\$ 1$ for men and fifty eents for women, levied on those thenceforth applying to be examined for teachers' licenses. With this fund there is to be held annually in eaeh county, under all ordinary cireumstanees, an institute for the better instruetion of the teachers of the comnty in methods of tcaching, management, and discipline, all persons entering who have not paid the above fec paying fifty eents as a registration fee. Besides these eounty institutes, an annual State institute is provided for in the same law, the State superintendent being authorized to draw for it $\$ 400$ annually from the State treasury. Both the eounty and State institutes are to be under his general direotion, with sueh aid in eondueting them as the funds will enable him to seeure.

The State institute for 1877 was held Angust 20, at Lansing, and as it was designed to be in some respcets a model in thought and method for the local institutes which were to follow, the best teaching ability that eould be seeured was obtained for it from four ncighboring States. Though experieneing the disadvantages whiel usually attend the first attempt at an untried scheme, it proved decidedly sueeessful, and enrolled about 200 of the leading teachers from all parts of the State, sending them home to their respeetive sehools, it is believed, with better knowledge of right methods of teaehing.

The information as to the passage of the law reaehed many of the counties too late for the colleetion of any eonsiderable amount of fees from persons seeking lieenses to teach in the summer sehools. The funds for the county institutes were consequently small; still 20 sueh institutes were hold during the months of Angust, September, and October, 1877. They brought together an average of about 40 teachers in each ease, who, the superintendent says, showed "ability to profit by the best teaehing whieh eould be given them and good appreeiation of the advantages afforded by the institutes." In future it is hoped that they may be brought within the reach of all the teachers.-(Report for 1876-77.)

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

Six colleges and nuiversities report for 1876-77. For statistics, see Table IX of the appendix, and the summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preeeding.
The Michigan State University announees that hereafter the degrecs of master of arts, master of philosophy, and master of seience will not be eonferred in eourse, but only upon graduates of this or other eolleges who have pursued, at least for onc year, two of the eourses of graduate study marked out by the university and who have sustained an examination in at least three of these studies. During the year 1876-77 there werc 369 students in attendanee in the department of literature, seience, and the arts ( 14 of them resident graduates and 15 in select eourses), besides 741 who were pursuing studies in the departments of law, medieine, dentistry, and pharmaey, making a total of 1,110 . The number of "women in attendance was 97 , of whom 48 were in the department of literature, seience, and the arts. The women form a little less than 9 per cent. of the whole number of students, and this proportion remains about the same from year to year. The University Calendar states that 409 academic and professional degrees were conferred in 1877.
The system of admitting without examination students who are the graduates of approved sehools continues to justify itself. Fifty-five were admitted in 1876 on diploma from the publie sehools of the State, and the president of the university says that the work of these sehools shows a steady and rapid increase in its thoroughness and range. He thinks, indeed, that whatever success the university is achieving is
duc in no small degree to the excellence of the schools which give their pupils so good a foundation for their studies here.- (Calendar of university and report of president, 1877.)

## colleges for women.

Besides the opportunities afforded women in colleges onen to both sexes, there aro chartered institutions in the State devoted exclusively to the education of women. For statistics of these, see Table VIII of the appendix, and the summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

[For statistics under this head, see Tables X-XIII of the appendix, and the summaries of them in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.]

## SCIENTIFIC.

The State Agyicultural College, near Lansing, seeks to give its students a knowledge of science and its application to the arts of life; to afford them the benefits of daily manual labor ; to nake experiments for the promotion of agriculture and horticulture; to offer the means of a general education to the farming class, and to establish, when adequate means shall be secured, such other courses of study as the organic law of the college and the act of Congress donating lands for agricultural colleges contemplate, especially courses of study bearing on the application of science to military pursuits and the various arts of life. The institution was opened to students in May, 1857, being thus the first of the existing agricultural colleges of the country. Until 1861 it was under the control of the State board of edueation, but at that time there was established for its management a State board of agrienlture, which still lias charge of it.

Of the farm of 676 acres, about three liundred are under cultivation with a systematic rotation of crops. The income of the college from productive funds is about $\$ 16,000$ and the appropriation by the State in 1887 was $\$ 36,8: 36.80$. Tuition is free, and labor (required of all) is paid for according to its value, the maximum rate being 10 cents an hour; students are thus enabled to defray a portion of their expenses. The winter vacation also gives them an opportunity to teach. There were 141 students pursuing the regular 4 years' course in 1877, 2 of whom were women, besides 12 in a partial course.- (Return and catalogue, 1877.)

The Polytcehnic School of the State University gives advanced instruction in the mathematical, physical, and natural sciences and courses in the practical application of these sciences to the arts. It comprises the course in civil engineering, the school of mines (including architecture and design), special and advanced courses in science, and the school of pharmacy. - (Calendar of the University of Michigan, 1876-77.)

## TIIEOLOGICAL.

There are departments of theology connected with Hillsdale College (Free Will Baptist) and Adrian College (Methodist) which provide 3 years' courses of instruction and report an attendance respectively for the year 1876-77 of 11 and 25 . In the former department there was also a class of 14 preparing for theological study. In both institutions, a special course is permitted to those whose circumstances do not permit them to pursue the regular course. The Theological Department of Hope College, the president informs the Burcau, has been suspended.

## LEGAL.

The Law Department of the State University has a course of instruction covering 2 jears, which embraces the several branches of constitutional, international, maritime, commercial, and criminal law, medical jurisprudenee, and the jurisprudence of the United States. No previous course of reading is required for admission, but the candidate must be 18 vears of age and of good moral character. The number of students attending during the fall term of 1877 was 309; graduates in 1877, 159.

## MEDICAL.

The Department of Medicine and Surgery of the State University, notwithstanding attacks on account of the establishment by the university of the Homocopathic Modical College, continues its vigorous life and takes a step forward. Its course has been extended from 6 to 9 months, and the work is so graded as to secure an orderly and systematic education. Students who are not college graduates are admitted only upon examination as to their fitness to pursue the stndies of the school with profit. To obtain the degree of doctor of medicine, the candidate must have studied medicine and surgery for 3 yoars with some respectable practitioner (including leeture terms), must lave attended 2 full courses of didactic instruction, and must have been engaged in the study of practical anatomy and practical chemistry. The faculty earnestly adviso students to pursue the 3 full years of study in the institution. To encourage a higher grade of preliminary acquirements, an allowance of 6 months from the term of study
is made in favor of college graduates and of 12 months to graduates of the department of pharmacy. Women are admitted on equal terms with men, but are instructed scparately, the two classes not being brought together in the lecture rooms, excent in the department of general chemistry. Number of students, 285.- (University Calendar and State report.)

The Homocopathic Medical College of the State University provides a course of instruction equal in extent to that of the Department of Medicine and Surgery, and its requirements for graduation are equally high. Instruction in general chemistry, anatomy, organic and applicd chemistry, physiology, ophthalmology, otology, practical anatomy and surgery, obstetrics, and diseases of women and children is given to students of this college in the department of medicine and surgery. While attending lectures on these subjects they will be entitled to all the privileges accorded to students in that department and will conform to all requirements so far as they apply to the branches pursued. Women are also admitted to this school on the same conditions that are required of men, provision being made for their scparate instruction. There were 51 students attending during the year 1876-'77.

Detroit Medical College has under its control for educational purposes Harper's, St. Mary's, and St. Luke's Hospitals. In addition to these facilities, two free dispensaries are maintained by the college, at which patients are treated before the classes. There is no indication of any examination or requisition as to literary preparation for the course. The collcge year is made to cover 10 months, embracing a preliminary, a regular, and a recitation scssion; attendance on the regular session of 5 months, however, is all that is required. The plan of instruction combines clinical, didactic, and laboratory tcaching. Mcmbers of the senior class are each day callch upon to examine paticnts, diagnosticate iujurics or discases, and, as far as possible, aid in treatment. Among the requirements for graduation are the study of medicine during 3 years, including attendance upon at least 2 regular courses of lectures, dissection of every part of the cadaver, a coursc of analytical and medical chemistry in the laboratory, and a satisfactory written and oral examination upon the fundamental branches of medicine and surgery. There were 89 students during 1876-77.- (Announcement and catalogue, 1877.)

A College of Dentistry was established in 1875 in connection with the Department of Medicine and Surgery of the University of Michigan. The requircments for admission are the same as those which secure admission to that department. The prescribed course of study covers 2 years, while an additional ycar is recommended. Candidates for graduation must have devoted three ycars to the study of the profession and have made such attainments in all the branches of study as shall be satisfactory to the faculty. There were 33 students attending in 1876-; 77. - (Calendar of university, 1876-77.)

The School of Pharmacy has been organized as a distinct branch of the State university. The design is to qualify graduates to become practical pharmacists, general analysts, and chemical manufacturers, and to give them the training of systematic work in exact science. Class instruction, comprising both recitations and lectures, is made to cö̈perate with laboratory practice in all the topics of the course, which extends over 2 ycars. Number of students, 64.- (Calendar of university, 1876-77.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB AND TIE BLIND.

The Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, at Flint, reports an attendance of 250 pupils, of whom 205 were deaf and dumb and 45 blind. The common English branches are taught, besides the employments of cabinet and shoe making, printing, wickerwork, and broom making. The institution is under the control of thic State, from which it reccived $\$ 43,500$ in 1877. The library numbers 1,200 volumes.-(Return, 1877.)

## EDUCATION OF POOR AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN.

The fourth annual report of the board of control of the State Public School (for dependent children) at Coldwater states that since the opening of the school in May, 1874, there have been 509 children admitted. During 1876-77 there were 350 in the school, of whom 130 were placed in families. The whole number remaining in the school at the close of the ycar was 204. The board claims that the school has benefited the children committed to it intcllectually, morally, and socially, while the economical results are said to prove even bettcr than were expected. Investigation shows that the average cost throughout the State of maintaining paupers in the poorhouses is $\$ 122.23$, while that of maintaining and educating a child in the State school in the past year was only $\$ 117.18$. That the State can clothe, maintain, and educate a child in such an institution, with good moral and social surroundings, more chcaply than it can merely keep one in the county poorhouse, with all its detrimental influences, if thus an established fact.-(Report for 1876-7\%.)

## EDUCATION OF YOUTH NEEDING REFORM.

The number of boys remaining in the State Reform School at the close of 1877 was 262; number received during the year, 123 ; number discharged, 103. The complete removal of all prisonlike surroundings, commenced in 1875 and fully completed during 1876-77, is said to have had an effect upon the dispositions and appearance of the boys which only those can appreciate who have carefully watcherl the reform school in all its past and present plases. Military drill has been introduced as part of the educational system, with bencficial results. In the school department the introduction of several new text books has added largely to the interest of the department. Though the pupils are generally from a class as unaccustomed to study as they have been unrestrained in their habits, many are learning to apply themselves with energy and are fast acquiring a knowledge of the essential branches of education.-(State superintendent's report.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## STATE ASSOCIATION.

The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the State Teachers' Association was held at East Saginaw Decentber 27-29, 1877.
The first paper, read by W. S. George, editor of the Lansing Republican, urged the advantages of public over church schools and noticed different classes of objections to the public schools. Papers were also read by Superintendent C. A. Gower, of East Saginaw, on "Local supervision;" loy Miss King, on "Botany ;" by Superintendent C. B. Thomas, of Niles, on "Educational fallacies and forces;" by President H. Q. Butterficld, of Olivet College. on "The relation of the lower schools to the colleges;" by Superintendent Bemis, of Coldwater, on "The next step in the educational progress of Michigan," in which he recommended that the State should make special provision for edhcation between the primary and high school ; by Professor L. McLouth, of the State Normal School, on "How shall the physical sciences be tanght?" by H.D. Harrower, of Chicago, giving a protracted "Field view of the schools;" by Mrs. Kate B. Ford, on "The Kindergarten;" by Mrs. L. A. Osband, of Albion College, on "The teacher's relation to the moral and religious culture of the future;" and by Professor I. N. Demmon, of the Micligan State University, on "The study of bibliography, and its bearing on the teacher's work."-(Educational Weekly.)

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## GEORGE BERMIES JOCELYN, D. D.

The Educational Weekly, of Chicago, in the Michigan department of its issue for Feloruary 8, 1877, contained the following notice: "Dr. Gcorge B. Jocelyn, president of Albion College, died early on the morning of January 27, of an attack of inflammation of the lungs. Dr. Jocelyn was born in Connecticut, January 3, 1824, and consequently was only a few days past 53. Educated at Asbury University, Indiana, he was graduated in 1842. The next year he joined the Methodist Episcopal Conference of Indiana as an itinerant preacher, and soon won for himself a ligh place. ${ }^{1}$ In 1857 le was transferred to the Iowa conference, and after having filled, as pastor, some of the most important charges in that State, he was made president of the Iowa Wesleyan University in 1861. In 1864 he was called to Albion as president of Albion College, and continued to occupy that position till his death, except for two years, during which time he served as pastor of the Methorlist Episcopal church at Grand Rapids. Dr. Jocelyn was a man of strong masculine character, indomitable force and perseverance, and full of zeal for the promotion of Christianity and education, while his large learted disposition and cordial manners fastened to him by the strongest ties of friendship those with whom he came in contact. The college, the church, and the cause of ligher education in Michigan have lost, in his death, one whose place it will be difficult to fill."

## henty S. ChEEVER, M. D.

The annonncement that Dr. Checver, professor of materia medica and therapeutics in the University of Michigan and of physiology in the Long Island College Hospital, had died at Ann Arbor, March 31, 1877, , grieved a large circle of entlusiastic admirers and warm friends. The Detroit Merical Journal states that Dr. Cheever was born at Exeter, N. Y., August 8, 1837, and when seven years of age removed with his parents to Genova, Ill., where he spent his boyhood on a farm. In 1856 the family removed to Michigan and in 1859 settled at Ann Arbor, where young Cheever entercd the literary department of the university, for which he had previously prepared himself at Tecumsch. Graduated in 1863, he gave the next year to a full chemical course in the labora-

[^44]t.ory; then entering on the direct study of medicine, he was graduated doetor of medieino in 1865. In 1867 he was appointed demonstrator of anatomy in the medieal school of the miversity, in 1858 was made leeturer on materia medica and therapeutics, and in the following year reecived a full professorship. In 1872 physiology was added to the other subjects of his teaching, and during the same year he becane also professor of physiology at the Loug Island College Hospital. Of course, such rapid advancement was not gained without elose study and umremitting attention to the duties of his chair, to which was added an extensive practice also. Under these aceumulated labors his health soon began to yield, and symptoms of consumption manifested themselves. A 2 years' leave of absence granted in 1873 enabled him to try the healing influenees of the climate of Colorado; but, although his general health improved, the pulmonary trouble was not materially alleviated, and when, in the session of 1875-\% \% , he again undertook to lecture, he found his strength inadequate, and was eompelled to give up work. From that time, the coming end was calmly awaited and eventually met with Christian fortitude and resignation.

As a lecturer, Dr. Cheever is said to have been not brilliant, but thorongh, working originally in his special lines and supplementing the teachings of the books by experiments and illustrations condueted by himself. According to the langrage of the faculty of medicine and surgery, he brought to the uses of medieal education a clear mind, direet force, and tireless energy. The intensity of his purposo may be read in the labors of his life, and has been too surely attested by his early death.-(Detroit Miedical Journal, May, 1877.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER.

## Hon. Cornelius A. Gower, ${ }^{1}$ State superintendent of public instruction, Lansing.

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## MTRNNESOTA.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-97\%. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| POPULATION AND ATTENDANCE. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (5-21) | 228, 362 | a 338,362 | 10, 000 |  |
| Enrolled in public schools. | 151, 866 | 193,551 | 10, 685 |  |
| Average daily attendance. | 65, 384 |  |  |  |
| Children in other schools.. | a10, 000 | a9, 500 |  | 500 |
| SAHOOL DISTRICTS AND SCHOOLS. |  |  |  |  |
| Number of common school districts... | 3, 515 | 3, 639 | 113 |  |
| School rooms for study -................ | 3,329 |  |  |  |
| School-houses ..-....................... | 3, 119 | 3, 141 | 22 |  |
| Average time of school in days | 100 | 104 | 4 |  |
| Valuation of school-houses and sites.. | $\$ 2,763,433$ | \$2, 982, 516 | \%219, 083 |  |
| teachers avd their pay. |  |  |  |  |
| Number of men teaching. | - 1,487 | 1,711 | 294 |  |
| Number of women teaching | 2,916 | 3,031 | 115 |  |
| Whole number ...... | 4,403 | 4,742 | 339 |  |
| Average monthly pay of men $b$. | \$34 80 | \$3675 | \$195 |  |
| Average monthly pay of women $b \ldots .$. | 2910 | 28 31 |  | \$0 79 |
| INCOME AND EXPENDITURE. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole receipts for public schools. | \$1, 517, 236 | c ${ }^{\text {\% }} 1,181,327$ |  | (d) |
| Whole expenditure on these.......... | 1,517, 236 | 1,181, 327 |  | (d) |
| STATE SCHOOL TUND. |  |  |  |  |
| Amount of available school fund |  | a\$3, 378, 569 |  |  |
| Whole estimated amount. | \$10,000, 000 | 12, 000,000 |  |  |

a Estimated.
6 The averages here given do not, it appears, include salaries of eity superintendents or of principals roceiving $\$ 1,000$ and upwards, but relate mainly, if not wholly, to the pay of teaehers in rural schools. In the graded sehool districts the average pay is said to be $\$ 40.85$.
c In addition to the figure here given, about $\$ 1: 8,000$ of taxes are delinquent.
d The apparent decrease in ineome and expenditure is not given, as from the absence of local reports the figures of income and expenditure must be considered questionable estimates.
(From reports of Hon. D. Burt, State superintendent of public instruction, for the two years indicated.)

OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A State superintendent of mublic instruction is appointed every second year by the governor, with the consent of the senate, for the general supervision of the public school interests, for holding county superintendents' meetings, State teachers' institutes, and normal training schools, and with the duty of making amual report through the governor to the legrislature.

## LOCAI.

A county superintendent of schools in each county having organized school districts is elected biemnially by the people to examine and license teachers, hold ycarly teachers' thstitutes, visit the schools once in each term, and make anmal report to the State superintendent. In case of sickness, he may appoint a deputy for not more than 60 days' sorvice in any year, paying him out of his own salary. An assistant, to he paid
by the connty for making annmal visits to the schools, may be allowed him for 20 days by the county commissioners in any county with a humdred or more school districts.
A board of trustecs for common school districts is formed at first by the election at the district meeting of a director for one year, a treasurer for two years, and a clerk for lhreo years. It is continued afterward by electing at each annual district mecting a member in place of the retiring onc. The board has general charge of schools and school-houses for the district.
A board of education for an independent school distriet of 500 or more inhabitants is formed at first by electing in like manner 6 directors for terms of one, two, and three years, and continued by electing thereafter 2 each year in place of the 2 retiring ones. Such boards ordinarily have graded school systems.
The clerks of both these classes of boards make annual report to the county super intendent.-(School laws of 1877.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

If the figures in the statistical summary can be relied on-and Superintendent Burt believes that they are accurate in the main as respects the enrolment in the schools, length of terms, number of teachers, schools, and districts, thongh uncertain in some other things-there has been improvement since the last report. $\Lambda$ law of 1876 has been in force making the cmrolment of pupils in schools with three months' terms the basis of apportionment of the interest derived from the State school fund. This has no doubt had a stimulating influence, and so the increased enrolment in the public schools has more than overtaken the estimated increase of children of school age, without counting the enrolment in private and church schools. Whether the addition of 22 new school-honses to those which had been previously built aftords sufficient accommodation for the additional enrolment appears doubtful; but in many countics and graded school districts there has been cvidently a considerable increase of accommodations as well as improvement in the condition of the schools. The number of teachers would seem to have increased in fair proportion to the increaso of the pupils to bo taught; lout the superintendent, comparing this number with the number of the school districts, fears that it indicates a large amonnt of change of teachers during the year. The standard of qualification in the teachers appears from the connty repoits to lee gradually rising, while meetings of teachers for mutnal improvement and meetings of district officers for consultation as to school affairs indicate a disposition to improve. The statistics of graded schools presented in a table in the State report are much fuller and more satisfactory than herctorore, and 30 more graded school districts are included than in 1873 . The State text book contract has been an element of disturbance in many quarters, and the financial statements, through fanlty reports from county auditors, are far from being as clear and satisfactory as could be wished.

## INEQUALITIES IN TIE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

Superintendent Burt-while laboring earnestly to improve the schools in respect to thoronghess and efficiency and while meeting with sume degree of success in thisfinds on investigation that the requirement of the constitution which calls for "a general and uniform system" is unfortunately far from being olscerved. A tabulated istatement prepared by him from statistics furnished by the State anditor shows inequalities (1) in the size of districts, which varies from $1 \frac{1}{2}$ sections to $30 \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}}$ sections; (i) in the lasis for taxation, this ranging from $\$ 55,000$ of valuation down to $\$ 10,000$ or even less; (3) in the results of the required taxation for school purposes, which taxation, because of the inequality in the basis, yields districts from $\$ 100$ down to $\$ 12$ for their schools; (4) in the special optional taxation, where three or four counties come up to the extra-legal figures of 11 mills on the dollar, while one of the oldest in the State ratach only an average of 2.46 mills; (5) in length of school term, about 900 districts having only 3 months of school in a year, 300 having 5 months, 700 having 6 months, and more than 100 from 9 to 10 months; (6) in the number of pupils to a selool, the average in some where near ono hundred schools being 70 ; in a fotv counties, over 50 ; in scveral, less than 25 ; in many, only from 15 to 20 ; and in numerous schools in most counties, uot going beyond 10 .

There being, of conrse, no necessity for such inequalities, the superintendent looks around for the means of remedying them to some extent. He finds these means in two possible things: first, in the plan of making a township the smallest limit of a school district, and letting a board of trustees chosen for the whole township decido how many schools ara needed and where they shonld be placed, an arrangement which has worked very well elsewhere; ${ }^{2}$ next, in a system of taxation and distribution,

[^46]also found to work well elsewhere, by which the ordinary taxation for school purposes goes into the State treasury and is distributed equally throughout the State on the basis of school population, enrolment, or average attendance. He tlinks the people cun have one of these systems or both by making a sufficiently loud call.-(Report.)

## ChANGES IN THE SCHOOL LAW.

In a revision of the school law, made in 1877, the following alterations were introduced: (1) The time for the annual school meeting was changed from the first Saturday in October to the first in September, to cnable the new trustees then elected to unito with the older members in making seasonable arrangements for the winter schools and to give leisure for getting into proper shape the reports required to be made by district cicrks to county superintendents after presenting the substance of them at these meetings. (2) Cleriss are by the new lave allowed pay, at the rate of 2 per cent. on the cash disbursements of the year, for making accurate and timely reports to their county superintendents; formerly they were liable to a fine of ${ }^{\circ} 50$ for neglect of this duty, withont any encouragement in the performance of it. (3) As in other States having sehool funds derived from congressional land grants, the current income of such funds is now ordered to be used only to pay the wages of teachers, it having been before often diverted to other purposes, such as building and repairs, even at tho expense of shortening the term of schools and of engaging for the shortencd terms the cheapest teachers, who are likely to prove the poorest. (4) County superintendents, who in most countics were appointed by the county commissioners on evidence of their high moral character and literary attainments, may now be chosen by the people, withont any requirements as to moral or literary qualifications. (5) To secure more complete visitation of schools in large counties, the superintendent of any county with 100 or more school districts is now allowed an assistant appointed by himself, with the consent of the county commissioners, for 20 days' service at the beginning of each school term, such assistant to be paid by the county at the rate of $\$ 3$ a day. (6) To the qualifications for a first grade teacher's certificate has been added a knowledge of civil government and natural philosophy; to those for all grades, a knowledge of the elements of hygiene and an ability to impart oral instruction in other language than that of the text books. Threo other slight changes have little more than local interest.-(State report for 18\%6-'\%\%.)

## GRADED SCHOOLS.

Graded schools are reported in 61 cities and villages, having 528 instructors, a total enrolment of 30,565 , and an average daily attendance of 19,519 . The average length of the school year in the schools tabulated (more than 580 ) was 8.8 months. Eleven citios hold their schools 10 months in the year, 31 cities and villages 9 months, and in only 6 districts is the time less than 8 months.- (Report of istate superintendent, 1876-'77.)

## THE CONTRACT FOR TEXT BOOKS.

The current sentiment respecting, the present law for supplying text books through one contractor for the whole State is probably indicated in a resolution passed at the meeting of the State 'Teachers' Association, at Mankato. This resolution expresses the belief that the arrangement "not only umnecessarily contravenes well established laws of trade, but is sumptuary in its character and antagonistic to the spirit of the age and the genius of republican institutions."

For these and other reasons-such as the impracticability of the plan, the lack of a sound financial hasis, and the hindrance to school work from the want which it has caused of a regular supply of books - the association respect fully asked the legislaturo to repeal the law and reimburse the contractor for any loss which such repeal might occasion.-(State report, 1877.)

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

St. Paul has a board of education composed of 3 school inspectors from each ward, one-third changed annually. Of the composition of the boards in other cities under special charters no certain information is at hand. In independent districts, under a general law, there are 6 directors in the board, subject to one-third amual chango. All the places here uamed had superintendents in $187 \%$.

## STATISTICS．

| Cities． | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 吕 } \\ & \text { 最 } \\ & \text { 品 } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mankato | 1，148 | 721 | 21 | \＄32， |
| Mhuneapulis ．．．．． | 3， 607 | 2， 499 | 75 | 1：20．060 |
| Minnerppolis（eastern division） | 1， 169 | － 73 | 20 | 70． 800 |
| Red Wing． | 1，180 | 791 | 21 | 30,060 |
| St．Path．． | 4，316 | 8,24 2,900 | 19 75 | 95,000 321,607 |
| Winona． | 1，$๕: 0$ | 1，¿C0 | 30 | 128， 460 |

The statistics here given are from a table in the report of the State superintendent， which contains no note of the population of each place or of the number of youth of school age．

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULAIS．

Mankiato established during the year in her high school a mineralogical cabinet well supplied with specimeus of ores and minerals，and hung a set of large wall maps in each of her 3 school buildings．Besides yearly examinations by the superintendent for class promotion，there are written examinations once a month．Pupils falling below a standing of 75 per cent．for two consecutive mouths are put back one grade．－ （State report，1877．）

At Minneapolis a new stone building for the high school has been erected at a cost of $\$ 35,000$ ，besides a new ward school costing $\$ 18,000$ ．In addition to the regular teach－ ers， 3 supermmeraries were employed in $18 \%$ to do substitute work for absent teachers and undergo a preparation which will enable them to step into the regular ranks． The course of study was modified，fewer text books being used and more oral instruc－ tion given．Written examinations were held every seven weeks，and were made the basis of promotion．An average of 90 per cent．on two such examinations carried the pupil up to the next grade．－（State report，18\％\％．）

Minneapolis（eastern division）reduced in 1876－＇77 her school course from 11 to 9 years， by omitting the last two years on the ground of the crowded condition of her school buildings and the fact that the instruction for those years could be obtained in the preparatory department of the State university，near at hand．Essentially the same rules for promotiou prevail as at Winona，the consent of the superintendent，however， being necessary in each special case and in the first 3 grades．－（State report，1877．）
Ried Wing holds written examinations every 6 weeks as tests for promotion，indi－ vidual promotions being provided for at the end of any school month and class promo－ tions at the end of the school year．By transferring to the high school the prpils of tho npper grammar grade who had been engaged in ligh school studies，the enrolment． in that school was increased from 34 to 69．Four young men from this school were admitted to the university in the autumn of 1876．－（State report，187\％．）

Riochester reports that it is the purpose of her high school to prepare students for a collegiate course，and that some six or eight of the graduates intended to pursue such a course．－（State report，1877．）
At st．Paul，besides the eurolment above given，there appear from a return to be 2，500 in private and parochial schools．In the public schools the system is to have small classes and brief recitations，partly with a view to greater life and partly to give opportunity for better judgment of individual capacities and acquirements．The method is found to work well，improving attendance，stimmlating ambition，elevating the standard of scholarship，aud enabling quick and active minded pupils to advance more rapidly in each study and throngh the several grades．－（State report，1877．）

Winona assigns one year for each grade and makes regular promotions at the close of the summer term；but，if any pupil can do tha required work in less time，he may be promoted on special examination if found qualified for the next ligher grade． With this exception，promotious are made by classes，based on the class standing and the monthly and jearly examinations．－（State report，1877．）

## THE TRAINING OF TEACHERS．

## STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS．

Among other things which indicate improvement in the three State normal schooks at Winona，Mankato，and St．Cloud are the facts that the admission has been raised； that there has been a weeding out，to some extent，of unpromising and unprofitable
pupils; and that, throngl studied elimination of preparatory worl, the authorities are able to devote their streugt h more fully to proper normal work.

Pupils in the preparatory department at Winona are now charged thition, it being held untair to impose upon the normal school gratuitous work which belongs properly to the common schools. Under this rule the number of preparatory pupils has considerably decreased, and the principal belicves that the necessity for the existence of such a department will probably soon cease. The other schools are aiming in tho same direction. At St. Cloud the lower preparatory class has been dropped and the model department (a pay school of ordinary grades) made to accommodate all of this elass who remain. At Mankato essentially the same thing has been done, and the normal work hence goes forward with increased force and vigor.
Among the results of thas reducing the preparatory work, a higher culture in the public schools of places which supply normal stmdents is anticipated, as such schools will have the preparation of pupils for the normal schools thrown on their hands, and must bring them up to the advanced requirements. It, is hoped, too, that throngh the devotion of more time to strictly normal students a higher scholarship will appear in the upper classes of the normal schools, and that it will be possible also to secure sturdents for a more advanced normal conrse. Such a conrse, it appears, has been plamed in all the three schools, including elementary Latin as necessary to a thorough monderstanding and analysis of English, and also such higher branches as are required to bo taught in the upper departments of graded schools and in high schools. The annonncement that snch a course is contemplated is said to have already attracted to the schools a class of pupils whose influence on those below them is likely to be elevating.
Nor is the above the only gain secured or anticipated from the chauges made. With a higher course of study and a cutting down of preparatory work, it becomes possible to decrease the mmber of classes and to graduate but a single class each year. Thero may thus be a smaller proportionate teaching force, and yet, through having the pupils longer under hand, a greater thoronghness.
The statistics for the year 1876-'77 in the ihree schools were as follows: At Winona, normal pupils, 221 ; average attendance, 171 ; at Mankato, normal pupils, 175 ; a verage attendance, 114 ; at St. Cloud, 145 normal pupils and 101 in average attendance; total enrolment, 541 ; total average attendance, 336 ; graduates, 84 . The total mmber of graduates from all the three since their establishment has been 548 , of whom 205 were teachers in the schools of the State in the year covered by the report, while 614 others who had received some training in these institutions were also thus engaged.-(State report, 1877.)

## other normal training.

Several of the graded schools and high schools are reported to be giving instruction preparatory to teaching and to be furnishing considerable numbers of teachers for the lower schools. The Gustavus Adolphis College, at St. Peter, also reports a normal conrse of 4 years, conducting pupils throngh the ordinary high school studies and reviewing common branches with special recercuce to methods of teaching, besides instructing in the theory and pactice of teaching. Then, too, in the Mimeapolis Business College a teachers' training class lasting 3 months was held in the summer vacation of 1877 , with, it is said, "gratifying success." The county superintendent otates that a mumber of old teachers were in attendance, and that at the fali examinations he noticed a marked improvement in their attainments.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

Throngh an arrangement with the normal schools, the faculties of the latter, as in a previous year, were engaged to furnish the State sulperintendent in the spring with a teaching force equal to the service of one teacher from each school for six weeks; and, in the antumu, with as many weeks of such service as conld be rendered withont detriment to the interests of the schools. Under this arrangement, institutes covering 19 weeks in the spring and several others in the antumn were held in 16 connties, with a total attendance of more than 1,200 teachers. The saving to the State by this plan was about $\$ 500$, while the gain to the teachers from having thorough nomal instruction from trained experts must have been very great.-(State report, 1877.)

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGII SCHOOLS.

Superintendent Burt, in his report on the graded school system of the State, enters into an argument in faver of a high school as the proper culmination of each set of graded schools, where possible, and shows in varions striking lights the weakness of the current objections to ligh school training. "The lighl school," he says, "may edncate a sinall percentage as compared withi the pupils of the primary school, and still be a necessary arent in the systen, reflex in its influence on the schools below it, elevating their scholarship, incitiug their pupils to high endeavor, and furnishing to
the aspiring and encrgetic a culture withont which their intellectnal progress wonk have to be arrested at a very early stage." In his judgment, "their indnence in a system of pahbe caliare is indispensable. Without then the primary schools would liave no stamdad abore thenselves at which to aim, and the three le's would be too superficially leaned for any valnable results. We cannot," he says, "incur such consequences; we can better afford to support onr schools for higher learning with a liberality that shall give them their best possible inllucuce as the strength and the glory of our pubhe seliool system."
In a table illustrative of the graded school system and embracing its chicf statistics, he gives 3,93 as the number of pupils in the "highest schools," 372 as having completed its course, and 119 as conpleting it in 1877. As some of the "more than 280 schools" inchuded have only two or three grades, it is hardly to bo supposed that tho "highest school" is always a high school or that all the 3,953 pupils above given aro of high school grade, though pobably the greater portion of the ofter two numbers were high school students.
The high schools of St. Panl, Minneapolis, and Winona were the only ones in which Greek was tanght in 1876-'i7, the pupils in Greek numbering 46. Other schools had it in their printed conrses, hut had no stndents desiring to take Greek. The schools liaving pupils in Latin were 22 and the total of Latin scholars 444 . In some of theso schools Latin is tanght to only a limited extent; but five or six have a sufficiently extended comse in it to prepare for the freshman class in coilege, while in the three schools teaching Greek Mr. Burt says that pupils may be thoronghly fitted in languages and mathematics for any of the coileges. He thinks that under proper encouragement more of the high schoo's might be made to prepare students for a scientific course with Latin.-(Report, 18i7.)

## otier secondary schools.

For statistics of reporting business colloges, academic schools, and preparatory departments of colleges, see Tables IV, VI, and IX in the appendix, and summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

For full statistics of the University of Mimesota and the other institutions under this head reporting for 1877, see Table IX of the appendix, and for a summary of these seo the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

The departments which have thus far been organized in the Minnesota State University are the collegiate or clementary department, and the colleges of agriculture, of mechanic arts, and of science, literature, and the arts. The "collegiate department" is introduc' ory to the pernanent colleges of the university, and comprises 3 courses of study, the classical, scientific, and modern. It includes, together with the work of the freshman and sonhomore classes of the ordinary college conrse, the remainder of the old prepaza ory department, so long as any may be retained. One year of preparatory work has been already dropped, and others will be discontinued as soon as practicable. This ariangement of departments emphasizes and formnlates the growing tendency of American colleges to make the close of the second or sophomore year ab hranching point for certain professional or technical courses and for the introduction of optional studies. The high schools and other preparatory schools of the State are thus invited to extend their work substantially up to the junior year. When this shall have been generally done, the maiversity, as provided by law, will dispense with the whole of the department of elementary instruction and will extend the means for graduate study.

The college of science, literature, and the arts presents, likewise, 3 courses of study, ono in arts, one in science, and one in literature, leading, respectively, to the degrees of A. B., S. D., and B. L. Masters' degrees in science, literature, and the arts are conferred on all bachelozs of this or other reputable colleges, who, not sooner than two years after graduation, pass an examination on some prescribed line of classical, scientific, or literary study and present a satisfactory thesis.

There was an attendance of 304 students in the university in 1877, of whom 138 wero in preparatory and 59 in special studies.-(Calendar, 1876-77.)

## superion instruction of young women.

Two chartered institutions exclnsively for young women, St. HIary's Fall, at Faribanlt, and the Minneapolis Femule Seminary, report an attendance, respectively, of 103 and 50 students. Tho mumber of theso prorsuing regular collogiate courses at St . Mary's is not given. At the other, it is reported to bo 44. Music, drawing, French, and German are taught in bouth, with painting also in the former. St. Maxy's Hall has, too, apparatus for the illustration of chemistry, a cabinet of natural history, and an

For full statistics, see Table VIII, and summary of this in the Commissioner's Report preceding.

## SCLENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## sCIENTIFIC.

The College of Agriculture of the State Enirersity offers in the order of their importance (1) an advanced or university course of 2 years, based on the scientitic course of the collegiate department and leading to the degree of bachelor of agriculture; (2) an clementary course, which substitutes natural sciences and practical instruction for hanguagres and mathematics in the latter part of the course ; and (:3) special courses, which any person who can read and write the English language may enter without examination.

The College of Mechanic Arts of the State University provides 3 advanced or university courses covering 2 years, based on the scientific course of the collegiate department. These lead to degrees in eivil cugincering, in mechanical cnginecring, and in architecture. Applicants who have completed the scientific course of the collegiate department are entitled to admission to the junior class without further examination; ot hers must pass satisfactory examinations in all the studies of that course.-(University Calendar, 1876-'77.)

Carleton College, Northfield, appears to have enlarged in 1877 its scientific course into a scientific department, with an additional cudowment of $\$ 20,000$ for physical science, and with considerable enlargement of its geological and mineralogical cabinet, as well as of its apparatus for illustration of chemical, physical, and auatonical studies.(Catalogue for 18i7-78.)

## THEOLOGICAL.

The institutions for theological instruction in this State are the Seabury Divinity School (Protestant Episcopal), at Faribault, the Aumsourg Seminarium (Evangelical Lutheran), at Minncapolis, and St. John's Seminary (Roman Catholic), at St. Joseph. For statistics, see Table XI in the appendix, and the summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB AND THE BLIND.

The Minnesota Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind reports an attendance in the departnent for the deaf and dumb of 101 pupiis, and in that for the blind of 19 . The deaf and dumb are instructed during $5 \frac{1}{2}$ hours each day in the common school branches, case and accuracy in the use of the Linglish language being chielly aimed at. Three and a half hours daily are spent in the workshops, where coopering, shoemaking, tailoring, printing, and sewing are taught. The class in articulation has made marked progress in lip reading and articulate speech, composed as it is of pupils who have had their hearing long enough to gain sone knowledge of spoken language. The number of pupils who are proper subjects for this elass is increasing.
The blind pupils have received instruction in reading, spelling, music, mental arithmetic, practical arithmetic, geography, English history, United States history, and iu writing with lead pencil and in Braille point.
It is estimated that there are not less than 100 deaf and dumb and blind erildren in the State who are not yet under instruction.- (Report, 1877.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION.

## MINNESOTA STATE EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

The anmial mecting of this association was held at Mankato, Angust 28-30, 1877. The State superintendent reports that the attendance was large and the discussions and papers of unusual interest. In reference to an expressed wish that all the papers should be published in his report, Superintendent Burt explaius that their length is such that space could not be given them, but that he made an exception in favor of two very valuable papers, of which abstracts are presented. These are "The recitation and its object," by Miss A. Abbott, aud "Mcthod of teaching history," by Miss E. A. Wheeler.

Further details of tho proceedings are given in a partial report of the mecting published in the Educational Weekly. This states that there was a much larger attendance than has eharacterized these mectings for several years; the very best educators appeared in force; able papers were presented on live topics, and these brought out interesting isscussions. Amoug the papers the following are mentioned: "At what ago shonld children be admitted to the public schools?" by Mr. Bond, of St. Paul; "Tho
elements of religion in common schools," by Superintendent G. C. Tanner, and ono by Mr. Woodman, of Minneapolis, on "Free text books;" that is, books owned by the district and loaned to tho children, a system favored and demonstraied to bo benoficial, economical, and feasible.

Mr. Bond argued that the school law now makes the age of attendance too early (5 years), that tho primary schools are thus made nurseries, and that it would be wise to change the law and put the age of admission at 7 .

Mr. Tanner held that a sense of responsibility for character and actions, an idea of right and wrong, and a regard for the sacred majesty of law mast be cultivated in the schools, or the foundation of good discipline and conscientious devotion to duty will bo wanting. - (State report, 1877, and Educational Weekly, September シ0, 187\%.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER.

Hon. Davio Burt, State superintendent of public instruction, St. Paut.
[Second term, 1877-1879.]

## DIGSSESSIPPI.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-7\%. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| porulation and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| White routh of school age (5-21) | 171,032 | 150, 504 |  |  |
| Colored youth of sehool age | 184, $8 \stackrel{\text { a }}{ } 7$ | 174,485 |  | 10,372 |
| Whole number of school age | 355, 919 | 324, 989 |  | 30, 930 |
| White youth in schools..... | -76,026 | 81, 374 | 8,348 | 30, 3 |
| Colored youth in schools Whole number in schools | -90, 178 | 76, 154 |  | 14, 024 |
| Average monthly enrolment, white | 165,204 65,384 | 160,528 63,943 |  | 5, 676 |
| Average monthly enrolment, colored | 63, ᄃع0 | -5, 814 |  | 12,441 |
| Whole average enrolment ........... | 133, 964 | 119, 757 |  | 14, 207 |
| Average daily attendance, white... | No report. | 52, 672 |  | 14, 207 |
| Average daily attendance, colored Whole average attendance........ | No report. | 44,627 |  |  |
| schools. |  |  |  |  |
| Average term, in days, in comotry | 80 |  |  | 3 |
| Average term, in days, in cities.. | 172 | 200 | 25 | 3 |
| Average term throughout the state | 100 | No report. |  |  |
| teachiers and their pay. |  |  |  |  |
| Number of white teachers |  | 2,659 | 688 |  |
| Number of colored teachers. | 1,005 | 1,459 | 454 |  |
| Average monthly salary paid | $\$ 3987$ | \$ \% ${ }^{19} 19$ |  | \$1067 |
| ncome and mppenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole reported school income ........ | $\$ 441,423$ | \$498, 987 |  |  |
| Whole reported expenditure for schools | 417, 760 | 481,215 | 63, 455 |  |

(From reports of Hon. Joseph Bardwell, State superintendent of public edueation, for 1876 and $18: 7$; the former, however, embraeing full statisties from on! 50 comties out of 75 , and the later from only 65 . The items of income and expenditure are for the public schools alone, not ineluding the normal schools or miversities reeeiving appropriations from State funds. Thiough a change introdncod in 18i6, making the sehool and calendar years synchronous, the figures in the scoond column probably cover 15 months; hereafter they will cover the period from January 1 to December 31.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## general.

For "reereral supervision of the comrnon schools and of the educational interests of the State," a state superintendent of public edlucation is clected every fourth year, at the same time and in the same manner as the governor.
"For the management and investment of the sehool funds under the general direction of. the legislature and to perform such other duties as may be prescribed by law," there is a Stutc board of ellucation, composed of the secretary of state, the attorney general, and the State superintendent of public education.

## LOCAL.

A connty superintendent of public cclucation for each comity ${ }^{1}$ is appeinted biemially by

[^47]the abovementioned State loard with the consent of the senate, on the certificate of a comnty board of examiners appointed to examine all the candidates for the office that the one chosen has the requisite educational qualifications, is of gool habits and character, and possesses executive ability. He is to examine and license teachers for the public schools, visit these schools at least once in cach term, make ammal repnrt of then to the State superintendent, and report to the State anditor the number of educabe children in his county and to the State board the condition of the school lands and school fimds.

In each incorporated town or city with 2,000 or more inlabitants, the qualified voters elect anmally 2 trustees for each ward. In towns and cities with less than 2,000 inhabitants the mayor and aldermen appoint annually a board of 3 trustees, who form a board of school trustecs. To form such a board in a rural subdistrict, the patrons of the schools who have the qualifications of voters elect anmally 3 trustees to serve till the next clection. These boards employ teachers and look after the local interests of the schools.-(School laws, 1876.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

In his report for 1877, Dr. Bardwell (filling the place of State superintendent for a part of the unexpired term of Mr. Cardozo, who resigned in 1876) expresses the opinion that the school system is, on the whole, improving; that the prejudice against it once existing is now largely wom away; that the great masses of the people of the State, without distinction of race or party, have become fast friends and supporters of free schools; that, notwithstanding a large school debt entailed on many of the countics from the past, the average rural school term reached 77 days in the rural districts reporting, while in towns and cities it was 200 days, or 10 school months; that in most of the indebted counties the school debt has been greatly reduced and in some entirely liqnidated; and that thus the school system of the State is now nearer a eash basis than at any preceding time since its inanguration. To effect this last improvement it has been necessary, in some places, to consolidate two or more contiguous schools into one, reducing thus the mumber of teachers; while, for the same culd, a gencral reduction in the salarics of teachers has been made. The former movement, however, it is hoped, may be of only temporary necessity; the latter, it is belicved, will still leave the teachers more productive means than formerly, because of the increased value of the school warrants in which they are too gencrally paid. The apparent reduction in the number of children of school age and in the enrolment of colored children in the schools, Dr. Bardwell thinks, is not representative of the real fact in either case, but is rather due to a neglect in certain districts to make proper returns.(State report for 1877.)

## Cilanges in the school law.

No changes in the school law were made by the last legislature, but Dr. Bardwell recomments that there shonld be a consolidation of the present school law, repealing what is defective and practically obsolete and sapplying what is needed to give greater coherence and efficiency to the school system, and that there shonld be an amendment of the law (1) increasing the present very limited salaries of connty superintendents, and in connection with snch increase imposing on them the duty of visiting and personally inspecting all the schools of their resplective counties ; (2) instituting a system of graded schools with three grades instead of the present two, and with higher salaries for teachers of the first grade than the $\$ 40$ monthly which is the present legal maximum, that the best teaching talent possille may be secured ; (3) determining the now undefined term of service of the county boards of examiners, and making them certify under oath as to the qualifications of applicants for the connty superinteadency; (4) removing from connty supervisors and city boards of mayor and aldermen the question of raising a tax for public schools (except as respects special increase of school revenues) and letting the legislature determino by law what tax shall be regularly levied.-(Report for 1877.)

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## VICKSBURG.

Officers. - A board of trustees of 2 members for each ward, with a city superintendent of schools.
Siatistics.-Estimated population, 11,000; youth of schonl age (5-21 years), 2,400; enrolled in pullic schools, 1,450 , besides 300 in private and parochial schools; average aticntance, 1,074 ; school buildings, 3 ; school rooms, 21 ; sittings, 1,030; schools, primary, grammar, and high; teachers, 233 ; expenditures for school purposes, $\$ 17,140$. (Return from Superintendent C. E. Bent for 187\%.)

## TRANING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOLS.

The State report for 1877 gives 95 as the aggregate envolment in the State Normal School at Holly Springs and 89 as the average attendance. A return states that there were no graduates for that year. A letter accompanying the return says that on account of the smallness of the appropriation the school cannot get a library of even much needed books of reference, or have a chemical laboratory, apparatus for illustrating physics, needful maps, charts, and giobes, or means to aid in teaching drawving. Drawing is taught, however, though without important helps, and instruction in vocal and instrumental music is also given.

In the normal department of Tougaloo University, the State authority gives 105 as the enrolment for the year and 50 as the average attendance, while a returin says that there were no graduates. The inference is that in both schools the greater portion of the students enter for only short terms and go out to teach before the completion of full courses. Drawing is not taught at Tongaloo, there being little need of it in the colored schools for which the students are preparing; but vocal and instrumental music is taught and there are some means for illustrating both chemical and physical studies. Each institution has a model school connected with it.
There appears to be danger of the loss of the State appropriation, made annually to Tougaloo since 1874, because of a conflict of authority as to the appointment of teachers between the American Missionary Association, which established and las largely sustained the institution, and the board of trustees appointed for it by the State.

## other formal training.

The school law requires that a teachers' institute of at least two weeks' duration shall be held annually in each of the six congressional districts of the State under the control of the State superintendent, aided by an experienced educator and an assistant skilled in the work of training teachers - all teachers attending to have their salaries continued. There is, however, no note in the State report of such iustitutes laving been held.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

Tho present school law recognizes only two grades of schools and does not explicitly refer to high schools, nor does the State report say anything about them. There is reason to believe, however, that they exist to some extent throughout the State, sustained in part from county school funds, perhaps also in part from trition fees for studies not recognized by the school law. But, except of the high school of Vickshurg (with four rooms for study and recitation, but without note of the number of teachers or pupils), there is no official information, unless the university high school, mentioned further on, be considered a public high school.

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For statistics of a business college and 12 academic schools reporting for 1877, see Tables IV and VI of the appendix, and for preparatory departments of colleges and universities, Table IX, together with the summaries of these tables in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

For full statistics of institutions of this class reporting for 1877, see Table IX of the appendix, and for a summary of this, see the Commissioner's Report preceding.

At the University of Mississippi, the State institution for superior instruction, the plan embraces three general departments, one of preparatory education, one of science, literature, and the arts, and one of professional education. The first of these three consists of a university ligh school, in which are tanght the branches of study preliminary to the university courses, viz: English, Latin, Greek, and mathematics, together with a course of commercial science, including penmanship and book-keeping. In the science, literature, and art department there are three undergradnate courses, one leading to the degree of bachelor of arts, one to that of bachelor of science, and one to that of bachelor of philosophy, the first and secoud of 4 years each, with certain fixed studies, the third elective as to the studies to be pursued, but necessarily embracing those of 7 out of 9 lines of study indicated. Six gradnate courses of study, leading to the degree of master of arts, are also presented; while to secure the degree of doctor of philosophy the candidate must show that he has successfully pursued the course for bachelor of arts, or that he possesses an equivalent amonnt of knowledge, with special proficiency in any three departments of knowledge. He must also pre-
sent a satisfactory dissertation on some subject of original resoarch connected with one of these departments. The department of professional education embraces at present only a school of law, for which see Scientific and Professional hastruction, below. For the fall term of 1877 there wero reported 174 collegiate undergraduates and 0 graduate students; while at the commencement in that year 4 received the degree of B. A., 1 that of s. B., and 1 that of Pin. D. (honorary), besides 5 that of D. D.- (Catalogrue for 1877-\%8 and return.)

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

For statistics of these, see Table VIII of the appendix, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIIIC.

In the School of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts connected with the State university the catalogue for $1876-77$ shows a 4 years' course of study, in which agriculture is tanght as a profession requiring varied knowledge and a liberal education. The catalogne says that the course is intended not to turn out mere apprentices to the art, but, withont excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach stach branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts ; and that applicants for admission are to be examined in the conmon English branches, in algebra through equations of the first degree, in clementary geometry, and in bookkeeping. In the catalogue for $1877-78$, this whole announcement disappears, without any note of the reason for such disappearance.

## TIIEOLOGICAL。

The Bishop Green Training School, Dry Grove (Protestant Episcopal), is both a mission and a training school. As a missionary enterprise, it supplies an otherwise destitute neighborhood with preaching ; as a training school, its ain is not to teach the round of the sciences, but to give training and discipline for the work of the ministry. The average attendance of students during the year 1876-'77 was 1\%; of these, however, a number were simply preparing for theological study.- (Return and report for 1877.)

## LEGAL.

The Law School of the University of Mississippi has 1 professor and 6 lecturers and a course of one year, the trnstees having in 1872 dispensed with the necessity for a 2 years' attendance. There appears to be no preliminary examination and a student may enter at any time. Text books are said to be the chief means of instruction, and every stulent is examined daily on his day's reading, with explanation of those points which he is found not to understand sufficiently. The diploma of the sehool is mado by statute ab license to practice law in any court in Mississippi.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF TIE DEAF AND DUMB.

The Mississippi Institntion for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb, at Jackson, reports an attendince of 50 pupils, 25 of each sex, who are tanght reading, writing, grammar, history, plyysical geography, the Bible, lip reading, and articulation. The stato gratuitonsly provides board and tuition for these children, clothing also for the indi-gent.-(Return and report, 18\%\%.)

## LDUCATION OF THE BLLND.

From the Mississippi Institution for the Blind, also at Jackson, no report has been received.

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## MISSISSIPPI EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting held in the senate chamber at Jackson, Augnst 8, 1877, for the purpose of organizing a State teachers' association, General Stewart, of the University of Mississippi, was made elaimman. A committee on drafting a constitution reported ono which made the name of the body that above given, provided for anmal meeting, and for ammal committees on common schools, higher education, normal schools, \&e. The reported plan, with these and other provisions, was adopted, officers were chosen, and committees appointed. Oxford was selected as the place for the next meeting, and the time for it fixed as Jnue 28, 1878.
The committee on commoin schools reported in favor (1) of repealing the present school law; (2) of recominending a poll tax of $\$ ?$ for school purposes; ; (3) of making the school
system a mit (i. e., that there should be common sehools and a high sehool in each county, continuing for 9 months in the year, to prepare boys for the university); (4) of grading all common sehools; (5) of better salaries for the prineipals of schools with 2 teachers than the present law would allow; (6) of fuller compensation for county superintendents ; (7) of having 3 grades of teachers, with salaries proportioned to grade. All these resolutions were carried. A committee on ehanging the mode of ehoosing a State superintendent reported in favor of making both the offices of State superintendent and of member of the State hoard of edncation appointive instead of elective. The report was aceepted, and the association, or the exceutive eommittee of the association, was directed to make the reeommendation for these appointments. The Eelectic Teacher and Sonthwestern Journal of Edncation, of Kentueky, was adopted as the official organ of the assoeiation. After recciving a report on higher education recommending the establishment of eomnty high sehools as tributaries to the university, and appointing a committee to memorialize the legislature on the subject, the association adjourned.-(Published proccedings.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Hon. J. A. Smimi, State superintendent of public education, Jackson.
state doard of education.
[Term, January 1, 1878, to December 31, 1881.]

| Members. | Post-ofice. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Hon. Einloch Falconer, secretary of state. | Jarkson. |
| Hon. T. C. Catchings, attoruey general ... | Jackson. |
| Hon. J. A. Smi.h, state superintendent of public education | dackson. |

## MMSSOURI.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1874-75. | 1875-76. | Increasc. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Persons of school are (5-21 for 18\%4-'75 and 6-20 for 1875-76). | 738, 431 | 725,728 |  | ........... |
| Youth attending public schools.. | 394,780 | a394, 848 | a63 |  |
| Average daily attendance <br> schools. | 19:2,904 | a181, 432 |  | a11, 472 |
| Public schools for white children. | 7,031 | 7,257 | 193 |  |
| Public schools for colored children.... Average duration of school in days... | 3328 99 | 338 60 | 12 | 39 |
| Men teaehing | 5,904 | 5, 904 |  |  |
| Women teaching | 3,747 | 3,747 |  |  |
| Average salary of men | \$38 00 |  |  |  |
| Average salary of women | 2950 |  |  |  |
| Average monthly pay ................. |  | \$30 00 |  |  |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole reeeipts for publie schools.... |  |  |  | \$1,240,131 |
| Whole expenditure for public sehools. statie sheol fund. | No report. | 2,374,961 |  |  |
| Available principal July 1, 1876 Whole estimated amount of fund | \$7, 248, 535 | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 2,910,294 \\ 7,300,804 \end{array}$ | \$32,269 |  |

$a$ Estimated. $b$ Several counties did not report; total, about $\$ 2,000,000$.
(Reports and returns of Hon. Richard D. Shannon, State superintendent of public sehools, for the years indicated. No report or return has been received for 1876-77.)

OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## general.

A State board of celucation, composed of the governor, secretary of state, attorney general, and superintendent of public schools, has under the constitution of 1875 "thio supervision of instruction in the public schools." The superintendent, who is elected, like the others, for a 4 years' term, is president and executive officer.

## LOCAL.

County commissioners, chosen by the peoplo for 2 years' terms, have the usual duties of county superintendents, but with such limitations both of these duties and the compensation for them as greatly to impair efficiency, except where counties vote to have them give their whole time to school work, in whiel case the duties are extended and the pay increased.
Boarlds of cllucation of eities, towns, and villages, except such as have been organized under special laws, consist of 6 members chosen for terms of 3 years, one-third going out each year.

Directors of school districts composed of minor divisions of a eounty or township eonsist of 3 members ehosen by the voters of the district for terms of 3 years, with change of one member yearly.-(Constitution and school law of 1875.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## NO STATE REPORT.

A recent letter from State Superintendent R. D. Shannon contains the following: "I regret to say that the appropriation for executive printing having been exhausted, my report for last year was not printed, and will not be, unless included ly the legislature in my next." This is the more to be regretted becanse Mr. Shannon liad been endearoring to collect for the report mentioned statistics not before presented respecting private and corporate schools of every grade and public and associational libraries. Apparently from discouragement at this disposition of what he had prepared for publication, the superintendent has furnished neither figures nor other information respecting the schools to the educational journal of his State or to the Bureau of Education.

## GENELAL CONDITION.

The only authoritative information as to the condition of the schools in general for 1877 comes from the report of a committee appointed ly the State Teachers' Association to report upon a comse of study for the country schools. This report, published in February, 187\%, intimates that there is a lack of comprehensiveness in the existing school system; an absence of any requirement for an annual register of admissions, withdrawals, and attendance in the schools; a consequent deficiency of accurate and full reports, and a want of records to show the character and quality of the school work. Then, going beyond such intimations, it says directly that "the country schools have been, and are now, systemless schools, each teacher being free to arrange his own course of study and programme of exercises, and deciding also what shall be taught, what slighted, and what omitted," and that, "owing to non-systematized work and effort, 50 per cent. of the entire school revenue is wasted in paying for aimless experimenting in the school room." To remedy this condition of things, it recommends that the school law be changed to require annual registers, examination reeords, full and regular reports, and give the State superintendent authority to oblige each comety commissioner to furnisll to the teachers of his county a course of study and programmo of daily exercises reeommended by the superintendent. A course and programme suggested by the committee are added.

## KINDERGÄRTEN.

The schools of this class in the State appear to be all in St. Lonis and its environs and to be comprelecuded in the school system of that city. The following information respecting them is gathered from the report of the school board and superintendent of St. Lonis for 1876-77.

There were 30 Kindergïrten in operation during the year. Of those in operation, 14 held their sessions from $9 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to 12 mm . and 16 from 1.30 to $3.45 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The morning and afternoon Kindergairten were held in the same rooms, but they enrolled soparate lists of childreu, and with two exceptions were tanght by different teachers. Only 32 of the 182 teachers engaged in this work received pay, the remainder teaching gratnitously for the sake of the experience to be gained in Kindergarten management. There were enrolled during the year 3,333 pupils, $1,8 \cdot 27$ boys and 1,003 girls, the average number belonging being 1,502 and average daily attendance 1,252 ; of these, 130 were in the fourth year of their age, 902 in the fifth, 1,448 in the sixth, 639 in the seventh, and 184 in the eighth; average age on entering, $5 \frac{1}{2}$ years. The expense for teachers' salaries was $\$ 13,500$, an average for each scholar enrolled of only $\$ 4.05$ a year, and for each belonging of only $\$ 9$; while the average cost for trition of pupils enrolled under the general system was $\$ 12.80$ and of pupils belonging $\$ 18.04$, so that here each Kindergarten child costs only in the proportion of one-thirl on the general enrolment and one-half on the number belonging to the schools. The eost of materials nsed in the occupations was met by a quarterly fee of $\$ 1$ cach, collected from all except the indigent.

In respect to the comparative standing of children who had been trained in Kinderg:irten and those who had not, after their entrance upon the primary schools, Superintendent Harris says the testimony does not entirely agree. He thinks this may be due in some cases to the inferior quality of the instruetion given in the Kindergirten. Morenver, during the absence of Miss Blow in Europe the past year, less stress has been laid upon the "gift" lessons in some of the Kindergiaiten than upon the "oecupations;" and this, as shown by the statistics, deteriorated the preparation for subsequent school work, the matter of skill in manipnlation having been given the preference over theoretical ability in arithmetic. Miss Blow's pupils excelled in the primary schools becanse of the intellectnal avakening given them in the mathematical exercises on the "gifts." "The gain in intellectual possessions for yomg clil?dren will not be so great as the training of the will to correct habits; the chief wow of the Kindergatea is that which gives manual skill and dexterity, taste, and the amenities of life." Speaking of the educational results of the Kindergarten, Superintendent Harizuli cissesthe relations of skilled and unskilled labor. He says the suparior weal h preducing powor of skilled
labor depends on the fact that its products are claborated into forms of beauty and that they present greater complexity．Unskilled labor can do only the eoarse work of getting out the raw material and preparing it for the first steps of usefulness．The trite remark that we pay for manufactures prices proportioned to the amount of brains mixed with them is true．If the Kindergarten occupations train the muscles of the child when supple in such a maniner as to cause them to be obedient servants to the will，if they train the eye to accuracy and develop taste in the selection of shapes for realization，if the＂gifts＂develop an early and permanent tendency to mathematical operations，then the Kindergarten is admirably adapted to the purpose of commenc－ ing the education of an industrial people．－（St．Louis city report．）

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS．

## OFFICERS．

A general law for eities，towns，and villages provides for the eleetion of 6 directors of public schools in all sueh places as shall have adopted the law，one－third of sueh directors to be subject to ehange by new eleetion each year following．These directors choose a president，secretary，and treasurer of their own number，the body thus organ－ ized forming a eorporate board of education．Kansas City appears to have come under the provisions of this act，having a board of the number and organization indieated． St．Joseph，under a special aet of 1860，amended in 1866，has a board composed of 2 members from each ward cleeted by the voters of the ward，with a president eleeted by the district at large．St．Louis，also under special act，has one composed of a sin－ gle member from each of its 28 wards eleeted for terms of 3 years each，one－third going ont eaeh year．This board chooses a president from its own number，and，like the others，annually elects a superintendent of the eity schools，who at St．Louis chooses 2 assistant superintendents．

STATISTICS．

| Cities． |  | 4 <br>  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 葛 } \\ & \text { a } \\ & \text { 呙 } \\ & \text { 品 } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hannibal | 12，000 | 3，306 | 1， 877 | 1， 299 | 28 | \＄14，947 |
| Kansas City | 42， 000 | 8， 303 | 4，334 | 2，529 | 58 | 81， 187 |
| St．Toseph． | 25， 000 | 6， 822 | 3，514 | 2，417 | $a 52$ | a53， 194 |
| St．Louis． | 482， 000 | 146， 000 | b42，436 | b27， 581 | 6752 | 1，007， 831 |

a In a written return the number of teachers is given as 54 ，and the expenditure is put at $\$ 51,073$.
$b$ Exclnsive of 5,240 enrolled in ovening schools，with 2,421 in average attendance under 118 teachers． All the figures for St．Louis are from the printed report for 1876－77．

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS．

Hannibal．－The figures above given are from a written return made by the seeretary of the sehool board，no printed report having been received．The return gives 300 as the estimated enrolment in private and parochial schools，additional to that in public sehools．
Kansas City．－There are 9 schools under the jurisdietion of the board， 1 high and 8 district schools， 1 of the latter for colored children．Number of school rooms owned by the district， 62 ；rented，2．The district sehools are classed as primary，intermediate， and grammar，the course in these grades covering 7 years，while the high sehool course requires 4 ．Notwithstanding a reduction of 2 years in the school age，whichr probably eut off 200 pupils，the enrolment was larger in 1877 than ever before．As an auxiliary to the school system，a library has been established，which now numbers about two thousand volumes and is rapidly increasing．－（Report for 1876－77．）

St．Joseph．－The board owns 17 school－houses，containing 53 rooms．There were 16 schools open for the year，of which 1 was a high school and 2 were for colored children． The eurolment of colored pupils was 376 ，the average attendance 224．The percentage of attendance in all the schools，on the average number belonging，was 91 ；on the number enrolled，69．The high school graduated its first class in 1868，and has since graduated 10 classes，numbering in all 134， 75 girls and 59 boys．－（Report for 1876－77．）
St．Louis．－Adding the 5,240 pupils enrolled in evening schools to the 42,436 pupils in day sehools，we have a total enrolment of 47,676 in all the public schools．Adding the 118 teachers in evening to those in day schools gives a total of 870 teaching public sehools during the year．In the day schools the enrolment was 4,046 greater than dur－ ing the year 1875－76．The board of educatien has still to deal with the question of how to provide educational facilities for a sihool population which inereases much
faster than the income from taxable property. This increase of enrolment averages about tliree thousand a year. It has been far greater proportionally than that of the population; partly, it is thought, from the popularity of the schools and partly from the severe financial depression, which has caused parents to withdraw their children from private schools and send them to the public schools. The plan of half day instruction in the two lowest grades is suggested as a possible solution of the financial difficulty, a plan which, it is stated, would save as much annually as the proceeds of one-fourth of the city school tax, while materially improving the system. Children before the age of 13 , Dr. D. F. Lincoln has urged, cannot profitably study more than half as long as men and women, and the most profitable arrangement of work for such children will restrict their study, in general, to 3 hours daily for the younger children and $4 \frac{1}{2}$ for the older. Nearly fifty-two per cent. of the entire number enrolled in the St. Louis city schools are in the two lowest grades. If they were provided for in half day sessions, it is estimated that a saving might be effected of $\$ 150,000$ a year in the items of real estate and improvements, wages of teachers and janitors, fuel, and supplies; and it is not donbted that the pupils would make as rapid progress as now and assimilate what they learn far better, since what they lose in iteration would be more than made up by the keen grasp which a thoroughly rested mind gives to a subject. Some industrial occupation for children during the hours when not employed in study, it is suggested, should accompany such an arrangement. The question of industrial training, now rapidly assuming prominence among educators, may find its solution in some such plan as this. The difficulty, as Superintendent Harris says, is the practical one, how to do it. The trouble lies in finding suitable work and in holding the children with due strictness to the plan adopted.

It has been the policy of the board for some years to encourage the attendance of children under 7 years of age. The length of time spent in school in St. Louis is not so great as in most eastern cities. Some school populations get an average of 5 years' tuition, but here the time spent is barely 3 years, on an average. In 1876-77 the children 7 years old and under comprised 34.4 per cent. of the entire enrolment, and 21.8 per cent. of the entire enrolment were under 7. About 8 per cent. of these last attended the Kindergärten.

The average cost of each pupil in the day schools, including the high and normal, was $\$ 20.19$, based on the average number belonging; it was $\$ 14.33$ based on the total enrolment, being a decrease for the year of about a dollar a pupil. This was secured by lowering the wages of inexperienced teachers for the first two years of service from, $\$ 500$ and $\$ 550$, respectively, to $\$ 400$ and $\$ 450$. A reduction of $7 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. in teachers' salaries has been decided upon for the ensuing year, to apply, however, only to salaries of $\$ 500$ and upward. The superintendent thinks that the weight of reduction should fall chiefly on unskilled labor, that a premium may be offered for good work.

The number of children studying German in the public schools reached 18,727 in the year, of whom 12,787 were of German parentage. The necessity for this instruction grows out of the large number of Germans in the city and the need of training them under American influences. - (Report for 1876-'77.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOLS AND NORMAL DEPARTMENTS.

For full statistics of normal schools, see Table III of the appendix, and the summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

The Southeast Missouri State Normal School, at Cape Girardean, with 5 instructors and some student assistants, had 171 students in 1876-77, 73 women and 98 men. There is an elementary course of study which covers 2 years and an advanced course of 2 years additional. Twelve graduates are reported for 187\%, all but one from the elementary course; engaged in teaching, 3.- (Catalogue.)

The North Missouri State Normal School, at Kirksville, with 9 resident instructors and 20 "tutors," reports 592 normal pupils, 388 men and 204 women. There were 39 graduates in 1877 ; of these all but 6 engaged in teaching. The course of instruction covers 4 years.- (Circular and return.)

The Northwest Normal School, at Oregon, organized in 1876, in 1877 had 3 instructors and 110 normal students, 55 men and 55 women. The course of study covers 4 years. An appropriation of $\$ 1,500$ was received from the city.-(Return.)

The Collegiate Institute, at Sedalia, opened in 1876, has primary, preparatory, commercial, collegiate, and normal departments, in which latter the attendance was 14, all women but 4. The aim of the normal department is to give a knowledge of the common school branches and instruction in the methods, theory, and practice of teaching, in school organization and school government, and in the elements of the natural sciences. - (Catalogue and return.)

The College of Normal Instruction, Columbia, reports 70 students, all of them men but $1 ; 10$ instructors; and a 4 years' course of study.- (Return.)

Lincoln Institute, at Jefferson City, aulinstitution opened for the colored race in 1866,
had during 187\%, under 6 instructors, an attendauce of 122 students, of whom 69 were men and 5.3 women. Eleven students were graduated from its 4 years' course of study, 7 of whom engaged in teaching. There was an average of $\$ 40.99$ received from the (Return.)

In all these schools drawing and vocal musie are taught ; instrumental music also in 4; 5 have some means of chemical illustration, and 3 some apparatus for illustrating
At the St. Louis Normal School 215 pupils were enrolled in 1877, a smaller number than in any of the three preceding years. There were 12 graduates in January, 1877, and 55 in June. There was greater regularity in attendance than during any previous year, a fact which indicates that the health of the pupils was good. In order to guard against overwork, a daily record is kept of the amount of time spent by pupils on school work at home. This averaged during the year two hours and eleven minutes. The advanced class spend about half of their time in practical teaching in the district schools of the city, and are thus enabled to overcome first difficulties in teaching under the assistance of their own teachers and of those of the schools in which they teach. All are excluded from entering higher classes who have not satisfactorily tinished the work of the previous part of the course. Those who show little aptitude for teaching are advised to withdraw.-(City report, 187\%.)
A normal conse is reported by the catalogne for 1877 at Central Wesleyan College, Warrenton, in which 22 pupils received instruction; and at Drury College, Springfield, according to the catalogue for $1876-77$, there was a class numbering 10 papils. The normal department of the State university had 18 students. Normal departments were also reported in La Grange College, La Grange, and Thayer College, Kidder, in 1874-75, but no later information on this point has been received from those colloges.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

Under the existing school law these means of improving teachers are not required to be held by the comnty commissioners unless the counties arrange that the commissioners shall devote their whole time to school work, nor, if they should be held, are the teachers bound to attend them by any other consideration than a sense of duty, there being no penalty for absence or reward for attendance. A search through the pages of the edncational organ of the State superintendent indicates that ouly 5 eounty institutes were held during the year.

## EDUCATIONAL JOURNALS.

The American Journal of Education, published at St. Louis, served during 1877 as the official organ of the State superintendent of public schools, and by its advocacy of a good school system and of liberal legislative appropriations for its support aided greatly lis endeavors in this direction, while many articles must have improved the teachers for whose benefit they were written.
The Western, a monthly also published at St. Louis, has at times given a page to educational matter, and to it we owe a notice in the December number for 1877 of the formation, history, and constitution of the St. Louis Society of Pedagogy, which seems to be doing important work in training its members to thoroughness in teaching.

The Journal of Speculative Philosophy, a quarterly published at St. Louis, and edited by Superintendent W. T. Harris, frequently contains original articles and translations bearing on the science of education, which are characterized by profound thought and wide study of the particular topics discussed.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

There is no recognition of high schools in the State law beyond a provision for central graded schools formed by a union of certain districts for the establishment and maintenance of such schools, nor have the State reports been wont to present any statistics of high scloools. They exist, howerer, in some places, tlurough the wish of the people for them and throngh the discretionary action of school boards. Hamnibal, in 1877, had 1 such school, with 35 students and 1 teacher; Kansas City, 1, with 7 teachers and 223 scholars; St. Joseph, 1 , with 5 teachers and 182 scholars ; St. Lonis, 1 central high school for advanced propils and 5 branches in different parts of the city for the studies of the first high school ycar. The enrolment in the central school for 1876-77 was 351; in the branches, 906 ; the number admitted from these to the central for that year, 143 ; teachers in .central and branch schools, 48. Total of high school teachers reported in the State for 1877,61; of high school pupils, 1,697; graduates in the three places last namer, 93 .

## OTIIER SECONDARY BCHOOLS.

For the statistics of reporting business colleges, academic schools, and preparatory departments of colleges, see Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX in the appendix, and summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## THE HIGIX SCHOOL QUESTION.

Inasmueh as the old question of the right of establishing free high schools at public cost is provoking new discussion, Superintendent Harris, in his report for 187\%, gives eonsiderable spaee to the views of Mr. Morgan, prineipal of the city high sehool, on this subjeet. The arguments presented in favor of the public high sehool are addressed to the objectors of three different classes: (1) to those who are hostile to education and to those who are indifferent and eonsent to publie education only because it is a sociological necd; (2) to those who belicve in edncation by itsclf, but who look upon public edueation as a gift and not as a right; (3) to those who belicve in education as a right as well as a politieal neeessity, but who wish it to be limited.
To the first elass the defence of a high sehool is made on the ground of economy. It is shown that the high sehool exerts upon the grammar sehool a benefieial influence not to be obtained so economically in any other way. To the seeond elass of objectors it is replied that education is not in this country a gift, but a right and a necessity on which depend the prosperity and wealth of the community. To the third class of persons, who bclieve education to be a right, but who wish to limit it, additional considerations are addueed based on (1) political necessity, to the end of preventing erime, abolishing easte, and fostering ereative ability ; (2) the reeiproeal duties of the eitizen and the eommunity ; (3) the suffieiency of the edueation, as determined loy these considerations; and (4) the ability and willingness of the community to perceive and to attain its own best ends.

From the arguments in favor of pulblic high sehools, given in previous annual reports, the following among others are selcetel: That they infuse greater uniformity into the system; that they have a healthful, stimulating effeet on the sehools below; that they furnish opportunities for the poor; that they dignify, popularize, and render influential the district schools; that they both indieate and eneourage a high standard of edueation in the publie mind, and that they graduate stanch friends of liberal culture and advaneed learning.- (City report.)

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

For statistics under this head, see Table IX of the appendix, and summary of this ins the Report of the Commissioner preceding.
The departments and eourses of struly in all the colleges appear, as far as heard from, to be essentially the same as reported in 1876.
The State University, at Columbia, and the Pritchett School Institute, at Glasgow, report only by catalogue, and their statistics, therefore, do not appear in the tables. There was a total attendance of 463 in the academie and professional sehools of the university. Of the academic students, 70 were emrolled in the school of physies, 46 in chemistry, 147 in natural history, 340 in mathematics, 19 in metaphysies, 7 in Shemitic languages, 64 in Greck, 168 in Latin, 157 in continental, and 233 in English. Pritchett Institute reports 22 students in the eollegiate department, besides 6 special and 132 preparatory students.
The State University was founded on the admission of Missouri into the Union, in 1820 , by means of a congressional grant to the State of two townships, or 40,080 acres of land. At the same time other pulblie lands were set apart for sustaining elementary schools. Thus, higher edueation was, from the first, identified with the lower as a constituent part of the publie school organization. The university was chartered in 1839 and began its work at Columbia in 1840; in 1870 the Missouri Seloool of Mincs and Metallurgy, at Rolla, the agrieultural and meehanical college of the State, became a part of it. The course comprises 17 schools, of which 10 arc academie and 7 professional. Five of the acadcmic sehools are devoted to scientifie strdy and 5 to the languages, including German, Freneh, Spanish, Latin, Greek, and Shemitic. For the 10 aeademic sehools, 4 courses of study have been arranged, leading to the degrecs of A. B., S. B., PH. b., and L. b. It is intended that these eourses and degrees, oecupying the same time and indieating the same amount of work, shall be equivalent in training and equal in honor. The professional schools are those of agrieulture, pedagogics, law, medieine, mining and metallurgy, eivil engineering, and art. Young women have been admitted to the elasses of the university for 10 years; and expericnce, it is stated, is decidedly favorable to the plan of coedtucation.- (Catalogue.)

Washington University, St. Loutis, whieh has for sereral years had lady students on its rolls, is reported by the American Journal of Edueation in that eity to have had a special room fitted up for them in 1877 as a parlor and study, an attention to their eomfort whieh will be likely to, increase the attendanee. To extend more widely the advantages offcred, Mr. William Henry Sinith, of Alton, Ill., has given the undirersity a lecture endowment fund amounting to $\$ 27,000$ and to be inereased by aeerting intercst to $\$ 30,000$. The ineome of this fund is to be used for the support of a system of lectures on literatare, history, art, and sciences, whieh will be open to the public and will ordi-
warily be free, though an admission fee may be required when circumstances shall demand it.- (Catalogue for 1877-78.) These lectures appear to have been already commenced, and two series of them, on German and French literature, delivered in 187\%, are said by a St. Louis paper to have been of great interest.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

For statistics of iustitutions of this class, see Table VIII of the appendix, and a summary of this in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

As this table, however, will not show all that relates to the Mary Institute, which is a brauch of Washington University, St. Louis, it may be said of it that its last catalogue indicated 34 young lady students in its 5 academic classes for the fall term of 1877 and 13 in its 2 allvanced classes; the former pursuing the studies of a very thorough high school course, the latter those of a collegiate one. A portion of the studies in the advanced course, such as Latin, Greek, chemistry, physics, trigonometry, and mechanics, are clective, and students usnally recite in the college classes of the university.(Catalogue, 1877-78.)

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

[Detailed statistics of institutions under this head may be found in Tables X-XIII of the appendix, and summaries of them in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.]

## SCIENTIFIC.

The State Agricultural and Mcchanical Collcge, one of the professional colleges of the university, at Columbia, provides a 4 years' course in agriculture and related studies, leading to the degree of bachelor of agriculture, a resident graduate course of 1 year, and a course in horticulture of 1 year. Students who complete the resident graduate course are entitled to the degrce of master of agriculture. Those who complete the course in horticulture are entitled to a diploma. Ladies are invited to pursue this course; it embraces horticultural botany, chcmistry, meteorology, climatology, gardening and landscape gardening, fruit culture, botany, and history of horticulture. It is the design of this college to give an education that shall fit the pupils for intellectual and manual labor.- (University catalogue, 1876-77.)

The School of Mines and Metallurgy, at Rolla, forms another of the professional schools of the Missouri State University and receives one-fourth of the income of the fund derived from the congressional land grant. Its departments of instruction are mathematics, analytical chcmistry, metallurgy, physics, geology and mineralogy, civil and mining engincering, graphics, mechanics, German, French, and English. Number of students, 10.- (Catalogue of miversity and return.)

The O'Fallon Polytechnic School, a department of Washington University, offers 6 regular courses of study, extending throngh 4 years each, 5 of the courses being intended to prepare stndents for professional work as civil and mining engineers, chemists, and architects. The sixth course is in science and literature; its satisfactory completion entitles the student to the degree of PI. B. This course is suited to the wants of young women as well as young men. Among its other features, an opportunity is given for the systematic study and practice of art and design. There was an attendance of 37 students in 1877, including 1 graduate student, besides 5 who were not candidates for degrces, while a large number of others received instruction in drawing and painting. Shops for manual instruction in connection with this school have been fitted up by a liberal friend of the university, Mr. Conzelman, and in these pupils are taught the use of tools and receive some training in woodwork, carving, turning, and black-smithing.-(Catalogue, 1877-78.)

## THEOLOGICAL.

The Thcological Department of St. Vincent's Collcgc, Cape Girardeau (Roman Catholic), reports an attendance of 1 graduate and 5 undergraduate students, tho latter in a course of theological instruction covering 3 ycars.
Vardeman School of Thcology, in William Jewvell College, at Liberty (Baptist), had an attendance of 52 undergraduate students. The course for college graduates extends over 2 years, while for non-graduates a 5 years' course has been arranged.- (Catalogue and return.)
Concordia Collegc Scminary, St. Louis (Evangelical Lutheran), dating from 1839, reports a 3 years' counse of theological study, for which students are prepared at Concordia College, Fort Wayne, Ind.
A short course in theology has been incorporated with the academical studies of Lewis Collcye, Glasgow (Methordist Episcopal); and in the Central Wesleyan College, Warrenton (Methodist Episcopal), there is a 4 years' course of theological study, beginning with elementary English branches.-(Catalogues.)

LEGAL.
The Law School of the State University reports for 1877 an attendance of 33 students.

The course of study covers two years. No special preparation is required for admission, but the student, if not a graduate of some college, must be 19 years of age. The mode of instruction is by daily examinations on text books, lectures on special titles, and the exereises of a moot court.- (Catalogue and return.)

The St. Louis Law School, a department of Washington University, provides a courso of study eovering 2 annual terms of 6 months each, "designed to prepare young mer to a degree far above the ordinary standard of admission to the bar for the practice of the profession." The course embraces instruetion in the prineiples of constitutional and mereantile law, the law of contracts, the jurisdiction and practice of the United States courts, real property law (including a special course of lectures on conveyancing), equity jurisprudence, evidence, pleading, and practice at common law, in equity, and under the code, corporations, insuranee, domestic relations, torts, and eriminal jurisprudence. Instruction is given by daily examinations upon assigned portions of standard treatises, by lectures, and by moot courts. Applieants for admission to the junior class must be at least 19 years of age, and those for either class must furnish cvidence of good moral character and standing and of having received a good English cdueation; at the opening of the term a satisfactory examination must also be passed in all the studies that have been pursued by the class. The attendance in 1877 was 76 . The examination of the senior elass for degrees is mainly loy printed questions eovering the entire course of study, and to secure the utmost thioroughness questions are prepared and the examination is conducted by an examining board comprising some of the ehief judges and lawyers in the State, presided over by a justice of the United States Supreme Court. Only on the written recommendation of this board is a degreo granted. The example is a good one and should be widely followed.-(Catalogue and return.)

## MEDICAL.

The Medical College of the State University, at Columbia, the St. Louis Medical College, at St. Louis, the Missouri Medical College and Hospital, at St. Louis, the College of Physicians and Surgeons, at Kansas City, and St. Joseph Hospital Medical Collcge, at St. Joseph, report for 1877 a total attendance of 488 students. All these demand of candidates for graduation 3 years' study of medicine, including 2 courses of leetures. The St. Lonis Medical College provides, also, a 3 years' graded course in the institution and advises students to pursue it, offering this at the same cost as the preseribed 2 years' course.(Returns and eatalogues.)
The Homœopathic Mcdical College, at St Louis, also offers a 3 years' graded eourse of study, while the obligatory requirements for a degree are the same as the above. Thic number of students attending was 59. Women as well as men are admitted.-(Catalogue and eireular.)
The Missouri School of Midwifery and Diseases of Women and Children aims to give a thorough course of instruction only in the branches of midwifery, diseases of women and children, anatomy, and physiology. There were 12 students attending in 1877.(Return and eircular.)
The Missouri Dcntal College, St. Louis, has established a 3 years' progressive course of instruetion, which students are encouraged to pursue instead of the 2 years' courso required for graduation.- (Eleventh annual announeement.)
In the St. Louis College of Pharmacy the branches studied are ehemistry, materia nediea, and pharmacy. For graduation an apprentieeship of 4 years and attendance upon 2 courses of lectures are required. The college graduated 16 students in 1877 and had. an attendance in the fall of 1877 of 50 .- (Prospectus and return.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.

The Missouri Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb, at Fulton, founded in 1851, reports an attendance for 1877 of 230 pupils, 127 males and 103 females, under 11 instructors, of whom 2 were semi-mutes. Since the beginning of the school about six hundred pupils have received instruction and 5 of the giaduates have become tcachers in similar institutions. The elementary English branches are taught, and also the employments of printing, cabinet making, shoemaking, and gardening.- (Return for 1877.)

## education of the blind.

The Missouri Institution for the Edueation of the Blind, at St. Lonis, founded in 1850, reports 7 instructors and employés, of whom 2 are blind, with 108 pupils. These are trained in the ordinary branches of a good English education, reaching into some studies tanght in the high sehools. With a view to preparation for self support the students also receive training in broom making, cane seating, willow work, sewing by hand and on machine, and some kinds of faney work., (Return.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVEN'TIONS.

## MISSOURI STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCLATIONS.

Superintendent Shannon, in an article in the American Journal of Education, states that associations were organized on the 26th, 27 th, and 28th of December, 1877, at Piedmont for Southeastern Missouri, at Kansas City for the counties in the northwest, and at Moberly for northeastern counties. One for Southwestern Missouri was also plannerl. Thesc associations are in addition to the general association, the meeting of which for 1877 was held in the summer, but of the proceedings of which no account has reached this Bureau. Mr. Shannon says that among other work they are designed to encourage the formation of 'institutes in all the counties represented, and the southeastern association, of which alone there is any full report, appointed a committee to arrange for an institute of at least one week in each county in the district during the summer vacations. An effort was made, too, to have some teachcr in each county edit a column in the county paper in the interests of public education. Several are said to have consented and some of them to have gone to work.

## CONVENTION OF COLORED TEACHERS.

A correspondent of the American Journal of Education for March, 1877, states that a meeting of colored teachers "recently" held in Jefferson City was composed of many of the most intelligent colored men and women of the State. The first day was occupied in considering the material condition of the colored schools, which, it was said, have buildings that, with few exceptions, are ill adapted in structure, ventilation, room, and furniture to common school purposes. Two speakers particularly, referring to the law for the establishment of separate schools for colored children and to its requirement that the terms and advantages of such schools should be equal to others of the same grade in their respective districts, cities, and villages, said that this requirement is frequently and grossly violated. Colored primary schools, it was asserted, are in most instances held in basements and huts, without desks or suitable furniture, while "other primary schools" are amply furnished. This was said to be true of other grades also.
As to the employment of colored teachers, reference was made to the action of the board of education in St. Louis (where the colored population is 40,000 ), in refusing to employ any colored teacher, and it was denounced as an outrage upon the claims of the race and upon the proprieties of the situation. The sentiments expressed upon these topics were subsequently embodied in a resolution which called for a committee of nine members, with power to organize associations to bring before the proper authorities the condition of the schools and the propriety of having colored teachers for them, as well as to increase in other ways the educational work among the colored people. The resolution was passed, and, possibly because of this action, colored teachers were employed in the schools of St. Louis in the autumn following.
Papers on the relations of the institute to the common schools, on the work of the teacher, on the teaching of English, on the instruction of most value to the colored people, and on the use of penalties in school government were presented and drew forth high encomiums from a distinguished lawyer present. The State superintendent spent an afternoon with the convention, answering questions and explaining the laws with regard to the establishment and support of schools for the colored race.
A subsequent meeting was held in St. Louis in the latter part of the year, at which carefully prepared papers were read and important topics discussed, but whether it was an adjourned meeting of this convention or one of the sectional associations organized by its committee does not appear.

## FRÖbel SOCIETY, ST. LOUIS.

The growth of the Kindergarten system in St. Louis led to the formation of this association, to secure harmony throughout the Kindergärten in methods, music, line of thought, and spirit of action, and so to prevent errors which might arise from the employment of new teachers, with perhaps imperfect comprehension of the system. It embraces about one hundred members, 40 of whom are directors of Kindergiarten, and 23 paid assistants in the same. Besides being an association of colaborers, it has an official character, from the fact that it is authorized by the board of directors of the St. Louis public schools to appoint a committee of 5 members to conduct the examination of all applicants for position in the Kindergärten. These examinations are held quarterly, and comprehend the principles of modern teaching and the application of Fröbel's theory. - (Letter from the president of the society.)

## ST. LOUIS SOCIETY OF PEDAGOGY.

In order to discuss both methods of teaching and the principles which underlie sclool work, a few of the principals of district schools in St. Louis, with the principal of the high school and his first assistant, met in the autumn of 1871 at the house of
one of their number, and began with a discussion of the teaching of morality in public schools. This meeting led to others, until they became so frequent as to suggest tho idea of a society that should offer its membership to all who might take an interest in the discussion of educational questions. In February of the following year such a society was formed, with the title above given, and with a constitution which declared its aim to be "the discussion of the subjects belonging to the science of pedagogy." Its meetings have been since steadily continued on the third Saturday of each month, except during the summer, and at these meetings various important papers have been presented, the titles of which, as well as the membership and rules of the association, may be found in the December number of The Western (a St. Louis monthly) of 1877.

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## PROF. GEORGE HEROD ASHLEY.

Born at Ashburn, Derbyshire, England, September 19, 1844, Professor Ashley came with his parents to the United States when he was only 10 years old, and from the time that he was 12 earned his own livelihood and pushed his way upward in the world. An accident which disabled him for manual labor at 16 induced him to devote himself to literary culture, and with characteristic energy he passed through the schools, became a teacher, rose at 21 to the assistant principalship of the schools of Corunna, Mich., and soon had from the principal the high testimony that he was the best English scholar the principal knew in the State. But love for learning, now thoroughly onkindled, did not let him rest without a higher culture. So at 23 he presentod himself for admission as a student in the preparatory department of Olivet College. In less than a year he was graduated from this department, entered college, and, going up one class, finished the course in three years, at the head of his class; this, too, though he had taught all the way through college, in the determination to pay his owro expenses to the end. On his graduation he was made a tutor in the college, and held this position for a college year; then, much to the disappointment of the collegiate authorities, he took charge of a church at Potterville, Eaton County, not far away, and labored with great success and popularity for about two years. By this time his reputation as an able, eloquent, and rising man was well established, and through Mr. S. F. Drury, of Olivet, largely instrumental in the establishment of Drury College, Springfield, Mo., he was called, in 1873, to the chair of Latin and Greek in that institution, then just chartered. He accepted the post; performed the duties of it nobly; infused his own fresh life and zeal and thoroughness into the classes which he taught; and by his intense enthusiasm and magnetic power was doing much to secure for the young college an exceedingly high character, when, after four years of service, he died July 20, 187\%, passing away universally lamented, in the very flower of his years.- (Memorial pamphlet, 1877.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Hon. Richard D. Shannon, State superintendent of public schools, Jeffersor City.
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.
[Term of office expires January 1, 1881.]


# NEBRASKA. <br> STATISTICAL SUMMARY. 


*In a special retam mado by Superintendent Thompson this amount appears as $\$ 1,027,192$; this possibly ineludes payments made during the year on account of past indebtedness.
(Returns of Hon. J. M. McKenzie and Hon. S. R. Thompson, State superintendents of public instruction, for the two years indicated. The second column embraces the statistics from 61 counties.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

GENERAL.
A State superintendent of public instruetion, elected by the people in each year of even number, has general charge of the public school system.
A State board of commissioners for the sale, leasing, and management of the school lands and investment of school funds is composed of the governor, secretary of state, treasurer, attorney general, and commissioner of public lands and buildings.

## LOCAL.

A county superintendent of public instruction is elected in each county every odd year for the care and supervision of county school interests.

A districl board in each organized school district is ordinarily composed of a moderator, director, and treasurer, chosen by the people of the district for terms of 3 years each, one going out each year. Each of them has certain definite duties to perform in furthering the interests of the public schools of the district and all together constitute the district board for the general care of the school and school-house. In districts with more than 150 children of schooì age the people may choose a board of 6 trustees, for terms of 3 years each, with change of one-third yearly.

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

There having been no report printed since 1875 and none being expected till the close of 1878 , Superintendent Thompson has kindly furnished the following sketch to fill the gap for the year 1876-77:
"During the school year 1876-77 the system has been steadily recovering from the severe depression of preceding years. Some of the causes of this depression were alluded to in the repcrt of 1875-76, but others not mentioned were equally potent. In 1874, the distribution of State school funds amounted to $\$ 4$ for each pupil between 5 and 21. In 1875, the legislature lowered the State school tax from two mills to one, and at the same time appropriated from the State distributable fund about thirtysis thousand dollars per annum for two years to special schools. This cut down the annual pro rata distribution to $\$ 2.18$ per pupil in 1876 and to $\$ 1.85$ in 1877. Many schools were stopped and districts disorganized, especially in the western part of the State, and much discouragement was felt.
"But gradually, with the return of financial prosperity, a better feeling began to prevail. School lands were leased and sold in greater quantities and the school fund steadily increased. The new constitution, moreover, adopted in 18i6, forbids the appropriation of any part of the school fund to other than common school purposes, which will prevent a repetition of the mistake of 1875. ."

Beyond this, the statistics before given show a decrease of 3,192 in school enrolment, notwithstanding an increase of 5,970 in school population, but an addition of 368 to the number of teachers employed, though this may be the result of frequent change
during the year.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## OMAHA.

Offcers.- A board of education of apparently 15 members, subject to partial annual change, and a city superintendent of schools.

Statistics.-Estimated present population, 22,000; children of school age (5-21), 4,753; curolled in public schools, 2,911; average attendance, 1,906 ; teachers, 47 ; expenditure for public schools, $\$ 77,036$.

Additional particulars.-Besides the public school enrolment, there was an estimated attendance of 200 in private and parochial schools, and besides the 46 teachcrs of English in the public schools, there was a teacher of German, who probably had assistance from others in his work, as a paper published in the interests of the schools states that there were more than 300 studying that language. ${ }^{1}$ A course of study for the schools, published in the same paper, shows that they are classed as primary, intermediate, grammar, and ligh schools, the course for the first and third covering, in each case, 3 years; that for the second, 2 ; that for the fourth, 4 ; making 12 years in all. The promotions from the eighth grade to the high school in the summer of 1877 numbered 27 , one other pupil passing the examination creditably, but not entering the school. Successful prosecution of the studies in the lower grades, with an average of 75 per cent. in threc principal studies, is said to be the ordinary basis of promotion, though in some instances they are made on the ground of fidelity to study unaccompanied by that measure of success.-(Omaha High School for April, 1877, and subsequent numbers.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOL.

The State Normal School of Nebraska, at Peru, reports for the year 1876-'77 an attendance of 265 normal students, of whom 209 belonged to the elementary and 56 to the higher coursc. The elementary course is designed to prepare teachers for common, ungraded, and lower grade schools. It comprises, in addition to a critical study of common branches, a course of instruction in the organization and management of nugraded schools, methods of teaching, the art of rendering the elements of learning interesting and attractive to the young, and the use of illustrative apparatus for primary schools. The advanced course comprises, in addition, 3 years' training in the higher branches, including instruction in the laws of mental development, with their application to teaching; the science, philosophy, and history of education; school laws in general, and the school system of Nebraska in particular; also, school gradation, supervision, and management.-(Catalogue, 1876-77.)

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## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

Both State and county institutes are provided for in the school law, the former to be under the direction of the State superintendent of public instruction; the latter, under that of the county superintendents of the counties in which they may be held. At those organized by the State superintendent, all county superintendents of the district for which they are convened are required to be present, and the schools in the district are to be closed that the teachers may attend the institute. The superintendent writes that 3 of these district institutes were held in 1877, lasting from 2 to 6 weeks each. The only one of them of which we have a record was at Plattsmouth, July 9-19. It had an attendance of 56, and is said to have been practically a school for the instruction of teachers, the aim being to prepare those present to conduct county institutes. The other two were held at Grand Island and at Pawnee City.

Of county institutes the superintendent writes that they were organized in 42 counties and carried on with spirit. He cites as an example Boone, a frontier county with only 18 schools, where 20 teachers, with the county superintendent, were present and ready for business at $9 o^{\prime}$ clock on Monday morning.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

Of the several schools of this class in the State the only one reported for 1877 is that at Omaha, the course in which extends through 4 years, with a good selection of English studies and Latin optional. German was also an optional study, but was dropped in the autumn of that year from a necessary reduction in expenses. The majority of the pupils here, as elsewhere, are said to be children of parents in the middle and lower ranks, who, though respectable and generally comfortable in circumstances, could not in general afford to send their sons and daughters to private institutions which would afford them the same advantages.

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For statistics of reporting business colleges, private academic schools, and preparatory departments of colleges, see Tables IV, VI, and IX of the appendix following, and the summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

Doane College, at Crete, had an attendance in collegiate classes of 19 students, 7 of whom were pursuing a scientific course. There were 7 young women in the collegiate department. The preparatory department numbered about 145 students, nearly half girls.- (Catalogue and return.)

Nebraska College, at Nebraska City, reports 40 pupils in preparatory studies, but none in collegiate. - (Return.)

No catalogue or return from the State University, at Lincoln, has been received for 1877. From a statement in the Educational Weekly of July 26, 1877, it appears that the Latin preparatory school has been organized into a separatc department. By this means, and by an increased thoroughness in entrance examinations, it is intended to make the work more efficient and systematic and to raise the grade of the department. It appears, also, from that and other authorities, that the board of regents will probably have to tear down and reconstruct the university building, which, although a large and imposing structure, costing over $\$ 100,000$, was so poorly constructed that it has with difficulty been kept from falling down. The university is open to both sexes, and tuition is free to all.

Creighton College, Omaha, the buildings for which were begun in 1877, and which is to be opened in 1878 , is the fruit of a bequest of $\$ 100,000$ left by Mrs. Edward Creighton to formd a college in that city.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

The only school for scientific instruction in this State is the Agricultural College of the State University. It offers 2 conrses of study: a 4 years' course, which runs nearly parallel with the scientific in the academic department, and a shorter one, which may be completed in from 1 to 2 years, according to the student's advancement. Military science and tactics are taught. The course of instruction is both theoretical and prac-tical.-(Catalogue of the university, 1876.)

## THEOLOGICAL.

Nebraska College Divinity School, Nebraska City (Protestant Episcopal), reports 5 students, with 1 resident and 2 non-resident professors and lecturers. There are 4 (Return, 1877.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAT AND DUMB.

The Nebraska Institute for the Deaf and Dumb, at Omaha has sinec its organization in 1869, given instruction to 78 pupils. Its enrolment in 1877 was 55 , of whom 30 were males and 25 females. The branches taught are orthography, reading, writing, arithmetic, geography, history, science of common things, and physiology; the only employment taught is printing.-(Return, 1877.)

## EDUCATION OF THE BLIND.

From the Institution for the Blind, Nebraska City, still in its infancy, no report for 1877 has been received.

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS. <br> STATE ASSOCLATION.

The regular annual meeting of the Nebraska State Teachers' Association convened at Fremont on the 27th of April, 1877, and continued 3 days. The attendance was good, the State superintendent and representatives from all parts of the State being present.

The address of welcome, delivered by His Honor Mayor W. A. Harlow, was responded to by President Palmcr. Chancellor Fairfield, of the Nebraska State University, then delivered an able address on "Learning and labor." Among the other addresses and papers presented were an essay entitled "Progress," by Miss M. Sawyer; "Condition of education in the State," by J. M. McKenzie; "Report on a course of high school study," by Prof. W. W. Jones; "Some things Americans may learn from European schools," by Prof. W. E. Wilson; "Special education," by Dr. Curry, of the State Normal School, and "Marking and reporting," by Mrs. H. G. Wolcott. The subjects of the papers and addresses were quite generally discussed by the association, particularly the high school question, the marking system, and the means of improving education in the State. - (The Omaha High School, for April, 1877.)

## COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS' CONVENTION.

Superintendent Thompson writes that such meetings were held at Grand Island and Plattsmonth, but no account of their proceedings has reached this Bureau.

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Hon. S. R. Thompson, State superintendent of public instruction, Lincoln.
STATE BOAILD OF COMMISSIONERS. 1
[Term expires January, 1879.]

| Members. | Post-office. |
| :---: | :---: |
| His Excellency Silas Garber, governor |  |
| Hon. Bruno Tzschuck, secretary of state | Lincoln. |
| Hon. S. C. McBride, treasurer. Hon. George H. Roberts, attorn | Lincoln. Lincoln. |
| Hon. F. M. Davis, commissioner of public lands | Lincoln. |

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## NEVADA.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1874-75. | 1875-76. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (6-18) | 7,538 | 8,475 | 937 |  |
| Enrolled in public schools | 5,082 | 5, 521 | 439 |  |
| Average number belonging | 3,745 | 4, 142 | 397 |  |
| Average daily attendance. | 3,286 | 3,832 | 546 |  |
| Attending private sqhools. | 700 | 931 | 231 |  |
| Not attending any school. | 2,021 | 1,952 |  | 69 |
| SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND SCHOOLS. |  |  |  |  |
| Public schools (without rate bills). | 101 | 83 |  | 18 |
| Public ligh schools ........... |  | 3 |  |  |
| Average time of school in days. | 168 | 154 |  | 14 |
| Volumes in public school libraries | 1, 082 | 1,281 | 199 |  |
| Districts which voted a tax......... |  | 7 |  |  |
| Districts reporting according to law. | 68 | 72 | 4 |  |
| teachers and their pay. |  |  |  |  |
| Men teaching in public schools. |  | 36 |  |  |
| Women teaching in the same |  | 77 |  |  |
| Average monthly pay of men |  | \$112 63 |  |  |
| Average for women. |  | 8520 |  |  |
| Average paid both | \$92 84 | 9655 | \$3 71 |  |
| incone and exprnditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole receipts for public schools. | \$188,117 | \$195, 535 | \$7,418 |  |
| Whole expenditure for them. .... | 161, $\mathfrak{\sim}$ 99 | 163,761 | 1,462 |  |

(Report of Hon. Samuel P. Kelly, State superintendent of public instruction, for the two years indicated.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A State superintendent of public instruction, elected by the poople at the general election in every fourth year, beginning in 1866 , has general supervision of the public schools; he is to hold institutes, to visit schools in each county amually, and to make a biennial report of the condition of instruction in the State.
Upon a State board of education, composed of the governor, the superintendent of public iustruction, and the surveyor general, is imposed the duty of devising plans for the improvement and management of the public school funds and for the better organization of the public schools, with some supervisory power over matters connected with the sohool system.

## LOCAL.

In each county a county superintendent of public schools is chosen by the people once every two years, to visit and supervise the schools of his connty and report respecting them. He may appoint a deputy to transact the business of his office during his own absence, and must, in person or by deputy, attend at his office during the business hours of every Saturday for the transaction of official business.
With 2 other persons appointed by himself, he forms a county board of examination, to examine teachers for the public schools. This board grants certificates of first grade to persons of good character and apparent fitness to teach the studies prescribed for grammar and high schools and certificates of second grade to those who prove a like
character and fitness to teach the studies prescribed for primary schools, such certificates to be renewable without roëxamination to such as teach continuously and successfully in their county.
In each school district a board of school trustces is chosen by the voters of the district, the number of members being 3 for an ordinary district and 5 for one that polls more than fifteen hundred votes. One member out of the 3 and 2 out of the 5 must be chosen for a 4 years' term ; the remainder, for a 2 years' term. In case of failure to elect trustees, the county superintendent fills the offices by appointment. The trustees have the custody of the school property of their.district and of all local public school interests, with the duty of taking an annual school census and of making, through the county superintendent, an annual report of everything relating to their schools.(School law of 1877.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## LEGAL PROVISIONS.

The reports of the State superintendent in Nevada are only required to be presented to the governor every alternate year, in the month preceding a regular session of the legislature. As the next regular session begins January, 1879, Mr. Kelly's report for the two previous school years will not be due till December, 4678 . The statistical summary preceding embodies, therefore, all the information to be had respecting the progress and condition of the schools until the appearance of the report for 1878. Mcanwhile, however, some special features of the school system of the State may be gieaned from the school law of 1877, which differs little from that of 1873 .

1. Books and studies are more generally prescribed than is common in the older States. The text books in all the principal studies pursued in the public schools an selected by the State board, and no school district may receive its pro rata share of public school moneys unless the text books appointed are adopted and used in all its schools. The studies, too, are to a larger extent than usual prescribed, those for all public schools being spelling, reading, writing, arithmetic, and the clements of natural philosophy and geography. For schools above the primary grades, English grammar, history of the United States, physiology, hygiene, and chemistry are added ; while still beyond these, in such schools as the board of trustees may direct, come algebra, geometry, drawing, natural history and philosophy, astronomy, and the elements of book-keeping, or a selection from these. Text books, however, are not to be changed oftener than once in 4 years.
2. Teachers are encouraged to be permanent, through the permission given county boards of examiners to renew without reëxamination the certificates of such as teach successfully and continuously in the county.
3. There are explicit guards against that diversion of school moneys from their proper purposes which has sometimes caused much trouble in the older States. The law not only forbids the use for any other object of any portion of the public school funds, of moneys raised by State tax for the public schools, or of moneys appropriated to then, but it also expressly limits to the payment of qualified teachers the school moneys distributed to the various counties from the State school funds, and declares that no portion of them shall either directly or indirectly be paid for the erection of schoolhouses, the use of school rooms, furniture, or other contingent expenses of the schools. 4. With an explicitness not common, it is required that the salaries of teachers shall be determined by the character of the service to be rendered, and that in no district shall there be discrimination in the matter of salary as against women who are teachers.
4. Rate bills-now generally disallowed in older States - are still permitted inNevada for the purpose of continuing beyond six months a school which has been maintained as a free school for that time; the rates are to be collected, however, only from such parents as desire to send their children after that legal time, and to be remitted, at the discretion of the board, to such as cannot afford to pay.

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## INSTITUTES.

Provision is made in the school law for the holding of one or more teachers' institutes annually in each county, under the direction of the comuty superintendent, and for an annual state institute, under the direction of the State superintendent. In order to hold the former, the consent of the county commissioners must be obtained; to hold the latter, that of the State board of education.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGII SCIIOOLS.

Of the high schools reported by the State superintendent in 1876 at Elko, Virginia City, and Gold Hill, the only one respecting which information for 1877 has been
received is that at Elko, where the preparatory department of the State university affords high school training to such youth of the town and of the State as are prepared for it, and serves as a nuclens and foundation for a university in the future.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## STATE UNIVERSITY.

As may be inferred from the above, the university provided for by law, and established in its preparatory department, still awaits the fuller development which in a State with a vast territory and a sparse, unsettled population must come by slow degrees.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## TRAINLNG OF DEAF-MUTES AND BLIND.

From the fact that a very small number of these classes belong to the population of the State, no institution for them las thus far been deemed necessary, and the few cases reported receive instruction, under the direction of the State superintendent, in the California Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, at Berkeley.

CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER.
Hon. Samuel P. Kelly, State superintendent of public instruction, Carson City.
[Term, January, 1877, to January, 1881.]

## NEW HAMPSHIRE.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and att |  |  |  |  |
| Youth enumerated between 5 and 15. | 55, 976 |  |  |  |
| Enrolled in public schools. | 66, 699 | $a 4,3,017$ 68,035 | 1,336 |  |
| Average for each school | 48, 857 | 47, 921 |  | 936 |
| Number in ligher branche | 19.63 | 18.70 |  | . 93 |
| Attending private schools .............. | 3,892 |  |  | 209 |
| Children between 5 and 15 not attending school. | 4,156 | $\begin{array}{r} 4,138 \\ 3,890 \end{array}$ | 246 | 266 |
| School districts and schools. |  |  |  |  |
| Organized school districts |  |  |  |  |
| Formed under spccial acts | 2,102 | 2,062 32 |  | 40 |
| Number of schools | 2,498 | 2,562 | 64 |  |
| Town high-schools | 458 | 424 |  | 34 |
| District high schools. | 18 | 15 |  | 3 |
| Schools, public and private, where highcr English and languages are taught. | 86 | 88 | 1 |  |
| Schools averaging 12 scholars or less. . | 941 | $\begin{aligned} & 810 \\ & 284 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Schools averaging 6 scholars or less... |  |  |  | 131 |
| Average term of school in days.. | 93.7 | 91.85 |  | 6 |
| School-houses unfit for | 2,237 | 2,231 |  |  |
| School-houses built in the la | 417 | 361 |  | 56 |
| School-houses without blackboard.. | 36 |  |  | 15 |
| School-houses with globes or outline maps. | 36 856 | 26 69 |  | 10 157 |
| Estimated value of school property... <br> teachers and their pay. | \$2, 413, 860 | \$2,357, 405 |  | \$56, 455 |
| Men teaching in public schools .. |  |  |  |  |
| Women teaching in public schools | $\begin{array}{r} 553 \\ 3,107 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 591 \\ 9 \\ 955 \end{array}$ | 38 |  |
| Average monthly pay of men.. | \$4193 | \%,955 |  | 152 |
| Average monthly pay of women. | \$4193 | \$38 37 |  | \$3 56 |
| Pcrsons teaching for the first time ...... Teaching same school successive | 2572 | 2471 |  | 101 |
| Teaching same school successive terms. | 1,125 | 1,127 | 2 | 58 |
| Towns employing such. | 236 | +295 | 59 |  |
| Teachers in private high schools...................................... 15 |  | 174 | 11 |  |
| hacome and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole reccipts for schools.... Whole expenditure for schools | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 652,714 \\ 668,046 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 609,733 \\ 604,654 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 42,981 \\ 63,392 \end{array}$ |
| expenditure per capita- |  |  |  |  |
| Of emrolment .................................Of average attendance................ |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\$ 994$1354 | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 945 \\ & 1341 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 13 |

$a$ This is the enumeration of the seleetmen; it probably falls mueh below the real figure. A written greatly disregarded in taking the censas. number at 68,035 , adding, however, that the limit of age was greatly disregarded in talsing the census.
vate schools only.
(Thirty-first annual report, presented at the June session of 1877, by Hon. Charles A. Downs, State, superintendent of public instruction.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENEI:AL

For the State there is a superiatendent of public instruction, appointed by the governor every sccond year. Ho has gencral charge of the interests of the school system, and is to make an amual report to the legislature.

## bocal.

For townships there are clective sehool committces, respecting the number, title, terms, and powers of which a large discretion is allowed. The ordinary term contemplated by the general law is one year; the ordinary powers and dutics, to examine and license teachers, to dismiss them for proven cause, to visit and inspect the schools, make rules and regulations for them, determine the text books to be used, and prescnt to the town and to the State supcrintendent an anmual report. Towns may, however, by a by-law provide for the election of a superintendent of schools, to hold office for such term, be vested with such powers, and charged with such duties of the committee as may be determined in the law.

For districts there are annually elected a moderator, to preside at the district metings; a clerk, to kecp record of thesc ; and a prudential committee, of one to three persons, to engage teachers, provide them witll board, and look after the furnishing, heating, and general comfort of the school-house.- (Digest of the school laws, 1864, with subsequent amendments.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION

The figures of State Superintendent Downs in the statistical summary given show an increase of 1,336 in the enrolment in public schools, and a decrease of 266 in children between 5 and 15 attending no school, an increase of 64 in the number of public schools, of 38 in the malc teachers, and of 59 in those that have been trained in normal schools. Thus far all looks well; but, on the other hand, we find the average attendance smaller by 936 , notwithstanding the increased curolment, the number of graded schools reported less by 34, the number of school-houses 6 less, and the number with globes or outline maps 157 less, while against the increase of 38 mcn teaching appears a loss of 152 women, with a loss, too, of $\$ 3.56$ in the average pay of men and $\$ 1.01$ in that of women. This reduction in salaries, like the decrease of $\$ 42,081$ in the rcceipts for schools and $\$ 56,455$ in the estimated value of school property, is common in the records of the year throughout the States, and is probably only the result of the continued hard times. But, cven if it be from that alone (and much more if proceeding from a wiilingness to make hard times an occasion for hard bargains), the tendency is to drive the better teachers out of a profession yielding skilled labor steadily diminishing returns. The result will be watched with anxicty, for, if the better teachers should be turned away or broken in spirit by this falling off in pay, deterioration in the character of the instruction in the schools must quickly follow.

## HINDRANCES TO PROGRESS.

Superintendent Downs thinks that the schools of the State were prosperous, upon the whole, during 1876-77. Town and city supcrintendents generally indicated this in their reports; still, all experienced difficultics in the way of the perfection they sought to reach. Among these difficultics three werc particularly prominent: (1) Too many small schools, (2) too many text books, (3) irregular attendance.

1. As respects the first, it is admitted that a small school offers the adrantage of bringing the teacher nearer to each pupil and thus enables lim to adapt his instruction to individual peculiarities and needs. But, on the other hand, it lacks the stimulus of the excitement and emulation which accompany numbers, and from this cause is likely to be dull. Then, too, a school of six or a dozen scholars costs as much as one with twenty or thirty need cost, unless an unusually cheap teacher is obtaincd, in which case the poverty of the instruction is commonly proportionate to the diminution of expense. Yet, of the 2,562 public schools reporteil, 1,094 had, on an average, bat a dozen or fewer scholars. So many, therefore, were too likely to be poor schools. The remedy suggested for this evil is cither a consolidation of the small school districts or an arrangement for successive sehools in several contiguous districts. The former is held to be the better plan, as sccuring ampler fuads, a larger and more stimnlating school, and probably much better teaching. But, if this cannot be effected, the latter offers at least the advantage of bringing together morc scholars and for a longer time, aithough probably under different and comparatively poor teachers.
2. As respects multiplicity of text books, it is said that this forms a barrier to classification where the books are not uniform, two, three, or four classes being thus made: necessary, where, with uniformity of books, there need be only one; while families
moving with different text books into a new neighborhood introduce a lilee confusion there or are put to additional expense for change of books. The remedy proposed for this is a law requiring uniformity of text books throughout the State, so that families furmished for one school or school district would be furnished for any other in the Conmonwealth. And then, if the series adopted should be made unchangeable for fire years from the clate of introdnction, much expense arising from now frequent changes might be avoided.
3. As respects irregular attendance, the returns for 1877 show that more than a quar. ter of the scholars were absent, on an average, every day in the year. Mr. Downs proposes two means of lessening this serious evil, which hinders progress not in the absentees alone, but often also in all the school. Where it arises from the laxity of parents in allowing children to be absent for trivial reasons, he would have teacliers and school officers refuse to excuse an absence unless in every case a written and sufficient explanation of it is presented from the parent or guardian. Where it arises from wilful truancy, he would have truant officers inquire into the circumstances whenever children are found out of school.- (Report for 1876-97.)

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

Manchester has a school committee composed of the mayor, the president of the common council, and 2 members from each ward, chosen apparently for two years each, and one-half liable to change each year; Nashma, a committee of 13 members, including the city superintendent, 4 to be chosen amnually, for terms of 3 years each; Portsmouth, a board of instruction, of 12 members (one-third changed every year), divided into committees for each grade of schools. Concord, Manchester, and Nashufi have city superintendents, and Manchester has a truant officer also, employed by the city for 5 days each week during the sessions of the schools.

STATISTICS.

| Cities. | Popula. tion. | Children of scbool age. | Enrolment. | Averare attend. ance. | Teachers. | Expenditure. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Manchester | 25,000 | a3, 065 | 3, 607 | 2,509 | 80 | \$52, 155 |
| Nashua...- | 11, 600 | a2, 307 | 2,138 | 1,531 | 48 | 28, 093 |
| Portsmouth. | 10,000 | 2,154 | 1,964 | 1,402 | 40 | 25, 695 |

$\alpha$ Between 5 and 15 years.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

In Manchester the day schools are classed as high, intermediate, grammar, midille, primary, and suburban. There is also a training school with two departments, and 2 evening schools have been maintained with a total attendance of 178 pupils,' who are said to have been earnestly at work and to have profited much by it. Partly through better grading, a very decided improvement is reported in the work of all the grades ; this is evinced by a comparison of the examination papers of the last term with those in the bound volumes, which secured high compliments at the Centennial Exhibition. The high sclool, which offers 3 courses of stady (a business course of 2 years, an Eng lish and French course of 4, and a classical course of 4), had in 1877 an attendance of 250 pupils, of whom 149 were girls. - (Report for 187\%.)

At Nashua the gradation of schools is through primary, middle, and grammar divisions to the high school. There are also suburban schools, apparently ungraded. A revised course of study for the graded schools directs that the elements of writing, drawing, and city topography be tanght from the first entrance into the school room; that penmanship, the geography and history of the State and of the United States, and the practical rules of arithmetic be carefully attended to during the grammar course; that single entry book-keeping be studied in the last year of the grammar school; and that the natural sciences, English literature, and the standard authors of our own language shall form an important part of the studies of the high school. This last, established on its present basis in 1868, has graduated 8 classes, making an aggregate of: 110 alumni. In sustaining it, the people are agreed that its leading object is not to fit young men for college, but to qualify the young of both sexes for the varied duties of maturer years. ${ }^{1}$ It had 144 pupils on the roll in 1877.- (Report for 187\%.)

[^50]In Portsmouth the schools are classed as ligh, ungraded, grammar, intermediate, and primary. The last three consist of two divisions each, and each division has two classes, so that, with a year for each class, there are twelve years' work below the high school. The master of the highest division acts as supervisor of the lower ones in each ward, with a view to uniformity in methods of instruction, text books, and the observance of all rules. An erening school, conducted by volunteer instructors, is said to have done good service. The ungraded schools appear to be three suburban ones, but they must be of higher class than would be indicated by either term, for the committee says that they furnish some of the best scholars for the ligh school. This school is said to be accomplisling its objects perhaps better than at any previous time, giving a place to the classics and to modem languages, while laying the foundations of a solid English education. It had in it during the year 178 pupils with an average attendance of 134.-(Report for 1877.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, PLYMOUTH.

The great aim of this school, its catalogue states, is to train teachers for their profession, and through them to effect improvements in the common schools. It includes three departments, a model, a preparatory, and a distinctively normal school; the first containing the scholars of the district; the second, the advanced scholars from the model school and candidates for the normal school not yet qualified to enter; the third, the real teachers' training school, with 2 courses, one of a year and the other of 2 years. The district pays the salaries of 2 teachers in the model school; tuition fees charged in the preparatory department make it self supporting; while in the normal school instruction is free. The pupils in the model school in 1876-77 numbered 134; in the preparatory, 47 ; in the normal proper, 95 , of whom 43 were graduated.
The school clanged its principal in 1876, Rov. H. O. Ladd, who had served șince 1873, retiring at the clese of the sumuer term, and Professor Ambrose P. Kelsey, formerly principal of a State normal school in Maine and subsequently professor in the Albany State Normal School, New York, coming in duriug the fall term to supply his place.- (Report of the trustees for 1876-77 and of a visiting committee of the legislature in the State report.)

## teachirs' nestitutes.

A law of 1868 anthorizing the holding of an annual institute in each county under the direction of the State superintendent was repealed in 18\%4; it does not appear to have been reënacted.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC IIIGH SCHOOLS.

A table in Superintendent Downs's report gives the statistics of 33 schools of this class, those of 8 , however, being for 1876. The number of instructors reported is 90 ; of scholars, 2,760, of whom 1,197 were boys and 1,563 girls. All but 47 were resident in the State. Only 1,556 are put down as "pursuing liigher branches," 925 as studying ancient languages and 350 modern languages. Eleven of the schools report libriaries of 25 to 1,600 volumes, the whole inumber being 4,893 . The average length of the school year was 34 weeks; the valuation of school property, 6 high schools not reporting, $\$ 525,000$. In the general dearth of distinct information respecting high schools in the State reports, it is gratifying to get so full a statement as this.- (Report for 1876-77.)

## PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

Another table in the State report gives a list of 52 of these schools, with their statistics, those of 16 being for 1876 . Two of the 52 are business colleges. Separating the statistics of these ( 6 teachers and 268 pupils), we have a total left of 168 teacher's and 3,870 pupils, of whom 2,950 were resident in New Hampshire, 2,456 "pursuing higher branches," 1,053 studying ancient and 605 modern languages. In 20 of these schools there were libraries of 100 to 4,000 volumes, the aggregate number being 21,905 . The valuation of buildings, apparatus, and grounds of the whole 52 ( 11 not reporting and 1 of the others reporting apparatus only) was $\$ 675,000$. - (Report for 1876-77.)

For further statistics of schools of this class, see Tables IV, VI, and VII of the appendix following, and the summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

This college had an attendance in 1877 of 315 students in its collegiate department, of whom 69 were pursuing a scientific and 246 a classical course. Including the other
deparments, namely, agricultural, enginecring, and medical, there was a total of 425 students attending.
Students are admitted to the freshman class, without examination, from such fitting schools as have a regular and thorough course of preparation for college of at least 3 years, on the certificate of their respective principals that they have completed the course of the senior year and have regularly graduated; also, that in addition to the proper moral qualifications they have mastered the entire requisites for admission, or their equivalents, as set forth in the cataloguc. The first 3 months after admission are probationary, and such students as are during that time found unfit to go on with the classes are dropped.-(Return and catalogue.)

COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.
For full statistics of such schools reporting in 1877, see Table VIII of the appendix following, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

Scientific instruction continues to be provided in the Agricultural and Mechanical College of the State, in the Thayer School of Eugincering, and in the Chandler Scientific Department, all being departments of Dartmouth Collcge.
The Agricultural and Mechanical College, organized in 1865, contemplates a new curriculum, which is to include most of the English portion of a regular college course, with such additional studies as will meet the nccessities of the intelligent farmer. It is to occupy 3 years of 38 weeks each, and lead to the degree of bachelor of agricultural science. Number of students, 10.-(College catalogue, 1877-78, return, and report of president in State report.)

The Thayer School of Civil Engincering aims to provide an exclusively professional training for young men of ability who may desire instruction of an advanced character. The course covers two years and is essentially a graduate course. The number of students in 1877 was 4.- (Catalogue and return.)

In the Chandler Scientific Department the course of instruction covers 4 years and leads to the degree of S. B. Candidates for admission to it must be prepared for a complete examination in reading, spelling, pemmanship, English grammar, arithmetic, physical and political geography, physiology, American history, Olney's School Algebra, or an equivalent, and plane geometry. Number of students, 69 in the fall term of 1877, of whom 12 were in the first class, 23 in.the second, 19 in the third, and 15 in the fourth.(Catalogue and return.)

## MEDICAL.

The New Hampshire Medical Institution, a department of Dartmonth College, had an attendance in 1877 of 96 students, of whom 20 had already reccived a degrce in letters or science. The course for graduation is the usual one of 3 years' medical study under the direction of some regular practitioner, including two courses of lectures. An examination for admission is required of all who are not graduates of some reputable college, academy, or high school.-(Catalogue.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## TRAINING OF THE DEAF AND DUMB AND THE BLIND.

New Hampshire, like some other Commonwealths, avails herself of the advantages provided for instruction of these unfortunates in neighboring States.

## REFORMATORY TRAINING.

In the State Reform School, Manchester, which has departments for both boys and girls, there were in May, 1877, 112 inmates rcceiving instruction in the clements of a common school training and in the practice of such industries as might prepare them for useful labor and eventual self support.

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## STATE ASSOCIATION

The twenty-fourth annual session of the State Teachers' Association opened at Dover, October 11, 1877, and continued two days.

The following appear to have been the chief subjects presented and discussed during the meeting: "The importance of thorough instruction in first principles," by Professor Quimby, of Dartmouth College ; "The elements of expression," by Prof. M. T. Brown, of Tufts College, Mass., with illustrative readings; "The common school," by Hon. J. W. Patterson, of Hanover, reviewing the history of schools up to the present
time, comparing the German and American systems, and claiming that the grand cure for labor troubles and the chief security of republican institutions must be found in a good common school training for our youth; "How to teach spelling," by M. C. Hyde, of the Franklin High School, Salmon Falls; "The study of government in our schools," by H. H. Hart, of the Dover High School ; "Teaching as a profession," by E. W. Westgate, of Lebanon High School; " $\Lambda$ phonetic or universal alphabet," by L. A. Buttcrtield, of Boston, in the paper presenting which was given an interesting explanation, of the Bell system of visible speech; "Object exercises in elementary instruction," by Miss Eliza H. Merrill, of Franklin Falls; "The teacher a studeut," by Principal A. C. Perkins, of Phillips Exeter Academy ; and "The science of education," by Prof. A. S. Hardy, of Dartmouth, in which was advocatcd thorough education in all branches, morals and government included, rather than special instruction in a few, which may result in narrowness and fanaticism. This last-an admirable paper-is given in fuil in the State report, and will well repay perusal. Of four others there is also either a full report or an abstract.

On the second day, Principal Kelsey, of the State Normal School, gave a review of its history, plans, and work, and at the evening session State Superintendent Charles A. Downs spoke on "The educational oatlook in New Hampshire," in which he said that school-houses, methods of instruction, course of study, text books, teachers, are far in advance of what they were a quarter of a century ago, but he secmed to think that, from the conflicting claims of various theories as to principles and methods of instruction, it is impossible to predict what the future educational condition may be. (State report and New-England Journal of Education, October 25, 1877.)

## OBITUARY RECORD.

EX-PRESIDENT ASA DODGE SMITH, D. D., LL. D.
Dr. Smith, who died August 16, 1877, at Hanover, N. H., was born at Amherst, $\mathrm{in}_{1}$ the same State, September 21, 1804. Consserating limself early to the ministry, he began his preparation at 17, and eutered Dartmouth Collcge in 1826. He took high rank there, alike for scholarship and character, and was graduated with distinction in 1830. Appointed principal of the Limerick Academy, Maine, soon after taking his degree, he taught with great success for a year, and then entered the Theological Seminary at Andover, Mass. Completing there his studies for the ministry, in 1834 he accepted a call to the Fourteenth Strect Presbyterian Church in the city of New York, and continued his connection with it during an eminently uscful pastorate of nearly thirty years. While in this church he lectured for some time at the Union Theological Sem inary, and published, among other things, a volume of Letters to a Young Student, 1832; a Memoir of Mrs. Louisa Adams Leavitt, 1843; and a Discourse on the Life and Character of Rev. Charles Hall, D. D., 1854 , besides many articles in the Amcrican Thcological Review, Biblical Repository, and New-England Journal of Education. The literary ability shown in these works, as well as in his lectures and pulpit discourses, together with his high character as a successful mover of the minds of men, induced the trustees of Williams College to make him a doctor of divinity in 1849, ${ }^{1}$ and led Dartmouth College to rccall him as president on the retirement of President Lord in 1863. He entered on this honorable office in the fulness of a vigorous and ripened manhood, and did noble work in it for thirteen years, adding largely to the departments of the college, increasing its endowment, gathering round it hosts of friends, and exerting the healthiest and happiest influence upon students and faculty. Devoting himself unremittingly to his labors, his health at length gave way beneath the strain, and in the latter part of 1876 he offered the trustees his resignation. They at first declined to receive it, hoping that temporary rest might recruit his strength; but the steady progress of disease at last compelled acquiescence in his wishes, and, lingering only long enough to see his successor installed, he passed peacciully away as the summer was drawing toward its close, leaving behind him the cnviable reputation of having been one of the best of the New Eugland college presidents. - (Funcral discourse by Prof. D. J. Noyes, and notices in Allibone's Dictionary, New York Tribune of August 17, 1877, The Dartmouth, and New-England Journal of Education of August 23, 1877.)

## ALPLEUS BENNLNG CROSNX, A. M., M. D.

Dr. A. B. Crosby, professor of Dartmouth Medical College, died at Hanover, August 9, 1877. Dr. Crosby was born at Gilmanton, February 22, 1832. His father, the late Dixi Crosby, M. D., LL. D., was for many years a distinguished professor in the medical department of Dartmouth College, while his grandrather, Dr. Asa Crosby, was a celebrated physician of Sandwich, N. H. In literary ability and in the profession of medicine, the Crosby family has been one of the most remarkable in the country. Prof. Alpheus Crosby, the noted Greek scholar and professor at Dartmoath, the late Prof. Thomas R. Crosby, of the same college, the late Dr. Josiah Crosby, of Manchester,
and Judge Nathan Crosby of Lowell, were uncles of the sulject of this sketch. The deceased was graduated at Dartmouth in 1853, studied medicine with his father and in New York, received the degree of doctor of medicine at the Dartmouth Medical College in 1856, and then began the practice of medicine at Hanover, doing also much service by lecturing at teachers' institutes on physiology and hygiene. On the breaking out of the civil war he entered the service as surgeon, and attained the rank of brigade surgeon and medical director. He resigned in 1862, in the fall of which rear he was made associate professor of surgery at the Dartmouth Medical College, and in 1871 was constituted professor, as the successor of his illustrious father. In the mean time he had been appointed professor of surgery in the medical department of the University of Vermont, and also chosen professor of surgery in the University of Michigan; subsequently he was given the same chair at the Long Island Hospital College, and also made professor of anatomy at the Bellevue Hospital College in New York City. At 38 years of age he thus enjoyed the rare distinction of filling at one time important chairs in five leading medical institutions.

Dr. Crosby was a very skilful physician and a faithful instructor. Of fine presence, genial and courteous manners, an active member of the church, an accepted masom, with a character bearing the stamp of the purest knightly honor, his name will be transmitted as one of the noblest in the profession of medicine in America. The deceased was married to Miss Mildred Grassell Smith, at Baltimore, Md., July 26, 1862, and several children were born to them. - (Independent Statesman, Concord, August 16, 1877, and Recollections by Professor Sanborn in The Dartmouth of October 4, 187\%.)

## HON. JOHN CONANT.

This generous benefactor of the educational institutions of New Hampshire, born at Stow, Mass., in 1790, died April 7, 1877, at his home in Jaffirey, N. H. With scanty advantages for early literary training, by persevering study, he mastered the main elements of the best school courses, became a writer for the public journals, a lecturer on temperance and agriculture, and a representative of his town in the State legislature from 1834 to 1836 . Accumulating wealth by industry and economy, he dispensed it libcrally for the furtherance of edlucation, giving $\$ 12,000$ to the academy at New London, Merrimac County, $\$ 7,000$ to the public schools of Jaffrey, and about $\$ 70,000$ to the State Agricultural College at Hanover, besides many noble donations for religions and benevolent objects in the State.-(The Dartmouth, April 19, 1877.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER.

Hon. Charles A. Downs, State superintendent of public instruction, Concord.

## NEW JERSEY.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| populatioń and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age ( $5-18$ ) | 314, 826 | 318, 378 | 3, 552 |  |
| Enrolled in public schools | 196, 252 | 198, 709 | 2,457 |  |
| Average attendance in such schools | 103, 520 | 107, 961 | 4, 441 |  |
| Attending private schools. | 41, 964 | 42, 208 | 244 |  |
| Attending no school ...... | 73, 733 | 72, 389 |  | 1,344 |
| SCHOOL DIStricts and schools. |  |  |  |  |
| School districts.. | 1,368 | 1,367 |  | 1 |
| School buildings | 1,532 | 1, 546 | 14 |  |
| School departments | 3, 046 | 3, 081 | 35 |  |
| Sittings in public schools | 179, 711 | 182, 312 | 2, 601 |  |
| Unsectarian private schools .......... | 235 | 198 |  | 37 |
| Schools under some church influence. Average time of school in dars. | 193 |  |  | 158888 |
| Estimated value of public school property. | \$6, 449, 516 | \$6, 518, 504 | \$68, 988 |  |
| teachers and timeir pay. |  |  |  |  |
| Men teaching in public schools | 978 | 954 |  | 24 |
| Women teaching in public schools | 2,306 | 2, 356 | 50 |  |
| Teachers licensed in the y car | 2, 122 | 2, 012 |  | 110 |
| Average monthly pay of men. | \$66 42 | \$63 78 |  | \$2 64 |
| Average monthly pay of women. | 3739 | 3704 |  | 35 |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole receipts for public schools | \$2, 154, 416 | \$2, 079, 907 |  | \$74,509 |
| Whole expenditure upon them | 2, 154, 416 | 1, 929, 902 |  | 224,514 |
| state school fund. |  |  |  |  |
| Permanent available fund | \$1, 618, 633 | \$1, 650, 350 | \$31, 717 |  |

(Reports of State Superintendent Ellis A. Apgar for the two years indicated, with returns from the same for income, expenditure, and school fund.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## general.

A State board of education, composed of the trustces of the State school fund, ${ }^{1}$ and the trustees and treasurer of the State Normal School, has by law "the gencral supervision and control of public instruction," with the duty of considering the necessities of the public schools and of recommending to the legislature such additions and amendments to the laws as may be deemed necessary to perfect the school system.

A State superintendent of public instruction is chosen every third year by this board and serves as its secretary and exccutive school officer, reporting to it in December of each year.

A State board of examiners, consisting of the State superintendent and the principal of the State Normal School, has the duty of cxamining teachers who desire certificates valid throughont the State and of licensing such as it may approve.

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## LOCAL.

A comnty superintendent for each comuty is appointed every third year by the State board of education to supervise the public schools and make report of them to the State superintendent by October 1 cvery year. The appointment is subject to the approval of the county board of chosen freeholders, but, if not objected to within a month, holds without further action.

A county board of examiners for each comnty is formed of the county supcrintendent and one, two, or three teachers holding first grade certificates, selected by him, to examine and license teachers for the comnty schools.

Ciiy boards of examiners, to test the qualifications of teachers for the city schools, are composed of such members as the city boards of edncation may select.

Boards of trustecs for districts are chosen by the voters of each school district, and consist of 3 members elected for 3 year terms, one to be changed each year. (To these boards women are eligible.) They have charge of the schools of their districts, take, through their clerk, an annual school census, and report annually to the country superintendent. The district trustecs constitute in each township a township board of trustecs, which meets the county superintendent at such times as he may appoint, to hear from lim suggestions as to the management of the schools and submit to him questions for advice or opinion.-(New Jersey School Law, revision of 1874, with amendments and later laws.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

Continucd progress is evident from almost every item of the State report. The increase of school population is very nearly overtaken by the increased enrolment in public and private schools, while the increase of average attendance goes considerably beyond it, and the number attending no school is reported to be 1,344 less than in 1876. The number of school buildings, too, is greater by 14 ; of school departments, by 35 ; of sittings for pupils, by 2,601 ; of teachers, by 26 ; and the quality of this last increase is worth more than the mere number would indicate, the teachers licensed during the year past having been subjected to a more searching examination than ever before, and the standard for successfully passing the examination having been proportionately raised. Poorer teachers have thas been largely thrown out and better ones brought forward, so that the average teaching is likely to be very much improved. The only apparent retrogression is in a direction which has affected all the States, the depression of business having considerably diminished the receipts both for school buildings and for the support of schools. The result here, as elsewhere, has been a shortening of the average school term and a painful redaction in the pay of teachers, men getting $\$ 2.64$ a month less on an average than in the preceding ycar and women 35 cents less. Good school-houses, too, probably from deferring improvements and repairs, are reported 26 less, while poor and very poor ones number 5 more. This, however, cannot last long in a State so favorably situated as New Jersey, and a stcady rise in the value of its property is likely, with probable abundance hereafter of the means required for the support of schools. Indeed, all that is wanted, even now, to remove every ordinary obstacle to full success is a small local tax in every school district to supplement the allowance from the State, such local tax for school support having been raised in 1877 by only 273 districts out of 1,367 , and for school buildings and repairs by only 373 .

## FREE AND UNIFORM TEXT BOOKS.

Superintendent Apgar refers with satisfaction to the fact that in 157 districts children are supplied with text books paid for by a district tax, and gives these reasons in favor of generally following their example: (1) That greater cheapness in supplying books can thas be easily secured; the wholesale purchase of them by a district inducing publishers to offer a discount of ' 50 per cent. from the prices individuals pay; (2) that greater permanence results from the same thing, the books, when purchased by the district, remaining in use till they are worn out, and the too frequent changes of them often urged by teachers being measurably prevented; (3) that time is thus saved to the children in their work, a pupil entering school being furnished with whatever books he needs, so that he may inmediately begin his studies. Of course a uniformity of books is also the frnit of such supply by the school district, and is a great aid to uniformity of progress.

But while thus advocating district supply of books, with its consequent district uniformity, Mr. Apgar, unlike the superintendent in New Hampshire, does not favor a compulsory State uniformity. He admits that it has advantages, but thinks the policy objectionable, becanse it places too great a responsibility in the hands of the individual or the commission authorized to solect the books for introduction, and necessarily renders practically valueless an immense number of whatever books have been in usc. The chief argnment in favor of State uniformity, moreover-that childien moving from one district to another will not be required to purchase new text books-fails
if there is public ownership of books in the districts; for then, whatever diversity of books there might be, a child going into a new district finds, on entering school, a full supply of means for study without any immediate expense.- (Report for 1876-\%\%.)

## A GOOD SUGGESTION.

In view of the value of a knowledge of the natural sciences, and of the growing demand for such knowledge, Superintendent $A_{p}$ gar recommends that each school provide itself with a collection of objects illustrative of the botany and zoölogy of the region immediately around it. He says that within the bounds of many districts in the State 1,000 different insects, 500 species of plants, 200 species of birds, 20 different minerals, 30 species of fish, 20 different mammals, 20 different reptiles, and as many different batrachians may be found. A collection of one-half of these, he thinks, might easily bo secured through the united efforts of teacher, pupils, and friends, while the effort to secure, prescrve, and mount them would at once develop a considerable amount of latent intelligence on such points, help greatly to increase it, and lay the foundation for a series of collections that would be invaluable for future study of local natural history. - (Report for 1876-77.)
Of course, mineralogical and geological specimens might also bo collected, and, in the hands of a trained teacher, a cabinet of great interest would be the result. The suggestion is worthy of wider notice than in New Jcrsey only, and might well be acted on in any State.

## KINDERGÄRTEN.

Thirteen of these schools for the young make more or less full report for 1877-1 of them at Camden, 1 at Carlstadt, 1 at Englewood, 1 at Hackensack, 4 at Hoboken, 1 at Montclair, 1 at Morristown, and 3 at Newark. The first mentioned presents no statistics, only reporting its transfer to new hands. The others give a total of 22 teachers and 467 children in more or less regular attendance for the year. For full particulars respecting each school, see Table V of the appendix following.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

There being no general State law for the election and organization of boards of education in cities, such boards are formed in each city under special laws. They appear to be usually composed of 2 members for each ward or aldermanic district, chosen for terms of 2 years, one-half going out each year. In all the cities there are superintendents of the city schools, chosen, it is believed, by the city boards for terms of 1 to 3 years.

STATISTICS.

| Cities. | Estimated population. | Children of school age. | Enrolment. | Average atteudance. | Teachers. | Expenditure. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Camden | 40,000 | 11, 383 | 7,387 | 4, 017 | 103 |  |
| Elizabeth | 25, 000 | 6,984 | 3, 293 | 2, 033 | 49 | \$37, 869 |
| Hoboken. | 33, 000 | 8,771 37 | 4,351 18,676 | 2,664 10.899 | 286 | 222,550 |
| Jersey City | 120, 000 | 37, 482 | 17, 517 | 11, 129 | 245 |  |
| Newark | 120,000 | 37,265 5,496 | 17,511 | 1,759 | 42 | 40,646 |
| New Brunswick | 18,000 11,300 | 5,496 3,513 | 1,413 | 1,983 | 30 | ¢3, 091 |
| Orange .. | 11, 300 | 13,193 | 8,446 | 4,374 | 101 | 75, 254 |
| Paterson | 26,000 | 13,135 9,356 | 3, 569 | 2,272 | 65 | 44, 462 |

Note. - The fignres here given, except for popnlation and expenditure, are taken for the sake of uniformity from the tables in the State report for 1876-77. They differ slightly in some cases from both printed reports and written returns which seem to cover the same period.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Camden reports to the State superintendent a material advancement in the grade of studies, 3 new school buildings, a thorough repair of others, and a degree of discipline, decorum, and success in study which has been alike gratifying to teacher, parent, and pupil. It has a normal class for special preparation of its own teachers.
Elizabeth, classing its schools as primary, grammar, and high, had in 1876-77 each of three different schools divided into these departments, 3 other schools appearing to of that year these was $\$ 1,265$. - (Report of board of education.)

Jersey City has been hindered in its school work by lack of accommodation for its pupils, the youth of school age increasing much faster than the school buildings. In consequence of this, great numbers of children have to be turned away from
the doors of its schools, while the attendance reported is said, by the supcrintendent, to be secured by frequent crowding in of at least 1,000 more than the schools will comfortably seat. This is the more to be regretted because, according to the county superintendent's statcment, the public schools have been gaining on the private ones, and bccause a church school, with about six hundred pupils, was discontinucd that the children might attend the public schools. The figures in a separately published report differ from those in the State report as follows: Total enrolment, 20,876 ; average attendanee, 11,126 ; teachers, 290. The course of instruction, a modifieation of what has been in use for several years, was adopted in the autumn of 1875 , and made obligatory in 1876. It adds much to the amount of oral instruction required, espeeially in object teaching, and extends through 6 primary and 6 grammar grades, besides the 3 classes of the high school. Elementary scicnce is taught orally throughout. The evening schools, which the board has been wont to maintain for 18 weeks from the second Monday in October, had to be remitted for the year past from insufficiency of funds. A Saturday normal class, for the preparation of teachers for the city schools has, however, becn continued as in previous years, and with apparently increased efficicney. The city high school is also utilized for the same purpose, and a special training department, for such pupils as desire to become teachers, was added during the year.- (Annual report of the board of directors of education and of Superintendent Dickinson for 1876-7\%.)

Newarl, through the retiring supcrintendent, George B. Sears, reported for 1876-777 some addition to its school accommodations, but still a want of further room. More than 200 prpils were promoted, on examination, from the grammar schools to the high school, and the gradnating class from it was the largest thus far. The Saturday normal school also graduated a large class. Professor Smith's systcm of industrial drawing, under a special teacher, was introduced, and the city schools are reported to be in a generally prosperous condition.

New Brunswick, in a separately pulblished report, gives figures differing from those in the State report, as follows: Enrolled, 2,604; average attendance, 1,733. It also reports the systematic study of Professor Walter Smith's industrial drawing, for the first time, in all the departments; the opening of an evening school for males, with a total enrolment of 141 and an avcrage attcudance of 81 , at a cost of $\$ 366$; and the attendance on the schools so generally good that sometimes the record at the close of the month has been "every one present every day."

In Orange, unusnal attention to vocal music under a special teacher, with daily practice under the regular teachers, is said to have resnlted, even in the primary grades, in ability to read and sing exerciscs at sight, while in the higher grades four and even five part music is sung in a manncr that would be creditable to adult choirs.- (Report of Superintendent U. W. Cutts.)

Paterson maintained for the year ending March 20, 1877, primary, grammar, high, normal, and evening sehools, 24 in all, giving greater attention than previously to oral and object tcaching. Habits of observation have thus been stimulated, and accuracy in expression has been cultivated in even the youngest pupils. A system of monthly examinations has bcen continued throughout the year, and is said to have been a great incentive to close application and thorough training. As one result, 63 out of 73 candidates for admission to the high school during the year were suecessful. A normal class in the high school furnished some good substitute teachers, but it did not prove, on the whole, a success. The Saturday normal sehool, with 4 teachers, enrolled 80 teachers as pupils, besides 25 candidates for the position of teacher, 1 of whom was graduated. - (City report for 1876-77\%.)

Trenton makes no report of its school system beyond the figures included in the table, which show a small enrolment for such a number of children of school age.

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## State NORMAL SCHOOL, TRENTON.

The State normal school reports an attendance during the year 1876-77 of 261 students, 54 men and 207 women; average attendance, 208 . There are 2 courses of instruction, one axtending through 2 and the other through 3 years. Of the 37 students graduated in 1877, only 8 were from the short elementary course, the remaining 29 having completed the 3 years' eourse. Five of the 37 were men and 32 women. A model school connected with the institution furnishes the pupils of the normal school opportumitics for both obscrvation and practice in teaching; it had an average attendance of 309.- (Cataloguc, 1876-7\%.)

An inquiry extending back for several years showed some time ago that 98 per cent. of the graduates of the school eutcred upon the work for which they had prepared themselves. Another, institnted by Superintendent Apgar, shows that on an average the graduates teach at.least four and a half years, and that those who have spent some time in the school, without graduating, teach for an average of two and a half years. The pledge given to the State by the pupils, that for the free tuition granted them they will teach at least 2 years in the State schools, is thus proved to be more than fully
redeemed, the graduates, as a rule, teaching more than twice as long as they have pledged themselves for, and the undergraduates, as a rule, 6 months beyoul the time.-(State report, 1876-77.)

OTHER NORMAL TRAINING.
Besides the training at the Normal School in Trenton and at the Farnum Preparatory School, in Bever!y, which is its specially recognized feeder, several of the cities of the State have organized normal classes for fuller instruction of their junior teachers in methods of instruction, discipline, and management. These classes appear to have been open also to persons not already teachers who desired to qualify themselves for teaching. In Gloucester County a similar class has been formed by the county superintendent, holding its sessions on the first Saturday of each month and having an average of 30 teachers in attendance. In Burlington County, the teachers themselves organized a class, elected the county superintendent as its teacher, and, entering upon systematic study, are reported by him to have made such progress through monthly mectings that even in so abstruse a matter as the calculus "there is no shape or combination of the ten functions, however complex, * * * that cau command * * * hesitancy on the part of the members of the association." In 3 other counties kindred associations have been formed, meeting monthly or every two months, for the purpose of increasing the uscfulness and efficiency as teachers of their promoters.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

In addition to the above-mentioned voluntary gatherings and normal classes, normal institutes, which all the teachers are expected to attend, have been held in every county of the State save one, each being a sort of training school as to subjects and methods of school work. At most of these the State superintendent appears to have been present as one of the instructors, with aids from other States; and from the enthusiastic manner in which the mectings are noticerl in the county superintendents' reports, it is evident that they must lave done good service.

SCILOOL JOURNAL.
The New Jersey Public School Journal, Bloomfield, persevered during 1877 in its useful monthly issues, but with comparatively scanty patronage in the face of the large rivalry of older journals.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

Schools of this class exist at Beverly, Elizabeth, Hoboken, Jersey City, Newark, New Brunswick, Orange, Passaic, Paterson, Phillipsburg, Rahway, Trenton, and Vineland, while studies of high school grade appear to be prosecuted in the senior departments of other places. Information from all these places except Hoboken indicates an enrolment of 1,861 in these high schools, with an average attendance of 1,475 , under 65 teachers, while in high school departments in Essex County were 169 pupils more. In 9 places 154 high school pupils were graduated.

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For statistics of business colleges, private academic schools, and preparatory schools for colleges, sce Tables IV, VI, and VII of the appondix following, and the summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

The colleges in this State are the College of New Jersey, Princeton; Rutgers College, New Brunswick; St. Benedict's College, Newark; and Seton Hall College, South Orange. Burlington College, still so called, rcmains only a preparatory school. For statistics of reporting colleges, see Table IX of the appendix following, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner precerling.
The College of New Jersey, enrolling pupils from 26 States, 3 Territories, and 6 forcign countries, has the nsual entrance examinations of the best colleges, and offers to those who successfully pass these examinations a course embracing literature, science, and philosophy. In litcrature, with the usual Latin, Greek, French, and German, Sanskrit is also prosecuted to some extent, and courses in Anglo-Saxon and early English are proposed for 1878-79. Special attention is given in this department to the continental and English languages and to the writings of the best authors in then. In science, work in the muscum, laboratory, and observatory is continually mingled with the instructions of the lecture and recitation rooms. The means of illustration in these lines have been recently much enlarged through the collections made by a scientific expedition of professors and students which went to Colorado in the summer of 1877, and through the erection of a now and well equipped astronomical observatory. In philosophy, the lectures and recitations embrace the historical,
ethical, social, and political aspects of the subjects presented, the relations of science and religion receiving special discussion.

Since 1869, a choice of studies has been allowed within strictly defined limits. Two years' study of classics and mathematics is required of all; and encouragements are held out by elective courses to the continuance of the study of these during the whole 4 years. For the first 2 years all take the same coursc. At the close of the second there is a rigid examination, and those who passit are at liberty to make a selection of a portion of the stadies for the remainder of the course.

Graduatc courses of"study were established experimentally in 1877. They are to be more fully organized in $18 \overline{7} 8$, and will embrace instruction in philology, philosophy,
and science.
The system of fellowships for specially successful and deserving students, detailed in the Reports of the Commissioner of Education for 1875 and 1876 , is still continued, affording the students chosen an opportunity for a year of extra study beyond the collegiate course, under the direction of the faculty, in certain designated lines.
There was an attendance, in all departments of the college, of 496 , of whom 49 were scientific and 44 graduate students.- (Catalogue for 1877-78.)
Rutgers College has a similar arrangement of obligatory studies up to the close of the sophomore year. These are intended to be of such a character as to be equally useful, whatever subsequent profession or career be chosen. During the junior and scnior years some subjects are required of all regular students, while several others are made elective.
The number of students here in 1877 was 173 , of whom 41 were scientific.-(Return
and catalogue.)

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

Three institutions for the superior instruction of women, in this state, report statistics, for which see Table VIII of the appendix following, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding. Only one of these institutions is chartered ; all teach music, drawing, painting, French, and German. Two report apparatus for the illustration of chemistry and physics ; 1, a cabinet of natural history ; 1, a gymnasium; all report libraries, 2 with 1,000 and 1 with 500 volumes.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

Scientific instruction is provided at Rutgers Scientific School, a department of Rutgers College; at the Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, and at the John C. Green School of Science, a department of Princeton College.
Rutgers Scientific School, which is also the State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, offers 3 distinct lines of study : (1) Civil engineering and mechanics, (2) chemistry as connected with agriculture, and (3) chemistry in its general theory and practice. The regular course covers 4 years, but special students are received and allowed to take any part of it. According to the law, a certain number of students from each county are admitted free of charge for tuition. There were 41 regular students in 1877, besides 5 in special or partial courses. - (Catalogue and return.)

The Stevens Institute of Tcchnology aims to fit young men of ability for leading positions as mechanical engineers and for other scientitic pursuits. Instruction is given in the elementary and advanced branches of mathematics and their application to mechanical constructions, in chemistry, physics, mechanical drawing, and engineering, belles lettres, and the French and German languages. The number of students attending was 87.- (Catalogue and return.)
The John C. Green Scientific School was established to give a thorough training in general science and art, with a liberal education in certain academic studies. Provision is also made for the spccial pursuit of certain studies of the general course and of the professional courses of civil engineering and architecture. Therc are two courses in gencral science, an undergraduate one of 4 years, leading to the degree of bachelor of science, and a graduate course leading to that of master of science.(Catalogue of the College of New Jersey, 1877-78.)
For full statistics of scientific schools, see Table $X$ of the appendix, and a summary of it in the Commissioner's Report preceding.

## THEOLOGICAL.

The institutions for instruction in theology are the Drow Thcological Seminary, Madison (Methodist Episcopal), the German Thcological School of Newark, N. J., Bloomfield (Presbyterian), the Theological Seminary of the Reformed (Dutch) Church in America, New Brunswick, and the Theological Seminarly of the Presbyterian Church, Princeton. In all
these, the recular course of instruction in theology covers 3 years. An examination these, the regular course of instruction in theology covers 3 years. An examination is required of all applicants for admission who are not college graduates in all except the German Theological School of Newark, N. J., at Bloomfield, where there is pro-
vided, in addition to the theological, a preparatory, or academic, course of instruction covering 3 years.
For statistics of these schools, see Table XI of the appendix, and the summary in the Commissioner's Report proceding.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

'TRAINING OF THE DEAF AND DUAIB, OF THE BLIND, AND OF THE FEEBLE-NINDED.
Governor Bedle, in his anuual message to the legislature relating to 1877 , says that the practice of educating pupils of these classes in the institutions of neighboring States is still continued, this method being found both economical to the State and advantageous to the pupils. The number of pupils and cost for the year were: 107 deaf and dumb, $\$ 30,368$; 47 blind, $\$ 12,490$; 32 feeble-minded, $\$ 7,969$.

## REFORMATORY AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING.

The State Industrial Sehool for Girls, Trenton, had committed to it for the year ending November, 1877, 20 new pupils, making, with those in the sehool at the date of the preceding annual report, 53 . Of these, 14 were indentured, 12 discharged, and 1 escaped. The progress of the girls in the several branches of literary and industrial study pursued is said to have been satisfactory, and the reports from those indentured warrant the belicf that five-sixths of those who have been subjected to the training of the sehool since its opening are now leading moral and useful lives.-(Cataloguc.)
The New Jersey State Reform School, for juvenile delinquents, Jamesburg, possessing a considerable amount of land, has most of its farm labor, as well as that of the houschold, performed by the boys committed to it. Training in gardening, tailoring, rug making, and other manual industries is also combined with instruction in morals and in the prime elements of the common sehool studies. At the close of 1876 there were 214 boys remaining in the institution, the buildings of which are understood to have bcen since destroyed by fire.

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## STATE ASSOCIATION.

The State Teachers' Association met at New Brunswiek, N. 'J., August 28-29, 1877. The teachers were welcomed to the eity by Professor Atherton, of Rutgers College, and Mr. Haynes, of Newark, responded, bricfly reviewing the history of the association. The president delivered his address on "The men the times demand;"Mr. F. R. Brace, superintendent of sehools for Camden County, read an essay on a "Course of study for distriet schools;" Mr. W. R. Martin, of Jersey City, a paper on "The vitalizing of English grammar," and Mr. A. C. Apgar, one on "School museums." In the evening Rev. J. E. Forrester, D. D., of Newark, delivered a lecture on "Modern forces." On the following day papers were read on "School management," by Mr. E. R. Pennoyer, of East Orange ; on "Industrial drawing," by Mr. J. F. Strect; on the "Metric system," by State Superintendent E. A. Apgar; and on "Geometry in our public schools," by Mr. Corkery, of South Amboy. One on "The relation of the Kindergarten to the common schools," by Miss Kate French, was read, in her absence, by Mr. Robert W. Prentiss. After discussion of some of the subjects presented, in which many participated, several resolutions were adopted and the association adjourned.(New Jersey Public School Journal, October, 1877.)

## STATE ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.

Mcetings of this body, which is composed of all the county and city superintendents in the State under the presideney of the State superintendent, are required by the law to be held annually, and are doubtless so held, although no notice of them usually appears.

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## SUPERINTENDENT GEORGE B. SEARS.

This gentleman, who had been for 19 ycars the cxecutive officer of the board of education in Newark and hat brought the sehool system of that city up to a high degree of effecency, died there November 17, 1877. When he resigned his position in the summer preceding, the school authorities testified their respeet and regard for him, and the resolutions both of the school board and of the city association of school principals, passed after his death, speak of him and of his work in terms of the lighest commendation.

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Mis Lxcellency George B. McClellax, ex oficio president of the State board of education, Tienton. Hon. Ellis A. Apgar, State superintendent of publie instruction, ex officio secretary, Irenton.

## NEW YORK.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-\%7. | Increase. | Deerease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (5-21) | 1, ¢85, 601 | 1,586, 234 | 633 |  |
| Enrolled in publie sehools. | 1, 067, 191 | 1, 023, 715 |  | a43, 484 |
| Average daily attendanee <br> SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND SCHOOLS. | 541, 610 | 559,537 | 17,927 |  |
| Sehool distriets in the State | 11,285 | 11,287 | 2 |  |
| Publie sehool-houses. | 11, 824 | 11,833 | 9 |  |
| Arerage time of sehool in days. Estimated value of school prope | $\begin{array}{r} 1751 \\ \$ 31.017 .904 \end{array}$ | \% $\begin{array}{r}1783 \\ 830,385 \\ \hline 188\end{array}$ | 3 | \% |
| teachers and their pay. |  |  |  |  |
| Men teaehing in the publie sehools . | 7,687 | 7, 850 | 163 |  |
| Women teaehing in the same... | 22, 522 | 22,311 |  | 211 |
| Whole number of teachers employed.. | 30, 209 | 30,161 |  | 48 |
| Average annual salary ................ | \$41183 | \$401 04 |  | \$1079 |
| Average weekly pay .............. | 1173 | 1123 |  | \$10 |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whiole receipts for State sehoolsb. | \$12, 673, 273 | \$12,110,904 |  | \$562, 369 |
| Whole expenditure for them.. | 11, 439, 039 | 10,976, 235 |  | $462,804$ |
| Remaining on hand. | 1,234, 234 | 1,134, 669 |  | $99,565$ |
| state school fund. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole available State fund. | $\$ 3,105,107$ | \$3, 130, 763 | \$25, 656 |  |

a This large decrease is apparent only; it arises from the fact that in New York City ehildren who attended two different sehools in the same Jear have heretofore been enumerated twice instead of onee, as at present. The attendance is really larger than ever before.
(Reports of Hon. Neil Gilmour, State superintendent of public instruetion, for the two years indieated. The receipts for school purposes in both years include amounts remaining on hand from preceding Jears. The expenditures given are exelusive of sueh amounts. Other figures, from written returns, may be found in Table I of the appendix to this report.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM. GENERAL.

For the supervision of eommon sehools throughont the State, there is a superintendent of public instruction, eleeted by the lerislature every three years, with a deputy superintendent appointed by him.

For oversight of aeademies, aeademieal departments of union free sehools, literary and medieal colleges, in addition to the above offieers, there is a board of regents of the university, all tho eolleges chartered by the State being considered a portion of such university and all the aeademies and high sehools preparatory departments of it. This board eonsists of 19 members ehosen by the legislature for life serviee, with the governor, lieutenant governor, seeretary of state, and superintendent of public instruetion as members ex offieio.

## LOCAL.

For supervision of publie seliools in minor sections of the State, there are (1) school commissioncr's of commissioner distriets, eleeted triennially by the people to supervise the publie edueation of counties or parts of eounties; (2) in eities, boards of school commissioners, of education, or of public instruction, usually eliosen by the people for terms of three years eaeh, with annual ehange of one-third of the members, and having ordi-
narily city superintendents for steady supervision and visitation of schools; (3) district school officers, chosen by the voters of the school districts into which townships are generally divided, and consisting either of a single trustee chosen for a year's service or of three such chosen for terms of three years, with change of one member every year, and with a clerk, a collector, and a librarian, elected by the district each year. Union school districts choose 3 to 9 trustecs, one-third changeable annually.-(School law, edition of 1877.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

The statistics show a very slight increase, only 633, in the reported number of children of school age ; an apparent decrease in the public school enrolment (due to a proper change in computing the enrolment in New York City from the plan heretofore adopted), and an average attendance greater by 17,927. Notwithstanding the apparent decrease in enrolment mentioned, the State superintendent says that the enrolment was really higher in 1877 than ever before. These figures are creditable to the schools; for, while they indicate that there has been a temporary arrest of the past large increase of school population, they tend to show that teachers and school boards have bcen able to awaken greater interest than heretofore in those who have come under their influence, and thus to hold them more steadily and regularly to their work. In other things no special change appears, beyond the falling off in teachers' wages and in the receipts and expenditures for schools, decrease ini respect to both which has been common throughout the country. The number of teachers employed was somewhat smaller in 1876-77 than in the preceding year, but the number continued in their places throughout the legal school year was larger by 396 ; and, as frequent change is the great bane of schools, increasing permanence is a favorable sign. In the face of strong movements both by the State superintendent and the State 'Teachers' Association to lave a township school system substituted for the present district system, the latter, a great source of inconvenience and abuse, with few exceptions, still retains its hold throughout the State.

The private schools reported show a great falling off in their enrolment, the number for 1876-77 having been 117,154 against 134,404 in the preceding year, a difference of 17,250 . The academies, too, numbered 656 fewer pupils and the normal schools 152 less than in 1875-‘76. All this indicates the continued pressure of hard times, consequent enforced economy in all expenditure, and probably frequent clanges of population from place to place, leading to the withdraval of many pupils from the schools.
The number of Indian children residing on reservations in the State was 1,646, or 28 less than in 1875-76; the number in schools, 1,099 , or 18 less; the average attendance, 597, or 9 more.-(State report.)

## TEACHING OF DRAWING.

The act of 1875 which required that industrial or free hand drawing should be included in the courses at the normal schools, in some department of each city system, in each union free school, and in each free school district incorporated by special law, has been generally complied with. In some instances it had bcen introduced before the passage of the act, and some schools not included in the provisions of the law have voluntarily undertaken it. In some cases the instruction is under the direction of specially trained teachers; in many other instances it is not, the intention, however, being eventually to have specialists in charge. With a view to some uniformity in this and in the results to be secured, Superintendent Gilmour suggests to the legislature that provisiou be made for one or two special teachers to visit the schools that are required to have drawing taught, give lessons to the teachers, and supervise the work.-(State report.)

## compulsory school Liaw.

Inquiries made in 1876-'7\% of city superintendents as to the carrying out of the provisions of the acts of 1874 and 1876 "to sccure to children the benefits of an elementary education" showed Mr. Gilmour that no effective steps have becn taken to enforce these acts except in the city of New York. There a superintendent of truancy and 12 agents were appointed to enforce the law, and 12,599 cases were investigated. In nearly half of these cases the children were found to have been kept at home by parents, by sickness, by poverty, or by physical disqualification for attendance, while in 1,159 cases the homes of absent children could not be found. Nearly one-third were placed in school and 79 were committed to institutions where they would be duly cared for. Instructions have been issued to the school officers of the other school districts in the State to prepare and file with the county clerks lists of all children entitled to schooling, with their ages, that absentecs from school may be readily traced.

## ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE SCHOOL LAWS.

The legislature on March 3, 1877, passed an act requiring a collector of taxes to give ample public notice to the taxpayers of school districts and special notice to the near-
est agent of any railroad eorporation assessed for taxes in the district, of the receipt of his warrant for the collection of the taxes, and to indieate, in the former ease two weeks beforehand, in the latter ten days beforehand, the expiration of the time for voluntary payment. On May 3, an act was passed allowing the trastees of any school district adjoining a eity to enter into written eontract with the eity sehool board for the instruetion of the distriet pupils in the eity schools for 28 weelss or more in any school year, the city board to report, in such ease, the youth of school age in the district and pupils from it in the eity schools as if they were residents of the city. On April 17, an amendment to the law respeeting boards of education in union free school districts was passed requiring the consent of a majority of the legal roters entitled to vote on questions of taxation before the appointment of a elerk to the board not of its number. Heretofore, the clerk had to be one of the members of the board; now he need only be a resident of the distriet, and eannot be either a trustee or a teacher in the employ of the board. But, if the district make no provision for the payment of the salary of a separate officer, the board is still to appoint one of its members elerk. In either ease he is to serve as librarian also. June 5, a fourth law was enacted "to prevent frequent changes of text books in schools." It gives sehool boards in cities and villages the right to designate the text books to be used in the schools under their eharge, and remits the matter in rural distriets to the decision of a two-thirds vote at the first annual meeting after the passage of the act. After the adoption of any book it is not to be superseded by another, except upon a threefourths vote of the eity or village school board or of the voters at the annual meeting of a rural district.

## KINDERGÄRTEN.

Statistics and other information respecting 18 sehools of this elass reporting for 1877 may be found in Table $V$ of the appendix to this Report.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

In each city there is a board of ehosen citizens in charge of the interests of public schools, these boards varying in number and in name, each having usually a superintendent of eity schools as its executive officer. In New York City the board consists of 21 commissioners from the city at large, appointed by the mayor, who also appoints 3 inspectors for each of the 8 school districts into which the city is divided. The commissioners and inspectors serve for terms of 3 years, one-third being liable to ehange each year. Every 2 years the board elects a city superintendent of schools and seven assistant superintendents; and, having first appointed 5 trustees of schools for each ward, ehanges or reappoints 1 of the 5 each year, securing thus a union of fresh life and tried experience.

STATISTICS. a

| Cities. | Population. | Children of school age. | Enrolment. | Average attendance. | Teachers. | Expenditure. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Albany | 86, 013 | 36, 000 | 14,555 | 8,678 | 196 | \$187, 905 |
| Auburn | 18, 359 | 5,162 | 12,616 | 1,944 | 196 49 | $\$ 187,905$ 39,017 |
| Binghamton | 15, 550 | 4, 517 | 2,946 | 2,046 | 59 | 40, 425 |
| Brooklyn. | 484, 61.6 | 149, 132 | 90, 048 | 49, 027 | 1,213 | 1, 125, 851 |
| Buffalo. | 134, 573 | 40,000 | 22, 807 | 13,588 | 1,2194 | 1, 10, 316,869 |
| Elmira | 20, 538 | 5,583 | 4, 451 | 2, 979 | 76 | 59, 297 |
| Hudson | 8, 828 | 3, 598 | 1,415 | 750 | 23 | 11, 247 |
| Ithaca.... | 10, 100 | 2,501 | 1,729 | 1,205 | 31. | 24,520 |
| Kingston ${ }^{\text {Lock }}$ | 7,500 |  | 1,790 | 1,172 | 27 | 32, 497 |
| Lockport......... | 12, 624 | 4, 000 | 2,751 | 1, 606 | 43 | 34, 953 |
| Long Island City | 15, 609 | 5,170 | 3,792 | 1,914 | 39 | 38, 139 |
| Newburgh | 17, 327 | 5, 885 | 3,415 | 2, 195 | 49 | 51, 347 |
| New York | 1, 04:5, 223 | 375, 000 | 205, 327 | 125,777 | 2, 880 | 3, 485, 993 |
| Ogrdensburg | 10,076 22,455 | 4,053 8,831 | 1,848 | 1, 010 | 26 | 14,381 |
| Poughkeopsie | 19, 859 | 8,831 6,002 | 4, 383 | 2, 780 | 69 | 71, 019 |
| Rochester ... | 81, 673 | 29,146 | 11, 838 | 2,180 | 59 210 | 35,237 198,918 |
| Schencetady | 12, 748 | 4,450 | 11,838 2,353 | 1, 1,530 | 210 37 | 198,918 35,018 |
| Syracuse. | 48,315 | 16,824 | 9, 265 | 7,074 | 173 | 112, 020 |
| Troy. | 48,821 | 18,000 | 9,169 | 5,127 | 142 | 116, 237 |
| Utica .... | 32, 070 | 11,200 | 5, 016 | 3, 315 | 143 | 62,603 |
| Watertown | 10,041 | 3, 151 | 2,010 | 1, 212 | 42 | 28,584 |

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## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Albany, in accordance with the law of 1875 requiring eities to have industrial or free hand drawing taught, has added the former to the course of instruction. Considerable addition has been made to the seating capacity of the schools by the eompletion of a new and commodious primary school building, besides that for the high sehool, mentioned last year. Eight evening sehools were maintained from November 13, 1876, to February 5 , 1877, but, perhaps from inexperienee in the conducting of such schools, the results were not encouraging. In other respects there appears to have been a suceessful session of the sehools.- (Report of the loard of public instruction for the year cnding April 30,1877 .)

Auburn reports improved attendanee on the sehools, better discipline, and larger accommodations; that eomplete sets of the New American Cycloprdia have been provided for referenee in eaeh of the eity grammar schools. The compulsory cducation law is said to have been practieally a dead letter in the eity, not from any disposition on the part of the board to ignore its provisions, but from a conviction of the impraetieability of executing them. In the appointment of teachers, the rule has been adopted of proportioning salaries to experienee and suecess in teaehing. - (Report of board of education for the year ending July 31, 1877.)

Brooklyn.-Of the sehools of this eity the only intelligenee seeured beyond the figures in the table is a statement of the superintendent, in a circular to the teachers in 1877, that "one-half of the pupils in the publie schools of the city never reach the grammar department * * * and leave the sehools at the age of 11 ." Besides the teaehers in day schools given in the table, there were 192 in evening schools.

In Ithaca the schools are divided into primary, intermediate, grammar, and high sehool departments, each of three grades of onc year eacl. The first year of the high sehool eourse is preparatory, those passing an examination in its studies and holding regents' eertifieates being allowed to take up secoud year studies. This school had in $1876-77$ an attendance of 175 , of whom 95 were girls. The number of regents' certifieates seeured during the year was 73, an inerease of 36 over the preceding year and of 39 over the average of 9 previous years.-(Report of board of edueation for 1876-77.)

Iringston, not including the whole eity, but that part forming the "Kingston sehool district," reports an inerease in enrolment; average number belonging; and average daily attendanee, with a slight falling off in the perecntage of attendance. Promotions from the grammar sehools to the high school have been madc upon a new plan, which has been found to work well, the prineipal of the high sehool and those of the grammar schools uniting in the examination of eandidates; only those who secure the suffirages of these examiners and of the members of the sehool board are promoted. Since 1875 the board has dispensed with the serviees of a superintendent, the main duties of that offiee being performed for eaeh sehool by its principal; the elerical work, by a person employed at small expense. The sehools are said to have worked on this, plan apparently as well as formerly.- (Report of board of edueation of Kingston school. district for 18\%6-77; statisties of remaining portion of the eity from Commissioner Edmund Ryer.)

New York.- Besides the Normal College, with its Saturday classcs for young teachers. and its training sehool, the sehools here include 46 grammar sehools for boys, as many for girls, and 12 for both sexes; 47 primary sehools, 66 primary departments; 19 evening sehools for males, 14 for females, and 1 evening high school for males; all for whites. For colored ehildren there are also 5 grammar sehools, 2 for boys, 1 for girls, and 2 for both sexes, with 3 primary departments, and 2 evening schools to which both sexes are admitted. These, with 1 nautical school for the training of young seamen, make 205 sehools and departments under the management of the eity board of education, while 15 corporate sehools, not ineluded in the eity systom, partake of its benefits and. eome to some extent under its supervision. Taking all these, the full ewrolment for 1877 amounted to 255,847 and the average attendanee to $127,020$.
Of the 3,251 teachers, 428 were men, of whom 6 filled the ehairs of president and professors in the Normal College, 4 of these, with 3 extra male instructors, assisting in. the Saturday sessions of that college for young tcaehers. The whole remainder con-sisted of female principals, vice prineipals, assistants, and speeial teaehers, ineluding the lady superintendent of the Normal College, 27 female teachers in the sane, and 19. in its training school. The efficieney of the teaehing by females has been so well and. amply proven that Superintendent Kiddle thinks the foree of male teachers might. safely bo redueed in the interests of economy, especially in the lower schools, and. female teaehers substituted at lower rates.
He expresses the eonviction that the cdueational work of the city system as a whole is exceedingly well done; the curriculum of study sueeessfully carried into effeet; and. the results, in all tho branehes of instruction prescribed, in a greater or less degree satisfaetory. He does not think, therefore, that any portion of the curriculum should be abandoned, as some, in their zeal for lessening expenses, are disposed to urge. In. point of economy he can percoive no considerable advantage likely to result from sucli
abandonment; for, were the system of instruction reduced to the simplest rudiments of reading, writing, and arithmetie, the time of instruction would not be shortened, the corps of teachers could not be much reduced, and the buildings and furniture required for the accommodation of the pupils would still be needed. And in point of edueational improvement he can see no prospect of bencfit from reduction of the course, for this is so arranged at present that but few subjects are presented at one time. Commencing with reading, spelling, writing, and elementary arithmetic, the course brings in the new studies not all together, but singly, and as they have been prepared for, ineluding geography, grammar, the history of the United States, and others auxiliary to these, up to algebra, which is taught to prepare pupils for admission to the two city colleges. Drawing and music, too, are taught with striet limitations as to time; and even the economist, he thinks, will scareely doubt the industrial and social value of these branches. If, then, the minds of pupils are in any eases overloaded, it does not, in the superintendent's judgment, result from too full a course, but from the fault of some prineipals in promoting prenaturely those loranches under their eare, instead of giving the pupils full time to master everything.
Improvernents suggested aro (1) putting primary and grammar departments into one sehool building, (2) bringing boys and girls together in the grammar schools, and (3) consolidation of small schools in the immerliate vicinity of each othcr. A greater uniformity of organization and a greater efficieney would be thus secured, while economy would be promoted by thus dispensing with the services of scveral supervising principals. The union of boys and girls in one school the superintendent looks on with special favor, the testimony of the principals of the schools in which it has been tried being uniformly favorable as to its bencficial inflnences.
In the evening schools-which numbered 18,939 enrolled pupils, with an average attendance of 7,809-there was a decrease from the preceding year both in enrolment and attendance, but a greater proportion continued to attend during the term, and the certificatgs of good conduct were more numerous. The evening high school is reported to have been as prosperous and to have done as effieient work during its torm of 120 nights, elosing on April 3, 1877, as in any preceding year.
The corporate schools, which form an important adjunet to the city system, numbered 47, of which 20 belonged to the Children's Aid Society and 11 to the Female Guardian Society. These schools are under the management of their respeetive boards of trustees, by whom the teachers are appointed; but they are subject to the general supervision of the board of education and its officers, for the purpose, especially, of sccuring compliance with the State law which forbids scetarian books and sectarian instruction in the public schools. The whole number taught in these schools for the year was 24,246; the average attendanee, 9,845 ; number of teachers, 199, of whom 111 were licensed by State authority.-(Thirty-sixth annual report, for the year ending December 31, 1877.)
In Oswego, school work was greatly hintered during the early portion of the year by the prevalence of scarlet fever and measles, which diminished the classes in some eases by tiro-thirds for weeks together, making it necessary for teachers to go a second time © over the work of that period for the bencfit of large numbers unavoidably absent. Notwithstanding these discouragements, the faithful offorts of teachers and pupils combined are reported to have secured, in most instances, a suecessful completion of the year's work, 89 per cent. of the number in average attendance having obtained promotion on the basis of a striet annual examination, in conncetion with the averago monthly reports. Pupils in other than public schools numbered 1,313 ; in the ligh school, 124, with an average attendance of 100.-(Report of board of education for the year ending February 15, 1877.)

Of Rochester there is no other report than the figures given in the preceding table and in Table II of the appendix to this report.

Sehencetady reports a gradual improvement in the publie schools. Industrial dratring was introduced in 1876, and a year's experience has shown the wisdom of teaching it. The Union Classical Institute, whieh Professor Stanton did much to bring to a high standard years ago, appears to maintain largoly its former reputation, and is said to fully pay for its eost in its stimulating influence upon the lower schools. The number promoted to it in 1877 was 35 , against 33 the preceding year:- (Annual report of the board of education for the year ending June 30, 1877.)
In Syracuse the board says that it has never been able to present so favorable a report in relation to school attendanco. Of the whole number enrolled, the average number belonging was 80.2 per eent., and 76.3 per cent. of those eurolled were in daily attendance. The percentage of daily attendance on the number belonging was 95.2 . The teaching force having been diminished, this gives 40.9 in the graded schools as the daily average of pupils to each toacher, a large proportion. Promotions are made on the basis of punctual attendance and good attention to work during two terms; and this is found to work well on the wholo. An ovening school was maintained in the winter of 1876-\%7, with the usual discouragements from transient and irregular attcudance; but so many intercsting eases of pcrsistent application and rapid improvement were presented that doubts about renewal of the school another winter vanished
and the conviction was reached that it must be maintained at almost any cost. The city high school, as a gencral rule, admits only those who hold regents' certificates of academic scholarship or sustain an examination equivalent to that of the regents. Its pupils take regular exercises in drawing, eomposition, and clocution. They numbered in the year past 376 , with an average belonging of 289 and an average daily attendance of 277. - (Report of the board of education for the year ending September 1, 1877.)
In Troy tho sum total of all the names registered in the public schools was 8,485 . Dedueting duplicate enrolments, there remained 7,969, the number given in the table. Besides these, there was an enrolment of $1,200 \mathrm{in}$ night schools. Then in 14 private schools-not including incorporated academies, seminarics, and the Polytcehnic In-stitute-there were about two thousand, making 11,169 instructed during the year in public and private schools. The evening sehools, which were kept'up nearly 3 months, were condueted with unusual efficiency, and, when the strollers had disappeared, were well attended, the average belonging being 595, with an average attendance of 405. Teachers' mectings have been held on Saturdays with as much regularity as possible, with decided benefit in several departments and with evidence of improved methods of teaching and better results in individual cases. In the high school there is said to have been a steady advancement, especially in composition, declamation, reading, Latin and Greek, and mathenatics; the improvement in speaking and reading being promoted by contests for prizes in these lines.-(Report of Superintendent David Beattie for the year ending June 29, 1877.)

Utica owns 17 school-houses, well'furnished, with a seating eapacity of 4,622 pupils. There were, in the year past, 31 schools, including the evening school, all the rooms in a greater or less degree displaying evidences of the skill, taste, and refinement of the teachers in plants, drawings, and other decorations, which helped to make the rooms both more attractive and more improving. The arrangements for heating and ventilation in at least two of the sehool buildings, recently improved, appear to be as nearly perfect as well may bc. The academy is said to exert a marked influence in improving and stimulating the lower schools.-(Report of Superintendent A: McMillan for the year ending October 1, 1877.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## teacmers' Classes in academies and academical departments.

Under existing law, the regents of the university are authorized to select certain academies and academical departments of union schools, for the purpose of having organized thercin teachers' classes to receive instruction "in the science of common school teaching." Authority was given the regents to pay for such instruction at the rate of $\$ 10$ per eapita for 13 weeks. This was changed ly a law of 1877 , allowing $\$ 1$ weekly for each pupil for not less than 10 weeks. During. 1877 , 88 institutions were designated for the purpose named. During the academic year 1876-977 the attendance of such pupils was 669 men and 1,233 women. The school commissioners in several districts visit and give some attention to these classes.- (Report of Superintendent Gilmour for $1876-77$.)

## STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS.

The number of students in the 8 State normal schools during 1876-77 is stated by Superintendent Gilmour to have been 6,200 , of whom 2,790 were normal, 581 acadcmic, and 2,820 of lower grades in practice schools. The average attendance of normal pupils was 1, 602 ; of academic, 283 . The graduates in 1877 were 278 , making the total number to that date 3,911.
During the session of the legislature in 1877 the attention of the members was called to these institutions by a passage in Governor Rolinson's message suggesting an inquiry as to whether the normal schools are really worth to the system what they cost, he being informed that a very large portion of the pupils instructed in them do not follow the profession of teaching for any length of time. This led to an investigation which showed that, in the 7 State normal sehools under the direction of the State superintendent (that at Albany being only partly under him); 1,475 out of the 1,675 graduates were known to be teachers or to liave taught some time, and that 96 more were waiting for positions in the schools. Besides this, over 2,700 undergraduate students taught in schools that eould not afford to engage graduates. This abundantly vindieates the usefulness of these institutions, and shows that they have amply returned to the State the value of the few thousand dollars annually spent on them.

To avoid future doubt on this point, however, it was dirceted that at the close of the school year 1876-77 the academic departments in these schools should be discontinued and the whole efforts of the several faculties devoted to the preparation of teachers for the publie sehools. The sehool at Fredonia was exeepted from the operation of this order, as such, because the act under which it was established expressly permitted the local board to maintain an academic department; but, in view of the inten-
tion to have these departments diseontinued elsewhere, it was suggested that the Fredonia board should consider whether it would not be wise to discontinue that one also. Subsequently, the schools at Brockport and Potsdam were able to show cause for the suspension of the order with reference to them also, till at least there should be such legislative action as might determine this question with refereneo to all the schools. - (State report for 1876-\%7.)

## NORMAL COLLEGE, NEW YORK CITY.

This eollege, meant to train young lady teachers for the schools of the city of New York, reported 1,528 students on its register at the close of 1877, and the average attendance for the year 1,334. The whole number admitted in 1877 was 759 of whom 704 came in through competitive examinations in the public schools and 55 by special examination. The graduates of the year were 222 ; the whole number since the establishment of the college seven years before, 1,232 . There are 35 instructors, and the course of study, covering 3 ycars, embraees all the branches that are taught in the city schools, including Latin, Gcrman, French, drawing, and music. For the first two years the drill appears to be especially devoted to improving pupils in the studies of the course, while in the third year the class looking forward to graduation is also systematically traincd in the proper methods of instruction.

The field for this is a training school connected with the college, presided over by a lady "tutor in methods," with a gencral assistant and 17 critic tcachers. In this sehool one-fourth of the graduating class, in successive sections, are constantly practised in the art of tcaching, under the criticism of the principal and her assistants, the remaining thrce-fourths pursuing the regular studics. Thus all pass through an apprenticeship which embraces both instruction in the elements and drill in the art, before entering upon teaching as a profession. In connection with the training school there is a Kindergarten, in which all the methods of that mode of teaching may be studied.

As a further means of improving the teaching force of the eity schools, all teachers who have had less than two ycars' experience are required to submit themselves on Saturdays to instruction at the normal college, and thus a graduate course of this extent is substantially established. The whole number taught in these Saturday sessions in 1877 was 746 ; the avcrage attendance, 518.- (Report of the board of education for the year ending Deecmber 31, 1877.)

## TEACHERS' NSSTITUTES.

These agencies for improving teachers at work have been held, according to law, in 53 counties, with one additional for the bencfit of the teachers on the Allegany and Cattarangus Indian reservations. In 42 the session lasted one week each; in the others, two weeks. The whole attendance of teachers was 11,892; the average number at each institute, 201 ; the per cent. of attendance on the whole number of teachers, 70.4. This good attcndance is sceured in some degree by the legal provision that trustees shall give to teachers the whole time spent in the institute which embraces their sehool district, deducting nothing from their pay for such attendance. Trustces, however, sometimes refuse to do this, and teachers, unwilling to have a painful contest, do not always insist upon their rights. Superintendent Gilmour therefore rencws his recommendation of last year that the legislature so amend the law as to rcimburse distriets the amounts paid tcachers for time spent at eounty institutes. He thinks that this will greatly inerease the attendance.- (State report for 1876-7\%.)

## SCHOOL JOURNALS.

The New York School Journal, published weekly in New York City, The School Bullctin, published monthly at Sjracuse, and Barncs' Educational Monthly, issued simultaneonsly at New York and Chicago, continued throughout 1877 their work of aiding teachers by the frequent publieation of articles on methods of teaching, as well as by affording a large amount of educational information.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

The number of pupils tanght in the academies and aeademie departments of mion sehools under the direction of the board of regents in 1876-77 was 30,271 . Whether this number ineludes 1,605 instrueted in the "teachers' elasses" of the aeademies, and for whom the regents made an apportionment from the literary fund, does not elearly appear; probably it does.

The standard in this class of schools is kept well up and is gradually raised by means of questions issued to each school by the board of regents of the university. Thicse questions form the basis of the examinations for admission, standing, and graduation, and students who pass such examinations suceessfully reeeive certitieates.

## PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For statistics of business colleges, private academic schools, and schools especially devoted to the preparation of students for college, see Tables IV, VI, and VII of the appendix following, and the summaries of them in the Report of the Commissioner preceding. For preparatory departments of colleges, see Table IX.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## UNIVERSITIES AND COLUEGES.

The ideal university of the State of New York is composed of all the literary colleges of the State and includes those of medicine also. These are associated under the general direction of a board of regents of the university, consisting of 23 persons, 4 of them ex officio as State offecers and 19 appoiuted by the governor and senate. The regents do not engage in aetual teaching, nor perform the usual duties of university officers, but, among other labors, they hold examinations at the academies and colleges and an annual conrocation of the heads and professors of colleges and academies. They have the power of conferring degrees, though this authority is but sparingly exercised.
The actual literary colleges and universities forming this ideal one may be found in Table IX of the appendix following, and for statistics of them inquirers are referred to that table; for a summary of these statistics, to a corresponding table in the Repor't of the Commissioner preceding.
Five, Elmira, Ingham, Ratgers, Vassar, and Wells, are exelusively for young women; 4, Alfred, Cornell, St. Lawrence, and Syracuse universities, admit both sexes.

Cornell University may be called the State university, as far as there is one apart from the aggregate of colleges, uniting as it does with the congressional grant for the benefit of agrieulture and the mechanic arts an ample endowment from Ezra Cornell, given for the purpose of rounding the institution into a true university, where, as ho expressed it, "any person can find instruction in any study."
The university is open to all, without regard to color, nativity, or sex. Free tuition is given stndents in the agricultural department; free scholarships are provided in other departments to the number of 512 , there being one for every assembly district of the State, and each scholarship is continued 4 years.

Instruction is distributed into several departments, which are subdivided into schools, comprising general, technical, or special courses in arts, literature, science, agriculture, eivil engineering, and mechanical engineering. Graduate study is encouraged by the offer of free tuition to graduates of this and of other colleges. Among the special features of the system worthy of note are large libertyin the choice of strudies and the prominence given these studies which are practically useful.- (Catalogue.)

Columbia College, since the last report, has increased its departments of instruction from 9 to 10. The course now comprises the following: (1) Greek language and literature, (2) Latin language and literature, (3) German language and literature, (4) mathematics, (5) mathematics and astronomy, (6) physics, (7) chemistry, (8) geology and palxontology, (9) moral and intelleetual philosophy and English literature, and (10) history, political science, and international law.
The departments of instruction in the remaining colleges and universities, as far as heard from, seem to be essentially the same as reporied last year.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

Eleven institutions for the superior instruction of women, of which 6 are ehartered, report statistics for 1877. All teach music, drawing, and French; 10 teach German, 8 , painting, 3, Italian and Spanish. Seven report apparatus for the illustration of ehemistry; 8, of physics; 5 have museums of natural history; 4, art galleries; 4, gymnasiums; and 10 , libraries of 210 to 10,000 volumes, aggregating $24,41 \%$.
For full statistics, see Table VIII of the appendix, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

Cornell University has courses of 4 years in agriculture, architecture, civil engipeering, and mechanic arts, which were attended by 153 students in 18i7.-(Catalogive.)
The Uritel States Military Acadcmy, at West Point, reports 264 students and 47 instrnctors. The course of study covers 4 years, and, in addition to military training, embraces instruction in mathematics, chemistry, mineralogy, geology, the Spanish and French languages, geography, history, ethics, drawiug, civil and military engineering, and law.- (Return and report.)
There is a School of Civil Engincering in connection with Union College at Scheneetady. The course of instruction, which is of 4 years, embraces constant excreise in mechanical draughting, instrumental field work, and numerical calculation, combined
with the study of text books and lectures on the numerons subjects where books are wanting. Students are admitted to all departmonts of the college without extra charge. - (Catalogue of colloge.)
The Sehool of Mines of Columbia College aims to furnish the means of acquiring a thorough knowledge of the branches of scicnce forming the basis of thoso industrial pursuits which are chiefly to develop the resources of the country. The system includes 5 parallel courses of study, namcly, civil enginecring, mining engineering, metallurgy, geology and palmontology, and analytical and applied chemistry. Number of students in 1877, 238.- (Catalogue.)

The Rensselaer Polytechaic Institute, at Troy, provides a 4 years' courso in civil engineering, including mechanical or dynamical, road, bridge, and hydraulic engineering. There were 166 students attending in 1877. - (Cataloguc and return.)

The Cooper_Union for the Advancement of Science and Art, Now York, has for its immediate object to teacli young people some art of self support or to raise those who have already some practical occupation to its higher forms and botter semuneration. For this purpose, it has established schools for telegraphy; photography; mechanical, architectural, and artistic drawing; modelling in clay; engraving, and painting. It has a "free night school of science," in which instruction is given in mathematics and theoretical and practical mechanics. Organic and analytic chemistry is taught, and an excellent laboratory is put at the scrvice of the pupils. Literary culture in English and the proper use of the language in speaking and writing are not neglected. Thero are classes formed for oratory and debate, with lectures in English literature and in clocution.- (Ammual report, 1877.)

For full statistics of scicntific institutions reporting, see Table $X$ of the appendis, and the summary in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## THEOLOGICAL.

Reports for 1877 have been received from 12 institutions for theological instruction. In nearly all these the coursc covers 3 years. For detailcd statistics, sce Table XI of the appendix following, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner precoding.

## LEGAL.

The Albany Law Sehool, a department of Union University, reports 95 students, with 5 resident and 3 non-resident instructors. About half the students had received degrees in letters or scicncc. The course of instruction covers only 1 year. No proliminary examination is indicated, but a prior coursc of 1 year in a lavyer's office is required.

The Columbia College Law Sehool is designed to afford a full legal education, except in matters of mere local law and practicc. The course occupies 2 years, and embraces the varioas branches of common law, equity, commercial, intcruational, and constitutional law. Graduates of litcrary colleges are admitted twithout examination; other candidates must produce evidence of having received a good academic training. The number of students in 1877-78 was 462.
The Law Sehool of the University of the City of New York provides a 2 years' course, including the history of the law, jurisprudence, Roman law, international law, and municipal law. Students are allowed to enter at any time, and no preliminary courso of study or examination is required.

The Law Department of Hamilton College prescribes a courso covering 1 year for college graduates; for those tho are not graduates, one year and a third. There was an attcndance of 30 students in 1877-78.- (Catalogue of the college.)

For statistics of these schools, sce Table XII of the appendix following, and a summary of this in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## medical.

The names and statistics of the medical colleges reporting may be found in Table XIII of the appendix following, and a summary of these statistics in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

Of' the institutions that report, the Albany Medical College and the Woman's Medical College of the New York Infirmary alone appear to require a prcliminary examination frcin candidates for admission who do not present evidence of at least an academic. training. The Woman's Collcge also requires candidates for graduation, after passing the examination by the faculty, to go before a board of examiners composed of professors of the several medical colleges. Those whlo pass successfully the examinations of this board receive certificates to that effect, signed by the examiners, besides the regular college diplomas. The Medicul Department of the University of Buffalo requires from a student entering a ccrtificato of his preceptor that ho is qualified to stady medicine; but no specific standard of qualification is set by the department. The Long Island College Hospital has a reading and recitation term of 5 months in each year, preliminary to the regular lecture term of 4 montlrs. Bellevue Hospital Medieal College has a preliminary term of 2 weeks previous to the regular term, which extends from October to March. There is also a spring term of 13 weeks, attendance upon which is optional.

Essentially the same arrangement of preliminary, regular, and spring sessions prevails in the Medieal Department of the University of the City of Now Yorli. The College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York, has a spring session besides the regular winter session. Attendance on the former is optional; on the latter, obligatory, as a prerequisito to examination. The Eelectic Medieal College, New York, admits women as well as men. The New York Homoopathie Medical Colleye has a graded course of 3 years which it wishes all to take, and for taking which it offers strong inducements in lower fees, but it so arranges its system of lectures that those who desire to do so may graduate at the close of the second year. All, however, in order to graduate, must stand an examination by a board of censors not of the faculty, in addition to the faculty examinations. The College of Pharmacy, Now York, has now a building of its own, but indicates no change beyond this.

## SPECIAL INSTRUC'TION.

## INSTRUCTION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.

There are now in this State 6 institutions authorized by law to receive and instruct deaf and dumb pupils under appointments from the superintendent of public instruction or certain local officers. These are the following: New York Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb, established in 1817; the New Yorlo Institution for the Improved Instruction of Deaf-Mutes, in New York City, and Le Couteulx St. Marry's Institution for the Improved Instruction of Deaf-Mutes, at Bufialo, authorized by laws of $18 \% 0$ and 1872 respectively to receive State and county pupils; the Central New Yorlo Institution for Deaf-Mutes, at Rome, and the Western New Forle Institution for Deaf-Mutes, at Rochester, both organized under laits of 1876; and St. Joseph's Institute for DeafMutes, at Fortham, authorized to receive State and county pupils by a law of $18 \%$. At the close of the year there were in these several institutions 1,065 pupils, distributed as follows: New York Institution (old), 507; New York Institution (new), 105; Buffalo, 102; Rome, 109; Rochester, 91; Fordham, 150 -total, 1,065. These are mostly pupils supported at the expense of the State of New York or by the several comnties, although a few are New Jersey State pupils and a few others are supported by friends.
An impression seeming to prevail that the expenses of deaf-mute instruction could be consiflerably reduced by sending all the State and county pupils to one institution, Supcrintendent Gilmour argues against it on the grounds both of good policy and good faith. He thinks it would not be good policy, because experience in New York has shown that not more than 500 pupils can be advantagcously cared for in one institution, and that it would be, too, an act of bad faith for the State to withdraw her pupils from the newer institutions after having encouraged their friends to expend large sums in erecting and furnishing buildings which would be made practically valueless by the withholding of State patronase. He therefore recommends that the laws respecting them remain unchanged, but that no new schools of this class bo established.- (Report of Superintendent Gilmour for 1877.)

## instruction of the buivd.

The New York Institution for the Blind, New York City, had, at the close of September, 1877,185 pupils, 8 less than the ycar before. The course of study remains substantially the same as for some ycars past, but of late more attention has been given to gymnastics, with apparently beneticial results. Cane seating, mattress making, the use of sewing and knitting machincs, plain sewing and knitting, with other useful occupations, receive due attention in conucction with those literary studies which furnish the basis of a thorough English education. In music, besides careful training in the art of reading, writing, and practising musical notes, much attention is given to the tuning of pianos as a means of future livelihood.- (Report of Superintendent Gilmour for 1876-77 and report of the institution for the same year.)
The New York State Institution for the Blind, Batavia, also gives its pupils the elements. of a good English education, with instruction in vocal and instrumental music and in such industrial occupations as will prepare them for self support. The young men aretaught to make corn brooms; the girls, beadwork, knitting, crocheting, sewing by hand, and the use of the sewing machine.-(Report for 1877.)

## EDUCATION OF FEEBLE-MINDED CHILDREN.

The Idiot Asylum, Randall's Island, New York, reports for 1877 an attendance of 149 children, 88 boys and 61 girls, under instruction ; objcet teaching, drawing, reading, writing, arithmetic, and geography were taught to all, and mat making to the boys and serving to the girls.
The New Yorl Asylum for Iliots, at Syracusc, reports for 1877 an attendance of 267 children, who were instructed in the elementary branches and in simple industrial occupations.-(Return, 187\%.)

## REFORMATORY AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINLNG.

The Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls, New York, reports 86 received and as many discharged during 1877, with 26 remaining. As all who entered could read and write, the only instruction given, except in morals and religion, has becn in habits of industry and in dress making. The results are said to have been eminently encouraging. The House of the Holy Family, New York, with a similar aim, received, clothed, fed, and taught 150 children and young girls in addition to 98 who were in the house in the spring of 1877. Various branches of female industry were included in the instruction given. The New York House of Refuge, Harlem, N. Y., received in 1877 a total of 822 boys and girls, of whom 463 were illiterate when committed; these learned to read and write, the remainder recciving more advaneed instruction, all in conncetion with some training in gardening, wire weaving, stocking weaving, or printing, according to capacity. The Western House of Refuge, Rochester, had in its schools and workshops in the same year a total of 822 boys and girls (of whom 530 remained December 31), giving them such literary training as was required, with instruction in a great varicty of industrics. The Women's Prison Association, of New York, in connection with the Isace T. Hopper Home, reccived for the year 462 female inmates en the profession by them of a desire to reform, teaching them reading, writing, and arithmetic, with fine sewing, dress making, laundry work, and houschold industries; subsequently, places of service were found for 272.- (Reports and returns to Bureau of Education.)

The New York Catholie Protectory, which had 2,321 inmates in 1876, gives to the children intrusted to it such industrial and moral instruction as may fit them to be useful members of society. No statisties of its numbers for 1877 are at hand.

## TRAINING TO USEFULNESS IN THE SICK ROOM.

The Training Sehool for Nurses, attached to Bellevue Hospital, New York City, had 56 pupils under instruetion in 1877 and graduated 12 of these in November. To accommodate the steadily increasing number of pupils, Mrs. William H. Osborn has most kindly had a large house erected opposite the hospital, and has offered it to the society, rent free, for a term of years. It was opencd November 8, 1877, and has kitchen, laundry, dining hall, reception room, and parlor on its lower floor, while three upper stories are divided into neatly furnished sleeping rooms.- (Report of the society for 1877, with description of the house from another source.)

## EDUCATION IN ART.

Besides the advantages for clementary training in this line presented at the Cooper Union, previously noticed, there is the fuller course of the art classes of the Broollyyn Art Assooiation, a Course in Arehitceturc at Cornell University, a College of Fine Arts in Syracuse University, a School of Design at Vassar College, the Ladies' Ari Association of Acw Forl, the Palette Club, the Art Students' League, the Ar't Schools of the National Academy of Design, and now also those of the Society of Deeoratire Art, all in the same city - a combination of facilities for art study rare in a single State.

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## ASSOCIATION OF SCHÓOL COMMISSIONERS AND CITY SUPERINTENDENTS.

The convention of this association met at Albany March 28, 1877, and continued in session till the 30th. After an address of welcome from the president of the Albany sehool board, the president of the association, in a earefully prepared address, reviewed the progress of the school system in the State, faroring high school and academic cducation and a taxation for sehool purposes proportioned to the growth of the population to be schooled, which he said had increased 120,906 in the past five years, an average annual increase of 24,181 . Dr. James H. Hoose, of the Cortland State Normal School, then defended the common sehool, free high school, and normal sehool system of New York, which vindieation was thonght so eonclusive as to be published and extensively cireulated afterward in pamphlet form. $A$ committee on desirable changes in the sehool laws reported next day, through Superintendent Snow, of Auburn, in favor of a single exceutive head for the educational system of the State, of the continuance and confirmation of the academic and free high school instruction now given, of truant and reform sehools for elildren not reaehed by the compulsory education acts of 1874 and 1876, of more immediate supervision of the schools through a township system, of an apportionment of school moners on the basis of aggregate attendance, rather than arerage attendance, and of making the school age 6-18 instead of $5-21$. Whether the rceommendations of the committec, whieh give rise to much debate, were passed in whole or only in part, does not appear; but it does appear that at least those in favor of a township system and of a change of the school age were agreed upon to be recommended to the legislature, and also that the sehool year ought to begin September 1. A paper from Deputy State Superintendent Keyes followed in the afternoon, in which he said that common schools had saved the country and that
now the country should do justice to its common schools, affording them thoroughly trained teachers, full support, and freedom to extend their education to whatever point the local authoritics may find desirable. Another paper from Commissioner Morehouse, of Cayuga, in favor of reorganization of the school system, fuller examination of teachers, closer supervision, \&c., provoked discussion, but it seems to havo resulted in no action. The next meeting was appointed to be held at Utica, February 22, 1878. - (School Bullotin for May, 1877.)

## state teachers' association.

The meeting ras held at Plattsburg, July 24-26, 1877. The president, Superintenaent Edward Smith, of Syracuse, in his opening address, gave a sketch of the progress made in education, with the difficulty still in the way of a truly perfect system. He favored reading not from text books only, but from newspapers and periodicals, and exercises in writing in which the pupil slould present his own thoughts instead of being confined to worn out copics; he commended the study of drawing as educating both the hand and eye, and advocated fuller attention to natural science, under enthusiastic teachers in love with their work. Dr. Benedict, of Rochester, followed with a short dissertation on "Words," illustrative of the importance of thorough accuracy in the study of their strength and meaning. On the second day Dr. Thomas Hunter, president of the New York City Normal College, read a paper on the need of higher education, in which he showed that for the advanced society of the present high schools are as great a necessity as the lower schools were a century ago. The usual committees were then appointed, and the convention dividing itself into common school, high school, and normal school sections devoted the day to the seve ral topics appropriate to these; in the evening, Mr. Wallace Bruce read a paper on "Shakspere's women." On the third day the paper which seens to have awakened the greatest intcrest was that by Miss Miary Hicks, of Syracuse, on "The ends to be attained by the introduction of drawing into the public schools." These, she said, were threefold: practical, educational, and æsthetic. Devoting herself particularly to the first, she showed that the art of drawing is a most practical form of education, teaching the hand as well as the head, and preparing for the common occupations and industries of life: carpentry, masonry, building, all departments of mechanism, carving, designing, painting, decorating, \&c. After some further business, Albany was chosen as the place of the next mecting, and resolutions were passed in favor of a township system in preference to the present district system, of good schools under thoroughly trained teachers, of a choice of school commissioners by the local school boards, and of a change of the legal school age from $5-21$ to $6-18$, with a school year beginning August 1 instead of October 1.- (New York School Journal, July 28, 1877.)

## UNIVERSITY CONVOCATION.

The annual meeting was held at Albany, July 10-12. The programme embracell general educational principles, matters affecting the State, tests and results, and the special departments of language, rhetoric and oratory, mathematics, natural sciences, and history. The one paper under the first head was on "University control," by Professor Alexander Winchell, of Syracuse. He took the ground that under present control; the faculty an interior one, too little. He would ou dispense too much onnstees; would retain them for the creation and conservation of endowrments and
trate other matters of a purely business character, dispensing, however, with ex offio members and substituting alumni. To the teaching body, however, he would trans fer the control of expenditures, the choice of instructors, the determination of their pay, the conferring of degrees, and all other purely scholastic matters, with perhaps some occasional conference with older students on such points. The two papers on matters affecting the State were (1) one ly Principal A. B. Watkins, of Hungerford Collegiate Institute, taking the ground that the State should provide for academic and ligh school training as liberally in proportion as for common school instruction of lower grade; (2) one by Principal J. W. Armstrong, of the Fredonia Normal School, which proposed to harmonize the State school system by throwing out from the normal schools into the academies and high schools all academic teaching, confining the normal schools to the work of training teacher's in the science and art of teaching. Under the other heads various interesting topics were discussed, one of them on the "Regents' examinations in academic studies," by Principal Bradley, of the Albany High School, who said that these examinations, originally instituted to determine to what schools and in what proportion the State "literature fund" should be distributed, were indirectly a means of elevating the standard of scholarship, of securing greater uniformity in such a standard, and of emphasizing the importance of certain leading branchcs. A paper by Chancellor Haven, of Syracuse, showed the advantages that would ensue from having the colleges and universities of the State all brought on the same plane of requirement by having a kindred system of examinations to determine and other reports.)

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## HENRY BOYNTON SMITII, D. D., LL. D.

This gentleman, whose death at 64 occurred in February, 1877, was eminent as a scholar and teacher. Born in Portland, Me., 1815, he was graduated at Bowdoin College in 1834, and was a tutor there in 1836-37 and in 1840-'41. He studicd theology at Andover and Bangor, and subsequently went to Europe for a year to study at Hallo and Berlin. After a brief pastorate at West Amesbury, Mass., he became professor of mental and moral philosophy in Amherst College in 1847; in 1850, professor of chnrch history in the Union Theological Seminary, New York; and, in 1855, of systematic theology, which ehair he left in 1873 because of broken health, continuing, however, emeritus professor till his dcath. Ho was an able writer, contributing much to the Princeton Review, Presbyterian Quarterly, Bibliotheca Sabra, and Appleton's Cycloperdia. In 18:9 he published the History of the Church of Christ in Chronological Tables, an excellent compendium. He translated Gieseler's Church History, in five volumes, the last volume being in the press of Harper Brothers at the time of his death. George Bancroft called him the most accomplished critie in the United States. For acuteness combined with breadth, for receptivity combined with originality, he was unique among philosophers; while to exact scholarship he added a familiar acquaintance with German modes of thought and present scientific inquiries which fitted him to cope with the questions of the time in a most masterly and convineing manner. Had longer life been granted him he might have added much to the treasures of philosophic theology; but a treatise on this sulbject, on which he had been some time engaged, was brought to an untimely end by his death, before it was in form for publication.

## CORNELIUS VANDERBLLT.

On the 4th of Jannary, 1877, this gentleman-long known throughout the Union for his wealth and enterprise, and now to be remembered for his educational benefac-tions-breathed his last at his home in New York. He was born May 27, 1794. Beginning life on his own account as a boat owner in his sixteenth ycar, and prospering in everything he touched, he became in his later years the owner of property variously estimated at $\$ 80,000,000$ to $\$ 100,000,000$. Possessed of this wealth, he began to consider how he eould best dispose of some fair portion of his means. Having long sustained his mother's church at New Dorp, Staten Island, he purchased the Church of the Strangers in New York for the ehosen pastor of his second wife, largely aiding in its support after the purchase; gave quietly $\$ 100,000$ for the new Methodist publishing house in the same city; planned the endowment of a noble school for girls on Staten Island, which only fell through from his inability to arrange the measure of his own control of it with the Moravians, who were to manage it; and finally, as the great erowning act of his life, from 1873 to 1876, gave into the hands of Bishop McTyere, of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, sums amounting to $\$ 1,000,000$, to establish and endow at Nashville, Temn., a university for the South, to bo under Methodist direction. The last of his donations for this purpose-made only a ferw months before his death-amounted to $\$ 300,000$, and, to avoid all possibility of difficulty after his decease, was handed in cash to the bishop, without any solicitation on the part of those concerned. The university, whieh now bears his family name, has been established on a charming site overlooking Nashville, and, with its fine buildings and organized departments of philosophy, literature, and science, of theology, of law, and of medicine, stands as his best monument.- (Memorial volume published by Vanderbilt University and biographical sketch in the Philadelphia Evening Telegraph, January 4, 1877.)

## LEWIS BROOIRS.

This liberal eitizen of Rochester, who died in the autumn of 1877, deserves mention for his benefactions to educational objects. Besides most generous gifts to hospitals in the city of his residence, he is reported on apparently good authority to have given in his later days $\$ 5,000$ eaeh to the Rochester Industrial School and the Female Charitable Society, and $\$ 120,000$ to the University of Virginia. This last amount is not absolutely sure, as his gifts were made anonymously, but $\$ 70,000$ were certainly given

## willam a. muhlenberg, d. D.

Rev. William Augustus Muhlenberg, one of the most esteemed divines of the Prots estant Episcopal Church, died in New York April 8, 1877. Dr. Muhlenberg was the son of Henry M. Mnhlenberg, of Philadelphia, and was born in that eity September 16, 1796. His family had long resided in Pennsylvania, and his great-grandfather, Henry M. Muhlenberg, a clergyman of the German Lutheran scet, was the founder of that church in Ameriea. Dr. Muhlenberg received his early education in Philadelphia, and was graduated with honor from the University of Pennsylvania in 1814. He immediately devoted himself to the study of theology, obtained ordination as a deacon in 1817, and became assistant to Bishop White at Christ Church in his native city. In 1821 he was chosen rector of St. James's Church, Lancaster, Pa., and there commenced his long
carcer of public benefactions by causing the establishment of the first public school which existed in Pennsylvania outside of Philadelphia.- (Pennsylvania School Journal, June, 1877.)

In 1828 Dr. Muhlenberg moved to Flushing, N. Y., where he founded a school called the Flushing Institute, which quickly developed into St. Paul's Colloge, and became a very considerable seat of learning, training many who have since been eminent. Dr. Muhlenberg remained at its head as prineipal and rector for about eighteen years, until he accepted the rectorship of the Chureh of the Holy Communion, New York City, in 1846, where he remained eleven years. In 1857 he became rector and superintendent of St. Luke's Hospital, New York, an institution of whieh he was the founder and in eharge of which he remained till his death. In 1865 he founded the Christian Industrial Community of St. Johnland, meant to afford to youth advantages for education, to those of maturer years opportunities of self support by various labors, and to all the best religious care and nurture amid healthful air and rural pleasantness. In benevolent and edueational labors of this kind the later years of a serene and beautiful old age were passed; and when the end eame, it was the hopeful and happy one that might have been expected from the author of that popular charming hymn, "I would not live alway."

## dr. John gratef barton.

Professor J. Graeff Barton, LL. D., was born in Laneaster, Pa., June 5, 1813, and received his early literary training under Dr. Samuel Bowman, who was subsequently assistant Protestant Episeopal bishop of Pennsylvania. At about 14 he entered St. Panl's College, Flushing, N. Y. (then under Dr. Muhlenberg), where, on the completion of his undergraduate studies, he became professor of ancient languages. After some years' serviee in this ehair he returned to Lancaster, studied law with the late Hon. Thaddeus Stevens, and entered upon practice. But, finding the practice of law distasteful, he went back as viee rector to St. Paul's College, and eventually beeame rector, entering also, while in this position, the ministry of the Protestant Episcopal Church in 1848. In 1850 he relinquished the rectorship of the college and took charge of St. Paul's School in the eity of New York; in 1852 he was made professor of the English language and literature in the Free Aeademy, which afterward became the College of the City of New York, and remained in that position till his death, which occurred May 10, 187\%. Twenty-five successive elasses received there the benefit of his instruetions, and expressed, at his death, their grief at the loss of one who as an instructor had eommanded their admiration and gratitude, and as an examplo their honor and respect.-(Letter from Professor J. A. Spencer.)

## DR. TAYLER LEWIS.

Professor Tayler Lewis, ll. D., whose death at Schenectady, May 11, 1877, has been widely noticen, was born in 1802, in Northumberland, Saratoga County, N. Y., and began in a country school-house that love of learning whieh made him one of the foremost scholars of the age. He entered Union College, was graduated from that institution in 1820, and became a lawyer. Borrowing a Hebrew Bible he read it through the first year. He read over his old text books and the writings to which they introdueed him. The study of the Bible and the classics beeame with him an absorling passion. Ho gave then his leisure hours by day and often all his nights. Thus he was attraeted from the profession of law to that of teaching, whieh ho pursued at Waterford and at Ogdensluurg, N. Y. While at the latter place he gave before the Phi Beta Kappa Society in Union College an address on "Faith the life of science." Perhaps as the result of this, not long after he received invitations to professorships in three eolleges. In 1838 he accepted that of Greck and Latin in the University of the City of New York. By this time he was familiar not only with the Greek and Latin poets and philosophers, but also with the Syriac and Arabic and the Hebrew rabbinical writings.

Thus ho disciplined and filled his mind before attempting to produce anything from it: a good example for all teachers. It was not until 1845 that he published his first book, Plato eontra Atheos; or, The Tenth Book of the Dialogue on Laws, accompanied with eritical notes and followed by extended dissertations whieh revealed so much originality and learning as to command the admiration of elassieal seholars. Ten years later appeared The Six Days of Creation, designed to reconcile the Mosaic account of creation with the geological record, by showing that according to the language of the Bible the world was formed by natural ageneies and that the ereative days in Genesis were indefinite periods of time. From this work, and the critieisms upon it, grew Dr. Lewis's next book, Scienee and the Bible ; or, The World Problem - a thesaurus of the ideas of its author. He also translated and annotated Lange's eommentaries on .Genesis, Job, and Ecelesiastes. He made metrical versions of Job and Eeelesiastes; edited the sermons of Dr. Nott, and, with Dr. Van Santroord, the Life of Dr. Nott; published six addresses delivered on different oecasions, and, more recently, the Vedder lectures, delivered before the theological seminary and Rutgers College, New Brunswick, N. J., entitled "Nature and the Scriptures." He wrote, too, a marvelous number of racy and able articles on an almost infinite variety of suljects. From 1851-56 he
contributed the articles for The Editor's Table in Harper's Magazine, covering a wide range of topics, well and skilfully prepared.

But with him the Bible was literally the book. To its study and interpretation and defence he brought all the treasures of his learning. Besides the Syriac, Septuagint, and Vulgate versions, he carefully examined the Jewish Targums, such fragments as exist of the Samaritan or of the Coptic, and the Gothic translations of Ulfilas, "the oldest version in a languane nearly related to our own." For fourteen consecutive years he read the Hebrew Bible through annually.
The Arabic, the Syriac, the Greek, and the Hebrew Scriptures always lay upon his table, and from one of them he habitually read at family worship, giving often beautiful renderings of passages like and unlike our English version. For many years he taught a Bible class, designed especially for students in college but open to all. Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Romanists, availed themselves of this opportunity to hear his valuable teachings.

In 1849 Dr. Lewis became professor of Greek in Union Collcge, where he continued till his death. After deafness had rendered him unable to hear recitations he was professor of the Oriental languages and lecturer on biblical and classical literature, and taught by lectures. As a teacher he was enthusiastic and stimulating, patient, kind, and helptul toward all sincere learners. His personal influence reached thonsands of loving pupils who regard him with pride and reverence. - (From a sketch by Professor R. B. Welch, D. D., LL. D.)

## ISAAC W. Jackson.

Dr. Isaac W. Jackson, for 51 years a professor in Union College, died July 28, after a brief illness, in his seventy-third year. He was born in Cornwall, N. Y. ; was graduated at the Albany Academy with high honor in 1824, and from Union College in 1826, remaining in the institution from that date as tutor and professor. Professor Jackson was the author of works on conic sections, optics, mechanics, and trigonometry, all esteemed by mathematicians, and some of them adopted in foreign universities.- (The
Church Union.)

## PROFESSOR S. EMMONS BROWN.

This gentleman, Trevor professor in the Rochester Theological Seminary, died August 5, 1877, at Lowell, Mass., of typloid fever. Born at Portland, Me., February 27, 1847, he fitted for college at the Exeter Academy, New Hampshire, and entered Harvard as a sophomore in 1867. He was graduated in 1870, and then studied theology at the Rochester Seminary. On the completion of his course, he travelled for three years of study in Germany, Greece, and Palestine, and then returned to Rochester to succeed his former instructor, Professor Hackett, in September, 1876. One year of work gave promise of large usefulness; but shortly after its completion came his early death.(Notice by Professor G. H. Whittemore.)

## PROFESSOR EDWIN HALL, D. D.

Dr. Hall, for more than 20 years professor of theology in Auburn Theological Seminary, was born in Granville, N. Y., January 11, 1802. At 9 years of age he began to prepare for college, devoting to this worls his winter nights till compelled by adverse circumstances to intermit such studies and devote himself to farm labor and teaching for support. Between 18 and 19 he resumed study with a view to entering the ministry, and having in ten months read the whole of Virgil seven times, 13 orations of Cicero, the Greeca Minora, the Greek Testament, and 2 books of Homer, entered Middlebury College, Vermont, in 1822. Here he not only mastered the college curriculum, but studied, also, modern languages and mathematics far beyond the course, teaching at the same time, first in the Castleton Academy near by, and then in that at Norwalk, Conn. This extreme application to mental work broke down his health and prevented a further regular preparation for the ministry. Driven to teaching by the necessity for self support, he took for a term the academy at St. Albans, Vt., then taught as tutor in his alma mater, and subsequently held the Middlebury Academy, Vermont, and the Bloomfield Academy, New Jersey, spending in this way about 4 years, in 2 of which he so far advanced in theological studies as to be licensed as a preacher. In July, 1832, his health had so much improved that he ventured to receive an installation as pastor of an important cluurch at Norwalk, Conn. ; here he did noble work among an intelligent and appreciative people, engaging with much power in the doctrinal and ecclesiastical agitations of the 23 years that he continued there. He published two considerable works on The Puritans and their Principles and on The Law of Baptism, besides several minor ones. He also left ready for the press a, treatise on Metaphysics and Outlines in Natural Theology. On two occasions, in 1852 and 18.j3, he was offered responsible theological professorships, but declined them from unwillingness to leave his church. In 1854 a renerved offer of the professorship of theology at Auburn Seminary, pressed by a committec of respected ministers, induced lim to accept the place, and he entered on its duties and held it till his death, which occurred September 8, 187\%. A warm hearted theologian and an excellent and systematic teacher, he made a deep impression on his pupils and left a reputation as professor second to very few. - (Memorial pamphlet of services, October 25, 187\%.)

## PROFESSOR JAMES ORTON.

Professor James Orton, of Vassar College, who died near Lake Titicaca, in Pern, September 25, 1877, was born at Sencea Falls, N. Y., April 21, 1830. He was graduated at Williams College in 1855 and in 1858 at the Andover Theological Seminary. After travelling in Europe and the East, he was ordained a Congregational minister in 1860. In 1806 he became instructor in the natural sciences at Rochester University. In the year following he went at the head of an expedition from Williams College to South Ameriea, diseovering the first fossils found in the Amazon Valley. In 1869 he became professor of natural history at Vassar College. He rendered his lectures at once entertaining and instructive, and elassified, with great eare, the college collection of minerals, reptiles, and birds, greatly enhaneing its usefulness and value. In 1873 he made a second journey across South America, from Para up the Amazon to Lima, and in 1876 returned to undertake the exploration of the Beni River, whieh carries the waters of Eastern Bolivia to the Amazon, by way of the Madeira. He failed in this through a mutiny of his escort and a loss of a large part of his supplies. But, with diminished means, he still pressed on for a kindred work of exploration, till his health, already mueh impaired, gave way under the hardships he endured, and in his efforts to reach better country he died as above stated. Professor Orton enriched American literature with several valuable works, including the following: The Miner's Guide and Metallurgist's Direetory, 1849; The Andes and the Amazon, 1870; Underground Treasures: how and where to find them, 1872; The Liberal Education of Women, 1873, and Comparative Zoölogy, 1875.-(New York Tribune, October 31, 1877, and Philadelphia Evening Telegraph, November 8, 1877.)

## JOHN V. L. PRUYN, LL. D.

Mr. Pruyn, of Albany, who died at Clifton Springs, November 21, 1877, filled many important public positions, but was best known in lis later years as chancellor of the university, an office bestowed on him in recognition of his efforts in behalf of education. He was trained in the Albany Academy, was graduated at Union College, and practiced law in lis native city. Coming from an old family of Duteh ancestry, he inherited many solid qualities and in his own community was universally respected and beloved. As regent of the university he entered upon duty in 1844, and succeeded Hon. Gerrit Y. Lansing in the chancellorship in 1862. It was one of his ambitions to show that the regency was a real thing and not a merely nominal one. He therefore much enlarged the operations of the board, stimulated a higher education in the colleges, and aided much in making the union sehools and State academies true preparatory schools. The close examinations and better standards now prevailing are said to have been largely due to his influence. Born in 1811, he was about 70 years old at the time of his death.-(New York Observer.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Hon. Neil Gilmour, : State superintendent of public instruction, Albany.
[Second term, 1877-1881.]
Hon: Adpison A. Keyes, assistant superintendent, Alhany.
officers of the regents of the university.

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| Hon. Erastas C. Benediet, LL. D., chaneell | New York. |
| Hon. Henry R. Pierson, LL. D., vice chance | Albany. |
| Sarnuel B. Woolworth, LL. D., secretary .ar Daniel J. Pratt, PH. D , assistant secretar | Allany. |

## NORTH CAREOLINA.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

(Return from Hon. John C. Scarborough, State superintendent of public instruction, for 1875-76, and published report from the same for 1876-77.)

Notes on the statistics.- Of the children of school age reported in 1875-76, the Whites numbered 257,521; the colored, 136,968. About one-1alf of the whites and a little larger-proportion of the blacks were said to have been enrolled. The average attendance was not given. In 1876-77 the whites of school age were 267,265; the colored, 141,031 ; 128,259 whites and 73,170 colored were enrolled in schools, the average attendance being 62,628 of the former and 41,545 of the latter. In a written return for this year Mr. Scarborough says that the figures for both enrolment and average attendance are under the truth, many counties with schools not having reported them, and many officers in reporting countios having failed to note the average attendance. The average duration of school, he says, was about sixty days. Although the number of teachers $(2,382)$ in $1876-77$ was little more than half the number of the schools ( 4,435 ), he thinks that, as the school terms were short and as they began in difierent places at different seasons of the year, the supply of teachers was sufficient.

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

Under the new constitution of 1877, a State board of education, composed of all the exccutive officers, succeeds to all the powers and trusts of the former president and directors of the literary fund, with "full power to legislate and make all needful rules and regulations in relation to free public schools," subject to the revision of the general assembly. Of this board the governor is president.

Tho State superintendent of public instruction is made by the constitution one of the execative officers, to be elected, like the others, every 4 years, by the people. He acts as secrotary of the State board of education and has gencral supervision and administration of the school system.

## LOCAL.

The 5 county commissioners of each county, elected biennially by the people under the constitution and a new school law, compose a county board of education to supervise the public schools and charitable institutions, to decide controversies in school matters, and to disburse the school funds for the county.

In each county a county examiner is to be appointed annually by the county board to examine all applicants for teachers' certificates, grant to successful candidates certificates of 3 different grades, according to qualification, and annually report to the board that appoints him and to the State superintendent tho number, grade, race, and sox of the teachers ho has licensed.
A district school committec of 3 pcrsons, chosen biennially by the county board, has charge of the local interests of public schools in each school district, and succeeds the former township school committee in the possession of school property.

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

Superintendent Scarborongh, from varions facts observed and communications reccived by him, gathers the impression that there is throughont the State a general awakening of interest in public schools. He hopes that out of this will grow the means to make the school system more efficient. Already he finds great improvement in the school reports and greater promptness on the part of the school officers in making them, though there is still room for advance in both directions.
An act of March 12, 1877, authorized townships with 5,000 or more inhabitants in cities within their limits to levy taxes for the support of graded public schools. This would seem to afford an opportunity to establish good city school systems; but so many cities are excepted, and so many precedent conditions must be complicd with before such a tax levy can be made, that the law is not likely to effect much change.
The allowances from the Peabody fund have thus far been the chicf stimulus to the establishment of graded schools under the State system, since only such schools could secure the desired allowance. The contributions for the year ending Angust, 1877, are stated by Dr. Sears, the secretary of the fund, to have amounted to $\$ 7,050$, of which sum $\$ 4,350$ were expended under the direction of Superintendent Scarborough. Graded schools for colored children at Charlottc, Fayetteville, Grecnsboro', and Raleigh were among those aided, 13 places in all receiving the benefit of the appropriation.
Dr. Sears in his report expresses essentially the same judgment as Mr. Scarborough as to the opening of better prospects for tho school system, founding this judgment largely on the change made by the new constitution in removing the liability to have white and colored children mixed in the same school, a matter of great weight with the southerr people.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## NO REPORTS.

No school systems in cities are more than alluded to in the State superintendent's report, and no returns respecting such systems have been made to this Burcau for 1877.

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS.
The two schools, of the anthorization of which announcement was made in the Report of this Bureau for 1876, were opened in 1877; that for whites, at the State University, Chapel Hill; that for colored pupils, at Fayetteville.
The one for whites-which had much of the character of an extended normal insti-tute-began its scssion July 3 and continued till August 9, proving successful beyond the expectations of its most ardent friends. The enrolment reached 235 , with an average daily attendance of 157 , representing 42 countics and all sections of the State.

Many of those present were teachers of some expericnce, desirous of preparation for more scientifie work. Six regular instructors were in charge of the excreises, and the faeulty of the university, with soveral eminent eitizcns, coöperated with these instructors by giving lectures, one of the professors conducting a Latin class. A good beginning was thus made with the school; great advantage from it is said to have bech expericnced by those in attendance; and, through the excellent arrangements made, the prospeet is that future sessions will be at least as well attended.

The school for colored pupils, at Fayetteville, was established on the basis of a 3 years' course of" study, the annual sessions to be of 8 months eacli. The applicants for admission were to be of proven moral character, 15 to 25 years old, and able to pass a good examination in easy reading, spelling, writing, and the fundamental rules of arithmetic, with a proportionate standing for higher clasics. The evidence of all this was to be a eertificate from the school examiner of the county from which the applicant might come. The school was opened Scptember 3, 1877, with 40 pupils, to whom 18 were subsequently added, making 58 in all, each pledged to teach for 3 years in tho State schools in return for the instruction given. The results for the first session are reported to have been encouraging.- (Special reports in State report for 18\%7.)

## OTIER NORMAL SCHOOLS.

Normal training in a 4 Jears' course is given in the Bennett Seminary, Greensboro', and in a 3 years' course at Shaw University, Ralcigh ; to some extent also in several other schools, such as the Williston Scminary, at Wilmington, and the Washington and St. Augustine schools, Raleigh. For statistics of such of these as report themselves, sec Table III of the appendix following, and a summary of it in the Commissioner's Report preeeding.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## HigI schools.

Of publie high schools, as distinguished from other public schools, the State superintendent makes no report. It is lioped that under the new law for the organization of graded schools a beginning may be made in collecting information as to high school instruction, of whieh thus far there has becn an almost utter absenee.

OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.
For statistics of any reporting private academie schools, preparatory schools or dopartments, and of onc collegiate business department, sce Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX of the appendix following, with the summaries of them in the Report of the Commissioner preeeding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## colleges.

Statistics of reporting colleges may be found in Table IX of the appondix, and in a summary of the same in the Commissioner's report preceding.
The University of North Carolina is reported to be rapidly regaining the prosperity it enjoyed before the war. The buildings are scven in number and afford accommodation for 500 students, with ample recitation rooms and public halls. It had in attendaneo, in 1877,1 graduate student and 158 undergraduates. The university, including the State Agricultural and Mechanical College, provides classical, philosophical, scientific, legal, and normal instruction. Tuition is free to one student from each county of the Statc, and also to all worthy young men without means.- (Catalogue and return.)
Davidson College, in Mocklenburg County, founded in 1857, is under Presbytcrian control. The regular eourses of study are the classical of 4 ycars and the scicutific of 3 . An eclectic courso has been arranged for persons who do not wish to eomplete either of the regular courses. Number of undergraduates, 75.
North Carolina College has collegiate and preparatory departments, 60 students in the latter and 13 in the former.

At Rutherforl, Trinity, and Wake Forest Colleges the course of instruction appears to be the same as reported in 1876, Rutherford keeping its students till the course is eompleted, be the time long or short.

Wcaverville College has primary and academie as well as preparatory classes, beginning the preparation of its students from the very lowest point. Wilson College sends no report of statisties for 1877.

## COLLIEGES FOR WOMEN.

Three of the eolloges in this State for the exclusive instruetion of women report statistics for 18i7. All of them teach music, drawing, painting, and French, and 2 teach German. Two have means for illustrating chomistry and physics; 1 has a natural history cabinet; 1 , an art gallery ; and 2 have libraries of 600 and 800 volumes, respectively.

For full statisties, see Table VIII of the appendix, and a summary in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

The Agricultural Department of the State University provides for scientific study in a 4 sears' course, particular regard being had to branches relating to agriculture and the mechanie arts, including the chemistry, botany, physics, mechanics, and zoülogy of agriculture. Mathematics, German, and French are also taught, and such knowledge of English studies as will fit pupils to be useful eitizens. The number of undergraduate students attending in the fall of 1877 was 75.

The Scientific Department of Davidson College has a course of 3 years, which seems to be almost a shortened form of the classical course, with Greek omitted.

## THEOLOGICAL.

Instruction in theology is given in Biddle University, Charlotto (Presbyterian), Shaw Cniversity, Raleigh (Baptist), and in Trinity College, Trinity (Methodist Episcopal Church South). The two tirst named are especially designed to prepare colored students to be teachers and preachers for their own race. The theological department of North Carolina College has been discontinued.- (Returns to Bureau of Education, 187\%.)

## LEGAL AND MEDICAL.

Of the department of law in Trinity College there is a return for 1877 of 20 students, under 2 instructors in a 2 years' course.

Of the departments of law and medicine reported in 1876 to be proposed in Rutherford College, there is no information for 1877.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB AND THE BLIND.

The North Carolina Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, at Raleigh, reports for 1877 an attendance of 169 pupils, of whom 119 were white and 50 colored. In the literary department, grammar, geograpliy, arithmetic, philosophy, astronomy, and various other branches are tanght, and in the industrial department, shoemaking, broom making, sewing, knitting, and mending, also the manufacture of horse eollars, baskets, \&c. A library has been begun and already numbers 400 volumes. The two departments for white and colored pupils are kept in separate buildings a mile apart, but they are under the same principal and board of directors. Each pupil in the institution is required to work $2 \frac{1}{2}$ hours every day. - (Return and eircular, 1877.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION.

## COLORED CONVENTION.

An educational convention was held by colored people, at Raleigh, in the latter part of 187\%. The committee on resolutions reported a series of resolutions reciting that the time has eome for the colored people to think and act for themselves and to assume the task of moulding their own destiny as citizens of the American Republic; that education, morality, and industry must constitute the basis of their elevation and prosperity as a people; that the disappearance of race prejudice in the State and the growing sentiment of friendship and confidence between the races are in the highest degree gratifying; and that the colored people appreciate the efforts of the State press and the action of the State legislature and executive to provide more ample means for the education of the colored people of the State. The last resolution was warmly discussed and finally defeated, but one of somewhat similar purport was afterward passed. (The Educational Weekly, December 13, 187\%.)

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## DR. ALBERT SMEDES.

This reverend gentleman, distinguished for his educational work in North Carolina, was born April 20, 1810, in New York City; he studied at Columbia College there, at Transylvania University, Lexington, Ky., and at the Protestant Episcopal General Theological Seminary, New York City.

Ordained to the ministry in the year 1831, he officiated for several years in New York and Schenectady; but, suffering from bronchial ailment, which medicine and travel failed to cure, he had to relinquish ministerial work and devote himself to teaching, for which he was eminently qualified. He labored in this line for 4 years in New York, and then, seeking a milder climate, moved to Raleigh, N. C., in 1842, and founded there St. Mary's School, which he made one of the most noted of its class in all the South, and in which he educated some two thousand southern girls with painstaking fidelity and with a genial pleasantness that shed sunshine through the school. By general testimony of those to whom he was well known, he stood very high as an effective and esteemed school principal, and when he passed away, after 35 sears of work in Raleigh, there was general mourning and a deep sense of loss. He dicd April 25, 1877.-(Raleigh Obscrver of April 26, 18ї7, and other authorities.)

## REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION. CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Hon. John C. Scarborough, State superintendent of public instruction, Raleigh. [Term, under new constitution, to January, 1881.]

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[Term, to January, 1881.]

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| Hon. Joseph A. Worth, State treasurer | Raleigh. |
| Hon. Samuel L. Love, State auditor | Raleigh. |
| Hon. Thomas L. Kenan, attorney general | Raleigh. |
| Hon. Johu C. Searborough, State superinteudent of | Raleigh. |

## OHIO.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-7\%7. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (6-21) | 1,025, 635 | 1,027,248 | 1,613 |  |
| Emrolled in public schools | 722, 963 | 722,240 |  | 223 |
| Average daily attendance | 447, 139 | 448, 100 | 961 |  |
| Attendance in private school | 9,141 | 10,767 | 1,626 |  |
| SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND SCHOOLS. |  |  |  |  |
| Township districts. | 1,347 | 1,347 |  |  |
| Subdistricts in these | 10,627 | 10,721 | 94 |  |
| City, village, and special | 616 | 632 | 16 |  |
| District divisions in these | 715 | 714 |  | 1 |
| School-houses in township districts | 10,732 | 10,744 | 12 |  |
| School-houses in cities, villages, \&c | 1,148 | 1,172 | 24 |  |
| Whole number of public school-houses. | 11,880 | 11, 916 | 36 |  |
| Whole number of public school-rooms. | 14,951 | 15, 504 | 553 |  |
| New school-houses built | 549 | 490 |  |  |
| Cost of these | \$1, 159, 350 | \$803, 146 |  | \$356, 204 |
| Value of all public school property | 20, 969, 557 | 21, 145, 527 | \$175,970 |  |
| Average time of schools in days | 155 | 155 |  |  |
| teachers and thelr pay. |  |  |  |  |
| Teachers necessary to supply the schools. | 15,559 | 15,711 | 152 |  |
| Different teachers employed.. | 22, 846 | 23, 003 | 157 |  |
| Number permanently employe | 8,151 | 8,336 | 185 |  |
| Average monthly pay of men in township district primary schools. | \$39 00 | \$37 00 |  | 220 |
| Average monthly pay of women in same. | 2700 | 2600 |  | 100 |
| Average monthly pay of men in township district high schools. | 6500 | 6300 |  | 200 |
| Average monthly pay of women in same. | 2900 | 3000 | \$100 |  |
| Average monthly pay of men in city, village, and special district primary schools. | 5500 | 5300 |  | 200 |
| Average monthly pay of women in same. | 3500 | 3500 |  |  |
| Average monthly pay of men in city, village, and special district high schools. | 8000 | 7700 |  | 300 |
| Average monthly pay of women in same. | 5300 | 5800 | 500 |  |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole receipts for public schools | \$8, 605, 134 | $\$ 7,875,904$ |  | $\$ 229,230$ |
| Whole expenditure for them. State school fund. | 8, 462, 757 | 8, 036, 621 |  | 426,136 |
| Amount of permanent school fund.... | \$3,742,761 |  |  |  |

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# OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM. 

## GENERAL.

A State comsissioner of common schools, elected by the peoplc every third year, beginning with 1874, has general charge of the interests of public schools throughout the State, and it is his duty to report concerning them by January 20 in each year.

A State board of examiners, composed of 3 persons appointed by the State commissioner for 2 years' terms, is authorized to issue life certificates of high qualifications to such teachers as it may find to possess the requisite scholarship, character, experience, and ability. These certificates, when countersigned by the commissioner, are valid throughout the State.

## LOCAL.

A county board of examiners, of 3 members, is formed in each county; the probate judge of the county appoints 3 competent residents originally, and the . board is continued by a fresh appointment of one member in each following year in place of one whose term of office then expires. Without a certificate of qualification from this board or from the State board, no teacher may be lawfully employed in the common schools of the county or draw a salary for service.

Boards of education for cities are described under the head of City School Systems, further on. Such boards for village districts consist of 3 or 6 persons elected by the people for terms of 3 years, with provision for change of one-third of them each year. Those for special districts consist of 3 members, with like provision for annual change. Those for township districts are composed of the township clerk and the clerks of the local school boards in the township, which boards have 3 directors each, one of whom may be annually changed. These several boards care for all local school interests. The clerks provide for an annual census of the school population.-(School law of 1873.)

There is no county superintendency of schools, though movements have been made toward securing it. In a few cases superintendents of townships have been voluntarily employed.

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

The statistics of the State report for 1876-977 indicate progress in almost all important points except the public school enrolment. In this there was a slight retrogression as compared with the preceding year, though the enrolment in private schools advanced. In Roman Catholic schools and colleges a statement, prepared by a clergyman of that church and referred to by the State commissioner, showed 50,000 pupils of whom no account had been previously taken. But even with this addition to the 722,240 enlisted in the public schools and 10,767 in private schools, and with full allowance for all in colleges, there remain at least 230,000 who do not seem to be in any school. To bring in some part of this great number, a bill to secure to children the benefits of an elementary education was presented to the legislature in 1877 and passed March 20 of that year; but unfortunately the section on which almost the whole efficacy of the act depended was stricken out before its passage, and the law as passed can have no effective operation.

An examination of the State, city, and county reports leaves the impression that in cities and villages - where good teachers are employed at fair wages and intelligent supervision is maintained - there is excellent instruction in fair courses, with continued and decided progress; but that in country districts-where cheap teachers are the rale and where there is no supervision beyond that of school boards-there is, as in like districts in other States, much that still needs amendment. School-houses have been improved, indeed; good furniture has often been secured for them, blackboards are common, and not infrequently there are maps and libraries, but the testimony of both the State commissioner and sulbordinate school officers is that the informing spirit, an intelligent teacher under the spur of skilful supervision, is too largely wanting. The commissioner goes so far as to say that of the 23,000 teachers employed in the public schools at least 10,000 are as utterly unfit to teach as to practice law or medicine. One great means looked to for a remedy of this defect is the adoption of a general township school system in place of the present subdistrict plan. Another is an efficient system of supervision for the counties, such as has brought the cities up to their high stantard. With this supervision and a township system also, some unitormity of text books, some fixedness of course, and some improvement in methods of instruction might be hoped for in the country schools. A bill for county supervision submitted to the legislature failed to pass; but friends of the measure still keep up an agitation in faror of it, and in many of the counties there is a demand for further efforts in that direction; it is likely that the bill will eventually become a law.

## PROPORTION OF RACES AND STUDIES.

Two tables in the State commissioner's report show that of the $1,027,248$ youth of
school age 23,103 wero colored, being 170 more than in 1876 ; and that of this number only 6,835 were in the schools for colored children, 357 less than in the preceding year. In all, however, 8,203 colored youth were enrolled, of whom 6,626 were in primary studies and 1,577 in academic ; an increase of 1,197 in elementary and of 679 in higher branches. These figures indicate that a somewhat freer reception of colored pupils into schools for whites has stimulated the ambition of the former and led to an increased attendance and heartier devotion to school work.

Tro other tables show that the 722,240 enrolled in all the public schools in 1876-77 were distributed as to studies in common branches as follows: Alphabet, 99,117 ; reading, 587,772; spelling, 614,776; writing, 503,357; arithmetic, 484,027; geography, 228,170 ; English grammar, 175,290 ; composition, 118,785; drawing, 104,000; vocal music, 142,697 ; map drawing, 48,598; oral lessons, 160,943 ; United States history, 24,425; physiology, 5,132; physical geography, 5,449; natural philosophy, 10,283; German, $3 \dot{8}, 619$. In what are considered higher branches, the distribution was : Algebra, 16,129 ; geometry, 3,055 ; trigonometry, 1,014 ; surveying, 115 ; book-keeping, 1,054 ; chemistry, 1,571 ; geology, 867 ; botany, 4,011 ; astronomy, 1,046 ; natural history, 608 ; mental philosophy, 407; moral philosophy, 151 ; rhetoric, 1,720 ; logic, 92 ; Latin, 4,216; Greek, 280; French, 110; general history, 2,279. The number of pupils in draving and vocal music proves that these useful and refining studies secure a fair measure of attention. The 38,619 in German are probably in large part due to the presence of a considerable German population in the villages and cities of the State.

## CHANGES IN SCHOOL LAWS.

Section 4 of the law of 1873 , which made each incorporated village with the territory attached to it for school purposes a village school district, was amended in 1877 so as to leave the question of its becoming or continuing such a district to the decision of the voters in it. Section 56 of the same law was amended in its bearing upon cities of 30,000 to 75,000 inhabitants by limiting to 5 mills on the dollar of taxable property the levies in such cities for continuing schools, for purchasing sites for school-houses, for leasing, purchasing, erecting, and furnishing school-houses, and for all other school expenses. The way in which a bill for securing to neglected children the benefits of elementary education was so "amended" during its passage as to destroy all its efficacy as a law, has been already noticed under the present head, paragraph General Coudition, page 196.

## KINDERGÄRTEN.

True Kindergärten, in which the requirements of a youthful nature are met by a genuine child's school under a trained and capable Kindergarten teacher, the State commissioner says, may be an inestimable blessing to mothers whose household duties require all their time and attention. The State, in his opinion, as a measure of economyं, can well afford to support such schools, but it cannot afford to support; any more than children can afford to attend, mere counterfeit imitations.
For all particulars respecting schools of this class reporting to the Bureau for 1877, see Table $V$ of the appendix following.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFEICERS.

In city districts with 10,000 or more inhabitants, the board of education consists of either 1 or 2 members for each ward, chosen for terms of 2 years each, half being elected each year, to give opportunity for annual introduction of fresh material. In city districts with less than 10,000 inhabitants, the board is ordinarily of 6 members, chosen for terms of 3 years each; though under special acts it may consist of 3 persons, or by vote of the majority of its members of 1 person, from each ward, in each case with arrangements for a partial annual change. There are also in.cities boards of examiners, of 3,6 , or 9 competent persons appointed by the board of education, one-third liable to change each year. Without examination and certificate of qualification from these examiners no one can lawfully be admitted to teach in the public schools. In most cities, too, if not in all, there are superintendents of the city schools, appointed by the boards of education.-(School law of 1873, chapters 2, 3, 7.)

## statistics.

|  | City. |  |  |  | $\dot{5}$ a 0 0 0 日 E 0 8 8 4 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Akron a |  | 16,746 | 4, 281 | 2,658 | 2,081 | 50 |  |
| Canton a.. |  | b12,500 | 3, 348 | 2, 1,963 | 2, 1,309 | 42 | $\$ 83,173$ 41,198 |
| Chillicothe |  | b13, 000 | 3, 241 | 1,758 | 1, 385 | 43 | 29, 741 |
| Cleveland |  | 280, 000 | 93, 042 | 31,370 | 24, 074 | 587 | 600, 934 |
| Colambus. |  | b133, 650 | c49, 014 | 21, 659 | 15, 044 | 356 | 397, 881 |
| Dayton .- |  | -49,381 | 14, 209 | 7, 111 | 5,403 | 133 | 18:, 005 |
| Hamilton $a$ |  | -035, 000 | 10,769 | 5, 376 | 4, 035 | 113 | 148, 56 |
| Mansfield |  | b14,000 | 5, 198 | 1, 762 | 1, 344 | 33 | 48,673 |
| Newark a |  | 10,000 | 2,738 | 1,764 | 1,301 | 34 | 28,385 |
| Portsmouth |  | b11, 000 | 3, 519 | 1,701 | 1,230 | 38 | 33, 871 |
| Sandusky a. |  | b12, 000 b17, 000 | 3,968 | $\stackrel{2}{2}, 079$ | 1,571 | 41 | 29, 958 |
| Springfield. |  | -17,000 | 6, 4905 | 2,299 | 1,757 | 32 | 58, 4.47 |
| Steubenville |  | b13, 500 | 4,993 4,376 | 2, 835 | 2, 095 | 50 | 62, 691 |
| Toledo a |  | b13, 500 | 4,376 13,992 | 2, 285 | 1,751 | 38 | 37, 665 |
| Zanesville |  | b50, 000 18,000 | 13,992 5,411 | 7,636 2,965 | 4,451 2,104 | 129 63 | 142,647 42,748 |
|  |  | 18, 00 | 5,411 | 2,905 | 2,104 | 63 | 42,748 |

the number between 5 and 21 years of age, the only enumeration given in the printed report; the this is of the State school age ( 6 to 21 ) is stated in a return to be 45,429 .

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Akron.-The system here comprises 1 high school, 9 grammar and 27 primary schools. The high school enrolment in 1876-77 was 175; grammar school, 722; primary, 1,761. The average daily absence in all was only 89 ; the percentage of attendance on the whole enrolment, 78.3 ; on the number belonging, 95.9 . The average daily attendance in all the schools has doubled within 9 years and in the high school it has more than quadrupled. Drawing was taught by a special instructor, who also teaches penman-ship.- (Report of Superintendent S. Findley.)

Canton reports 1,910 sittings for study, an increase of 190 in enrolment over any other jear, and an average cost of tuition per capita, based on average daily atteudance, of only $\$ 14.15$. In the high school, which numbered 95 pupils, the cost for each of the 78 pupils in average attendanco was only $\$ 28.42$, both wonderfully low rates for good instruction. Drawing is not taught, but music is. The number in private and parochial schools during the year was about seven hundred.- (Report of Superintendent John H. Lehman.)
Chillicothe has schools classed as primary, grammar, and high, each of these divisions consisting of 4 grades. Drawing and German enter into the instruction given. The high school had an enrolment of 134 pupils, and a school library of $4,55 \%$ volumes was used during the year by 2,286 readers.- (Report of Superintendent G. N. Carruthers for 1876-77.)
Cincimati.- From this city comes the usual full report; it shows 26 district schools for white and 6 for colored pupils, 4 intermediate for whites and 2 for colored, with 2 high schools for whites and 1 for colored, besides a normal school with 113 pupils, and a city school for deaf-mutes with 24. The school buildings in use numbered 48; the school rooms, in all, 573, of which 562 were in use. Each pupth had an average of 13 square feet of floor and 190 cubic feet of space ; the superintendent says that according to the best medical authoritics there should be 300 cubic fect of space to each pupil. There were also 15 night schools, of which 4 were for colored pupils, the whole enrolling 3,631 pupils, 806 of them in a night high school. The enrolment in these schools was 14.2 per cent. greater than the average of preceding years, each teacher laving, on an average, 51 pupils on the register and 30 in nightly attendance.
Efforts have been made during the year to sceure for the school buildings of the city better ventilation and light than they have had, and the conchusion reached as to the former was that the only way to secure both proper warmth and reasonably pure air is by the use of mechanical ventilation. As to light, the prime practical suggestion is that efforts to get enough for the now poorly lighted buildings should be put forth, and that meanwhile in these, if not in all, special care should be exerciscd in arranging the blackboard exercises, so as not needlessly to task the eyes of pupils. To this end the superintendent urges that the exercises to be studied at a distance bo made to bear a proper relation to the visual angle, distance, and degree of light, and, also, that special regard be paid to the natural capabilities of pupils as to
their range of vision. their range of vision.
In studying arithmetic, a change was made from the order of the text book, by
deferring to the close of the jear the study of such things as ratio, proportion, and aliquots, and giving the heart of the term, in the intermediate schools, to such practical matters as percentage and interest; less time, too, was given to compound mmbers, the work therein being confined to learning the tables and to plain reduction, ascending and descending.

The spelling book is no longer used in spelling, dictation exercises from familiar books taking its place. Technical grammar has less attention than it had and the exereises in composition more. Penmanship secnres the same fine results as formerly, at less expense. Drawing and music have their old share of attention, with excellent results.- (Report for 1876-77.)

Cleveland.-The system here comprised in 1876-77 a normal school with 49 pupils, 3 high schools with 713 pupils, and 37 grammar and primary schools with 20,897 pupils. Among the 356 teachers are 5 special teachers, namely: of music, peumanship, drawing, gymnastics, and elocntion ; also, 3 assistant superintendents or supervising principals, who are men, and 4 special superintendents of primary instruction, who are women. During the last 10 years the total enrolment of pupils has increased 113 per cent., while in the same time that in the high schools has increased nearly 250 per cent., showing plainly a growing demand for higher edncation. During this decennial period, the enumeration of yonth has increased only 90 per cent., while the average daily attendance has increased 127 per cent. and the number of teachers 120 per cent. In reply to those who say that tho public schools are declining in public favor, a table of comparative statistics for 10 years is given, from which it appears that of every 100 children attending all classes of schools the pablic schools have gained 5 , of whom 2 came from the private schools and 3 from the church schools. Moreover, a comparison of the cost of public school instruction with that of the chief private school in the city shows that those who sent their children to the latter paid for the tnition of each in the grammar grade $\$ 150$ for the year, and in the primary grades $\$ 125$; while those who sent them to tho public schools, if they had property subject to taxation, paid only at the rate of $\$ 26.44$ for each in any grade. The number of pupils studying German during the year was more than one-third of all in the public schools, or a monthly average of 5,959 , being an increase over last year of 500 . This department numbered 173 classes, of which 95 were primary, 66 grammar, 11 high school, and 1 normal. It is believed that this study has assisted rather than retarded advancement in the general work of the schools. Music, drawing, and pemnanship have received, as before, a considerable measure of attention, and exercises in elocution under a special teacher have greatly improved the reading in the schools. The normal school graduated in 1877 a class of 21 , and the high school classes mmbered in all 68 students. Of these last, 27 were boys and 41 girls.-(Report of Superintendent A. J. Rickoff, 1877.)

Coluniluus.-Besides the enrolment of 7,111 pnpils in public day schools, 306 attended night schools and 1,548 private and parochial schools, making a total of 8,955 who were receiving instruction. The public schools can seat 6,848 . Of the 108 public schools, 1 was a high school, 38 were grammar, 64 primary, and 5 ungraded. The percentage of the average daily attendance on the average nmmber belonging was as follows: in the high school, 95 ; iu the gramnar and primary, 94 ; and in the nngraded schools, 91 . Cost of tuition per capita on average number belonging, $\$ 16.22$. Enrolment in high school, 433; average attendance, 360 . Number of volumes in public school library, 1,705. The system of instruction aims at thoroughness in every elementary branch of study. Spelling is taught by the phonic method for the first half year with beginners; afterward by the regular letter forms, with daily exercises, carried also into every recitation thronghout the course. Reading receives most attention. Nearly one-fourth of the time for eight years is given to arithmetic. Penmanship, music, draving, German, and oral lessons in natural science help to vary and advance the training in geography, grammar, United States listory, and composition.-(Report of Superintendent R. W. Stevenson for 1876-'77.)

Dayton reports 114 school rooms, with 5,718 sittings. The schools are called "district schools" up to the eighth year, when an "intermediate schonl" comes in between them and the high school. There are, for all, 4 terms in each year; and in all, during 1876-977, the enrolment was larger and the attendance greater and more regular than at any previons period in the history of the schools. Three night schools enrolied 228 prpils, with an average attendance of 113. A city normal school had 16 pupils nuder trainiug in mental philosophy, in the philosophy and listory of edncation, in methods of teaching, and in school management. German and music enter largely into the general course of study, and the propriety of special industrial training after the Russian system is brought up for consideration. A public library, nnder control of the school board, was rearranged during the year and found to have 9,590 volumes left, ont of about 15,000 previonsly reported. Of its contents, 75 per cent. are prose fiction, and its circulation of 34,838 books during the year shows how much favor it finds among the people.--(Report of Superintendent John Hancock for 1876-77, and of the library committee.)

Hamilton reports 5 sehool buildings with 34 rooms, of which 5 were unoccupied during the last school year; total seating eapaeity, 1,734 . One of the publie schools is for eolored children, and had an enrolment of 53 children of this class out of 79 in the city of school age. The pupils are said to be under excellentinstruction and to be making substantial progress in their studies. German necessarily receives large attention in the problie schools from the presence of a large German population, the enrolment in German-English elasses reaching 40 per cent. of the total enrolment. Drawing has also been suceessfully taught under a system by whieh the ordinary teachers, after training by a specialist, beeome teachers of their regular elasses in this study. The results appear to have been eminently encouraging. The city high school had, for the year, an enrolment of 101 pupils.
The private and parochial enrolment of pupils here, 996, added to that in the public schools, gives a total of 2,758 youth under instruction, a little more than 53 per cent. of the children of sehool age.-(Report of Superintendent Alston Ellis for 1876-77,
and return.)
Mansficld reports 300 in private and parochial sehools additional to the 1,764 in public schools. In these last, drawing, penmanship, and music receive the attention which they merit, a special teacher of music being employed and one also of penmanship and drawing. - (Return to Bureau of Edueation.)
Newark. - The figures in the table are from a return by Snperintendent J. C. Hartzler, no printed report having been received. It appears from this that the selools are classed as primary, grammar, and high, with probably the usual 4 grades in each division; that there are 6 school buildings, with 34 rooms for strdy and recitation, with' 2 additional in the high sehool for recitation only; that there were 1 evening school and 5 private or ehureh sehools, these last enrolling 26.3 pupils besides those in the public sehools. Special teachers of penmanship and German were employed in the city
schools.

Portsmouth. - Here also the figures are from a return of the superintendent, M. S. Campbell, no report having been published for 1876-77. Classification of the sehools, primary, grammar, and high; apparently no evening school. A special teacher of German was employed; the public sehools occupied 40 rooms in 6 school buildings; 5 private and chrreh schools had about three hrundred pupils.

Salem, in a bricf report, presents an enumeration of 1,127 youth of selool age, an enrolment of 761, an average attendance of 536, the cost of tuition based on average attendance reaching only $\$ 7.62$ in the 7 primary schools, $\$ 15.17$ in the 4 grammar sehools, and $\$ 33$ in the high sehool. - (Report for 1876-77 of Superintendent William S. Wood.)

In Sendusky the promotion of those pupils who will bear advancement at the beginning of the winter term is said to liave proved a great help in grading the schools. The classes were taken over the gromud somewhat rapidly, and when it was found that pupils understood the work well enough to justify promotion they were placed in the higher grades and the classes reviewed the work of the year. Those who remain in their grades are thus cuabled to understand better what they have studied, while the transferred pupils are placed by the review on an equality with the class to which they have been advanced. Eleven months after the date of the promotions many:teachers rated the advanced pupils among the best in their classes; and in one instance where 13 pupils reached 100 in an examination in arithmetie, 12 were promoted pupils. There being 970 ehildren of German parentage in the selools above the first year, German is an optional study, and 694 German children strudy it, with 157 others. Drawing also receives attention. - (Report of Superintendent Ư. T. Curran for 1876-77.)
Springfield has the usual primary, grammar, and high school divisions, with 4 classes in each division. German, drawing, and numsie enter into the system of instrnetion, apparently through all the grades, and general progress is claimed in the charaeter and effieieney of the instruction in these, as in other studies. The sehools oceupy 6 buildings, with 46 school rooms and a seating capacity of 2,648. The buildings are all in good condition and the furniture is of the modern improved style. The ligh school nearly doubled its enrolment in 1877.-(Report of Superintendent W. J. White for 1876-77.)
Steubenville classes her schools as primary, intermediate, grammar, and high; the primary having 6 subdivisions, the intermediate 2 , the grammar and high 3 each; the eompletion of the whole course, however, requiring only 12 years. There are primary and grammar grades in a school for colored chilitren. A German eonrse reaching through 5 elasses is presented, but precisely where it begins and ends does not appear. There are also special elasses for teaehers in arithmetie, English grammar and literature, mental philosophy, Latin, Greek, and German, with neetings of teachers each month.- (Report of Superintendent Martin R. Andrews for 1876-'77.)
Toledo published no report of her sehools for $18766^{-77}$, but a return from Superintendent McDonald shows, in addition to the figures in the table, an estimated enrolment of 2,200 in 10 private and parochial sehools, and a system of public sehools with 23 school buildings, 121 rooms, and an estimated valuation of school property reaching $\$ 600,600$. Besides teachers of the ordinary branches of study, there appear special
tcachers of music, drawing, French, and German, the last requiring 2 tcachers. The schools have the usual division into primary, grammar, and high, with probably 4 grades in each division.

At Zanesville the schools, 52 in number, in 17 buildings, with 54 rooms for study and school use and 11 for recitation and office use, were designated as colored, Ger-man-English, primary, secondary, senior, and high schools. The first 3 years in the school course are devoted to primary studies, the next 3 to those here termed secondary, 2 more to the senior, while in the high school there is a business course of 2 years, an English, and a business and English, each of 3 years, with an English and Latin course of 4 years. The whole number enrolled in the public schools was 2,965 ; in the GermanEnglish schools, 195; in the colorcd, 200. The high school had 139.-(Report of Superintendent Alva T. Wiles for 1876-'77.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## normat schools and departments.

The schools of this class which present returns, by catalogue or otherwise, for 1877, are the Northwestern Ohio, at Ada; the National, at Lebanon; the Wostern Rcserve, at Milan; the Ohio Central, at Worthington; the Normal Department of Wilberforce University, near Xenia; the Ohio Free Normal School, Yellow Springs, and the normal and training schools of the cities of Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dayton, and Sandusky. For full statistics of all these, see Table III of the appendix following; for a summary of these statistics, the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

The Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dayton, and Sandusky normal and training schools belong to thie public school systems of those cities, and are sustained by public school funds. The Cincinnati school, which reports 9 instructors and 116 lady students, has been overcrowded, and its graduates are in excess of the demand in that city for teachers of public schools. The Cleveland school, with 5 teachers and 41 lady students, in the fall term of 1877, graduated 21 that year, and from its establishment in 1841 to that time had graduated 68 , of whom all but 9 were engaged in teaching in the city schools. The Dayton school, with 1 instructor and 16 lady students, graduated 10, of whom 2 found places in the schools. The Sandusky school reported 4 normal students under 1 instructor in 1877, all females and all graduated at the close of the year. Its course is 2 years. Of its graduates 9 are teaching in the public schools.

The Northwestern Ohio Normal School, at Ada, reports in its catalogue for 1877 the consolidation with it of the Northwestern Normal, formerly at Fostoria. For several reasons, and especially because the similarity of names gave rise to confusion, it was judged best to unite the two schools. Besides the teachers' course, covering 2 years, classical, scientific, commercial, preparatory, and musical courses are provided, giving it largely an academic character. Its enrolment of normal students for 1876-'77 was 391.-(Catalogue and return.)

The National Normal School, at Lebanon, besides its course in normal training, has preparatory, classical, scientific, engineers', and business courses, giving it also an academic aspect. In the teachers' course, two terms of 10 weeks each are ordinarily required to obtain a teachers' certificate, and 3 terms, a diploma. The shorter course, it is said, prepares teachers to manage a grammar school, as well as any school of lower grade. The branches pursued are English grammar, arithmetic, geography, map drawing, physiology, United States history, penmanship, objective drawing, elocution, and the art of teaching and school management. Instructors, 17 in 1877; students in normal courses, 1,245.-(Catalogue, 1877, and return.)

The Western Reserve Normal School, at Milan, reports 6 instructors and 153 normal students for 1877, one of the instructors being non-resident. Its full course is 4 years. It graduated no students in 1877.

The Ohio Central Normal School, at Worthington (apparently much more strictly than: the 2 preceding a school for training teachers, though on a less extended scale), offers. three distinct, though related, courses of study, the elementary normal, the English normal, and the classical normal; the first requiring 1 year, the second 2 years, and the third 3. A model school has been organized in connection with the course of study; also, a business departinent and a genuine Kindergarten, for the development of little children according to Fröbel's method and for the training of ladies as Kindergarten teachers. Regular instructors, 6 ; normal students, 190 in fall term of 1877; graduates in that year, 14.- (Catalogue.)

The Ohio Free Normal School, at Yellow Springs, a department of Antioch College, was organized in 1876. It charges no tuition to persons over 17 who deelare their intention to teach for at least 1 year after leaving the school and who pass a satisfactory examination in the English branches usually taught in public schools. The course of study is arranged for one year. There were 4 instructors in 1877, and 58 students; graduates, 12. - (Catalogue of Antioch College.)

The Normal Department of Wilberforce University, near Xenia, embraces preparatory, scientific, and classical courses, and a "practical" school. The course of strudy covers 3 years. Its aim is to train teachers for colored schools, but it appears to have becu closed during 1876-77.- (Catalogue and return.)

Besides these there appear in Table XXX of the State report 2: the Geneva Normal School, at Geneva, Ashtabula County, with 7 teachers and 146 students, of whom 55 were in the regular course, 2 being graduated; and the Hopedale Normal School, at Hopedale, Harrison County, with 6 teachers and 125 students; number in regular course not given, though it is stated that 1 was graduated from that course.

Normal departments or classes existed in Buchtel, Hiram, Mount Union, and Xenia Colleges and in Baldwin and Ohio Wesleyan Universties. Xeuia held a summer normal of 5 weeks, beginning July 23, 1877. The University of Cincinnati announces that it has made arrangements for summer instruction of teachers in mathematics and astronomy, its facilities for which are good.
The Medina Normal School has been consolidated with the Northern Indiana Normal, and the Republic Normal School has been closed.

## SPECIAL NORMAL INSTRUCTION.

A normal institute for instruction in drawing was held in Sandusky, by Prof. L. S. Thompson, in the summer of 1877.

Another, combining instruction in science and art, was held at Columbus under the auspices of professors in the Agricultural and Mechanical College there.
At Columbus, a training class for Kindergarten teachers or those proposing to become such was conducted in 1877 by Miss M. H. Ross, for what time or with what atteudance is not stated.

## INSTITUTES.

County teachers' institutes, as well as institutes in cities, are provided for in the school law, but they are not made imperative. They mnst continue in session at least 4 days, and during their sessions any teacher in a public school of a county in which one is in progress may dismiss his or her school without forfeiture of pay in order to attend it. No union school, however, may be so dismissed unless a majority of teachers in it are in favor of such dismission. The expenses of these institutes are paid out of the surplus of the fees for examining teachers, after paying all expenses of such examination.

The institutes for 1876 - $^{\prime} 77$ were held in 81 counties, some counties having two; 10,103 members attended. The State commissioner, who was present at very many of the meetings, found a marked improvement in the intercst taken in the institutes, not only among the teachers but also among the people of the places at which they were held.

## EDUCATIONAL JOURNAL.

The Ohio Educational Monthly, published at Salem, now sharing with the Pennsylvania School Journal the honor of being the oldest of our school journals, continued throughout 1877 to furnish large amounts of information as to local and general school matters, with free discussion of important educational questions. The editor is Hon. W. D. Henkle, formerly State commissioner of common schools.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## HIGH SCHOOLS.

The number of pupils in public high schools in 1876-77 is stated by the school commissioner to have been 27,395 , which is an advance of 1,795 on the enrolment of the preceding year. Of this number, 1,188 were in township district high schools and 26,207 in those of city, village, and special districts. The relative numbers in each high school study have been already given.
But while thus presenting full and clear statistics of public secondary training in his State, Mr. Smart de votes considerable space to a renewal of the argument in his previous report against the present character of high school training. He does not deny the lawfuluess of public high schools under existing statutes; does not deny that a strong feeling in favor of them has been shown by the great body of our educators; does not deny that "a rule requiring instructors in the common schools to be prepared to teach and advising pupils to study other and higher branches" than the fundamental ones, would be a "reasonable " rule. He does, however, question the expediency of high school training as now given ; denies that the results from it are proportionate to the expenditure; and doubts whether public feeling in respect to it will continue to justify this expenditure, unless there should be a rearrangement of the studies which may give greater prominence than is at present given to preparation for mechanical and industrial pursuits. "High schools," le says, "must be reorganized. Fever studies, and those more suitable to the requirements of the masses, must constitute the course of secondary instruction, and many more instructors than are now employed must be engaged to teach these branches." Unless this is done, he thinks that "high schools should be abandoned as a superficial and educational extravagance."

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## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For 1877 there wero 20 academies and other private schools of kindred grade that reported to Mr. Smart, in accordance with existing law, against 18 such in the preceding year, the reports showing 119 regular instructors and 2,055 students against 83 instructors and 2,052 students in 1876 . Five of these institutions, however, were normal schools, with 32 teachers and 1,090 pupils, the subtraction of which would make a considerable difference in the sum.
For statistics of secondary institutions reporting to this Bureau, such as busincss colleges, private academic schools, preparatory schools, or preparatory departments of colleges and universities, see Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX of the appendix following, and sumuaries of them in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## * SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## Colleges.

From want of space for notice of the courses in the varions colleges and unirersities, reference is made to the description of these courses in the Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876. The following changes or additions, however, may be noted:

Baldwin University, Berea, drops from its catalogne for 1877 the course in pharmacy mentioned in the previous year, and substitutes for it a commercial course.

Kenyon College, Gambier, also adds, in her catalogue for 18\% 6 - 77 , a commercial course to those previously spoken of in connection with her preparatory school.
Denison University, Granville, in addition to the courses before given, offers special instruction in elocution and vocal music.

Western Reserve College, Hudson, has added to the other courses one in which modern languages are substituted for the Greek.

Marietta College, Marietta, has instituted a course occupying the same time as the regular course and embracing all its studies except Greek, for which will be substituted additional work in modern languages and in natural and physical science.
Oberlin College, Oberlin, has in its preparatory department, mentioned last year, an English division not then noted, and meant to prepare for what is termed the literary course in college.
Otterbein University, Westerville, besides the courses indicated, has arrangements for special instruction in modern languages, instrumental and vocal music, drawing, and oil painting.

Antioch College, Yellow Springs, has a normal school not noted in last year's account.
The University of Cincinnati also has a school of design, not then referred to, which was opened in 1869. It presents a 4 years' course of art instruction, which has become an important factor in the industrial training of the West. Beginning with only 30 students, about four hundred are now enrolled. The school's work in carving attracted much attention at the Centennial, and draws continually increasing numbers.
Besides these, the following, which had no notice of their courses in the Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876, furnish this information for some part of 1877:
Buchtel College, Akron, with classical and scientific courses of 4 years each, has a literary course of 3 years, and arrangements for preparatory and normal training. It offers to both sexes its advantages for liberal education.
Franklin College, New Athens, also with classical and scientific courses, begins the
Latin of the freshman year in the former with Virgil's Eclogues; the Greek, with Herodotus. There is a preparatory department to give special training for the collegiate. Both sexes are admitted.
Muskingum College, New Concord, has preparatory, collegiate, normal, and musical departments, the collegiate divided into classical and scientific. Its classical course begins, however, with a part of Cesar in the Latin of the freshman year, and with Xenophon's Anabasis and the Greek grammar.

Ohio Central College, Iberia, invites both sexes to its halls on equal terms, and provides for preparatory and collegiate instruction, the latter in classical and scientific courses.
Willoughby College, Willoughby, also for both sexes, has literary, commercial, and musical departments, the first covering 4 years of either classical or scientific study. The scientific differs from the classical only in allowing the student to omit all the Greek, or both the Greek and Latin, after the freshman year, sulsstituting therefor German during 2 years.
We learn from the Ohio Educational Monthly of the establishment, apparently in 1877, of a new institution, the Rio Grande College, in Gallia County.

For statistics of all reporting colleges, see Table IX of the appendix following, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

Besides the opportunities afforded women in colleges open to both sexes, there are in the State a number exclusively for them, 11 of which report for 18\%\%. All these
teach musie, drawing, Freneh, and German; 10 teach painting, and 2 Italian; 9 have means for illustration in chemistry, and 8 in physics ; 2 have art galleries; 4, gymnasiums; and 10 libraries ranging from 500 to 2,500 volumes, and aggregating 15,793.
For full statistics, see Table VIII of the appendix, and a summary in the Commissioner's Report preeeding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

The Ohno Agricultural and Mechanical College, ${ }^{1}$ at Columbus, founded on the congressional land grant of 1862, was opened in 1870. The total value of endowment and property now exeeeds a million dollars.
The departments of instruetion are as follows: (1) Physies and mechanies, (2) ehemistry, (3) zoölogy, (4) botany, (5) geology, (6) agrieulture, (7) mathematics, (8) eivil engineeriug, (9) English, French, and German languages, (10) Latin and Greek languages, (11) meehanical and free hand drawing, (12) military seienee and taeties, and (13) mining and metallurgy. The most valuable advanee of the year past was the establishment and cquipment of a department of mining and metallurgy. This was ordered by the State legislature in an act passed May 7, 1877, \$4,500 being at the same time appropriated to equip the new department. In order to make place for it, the professorship of political cconomy and civil polity was abolished. The legislature inereased the board of trustees of the college from 5 to 20 , so as to include one member from each congressional district of the State.
There was an attendance of 251 during the year 1876-77, a gain of 109 , or 77 per cent. over the previous year. Fifty eomities of the State and six States of the Union were represented.-(Report, 1876-'77.)
Scientifie instruetion was also provided in the Toledo University of Arts and Trudes, but a return received by the Bureau states that the institution was elosed in 1877, owing to tinancial embarrassment.
At the Obzercatory of the University of Cincinnati instruction is given in astronomy and the mathematical processes which relate to it.

## THEOLOGICAL.

For uames and statistics of the theologieal institutions whieh report for 1877, see Table XI of the appendix following, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preeeding.
A majority of these institutions have a eourse of 3 years, some of 2 years, while others report it 4 or 5 years. In these last instanees, most probably, some preparatory training is ineluded in the eourse. Of the students in attendanee a eomparatively small proportion had reeeived degrees in letters or seience. The Lane Seminary, at Cincimati (Presbyterian), and the Union Biblical, at Daytou (United Brethren), require a eollegiate or other preparation for entranee.

## LEGAL.

The Law School of the Cincinnati College, with a course of 19 months and an attendanec always eonsiderable, has not yet followed the example of some other sehools in requiring speeial literary qualitications for admission. For statisties, see Table XII.

## MEDICAL.

Statisties of the various medieal colleges and medical departments of other colleges, as well as pharmaceutieal and dental schools reporting to this Bureau, may be found in Table XIII of the appendix following, and a summary in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

Of these institutions, the Cincinnati Collegc of Medicine and Surgery, the Medical Collegc of Ohio, and the Miami Mcdical College, all in Cineinnati, have graded eourses covering the work of 3 years, whieh they encourage and advise their students to take, thongh they require only 2 years of study in the eollege. The Mcdical College of Ohio has also a eourse still more advaneed for eollege pupils, whieh non-graduates in arts may not enter without a preliminary examination as to qualifications. The Cleveland Medical Collegc and the Medical Department of the University of Wooster, in the same city, have both seeond annual eourses, beginning in April and extending into the summer, whieh students are eneouraged to attend in addition to the regular winter course, with a view to fuller qualification for future work. The former offers to those who have graduated at literary eolleges a medieal diploma a year earlier than others who have not so graduated. The latter, to induce full preparation for praetiee, offers to students who have attended 2 full courses in its halls a free ticket to a third course.-(Catalogucs.)
${ }^{1}$ From a circular received since the notice given was written, it appears that the name has been changed to the Ohio State University.

The Pulte Medical College, Cincinnati (homœopathic), has now 2 annual courses of lectures, covering 9 months, instead of the former 5.- (Catalogue.)
The Ohio College of Dental Surgery, at Cincinnati, advises, but does not require, a special literary qualification for its course.- (Catalogue.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.

The Ohio Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb, at Columbus, had an attendance in 1877 of 508 pupils, who were taught in 23 classes the stadies usually pursued in the best public schools. The departments are graded as primary, grammar, and academic. Articulation and lip reading were successfully taught during the year. The employments are shoemaking, bookbinding, and printing. Manual labor is required of all, according to ability, the maximum of time it is imposed being $2 \frac{1}{2}$ hours daily. (Return and report of institution for 1877.)

The Cincinnati Day School for the Deaf and Dumb, founded in 1875, had an attendance in 1877 of 25 pupils, of whom 17 were males and 8 females. The school is under the control of the board of education, and the branches taught are the same as those taught in the common schools.-(Return.)

## EDUCATION OF THE BLIND.

The Ohio Institution for the Education of the Blind, at Columbns, organized in 1837, has, since that date, had 952 pupils under instruction, and reports for 1877 an attendance of 154, who are taught the common and higher English branches and Latin, besides such employments as cane seating, broom making, beadwork, knitting, hand and machine sewing.-(Return for 1877.)

## EDUCATION OF THE FEEBLE-MINDED.

The Ohio State Asylum for the Education of Idiotic and Imbecile Youth, at Columbus, cared for 451 feeble-minded children during 1877, of whom 271 were males and 180 females. The education includes the simple elements taught in the common schools, where that is practicable; a course of training is also given in the more practical matters of every day life, such as the cultivation of habits of cleanliness, propriety, and self reliance ; while the development of a capacity for useful occupation is attempted.(Return and printed report, 187\%.)

## INDUSTRLAL AND REFORMATORY TRAINING.

The Toledo Industrial School Association aims to afford instruction in domestic industries to the children of the poor. A day school was planned for 1877, but the limited means of the society prevented the carrying out of this idea. A Saturday sewing school, however, was kept up, and measures were taken to secure a permanent place for it.- (Fourth annual report.)
The Cincinnati House of Refuge afforded school istruction and training in varions branches of mechanical industries to an average of 190 boys and 44 girls during 1877 the aim being to make the place a good industrial school to train head, heart, and hand alike, and to prepare each pupil to go out into the world fitted to prosecute some useful occupation.- (Report for 18\%\%.)
The Girls' Industrial IIome, Cincinnati, which had received and trained 336 up to November, 1876, and had in that month 203 in training, makes no return of its inmates or work for 1877.
The Ohio Reform School, which gives its inmates a common school training, with instruction in a variety of industrial pursuits, received 227, discharged 149, and had remaining at the close of the year 502 boys.- (Return of superintendent for 187\%.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## ohio state teachers' association.

The annual session of this association at Put-in Bay, July 3-5, appears to have been interesting and important. The attendance was large, and some of the teachers travelled more than four hundred miles to reach the place of meeting. Besides the inatugnral address of President Findley, the following papers and addresses were presented: "Unclassified schools to accompany graded schools," by M. R. Andrews, of Steubenville ; "The metric system," by Professor T. C. Mendenhall, of the Ohio Agricultural by M. S. Campbell ge, Columbus; "Suspension from school as a means of discipline," Tappan, of Gaunbier; "Some ren; "High schools and colleges," by President E. T. schools," by L. S. Thompson, professor elect of industrial art in Purdue University; "Spelling reform," by E.O. Vaile, of Cincinnati; "The past and the future of education in Ohio," by Hon. T. W. Harvey, of Paincsville; "The educational work and place of

Ohio," by President Israel W. Audrews, of Marietta; "The Centennial educational exhibit of Ohio," by Hon. C. S. Smart, commissioner of common schools. An historical sketch of the life of the late Col. Joln A. Norris, ex-commissioner of schools, was given by R. W. Steveusou, of Columbus, and drew forth several earnest eulogies of the deceased.

Disenssions of great interest followed the reading of many of these papers, prominent among which may be mentioned those on spelling reform and the suspension of pupils from school. The papers of Professors Meudenhall and Thompson excited such interest as to lead to a special separate publication of them. An interesting feature of the meotings, in connection with the discussion of the metric system, was a large case fall of metric measures exhibited in the office of the Put-in Bay House, on behalf of the Metric Burean of Boston, which is selling measures and weights at half cost price, in order to educate the people in the use of the metric standards.

A number of high school principals presented a series of resolutions, with a preamble in which it was elaimed that certain statements in the last report of the State commissioner relative to the cost of high schools as compared with other grades are crroneous; the resolutions provided for a committee of 3 to ascertain, so far as possible, the actual cost of the high schools of the State, including buildings, instruction, \&c., and report at the next annual meeting of the association. The resolutions were adopted, and E. W. Coy, of Cincinnati, E. H. Cook, of Columbus, and II. P. Ufford of Chillicothe, were appointed a committee.-(Ohio Educational Monthly, August September, and October, 1877.)

## GENERAL OHIO TEACHERS' ASSOCLATION.

The meeting of the association, in Chillicothe, October 26-27, is reported to have had an attendance of nearly five hundred teachers, among whom were many prominent in the profession. Besides the inaugural address, by Superintendent R. W. Stevenson, of Columbus, addresses and papers were presented on "The public high school," by E. H. Cook; "School reforms," by A. J. Willoughby; "The unexamined work of the teacher," by J. H. Brenneman; "The safety of our Republic," by James C. Murray; "The elements of success in teaching," by Lissa Daugherty, and "The advantages of a compulsory system of education," by Lottie L. Watt. A lecture was also given by the State commissioner of common schools elect, Hon. J. J. Burns, on "Man," to an audience of aboat sen hundred teachers and others. The lecture was reported as entertaining throughout, and richly illustrated with apt examples from both physical and linguistic sources.-(Ohio Educational Monthly, December, 1877.)

## NORTHWESTERN TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION OF OHIO.

This body met at Allentown, December 27-28, 1877. After the inaugural address, by Superintendent G. W. Walker, of Lima, papers and addresses were presented as follows: "Our common schools - their relation to the future;" "Need of tact in the sehool room ;" "The practical teacher;" "Trinity of success: earnestness, concentration, and perseverance;""The German language in our public schools;" "Mensuration taught objectively;" "Primary teaching;"" Normal schools: their work in the future; " and the "True theory of the earth's daily revolution."-(New-England Journal of Education.)

## EASTERN OHIO TEACHERS' ASSOCLATION.

The meeting of the association was held at Bellaire, November 30 and December 1, 1877. Among the papers and addresses were "The examination test;" "Mathematics;" "The cultivation of the memory;" "The true place of the ligh school in a system of public schools," and "Characteristics of the model teacher."-(Ohio Educatioual Mouthly, December, 1877.)

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## EX-COMMISSIONER J. A. NORRIS.

Hon. John A. Norris, State commissioner of common schools from 1866 to 1869, died January 19, 1877, at Columbus, in the forty-second year of his age. Born near Painesville, Lake County, of parents who had come to Ohio from New Hampshire, he received his early training in the schools of his native State, and began early as a teacher. He obtained through teaching the means for collegiate study, which he prosecuted first at Madison College, Antrim, 1855-1856, and next, 1857-1860, at Kenyon College, Gambicr, where he was graduated. Engaging then as a teacher in Lonisiana, he soon experienced the difficulty of maintaining at once loyalty and peace, when all around him were the movements toward a civil war. Retnrning to Ohio, he begau again to teach, this time as principal of the high school at Cadiz, of the schools in which place he was soou made superiutendent. Afterward, resigning this position, he raised a company, went into the army as captain of it in Angust, 1862 , and after two years of active and honorable service he came out as colonel, having lost his right leg in
action. The next year, 1865, he was nominated for State commissioner of common schools, elected, and served with such efficiency as to win over to him even those who had been doubtful of his capacity to fill the place. Better supervision, as a means to better teachers and better schools, was the great end aimed at during his term of office. The county superintendency which he especially desired to obtain for the whole State, he did not succeed in securing from the legislature. But the desire for it and for the improvement it was hoped that it might bring, he did succeed in infusing into the great body of the teachers of the State, and they aided him in his endeavors. He made himself so popular in his first term that he was easily reëlected; but after a year of service he resigned, May, 1869, to accept the more remunerative position of pension agent at Columbus; this place he held until his death.-(Ohio Educational Monthly, October, 1877.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Hon. James J. Burns, State commissioner of common schools, Columbus.
[Term, 1878-1881.]
STATE BOARD OF EXAMNERS


## OREGON.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-7\%. | Increase. | Decreas. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (4-20) | 48,473 |  |  |  |
| Enrolled in public schools | 27, 426 | 45,584 | 18,158 |  |
| Average daily attendance | 15,565 | 30, 389 | 14, 824 |  |
| Attending private schools Attending no school..... | 3, 441 | 4,341 | 14, 900 |  |
| SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND SCHOOLS |  |  |  |  |
| Districts reporting........ | 769 |  |  |  |
| Public schools of ordinary grade. | 728 |  |  |  |
| Public schools of advanced grade Public school-houses | 17 |  |  |  |
| Value of public school property | \$442,540 |  |  |  |
| Private schools of primary grade | \$442, 540 | \$450, 560 | \$8, 020 |  |
| Private schools of advanced grade | 17 |  |  |  |
| Private schools of collegiate grade | 10 |  |  |  |
| teachers and their pay. |  |  |  |  |
| Men teaching in public schools . |  |  |  |  |
| Women teaching in public schools | 407 | 502 |  |  |
| Average monthly pay of men... | \$49 20 | $\$ 5000$ |  |  |
| Average monthly pay of women | ${ }_{34} 73$ | \$35 00 | \$0 87 |  |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole receipts for public schools. Whole expenditure for them...... | $\begin{gathered} \$ 269,822, \\ 233,963 \end{gathered}$ | \$308, 373 | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 38,551 \\ 7,930 \end{array}$ |  |
| Whole permanent school fund |  | \$509, 000 |  |  |

(Printed report of Hon. L. L. Rowland, State superintendent of public instruction, for 1875-76, and written return from the same for 1876-977.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL

A State superintendent of public instruction, to be elected by the peoplo every four years, beginaing with 1874 , is the officer first mentioned in the existing school law, and is given by it "general superintendence of the county and district school officers and of the public schools." He reports biemnially to the legislature.

A state board of cducation is formed of the governor, secretary of state, and superinteudent of public instruction. Of this board the superintendent is the secretary. It has the power to order a series of text books to be used in the public schools, to prescribe rules for the government of these schools, and, sitting at its semi-annual mectings as a board of examination, to issue to approved teachers life diplomas, good throughout the State; State diplomas, good for six ycars; and State certificates of 2 grades, one good in any county for 2 years, the other for six months.

## LOCAL.

In each county a county superintendent of common schools, chosen biennially by the people, is to establish school districts, apportion school funds, care for the school lands, examiue and license teachers, and visit the schools twice a year. He is to make an-
nual report of the schools to the State superintendent and like report of the school finances to the county court.

In each school district 3 directors - chosen originally as one body by the people, and subsequently liable to change of one member annuaily by new clection-liave charge of the employment of teachers for the district schools, of the purchase, bailding, or repairing of school-houses, and of other things pertaining to cducation- (School law of 1872.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## general condition.

The statistics furnished by the State superintendent indicato advance at all points, the increased enrolment and higher average attendance in public schools exceeding by many thousands the increase of school population, while 900 additional scholars appear in private schools. School-houses, value of school property, number anil wages of teachers, income and expenditure for public schools have all considerably increased; the expenditures, however, being prudently kept largely below the income.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

orficers.
In each of the cities included in the table given below, there is a board of education of 3 members and a city superintendent of schools.

STATISTICS.

| City. | Population. | Children of <br> school age. | Enrolment. | Average at- <br> tendance. | Teachers. |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | Expendituro.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

In Portland the schools are classed as primary, grammar, and high, there being 14 of the first class, 12 of the sccond, and 1 of the third. A subdivision of grades within these classes gives 6 in the 2 lower and 3 in the high school. One year is assigned for the work of cach grade, thus providing for the completion of the whole school course in 9 years. The standing and advancement of pupils are tested by semi-annual examinations, and these are said to have exerted a healthfully stimulating influence, necessitating industry, fostering promptncss, and inducing pupils to do the right thing at the right time. Walter Smith's system of industrial and artistic drawing was introduced into all the schools in February, 1877, one lesson a week being given in each school in the fifth and sixth grades; in all the others 2 lessons a week. The results appear to have been fairly cncouraging.-(Rcport of Superintendent S. W. King for 1876-77.)

At Salem the schools are classed as primary and advanced, and at least 5 grades appear, with 2 divisions in the 2 higher grades. Calisthenic exercises have been practised to some extent. Disciplinc is said to be good. There is a settled course of study, which 6 pupils completed in 1877. - (Report of Superintendent J. T. Gregg for 1876-77 and letter from the same.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## INSTITUTES.

The State not having yet provided any normal school, the only, means for professional training of those who are to teach the children in the public schools is the holding of teachcrs' institutes. The law requires that onc institute for each judicial district and one also for the State at large shall be held annually by the State superintendent. ${ }^{1}$ The last biennial report showed that this requirement had been fairly met by Dr. Rowland. The year 1877 not being onc for official rcports, no information respecting the district institutes has come from any official sourcc. ${ }^{2}$ But from Superintendent Rowland has come a programme of the annual State institute, which, in accordance with the law, was appointed to be held at Salem, August $21-24$ in that year. This programme announced an address of welcome from the governor, a lecture by the presi-

[^55]dent of the State Agricultural College, and papers on such practical subjects as spelling, the word method of teaching reading, how to familiarize children with the use of language, mental arithmetic, drawing in schools, a graded system of music in schools, natural science in schools, composition, the Kindergarten, and school government.

## EDUCATIONAL JOURNAL.

The Oregon Educational Monthly appears to have come to an end in 1876, with the completion of its first six months, and not to have been since revived.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC MIGII SCIIOOLS,

There being no State report for 1877, information for that year respecting these schools is wanting except as to the one at Portland. This had an enrolment of 142 , an average of $10 \% .4$ belonging, and 97 in daily average attendance, under 3 teachers. Tho course included, besides higher English studies, Latin, German, and French, and every pupil was required to study at least one of these languages. There were, however, some remonstrances against this rule from parents who desired for their children only a thorough English course, and the superintendent held that their wishes should be lieeded. There will therefore probably be a division of the course into two, one of which may include the languages mentioned and the other be wholly English.
State Superintendent Rowland, in his last biemial report, said that the number of pupils in advanced studies in the hundreds of schools of ordinary grade in Orogon shows the need of high schools at all the county scats.

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

Statisties of privato and corporate schools of this class, such as business colleges, academic schools, schools preparatory to college, and preparatory departments of colleges, may be found in Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX of the appendix following, and summaries of them in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

The University of Oregon, at Eugene City, was organized in August, 1876, with a president and 2 professors for the collegiate department and a principal and assistant for the preparatory department. It was opencd on the 16th of October following. There was an attendance of 80 in the collegiate department, of whom 24 were women, while the preparatory numbered 75 (men 32 , women 43 ), maling a total of 155 students for the first year of regular work. The studies pursued were Latin, Greck, higher algebra, geometry, trigonometry, surreying, calculus, physical features, physiology, zoölogy, composition, and rhetoric. Nincty free scholarslips are provided for, being distributed among the several counties in proportion to the number of members each has in the legislative assembly. Only 43 of these were filled during the year.(Report of board of regents.)
For statistics of other colleges, see Table IX of the appendix following.

## COLlege for women.

The only institution for the superior instruction of women reporting statistics for 1877 is St. Helen's Hall (Protestant Episcopal), at Portland. There were attending this school 111 pupils, of whon 71 were pursuing the regular course, 30 were in the preparatory department, and 10 were in special or partial courscs. Music, drawing, painting, French, and German are taught. The school has material for the illustration of chemistry and physics; it has a cabinct of natural history, a gywnasium, and a library of 550 volumos.- (Return.)

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

Tho State Agricultural College, at Corvallis, reports a course of study eovering 6 gears, distributed in the following schools: (1) Physics, including chemistry, natural philosophy, and biology ; (2) mathematics; (3) moral science; (4) languages, ancient and modern; (5) history and literature; (6) engineering; and (7) special studies of agriculture. The department of enginecring has not yet been fully organized for want of funds, but some of the studies belonging to that branch are taught. The degrees conferred by the institution are A. Mr., A. B., B. S., and graduate of a school. There was an attendance during 1876-77 of 49 stadents in tho agricultural department.(Cataloguc, 1876-'77.)

## MEDICAL

No report for 1877 has been received from the medical department of Willametto University, which is the only professional school in the State. No preliminary examination, except as to character, is required for entrance. The course of instruction comprises 2 terms of lectures, which have been heretofore of 4 months each, but are now made to cover 6. In order to be graduated, students are required, as in most other medical colleges of the country, to study medicine with some reputable practitioner for 3 years, including the lectures at this school.-(Circular, 1876-7\%.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.

The Oregon Institute for the Deaf and Dumb, at Salem, founded in 1870, has since then given instruction to 43 pupils, and reports for 1877 an attendance of 28 , of whom 15 were males and 13 females. The branches studied are English composition, geography, history, and arithmetic. No employments are tanght.-(Return, 1877.)

## EDUCATION OF THE BLIND.

The Oregon Institute for the Blind, at Salem, has been in existence 6 years, during which it has had 18 pupils under instruction. The present number is 10 . Besides tho literary branches usually studied by the blind, all kinds of plain and fancy sewing, beadwork, and embroidery are taught.-(Return, 1877.)

CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

## Hon. L. J. Powell, State superintendent of public instruction, Salem.

[Term, September 1, 1878, to September 1, 1882.]
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.


## PENNSYLVANHA。

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

$a$ This figure does not appear in the State report. It has been obtained by adding the income reported by the State superintendent for the State, exclusive of Philadelphia, to the income reported by the city superintendent of Philadelphia.
(Reports of Hon. J. P. Wiekersham, State superintendent of public instruction, for the two years indieated and returns from the same.)

OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.
GENERAL.
A State superintendent of public instruction, appointed by the governor with consent of the senate for a term of four years, with the aid of 2 assistants designated by himsolf, has eharge of the public school interests of the State at large.

## LOCAL.

A county superintendent for each county except Philadelphia is chosen every 3 years by a convention of the school directors, at the county seat, on the first Tuesday of May. He must be a person of literary and scientific acquirements and of skill and experience in the art of teaching; the proof of this to be a collegiate or normal school diploma, or a certificate of qualification as a teacher from a State normal school or from a county, city, or borough superintendent, the latter issued at least a year before lis election. He must, too, have had 3 years' successful experience in teaching prior to the date of his election. A certiticate from the State superintendent may take the place of either the others mentioned.

City and borough superintendents are chosen every 3 years by the school directors of most cities and boroughs with a population of over 7,000 inhabitants, at the same date as the county superintendents.

Township superintendents are not provided for by law, but at least one has been permitted to hold office, and an extension of the number of such officers has been favored by the State superintendent.
Boards of school directors are elected in each school district by the people for terms of 3 years each, with provision for change of one-third of their number by new eleetions each year. For ordinary districts they are 6 in number; for districts composed of city or borough wards, 3 only. They enter on office the first Monday in June following their election, organizing by choosing a president and secretary of their own number, and a treasurer, who may be of that number or not, as they prefer. They have all the ordinary powers and duties of local school boards.

The associated directors of city and borough wards form ordinarily a board of school controllers for the city or borough.- (School laws.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

The figures of the State report for 1876-77 compared with those for the preceding school year are our main guide to the educational condition, Dr. Wickersham indulging in few verbal statements of what this is, but rather suggesting how to make it what it ought to be. It is a pleasure to find that in the main the statistics show fair progress. Thus, outside of Pliladelphia (the particulars of whose schools enter into the summary of the State system at comparatively few points), there appears a gain of 179 over the previous year in first class school-houses, of 262 houses with grounds suitably improved, of 555 with grounds of sufficient size, of 500 in the number of well classified schools, of 494 in which music was taught, of 1,532 in which drawing found a place, of 388 in which the Bible was read, of 185 in which some ligher branches were taught, and of 331 which had uniform text books; while 299 more teachers had at least 5 years' experience. Including Philadelphia, there was an increase of 286 in the number of public schools, of 333 in the number of these graded, of 460 in the number of leachers, and of 5,067 in the enrolment in public schools. The items of loss are much uates of out graduating; including Plo fewer of those who had atcended such schools withattendauce in the public schools, of $\$ 2.38$ in the average pay of male teachers, and of $\$ 1.30$ in that of females. The receipts for schools, too, doubtless from the extensive stagnation in business, dropped off $\$ 503,879$, and the expenditure upon them $\$ 580,550$. The valuation of school property, to correspond with the general shrinkage in all values, is put at $\$ 805,164$ less than that of $1875-76$.

## HOW TO INCTEASE EFFICIENCY.

1. In view of the ineoherency of the present school laws and of the fact that in consequence of their defects they have been largely superseded by a sort of common law which has grown up beside them and around them, Dr. Wickersham renews his former recommendations that they be thoroughly revised. He would have the revision made, not by a legislative committee, which might do lasty work, requiring to be soon gone through anew, but by a commission appointed to prepare with due deliberation a clear, full law covering the whole subject of education in the State, to be reported to the legislature for its sanction.
2. In view, too, of the burdensome cost of text books to the poorer patrons of the public schools and of the objections to an invidious distinction in supplying then, some means of cheapening them to all is favored. Dr. Wickersham does not find this means in a purchase of the books by either the State or the school boards and a furnishing of them at cost prices, because here there is a liability to great abuses; but rather in the plan which has been tried for years in Philadelphia and other cities with high approval. This plan is to have each district board furnish text books without charge, as it furnishes apparatus and appliances to all children attending. A district uniformity is thus secured;
classification of the pupils is made easy; cost is lessened one-third, if not one-half, to the whole district without distinction, and the expense of purehasing new text books on removing to a new district is obviated. To remove all difficultics in the way of such a help to school work, a law sanetioning the plan is recommended.
3. In view, further, of the need of skilled industry to increase production and improve the qriality of what may be produced, sehool training for various forms of work is advocated. First of all in this line, as most extensivcly practicable and useful, the general teaching of drawing in the sehools is advocated by Dr. Wickersham; next, the training of young children in primary schools for light industries somewhat after the Kindergarten methods; and, finally, in cities and large towns, the provision of workshop schools, in which one part of the day may be spent in the now customary school studics under the usual teachers and another part in direct training for mechanical industries, with appropriate appliances and tools, under another set of teachers. - (State report; 1877.)

## how to secure better attendance.

Referring to the large number of children of sehool age who are either not in school or are attending quite irregularly, Superintendent Wickersham devotes considerable space to a discussion of the mcans of remedying absenteeism.

He does not find his remedy in the enaetment of compulsory education laws, believing them to be unsuited to our institutions and for various reasons hard to enforce. He would rather have children drawn to school by its attractivencss than forced to go there by law; and would have parents induced to send them there, or have them educated otherwise, from a sense of the value of an edueation, rather than have them hardened against school training by punishments and fines. Still, in view of the facts that many ehildren will avoid going to school when they can, that many parents will neglect their children's interests in this direction, and that sehool boards and communities often fail to do what lics within their power toward sceuring full attendance, he makes the following recommendations: (1) that it be made the duty of school boards, especially in eities, to use all proper efforts to have every eliild of school age in their distriets either sent to sehool or trained at home; (2) that, in aid of this, power be given them to order the arrest of evcry elild within their jurisdietion who is found to be an habitual truant or vagrant, through his own fault or from want of proper guardianslip, and, after due legal examination eonfirmatory of such truancy or vagrancy, to have the eliild placed in the eounty home for friendless children; ${ }^{1}$ (3) that provision be made for fining the parent or guardian of a ehild thus arrested and committed, and for making him pay a part or all of the expense of keeping the child at the county home, if it be found that there has becn neglect of duty toward the ehild and that there is pecuniary ability to meet the finc and the expense. Additional to the aloove, Mr. Wickersham would have some means adopted to enforce the laws existing in refercuce to the cmployment of young children in or about mines, in factories, shops, or mills; or would have such amendments made to these laws as to make them more effective.
By the institution of such means, and especially by the general adoption of the county home system, he thinks that the large amount of truancy and vagrancy in the citics and great mining regions of the State may be very much reduced. The plan would eost much, he grants; but it will save more; save it in the lessencd cost of eonstables and policemen, of criminal proecedings in courts, and in the support of jails and almshouses.-(Report for 1876-77.)

## KINDERGÄRTEN.

All ncedful particulars respccting such of these institntions as report themselves for 1877 may be found in Table V of the appendix to this Report.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

In cities and boroughs of this State the school boards are, by general law, composed of boards of 3 dircctors for eael ward, who form together a board of controllers for the whole place. The directors of citics divided into wards before the passage of the school law of 1854 have for their respeetive wards the power of erecting and repairing school-houses and of raising and disbursing taxes for these purposes, unless sueh powers have been voluntarily surrcudered to the board of controllers, in whieh case these last lave full eontrol in all matters relating to public sehools. Cities and boroughs with a population of over 7,000 inhabitants are authorized to elect superintendents of their own sehools. In Philadelphia each ward elects 12 directors for

[^56]local care of the schools, and the courts appoint ono person from each ward to form a central board. There is no city supcrintendent. Lancaster, Reading, and Pittsburgin have also special arrangements. ${ }^{1}$

STATISTICS. ${ }^{2}$

| Cities. | Population. | Schools. | Enrolment. | Average attendance. | Teachers. | Expendituro. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Allegteny | a70, 000 | 182 | 9,342 | 7, 950 | 197 | \$266, 204 |
| Allentown | a 15, 000 | 53 | 3, $2 \cdot 8$ | 2,281 | 53 | 93, 842 |
| flo na | a:7,000 | 38 | 2, 254 | 1,793 | 38 | 121 |
| ;hester. | a14, 000 | 38 | 2, 429 | 1,418 | 39 | 29, 437 |
| Easton. | a14, 000 | 41 | 2, 21:3 | 1, 634 | 47 | 71, 188 |
| Erie | b19, 616 | 78 | 4,080 | 2, 673 | 78 | 70.145 |
| Ha*risbur | a 28,000 | 78 | 5, 053 | 3, 987 | 100 | 101,057 |
| Lancaster | b20, 23:3 | 64 | 3, 255 | 2, 437 | 65 | 36, 976 |
| Norristown | a14,500 | 39 | 2, 081 | 1,401 | 39 | 1, 830,165 |
| Philadelphia | c817, 448 | 1, 90.3 | 156, 380 | 84, 55 | 903 | 1, 830, 165 |
| Pittsburgh | a135, 000 | 432 | 22, 118 | 15,507 | 4.38 | 5.36, 717 |
| Pottsvillo.. | b12, 384 | 55 | 2, 680 | 1, 297 | $\begin{array}{r}56 \\ 130 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 119, 404 |
| Reading | b33, 930 | 130 | 6,159 | 4,866 | 130 | 65, 520 |
| Scrauton | b35, 092 | 33 | 3, 520 | 2,303 | 31 | 36, 265 |
| Titusrillo | a10, 000 | 27 | 1,603 | 1,166 | 29 | 35, 302 |
| Wilkes-Barre | a 25,000 | 27 | 1,697 | 2,487 | 61 | 34,993 |
| Williamsport | a22, 000 | 42 | 2, 321 | 1,705 | 42 | 28,074 |
| York ..... | a14,000 | 42 | 2,321 | 1,705 |  |  |

$a$ Estimated present population.
$\checkmark$ Census of 1870 .
c Special city cersus of 1876.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Allegheny.-This city owns 23 public school-houses, containing 210 rooms. In theso 140 primary, 37 grammar, and 7 high schools were taught in 1877 . The figures in the talle for enrolment and attendance refer to these schools, included in which were 30 colored pupils enrolled and 161 in average attendance. Ten evening schools, not and parochial schools, 3,458 pupils had an average attendance or 380 . In private schools emrolled 264 pupils and had an average daily attcndance of 225 . The stady of drawing in the sohools was optional.- (Report for 1876-77.)

Allentown has a graded course below the high schools, the course in which is of 3 years. The high schools enrolled 100 pupils in 1876-77.-(State report:)

Altoona has had since 18758 grades below the high school, which last has 2 courses, an elementary and a scientific, both including Latin, with German, French, and Greek optional. Six pupils graduated from tho elementary high school course in 1877. Drawing enters into the school courses appaiently throughout.-(State report, 1877.)

Chester grades her schools as primary, secondary, grammar, and ligh, and has 1 school for colored pupils, which includes primary, secondary, and grammar departments. The courso in the secondary and grammar grades was extended in 1876-977. Pupils now require 7 years to prepare for the high school, the course in which coveris 4 years. The high school enrolled 95 in 1876-77, and graduated 7, all becoming teachers in tho city and neighborhood. Drawing, at first taught by a special teacher, is now attended to by the regular teachers in the city school.- (State report.)
At Erie the influence of the high school on the lower grades is reported to have been most beneficial, arousing and encouraging ambitious pupils and sending down a class of teachers who have had the benefit of a liberal course of study. - (State report.)
Harrisburg has a course which includes vocal music and drawing from the outset and cxtends from subprimary through primary, secondary, intermediate, grammar, and high schools. The course in the high schools covers 4 years, and in pursuing it a tween botany and special physical gcography and Latin in the first two years; beLatin in the fourth. Other story or Latin in optional, among them astronomy and year.- (Directory of the pu studies also are optional, among them Greck in the last Norristown grades its schools in primary,

[^57]departments, employs special teachers of music and drawing, and has also a lecturer on physiology.
Philadelphia.-The schools here in 1877 were 233 primary, 135 secondary, 27 consolidated, 62 grammar, 1 practice school connected with the girls' normal school, that normal school itself, and a central high school for boys, with 49 night schools, making a total of 509 conducted under the city system, 460 of them being day schools. ${ }^{1}$ The consolidated schools are mainly in outlying districts, and embrace all grades bclow the high school. The girls' normal school serves the purposes of a high school for advanced female pupils, as well as those of a normal college. The central high school, for boys alone, answers to the city colleges of New York and Baltimorc, and like them prepares teachers for the male departments of the city schools. The night schools included 21 for white males, 14 for white femalcs, 10 for whites of both sexes, and 4 for colored pupils of both sexes, the whole eurolling 15,311 pupils under 319 teachers. Among those for white males, as in former years, was a school for artisans, which was held in the central high school buildiug, registered 540 pupils, and had an average attendance of 243 . It was substantially an evening high school, having 4 classcs (one of them an advanced one) in arithmetic, mensuration, geometry, mechanical and engineering drawing, and natural philosophy, 2 classes in architectural drawing, and 1 in chemistry. The instruction given was mainly through lectures, for illustrating which the apparatus, models, and diagrams belonging to the Central High School were placed at the disposal of the lecturers. The aim of the school was to give the artisan such a knowledge of mathematics as would enable him to understand the general principles on which his drawings must be constructed and the methods of calculation in mechanical pursuits. Since its establishment in 1869, it has enrolled more than 5,300 pupils, and through the instruction given them has done much to improve the productive capacity of the numerous building establishments and machine shops for which Philadelphia has long becen famous. The drawing department, mechanical and architectural, was much extended in 1877, and the instruction given such as could be practically applied.

A committee appointed to revise the course of studies in the city schools made its report November 29,1877 , presenting a thoroughly graded system of instruction, with clear indications of the mode of teaching in each branch up to the high school, but not including that. In this course drawing, which had not previously been attended to below the secondary schools, begins witid the first primary grade and is carried on throughout. Vocal music receives fuller and more systematic noticc. Object lessons are made prominent, and practical directions are given for the use of them. Language is to be taught through blackboard exercises and phonic charts, as well as through spelling and reading books and steady drill in composition. Physical training, morals and manners, habits and conduct, all have due place and time and method of instruction indicated. The report is understood to have been approved, the course adopted, and arrangements made for carrying it out fully. Rightly pursued, it cannot fail to bring about a great improvement in the sclools.- (Rcport for 1877.)
Pittsburgh is divided into 37 subdistricts, each under the supervision of 6 school dircctors. These directors build and keep in rcpair the school edifice, for which purpose they are empowered to levy a tax on the subdistrict. They also elect and discharge teachers. All other matters pertaining to cducation, such as the adoption of books, the fixing of salaries, and the control of the high school, belong to a central board composed of one representative from each subdistrict board. There is a city superin-
tendent.
The course of study in the public schools extends over 11 years, viz: primary, 5 years; grammax, 2 ; high school, 4 . This course is divided into 3 parts corresponding with these 3 classes of schools. That of the high school is again divided into academic, normal, commercial, and industrial. The academic is a 4 years' course; the others may be completed in 2 ycars. These departments are all in one building and are under the control of one priucipal. Besides the city day schools, evening schools were maintained for 65 nights in 1876-77, employing 56 teachers and enrolling 4,343 pupils, with an average attendance of 1,882 . The number of these schools is not given. One of them, at least, was an industrial school, and is believed to have formed the industrial department of the high school above referred to. The enrolment was 232 ; the average attendance, 146. - (Printed report and special return.)

Reading reports 20 school-honses, valued, with their grounds, at more than $\$ 300,000$. Up to December 22, 1876, it had a separate school for colored children, but at that date it was abolished and the pupils were dirceted to attend the schools of the sections in which they lived. The graduates of the high school since 1852, the date of its establisliment, have been 460 .- (State report.)

Scranton, one of the chief cities of the coal region, has 10 school buildings, with sittings for 3,000 pupils, and reports her schools as thoroughly graded and classificd. The system includes a high school.- (State report.)

[^58]Wilkes-Barre has a graded coulso embracing primary, grammar, and high school departments, the last covering 4 years of English, Latin, and Grcek studies, the two latter elective. Drawing and vocal music are included in the school course.- (Manual of the schools of Wilkes-Barre.)

Williamsport classes her departments as primary, junior, senior, and high, and had in the last over 100 pupils in 1876-'77, the languages entering into its course. It graduated 13 at the close of that school year.- (State report.)

York, also grading her schools up to a high school, had in this during 1876-77 a normal class composed of all pupils in the senior class preparing to teach and of all teachers of the public schools with less than 5 years' experience. A number of the older teachers also a vailed themselves of its advantages. The class mct one hour each week for instruction in the theory and methods of teaching. The resulting improvement in the teachers is said to have been quite encouraging.- (State report.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOLS.

Pennsylvania has ten normal schools in operation under the act of 1857, in addition to the one in Philadelphia supported by the city. The attendance at the State schools in 1876-77, not counting pupils in the model schools, was 2,770 . The value of the buildings and other property is estimated at $\$ 1,200,000$. In aiding to establish these schools, the State has contributed $\$ 545,000$. It will take probably $\$ 2 \overline{5} 0,000$ more to free them from debt, and another $\$ 250,000$ to supply the needed additional buildings and appliances. It is suggested by Superintendent Wickersham that this amount be appropriated, payable in instalments during the next three or five years, and the schools thereafter be made self-sustaining. The money already expended both by the State and private individuals would thus be made secure, and conditions could be enforced upon the schools greatly promotive of their efficiency. All students but those preparing to teach could be excluded, the standard for graduation raised, the course in the science of teaching extended, needed apparatus, libraries, and appliances supplied, the schools for practice made models in every respect, the public schools furnished with teachers slilled in their profession, and Pennsylvania have a normal school system unequalled in the United States, perhaps the peer of any in the world.- (State report.)
Besides the 2,770 pupils in the 10 State normal schools, there were 921 in the Girls' Normal School, Philadelphia, and 89 in the normal department of the Pittsburgh High School, making a total of 3,780 nominal normal students, besides some in the Philadelphia Central High School and in a normal class at York. ${ }^{1}$ The normal graduates for the year as far as shown were 180 from 9 of the State normal schools, 170 from the Philadelphia Normal School, and 24 from the normal department at Pittsburgh, besides 11 who were entitled to certificates on their graduation from the Philadelphia High School.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

The school law of the State makes provision for holding institutes for the improvement of teachers in the controllers' districts of cities and boroughs twice a month during the school ycar, and for holding county institutes once a year. Fourteen cities and boroughs are reported as having had institutes in 1876-'77, not including Philadelphia, Where it is believed that they were also held ; and in the reports from counties, 350 districts report institutes as held; including cities and boroughs, 364 . All the counties except one appear to have had them, with sessions ordinarily of 5 days each, and an aggregate attendance of 13,109 actual and 2,104 honorary members; the instructors numbered 388 , and the school directors present 2,047 , besides some 34,000 other per-sons.-(State report.)

## SCHOOL JOURNALS.

The Pennsylvania School Journal, edited by the State superintendent, pullished at Lancaster, and now sharing with the Ohio Educational Mouthly the honor of being the oldest of their class in the United States, continned during 1877 its excellent issues, which werc well fitted to improve in many points the teachers of the State.

The Educational Voice, published at Pittsburgh for the teachers and school boards

[^59]of that city and Allegheny City, was largely occupied during the year with reports of their teachers' institutes, the statisties of their schools, and matter meaut to inform and aid teachers.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC MIGII SCHOOLS.

The State report gives the number of schools in which some higher branches were tanght in $1876-77$ as 2,074 , an increase of 185 on the number for the preceding year. The ummber of students in these branches is not given.

Referring to current objections, the superintendent advbcates the right of high schools to recognition and support. To the objection that they were not contemplated by the fiamers of the common school system, he answers that for Pennsylvania this cannot be admitted, for in the school law express provision has been made for instruction in such other branches beyond the elementary as school boards may require. To the charge that few scholars direetly enjoy the advantages of high schools, he says that such schools nevertheless greatly benefit lower schools, sending down an inspiriting and animating influence, encouraging a hope of advancement which may come to any one, and actually calling up into their classes many energetic and ambitious youth who otherwise could have no training for the higher work of life. To the statement that high schools are expensive, he replies by an admission of the expense; but he says that they pay for it by the life and power and efficiency they impart to the whole educational machinery.
"The positive argument," he says, "in favor of high schools is, that they are needed to complete a system of public instruction; that the beneficial influence they exert upon lower schools is worth all they eost; and that a State has no more need of citizens who can simply read and write than it has of citizens who have some learning, some culture, some weight of character. There is no purpose answered by a lower school which is not better answered by a higher cue; and the right policy, in regard to a common school system, is to lay a strong foundation, and then build upon it as high as is practically possible."

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS

For statistics of business colleges, private academic schools, preparatory schools, and preparatory departments of colleges, see Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX of the appendix following, and the summaries of them in the Report of the Commissioner preeeding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES

For the statistics of universities and colleges, see Table IX of the appendix, and a summary in the Report of the Commissioner preceding. For a statement of their courses, see the Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876. The following, however, were either not included in the description there given or require further mention:
The University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, has added a department of music to the departments of arts, science, medicine, and law; and has admitted women in its scientific school to the lectures on modern history given to the seniors, to those on general chemistry given to the freshmen and sophomores, to those on physics given to the sophomores, and to the instruction in analytical chemistry given to the juniors and seniors in one of the laboratories. They may also have the benefit of the instruction given in the new department of music.

In its department of medicine, too, the trustees in 1877 resolved that all future matriculates must attend 3 courses of lectures, instead of 2 , previons to their examination for a degree. These courses are to be, as before, of 5 months' duration, are to be so graded as to allow the constant introduction of new matter as the student advances, and at the same time will secure for him as much repetition of the more essential subjects as in the former system of teaching. In this reform, the university follows the lead of the Boston University, Harvard, and some other schools; but it does not seem to have gone to the further point which they lave reached of requiring for admission to the medical school a preliminary examination to test the fitness for medical study of all candidates without a degree in letters or scienec. It cannot, however, remain long belind them in this respect.

The department of law is said to have been recently reorganized with a view to the enlargement of its aims and to giviug a more exact system to its instruction, but the particulars in whieh improvements have been made are not stated.- (Catalogue for 1877-78.)

Lebanon Valley College, Annville, ummentioned in 1876, has 3 courses, the classical, the ladies', and the scientific, all of 4 years except the last, which may be completed in 3. It has, too, special classes in rocal and instrumental music.- (Catalogue for 1870-77.)

Lehigh University, South Bethlehem, modifying and adding to its previous arrange-
monts, has now, besides its classical course and course in general science, technical courses in eivil, mechanical, and mining engineering, metallurgy and chemistry, cach of 4 years; it has also graduate courses leading to the degrecs of mechanical engineer and civil engineer. There is now, too, a well stocked astronomical observatory.(Register, 1877.)

Muhlenberg College, Allentown, has added a normal department to its preparatory school, and has also made arrangements for a summer normal school.- (Catalogue for 1877-78.)

St. Vineent's College, Westmoreland County, has dropped the philosophical courso mentioned in the Rcport for 1876, and has now only commercial, classical, and theological courses beyond its elementary school.- (Catalogue for 1876-77.)

Thicl College, Greenville, has a ladies' eourse, unmentioned in 1876, embracing the stualies of the collegiate department, except that Greek is optional and that French may be taisen instead of German. - (Catalogue for 1877-78.)

The Western University of Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, from which no report as to courses of instruction was received in 1876, again indicates preparatory and collegiate departments, the latter including academical, scientific, and engineering courses.-(Catalogue for 1876-'77.)

In the other eolleges the courses remain substantially as before given, except that Lafayette College, Easton, appears to have made some advance in its thoroughly scieutific study of Euglish and other modern languages, as well as aucient.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

For full statistics of these institutions, see Table VIII of the appendix following, and for a summary, see the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

[For statistics, see Tables $X-X I I$ of the appendix, and summaries of these in the Commissioner's Report preceding.]

## SCIENTIFIC.

The Pennsylvania State College, Centre County, is designed especially to promote improvement in agriculture and the mechanic arts, not excluding classical and other literary studies and including military tactics. The courses of study are agricultural, classieal, scientific, and preparatory. Tuition is free except in music, and both sexcs are admitted. There were 57 undergraduate students in 1877, of whom 7 were young women, besides 93 in the preparatory department.- (Catalogue and return, 1877.)
The Towne Scientific School of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, aims to give a thorough technical and professional training in chemistry, with its applications to the industrial arts; in metallurgy and assaying, in mineralogy, geology, and mining; in civil, dynamical or mechanical, and mining engineering; in mechanical drawing and architecture, and in studies preparatory to medical study. The courses cover 4 years, and coincide for the first 2, branching out then into six parallel courses, from which students may select. To stimulate scientific study in Philadelphia, prize scholarships tenable for 4 years are given annually to pupils from the public schools of that eity seat up by the school board to the June examination for admission. The scholarships are bestowed on those of their number, not oxceeding 10 , who reach tho highest grade in that examination, provided that grade is not less than 65 out of a possible 100. The attendance in 1877 was 99 undergraduates in regular courses, 16 in partial courses, and 4 in graduate studies.
The Pardee Scientific Department of Lafayette College, besides a general scientific course, has three technical courses: (1) engineering, civil, topographical, and mechanical; (2) mining engineering and metallurgy, and (3) chemistry. Provision is also made for advanced or graduate scientific study.
The Polytechnic College of the State of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, gives instruction in enginecring, mining, civil and mcchanical, in analytical and industrial chemistry, in metallurgy, and in architecture.-(Circular.) In view of the necessity for better preparatory training of technical students, it undertook in 1877 the establishment of a preparatory department, the qualifications for admission to which should be those required of teachers in the conmon schools.
Lehigh University, South Bethlehem, as before mentioned, provides technical education for the professions that are to develop the peculiar resources of the surrounding region, which is largely devoted to mining, and its attendant engineering and manufacturing industries.

Scientific studies are also to a greater or less extent pursued in Dickinson, Haverford, Neweastle, Washington and Jefferson, Westminster, Waynesburg, Swarthmore, and Monongalela Colleges, in the University at Lowisburg, and in the Franklin Institute and the Wagner Free Institute of Science, Philadelphia. In addition to the general scientific studies, agriculture and correlated branches are taught in the scicntific
department of Washington and Jefferson College; while in the Western University and in Swarthmore and Monongahela Colleges engineering studies form a part of the scientific course.

## THEOLOGICAL.

Of the various theological schools which present their statistics in Table XI of the appendix following, two take a high stand. These are the Theologieal Seminary of the Euangelical Lutheran Church at Philadelphia, which requires a college degree as the standard evidence of educational preparation for entrance, only to be remitted by unanimous vote of the faculty; and the Western Theological Seminary (Presbyterian), Allegheny City, which will give its diploma only to college graduates or to those who satisfactorily sustain an examination in the branches of literature usually taught in our colleges as well as in studies pursued at the seminary. Others which more or less approximate this standard, without fully reaching it, are the Moravian Theologieal Seminary, Bethlehem; the Theologieal Seminary of the Evangelieal Lutheran Church, Gettysburg; the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Chureh, Lancaster; the Meadville Theoloyieal Sehool (Unitarian); the Philadelphia Theologieal Seminary of St. Charles Borromeo, Overbrook, and the Evangelieal Lutheran Missionary Institute, Selinsgrove.

## LEGAL.

Instruction in law is given in the Law Department of the University of Pennsylvania and in that of Lafayette College. In both of these there is a course of instruction exteuding over 2 years. At the University of Pennsylvania there were 103 students of law in 1877, who were taught by 5 professors and instructors. There were also 24 graduates at the commencement of 1877. The statistics of attendance in the Lafayette school are not given for this year.-(Catalogues.)

## MEDICAL.

The regular medical colleges are Jefferson Aredieal College, the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, and the Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania, all in Philadelphia. The first had an attendance in 1877 of 598 students, the second of 375 , and the last had 100 attending the winter and 63 the spring term. The course in all is nominally 3 years. In the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, as noticed under the head of Superior Instruction, it is now a 3 years' graded course in the medical school itself, pursued entirely under the direction of its faculty, without attendance on which course or a preparation equivalent to it, there can be no graduation.
Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia, reports 160 students, 13 instructors, and 53 graduates in 1877; course, the ordinary 3 years. A real 3 years' graded course in the institution has been arranged and is offered to students, but graduation is still allowed on the basis of a year of private study and attendance on 2 annual courses of lectures.
The Pennsylvania College of Dentul Surgery, Philadelphia, and the Pliladelphia Dental College, provide a 2 years' course of instruction. ${ }^{1}$ The first reports an attendance of 157 students in 1877; the other, for 1876-77, had 118.
The Philadelphia College of Pharmaey had 318 students and 88 graduates in 1877. The college course covers 2 years, with 4 years' apprenticeship in the drag business. ${ }^{2}$

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.

The Western Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, at Turtle Creek, founded in 1876 , reports for 1877 an attendance of 80 pupils, of whom 47 were males and 33 females. The branches taught are composition, arithmetic, geography, drawing, reading, and writing; also articulation to about 30 pupils. There are, as yet, no facilities for teaching trades, but some of the pupils are occupied in light gardening.- (Return, 1877.)

The Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, at Philadelphia, teaches the branches now usually embraceil in a common school course, aud the employments of sloomaking, tailoring, and dressmaking. The number of pupils atteuding in 1877 was 391, of whom 223 were males and 168 females.ं The pupils are making satisfactory progress in drawing. The semi-mutes are taught articulation.-(Return and report, 187\%.)

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## EDUCATION OF THE BLIND.

The Pennsyluania Institution for the Instruction of the Blind, at Philadelphia, had 203 inmates in 1877, of whom 102 were in the litcrary classes, music, and handicraft; 13 in the work department only; 10 in the industrial home; 20 acted as assistant teachers and 3 as monitors. The branches taught are those of the grammar schools of the city, including also, in the senior classes, several of the advanced subjects of the high school. The employments are the mannfacture of brooms, brushes, carpets, mats, and mattresses, cane seating, crocheting, beadwork, basket making, knitting, plain sewing, dressmaking, and the use of the sewing machine; besides the tuning and rcpairing of pianos and reed organs.
The institution is mainly supported by the State, which appropriated in 1877 for regular expenses $\$ 39,000$, besides $\$ 3,000$ for a fire escape. In consideration of this allowance probably, blind children in indigent circumstances from Pennsylvania are received, while others from New Jersey and Delavare are provided for by those States respectively for the term of five to eight years. Persons over 21 are admitted to learn some uscful handicraft.- (Catalogue and return.)

## EDUCATION OF THE FEEBLE-MINDED.

The Pennzylvania Training School for Feeble-Minded Children, at Greenwood, 1 mile from Media and 12 from Philadclphia, is in a healthy, elcvated region. Its object is to furnish - through the school room, calisthenium, workshop, domestic scrvice, and light outdoor labor-special means for the mental, moral, and physical improvement of youth who are so deficicnt in mind or have such marked mental eccentricitics or such perversion of habits as to deprive them of other means of instruction. Since the opening of the institution in 1852, there have been 458 inmates dismissed improved. There were on the school roll, September, 1877,248 fceblc-minded youths, of whom 147 were boys and 101 girls. - (Annual report, 1877, and return.)

## EDUCATION OF ORPHANS.

Besides the education given by the State to about three thousand soldiers' orphans and that afforded by benevolent associations in Philadelphia to 94 orphans in the Lincoln Institution, and more than 100 in the Educational Home for Boys, the Girard College for Orphans, in the same city, had at the close of 1877 a total of 704 pupils in its 8 years' coursc, which begins with the lowest primary studies and extends through 3 successive schools, the last of which branches into departments of English, of Frcuch, of Spanish, of natural listory, of general physics, of mathematics, and of graphics.(Report of the board of city trusts for 1877.)

## ART EDUCATION.

Besides the long established Academy of Fine Arts and the more recent School of Design for Women, which last gives free instruction to 10 scholars from the city schools, Philadelphia has enjoyed a third important means of training in the arts since the autumn of 1876. This is the Pennsylvania Museum and School of Industrial Art. The muscum, which consists largely of choice articles purchased at the Centennial Exhibition and loans from societics and individuals, is neant to aid in improving the public taste as to articles for household use and decoration; ${ }^{1}$ the school is to afford a training for students in such industries as go to produce these articles. The report of the trustees for 1877 states that the museum has attracted nearly 150,000 visitors, and that the school has included classes in drawing and design, in gcometry and projections, and in needlework for hangings and embroidery.

## REFORMATORY AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING.

The report of the board of managers of the Philadelphia House of Refuge ${ }^{2}$ for 1877 shows that it had under its care, in the opening of that year, 417 youth of both sexes, black and white; that 318 more were admitted during the ycar, and 214 discharged, leaving 540 in the institution December 31. .The elements of a common school training are imparted, and the boys are instructed in brush making, wire weaving, stocking weaving, and the making of match boxes; the girls, in the making and mending of dresses and other clothing, and in the various domestic industries. Instruction in morals also forms an important portion of the training given.
In the Industrial Home for Girls, South Tenth strect, Philadelphia, and in the Industrial School of the Immaculate Conception, West Philadelphia, 130 inmates were reported for 1877, all receiving an clementary literary training, instruction in morals and manners and in domestic industries, with a view to houschold service or to apprenticeship to trades.

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## TRAINING LN ORATORY.

An institution in Philadelphia termed the National School of Elocution and Oratory aims to impart an acquaintance with the spirit of our literature and with the best methods of rendering its meaning effectively and impressively through due culture of all oratorical capacities. Attention is given to conversation and oratory, vocal culture, reading, and recitation. There were 167 students, 71 ladies and 96 men, under 11 instructors, in 1877.

## INSTRUCTION IN MUSIC.

In addition to the conservatorics of music found in the cities and the new department of music at the University of Pemsylvania, a musical college at Freeburg, established in 1871, claims to afford facilities for first class instruction in vocal and instrumental music.

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION.

## STATE ASSOCIATION.

The twenty-fourth annual session of the State Tcachers' Association of Pennsylvania was held at Eric, Pa., August 7-9, 1877. The meeting, owing in some degree to disturbances along the railroads, was not largely attended; but still it fairly represented the various parts of the State and their many school interests.

The inangural address of President George L. Maris was on "A thorough and efficient system of public schools;" it advocated a complete system of freo public education from the primary school to the State university. The other addresses and papers Were on "The relation of colleges to common schools," by Thomas G. Apple, D. D.; "Pedagogical museums," by Dr. S. P. May, of Toronto, Ontario; "Resolutions laid over at West Chester" (in respect to mental arithmetic), by Professor D. M. Sensenig; "The teacher's personal culture," by Prófessor Andrew H. Caugley, of Lafayette Collcge; "Teachers' tenure of office," by Superintendent V. G. Curtis, of Corry; "County institutes," by Dr. George P. Hays ; and "The educational problem among the German element," by Supcrintendent S. A. Baer, of Berks. Short addresses were also made by Miss L. E. Patridge, on "Physical training," and by Miss Elizabeth Lloyd, on " Moral training." All the papers presented were cliscussed at considerable lengtl, much intercst boing manifested in the various topics. The subject of higher education, as presented in the president's inaugural address and in the paper of Dr. Apple, received a large share of attention; the main questions being as to the relative advantage of a Statc university and free public schools over private institutions for higher and secondary instruction.-(Pennsylvania School Journal, September, 1877.).

## NOTEWORTHY BENEFACIION.

## ENDOWMENT OF A PROFESSORSHIP OF SURGERY.

Mrs. John Rhea Barton, of Philadelphia, whose husband was for many years an eminent surgcon in that city, generously gave $\$ 50,000$ to the University of Pennsylvania in 1877 for the endowment of the John Rhea Barton chair of surgery in its medical department.

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## PROFESSOR JOHN SEELY HART, LL. D.

This esteemed teacher and author was born in Stockloridge, Mass., January 28, 1810, and died in Philadelphia, Pa., March 26, 1877. A bricf sketch of himself in his Manual of American Literature states that when he was two years old his parents removed to Pemnsylvania, settling in the woods of Luzerne County, not far from the present town of Scranton. Eleven years later, they again removed to Wilkes-Barre, the county scat, to afford their son the advantages of education in its excellent academy. He profited by these advantages so much that in 4 ycars he was fitted for the sophomore class at Princeton College; entering which in 1827, he graduated with first honor in 1830. For a year after graduation he was principal of Natchez Acarlemy, Mississippi; but, not finding the South agreeable, he returned to his alma mater as a student of theology, was made a tutor in 1832, and became adjuuct professor of ancient languages in 1834. Convinced from his experience in these positions that there was need of a better preparatory training for students who were to engage in collego work, he resigned his professorship in 1836 and became principal of Edgchill School, at Princeton, with a view to giving such preparatory training. The reputation gained in this and previous positions brought him in 1842 an offer of the headship of the Philadelphia City High School, then in its first vigorous youth. He accepted it and served with great efficiency till 1859, when he took a temporary rest, carrying with him the degree of Ll. D., which had been conferred in 1848 by the University of Pemnsylvania. In 1860 he entered the service of the American Sunday School Union in Philadelphia, as editor
of its publications, and established the Sunday School Times, a paper intended to aid teachers. It met a wide welcome, and to secure for it greater independence he separated from the union and continued the paper on his own account from 1861 to 1871. In 1862 he was called to the headship of the model school comnceted with the New Jersey State Normal School at Trenton, and the following scason was elected principal of the institution. Again his mark as a successful teacher was made so decidedly that Princeton would not rest without him, and aftcr various efforts secured him once more, this time as professor of rhetoric and of the English language and litcrature, in 1872. He occupied the chair about three years, when, according to a previous understanding, he retired, to secure in Philadelphia more leisure for literary work, to which he had been long devoted and which had become quite profitable. But at the date above indicated, while in the discharge of a duty at once literary and benevolentbeing engaged in carrying home to a young lady a manuscript he had revised for herhe fell upon an icy pavement and broke his hip. The accident caused his death.
Among a great variety of works preparcd and published by him, the following have been widely popular: In the School Room, 1868; Theory and Practice of Teaching, First Lessons in Composition, Manual of Composition and Rhetoric, and Manual of English Literature, 1872; Manual of American Litcrature, and A Short Course in Literature, English and American, 1873. Language Lessons and English Grammar Analysis were published not long before his death, and it was while projecting other kindred works, and especially a Grammar of Grammars, for which he had been long accumulating the materials, that he died.
A teacher for more than forty years, Professor Hart contributed to form the characters and train the minds of over 7,000 pupils. An author during almost the same period, he has interested and instructed by his published works a very much larger number; for, although not brilliantly original nor profoundly learned, he was well read and eminently practical, and had the art of arresting men's attention and of conveying useful lessons in a pleasant way. Alike for the successful instruction he has given and for the excellent works through which this may be continued, he must be long remembered, and with much respect.-(From papers furnished by Professor J. M. Hart.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER.

Hon. J. P. Wickersham, State superintendent of public instruction, Harrisburg.
[Preseat term, 1876-1880.]

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (5-15 inclusive).. | a53, 316 | a53, 316 |  |  |
| Different pupils in public day schools . | 39, 328 | 39, 959 | 631 |  |
| Number under or over the seliool age.- | b1, 359 | b2, 240 | 881 |  |
| Average mumber belonging ............ | 30,516 | 30,816 | 300 |  |
| Average attendance ...... | 27, 021 | 27, 56.2 | 541 |  |
| school districts and schools. |  |  |  |  |
| Number of school districts. | 430 | 431 | 1 |  |
| Number of publie school buildings..... | 430 | 442 | 12 |  |
| Number of graded public schools. | 466 | 495 | 30 |  |
| Number of ungraded ones .... | 291 | 292 | 1 |  |
| Whole number of public day schools | 757 | 788 | 31 |  |
| Average time of these, in days........ | 180 | 181 | 1 |  |
| Estimated value of sites, buildings, \&c. | \$2, 456, 674 | \$2, 644, 541 | \$187, 867 |  |
| teachers and their pay. |  |  |  |  |
| Men teaching in public schools | 211 | 212 | 1 |  |
| Women teaching in the same ....... | 869 | 892 | 23 |  |
| Whole number in public day schools Average monthly pay of men | 1,080 $\$ 8149$ | 1,104 | 24 |  |
| Average monthly pay of women ....... | $\$ 8149$ 46 | 18069 4591 |  | \$0 80 |
| INCOME AND EXPEENDITURE. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole reccipts for public schools Whole expenditure for them | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 734,116 \\ & 709,467 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 730,422 \\ & 725,963 \end{aligned}$ | \$16,496 | \$3,694 |
| SCHOOL FUND. |  |  |  |  |
| Available school fund. | \$244, 325 | \$240, 376 |  | \$3,949 |

$a$ There has been no new census since 1875, and the number then ascertained is still used.
$b$ The school commissioner gives these as approximate rather than certain numbers. ${ }^{\circ}$
(From reports of Hon. Thomas B. Stockwell, State commissioner of public schools, for the two years indicated.)

Notes on the statistics. - With the exception of income and expenditure, the statistics in the table include only public day schools. Besides these, there were, in $1876-77,28$ evening schools, taught on an average 12 weeks, the same number as last year, with a diminution of 1 week in the time of their sessions. They enrolled 3,739 different pupils, an increase of 560 ; had an average belonging of 2,720 , an increase of 325 ; and an average attendance of 1,714 , an increase of 129 . The whole number of teachers employed in them was 177, an increase of 27 ; the average number, 152, an increase of 21 .

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A State board of cducation has general control and supervision of the public schools. It is composed of 8 members, the governor and lientenant governor being members ex officio, and the general assembly choosing annually 2 of the remaining, 6 for terms of 3 years, in such order as to secure Providence County 2 members of the board aud each other county 1 momber. It reports annually to the general assembly.

A State commissioner of public schools, elected annually by the board, serves as its secretary and exccutive officer to visit and inspect schools, to suggest improvements, to recommend uniformity of text books, and to make annual report to the board.

## LOCAL.

School committces of not less than 3 members are chosen by the towns for terms of 3 years each, and are liable to change of onc-third of their material by a new election each year. Women are eligible. Where the town system prevails, as it does in 8 cases, the committce has entire control of the school system, choosing a superintendent of schools if the votcrs of the town fail to elect one at the town meeting.

District trustees, chosen by the districts into which towns are usually divided, and consisting of one or three persons, have charge of the schools of their respcctive districts, aided in their duties by a clerk, a treasurer, and a collector chosen by the district, as the town committees are aided by the town clerks, treasurcrs, and col-lectors.-(Common School Manual, published by State authority.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

As may be seen from the statistics given on the preceding page, there has been a noteworthy advance all along the line: 631 more pupils in public schools, 541 more in average attendance, 12 more public school buildings ( 7 of these certainly large city ones), 31 more public day schools (all graded except 1), 24 more teachers, and a considerably higher valuation of school property, which is an exception to the general rule this year and is here larger in proportion than in any other State except Nebraska. The receipts for schools, too, have diminished very slightly and the expenditure on them has increased in marked degree, yet without entirely emptying the school treasury. The same clearly perceptible increase is apparent in the attendance on evening schools, which are more general in this State than in any other in the Union and do an excellent work for those who cannot attend the day schools.

While the absolute increase in the schools is thus considerable, the relative increaso of enrolment and attendance is shown by the superintendent to have gone beyond the advance in school population; so that, instead of the public school system having a slighter hold on the regard and confidence of the pcople, as some assert, it is plain that it is rather tightening that hold. Still the commissioner does not rest content with what has been accomplished in this direction. Admitting that the schools are better attended than in past years, and taking this as evidence of some improvement of their quality, he thinks the time has come for more advance in both directions. As respects attendance, he says that the increase reached is due to no special efforts made, but rather to the natural workings of the system, and he urges that immediate endeavors be made to "close up the gap which now exists between the number of those who should attend school and that of those who do." He would not have compulsion resorted to for this till all the resources of argument and appcal and benevolent aid in clothing and in books have been exhausted; but then he would not hesitate to use legal means to secure to the children of neglectful or bad parents those educational advantages of which they are deprived. The commissioner thinks that the quality of the schooling given may be improved by striving less to impart knowledge and more to educate or develop the pupil; the former preparing for limited fields of action, the lattcr rendering the mind bold and comprehensive and giving to its possessor the power of unlimited control.- (State report.)

## GRADED AND UNGRADED SCHOOLS.

As the result of a demand for a degree of efficiency which can be secured in no other way than by an arrangement of the pupils according to their ages and their capacity for studying certain things, about three-fifths of the schools of Rhode Island are graded. By gencral consent they are far better than the old ungraded schools for the work to be donc. But, with all the excellences of the graded system, Mr. Stockwell holds that it has shortcomings to be remedied and excesses to be repressed; that graded schools are sometimcs arbitrary in their organization and tyrannous in their administration, that the system is placed first and cducation second. He therefore suggests the introduction of greater elasticity in the system as to gradation, classification and instruction; it must be kept in mind, he says, that the studies pursued are not the end, but only a means toward the attainment of it. He urges that more attention be paid to the wants of the large class of children who leave school for the shop or the mill at or bcfore their twelfth year. The indisputable fact that so many are thus cut off from all suitable educational advantages at an early age, he says, must be recognized, and it should lead to efforts to so arrange the course of study that those who leave early may make the most of their limited advantages. He would consequently have the courses arranged not with exclusive reference to the few who finish the programme, but with regard to the many who must leave before its
completion, remembering that "the true theory of a common school programme is that every step shall be the best possible preparation for stepping out, rather than for stepping up." He is therefore pleased to see in the report from Newport that an effort is on foot there to meet this need by the creation of a secondary course that may sccure to pupils leaving school early in life some of the advantages which have been fully enjoyed thus far by only the more favored ferr.
The nngraded schools, which are almost wholly in the rural districts, have as a rule no settled organization, no continuous plan of operation, no definiteness of aim, and no unity of effort. What they want, therefore, is direction, a distinct policy that may govern all their movements, though they may not all move on the same line. To this end he would like such a general course of study prescribed as may keep pupils from wasting lalf their school life for want of a plan of action, and then have such provision made for maintaining the schools as may enable them to secure and retain a good order of teachers, as is the case with graded schools.
The general institution of a town system instead of a district system is evidently looked to by him as a great means toward effecting the reforms required, and there are now 8 towns which have this system, either wholly or in part.-(State report.)

## MANUAL EDUCATION.

In common with many other State school officers, Mr. Stockwell notices the absence from most schools of an important factor in the education of a large portion of the children; this factor is the "labor element." He would have the absence remedied by the introduction of the Russian system of technical instruction as exhibited at the Centennial in Philadelphia, and as since modified by President Runkle, of Massachusetts - a system which makes each step of the training educational, which introduces it in its proper relation to those which have preceded and those which are to follow; which puts construction out of siglt, and makes instruction take its place; which docs not seck to teach this or that specific thing so much as to train the hand and eye to do anything of which they are capable; and which uses throughout the class system, by which one expert or teacher is enabled to impart to many at a time the knowledge that the old apprentice system gave to only one. As one present means to this reform in training, he recommends the general introduction of drawing into the schools, not as an accomplishment but as an educational agency-an indispensable first step in manual education, which must be taken to prepare for more advanced ones, as experience and reason shall point out the way.-(State report.)

## FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

Twelve of these aids to educational improvement received assistance from the State in 1877 , amounting to $\$ 1,050$, toward enlarging and improving their means of influence. The libraries assisted must in every case be free to all citizens of suitable age and character in the cities and towns where they are sitnated; must present with an application for State aid a catalogue of the books owned and a written statement of their number and condition; with every new application must file a schedule of the books purchased with the preceding grant ; mist always have printed catalogues for reference; and must be open at all times to the inspection of the board of education. These conditions complied with, a library may receive $\$ 50$ annually from the State for the purchase of new books provided it contains 500 volumes, and $\$ 25$ more for each additional 500 volumes; no library, however, to get more than $\$ 500$ in one year. Under the encouragement thus judicionsly afforded, the free libraries gradually but steadily increase, and, as those books only can be counted that are fit for usc, the condition of the volumes must be gencrally pretty good. The libraries aided in 1877 contained 21,738 volumes.- -(State report and other sources.)

## SCHOOL LEGISLATION.

The only legislation respecting public schools in 1877 that has any more than local interest was an amendment to the school law respecting teachers. With a view to putting a strange teacher on trial, school boards are allowed to grant a certificate valid for less than a year. Then, if the candidate proves unsuccessful, he can easily be dismissed when his certificate expires, while for a good teacher such a certificate can be easily renewed.-(State report.)

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS. ${ }^{1}$

## OFFICERS.

Under a general law, school committecs consist of at least 3 members. In Providence there are 6 for each ward; in Newport, 2 for each ward, with 2 from the city at

[^62]large, making 12 in all. There is thus in each city provision for annual change of onethird; also, a city superintendent in each.-(Laws and reports.)

STATISTICS. ${ }^{1}$

| Cities. | Population, 18 ĩ. | Children of school age, 1875. | Enrolment. | Averago at tendance. | Teachers. | Expenditure. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Newport | 14,023 | 2, 807 | 1,840 | 1,257 | 48 | \$62, 381 |
| Providence | 100,675 | 19,177 | 13,500 | 10,886 | 283 | 341, 818 |
| Woonsocket | 13,576 | 3,236 | 1,616 | 1,008 | 37 | 55,189 |

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Newport is credited in the State report with 10 school buildings, valued, with sites and furniture, at $\$ 208,700$. In these were taught 34 graded schools and 1 ungraded in 1876-77, besides 5 evening schools for an average of 8 weeks each. In the evening schools (which were graded as primary, intermediate, grammar, book-keeping, and mixed) 11 teachers were employed on an average, and 291 different pupils were enrolled additional to the enrolment in the table, which is for the day schools only. The attendance was good, and, as disorder was punished by exclusion, deportment soon rose to the standard of the day schools. The superintendent thinks that much good was accomplished, more than in former years. In private and church schools there was also an enrolment of 719 pupils, so that the whole enrolment in all schools reached 2,850 , just exceeding the number of children of school age. Drawing and music enter into the instruction for the day schools, special teachers being employed for both these studies, and the questions for examination in these and other subjects show plainly that thorough work is done. That in drawing is said to be much in advance of the preceding year, through a better appreciation of it on the part of the community and the efforts of an energetic teacher. Music, through like attention, is reported to have enjoyed a similar success, improving much in tone and pitch since the introduction of pitch pipes.
An ungraded course for the " winter scholars," who come in during the cold monthes. and leave when spring offers opportunities for qutdoor work, is urged by the superintendent. Such boys-for these winter scholars are generally boys-cannot well enter into the midst of grades, and cannot remain long enough to complete the studies of a year. For them he would therefore have a course which would give them the beginnings and carry them to the heart of the chief things to be attended to.-(State and city reports for 1876-77.)

Providence reports to the State commissioner 49 school buildings, of which 6 were completed and opened during 1876-77, while a new high school building, greatly needed, was commenced. The valuation of all public school property for the year was $\$ 1,450,000$. The city day schools, all graded, numbered 236 ; the evening schools, 8 , with 101 teachers and 2,351 pupils. Before the beginning of the school year, too, there were 8 vacation schools held, as in previous years, for terms of 6 weeks, under 22 teachers, with an enrolment of 1,238 pupils. The course in these schools is not given, but it probably included, as in the past, much oral instruction on practical matters not always attended to in the ordinary schools.

The proper arrangement of a course of study so as neither to press heavily on the duller scholars nor ncedlessly keep back the quicker ones, has evidently engaged the attention of Superintendent Leach. He sees that on the whole the present coursesare too full, as many pupils cannot master them, while many others drop out, year after year, without an approach to a completion of the courso. To secure the best results, he urges that the fundamental branches, reading, spelling, writing, and arithmetic, be thoroughly studied, believing that good drill in these is more important and more generally beneficial than a multitude of things half learned.- (City report for 1876-\%7.)

Woonsochet, although not a city in its organization, ranks with many such in population and merits notice for its schools, which, except 2 outlying ungraded ones, are classed as primary, intermediate, grammar, and high. The primary schools appear to receive the special attention they deserve as lying at the base of the whole system, and teachers equal to any in the other grades are said to have been provided for them, while they have been furnished even more fully than the others with needful apparatus and books for the desk. For the grammar and high school grades a new and beautiful building has been provided in place of one burned in 1875. Three graminar schools exist, each with a male principal. The high school numbered 67 pupils in 1876-77. A course in vocal music has been introduced into the grammar and high schools. Evening schools were maintained from October 23, 1876, to Fcbruary 16, 1877,

[^63]having a total of 16 teachers and 424 pupils, with an average belonging of 221 and an average attendance of 134. They are reported to have been far more successful than in any preceding session.-(Report for 1876-77.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## RHODE ISLAND STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, PROVIDENCE.

The number of students here in 1876-77 was 143 ; the number of graduates, 21 , of whom 14 engaged in teaching. Five resident and 7 non-resident instructors liave charge of the studies, which cover 2 years for a prescribed ordinary course and 2 years more for an authorized advanced course. Thc latter includes Latin, Greek, German, mathematics, and natural science, and is meant to prepare for higher work and better positions than the former. Graduates from the first course and graduates of high schools may be admitted to the second course without examination. Others must prove their qualification before entering.-(Report and return.)

The report of the trustees for 1877 states that the standard in the school both for admission and for graduation is raised steadily from year to year, and that there is a gratifying increase in the number of high school graduates who enter.-(State report.)

## TEACHERS' MEETINGS AND INSTITUTES.

In Bristol there are meetings of the teachers under direction of the school committee once at least in cach term for consultation as to school concerns and discussion of practical matters in a quiet way. At Cranston such meetings are reported to be held quarterly, and to have proved both interesting and insiructive. At Glocester the committee hcld 2 such in the winter of 1876-77, "with gratifying results." At North Smithfield several appear to have been hcld, exerting, as usual, a bencficial influence.

Provision is made by law for holding teachers' institutes under the direction of the State commissioner, and he reports that within the year he conducted 3 himself and assisted in the work of 2 others, having in all the aid of prominent instructors and professors.

The attendance of teachers at these institutes was good, and a very general interest was awakened in each community in which they were held. In all but one instance the plan was adopted of holding the sessions on school days instead of taking a holiday. A larger attendance was thus sccured. The institute work was made as practical as possiblc, nothing being introduced into the daily sessions except that which bore directly upon the work of the common schools. At each one the commissioner made a specialty of the metric system, causing it to be presented in a very thorough manner by means of a complcte set of the metric measures.

Discouragements in the way of such assemblages diminish from year to year as the fact becomes more clearly demonstrated that the institutes impart valuable instruction and that those teachers who attend achieve the highest measurc of success.- (State report.)

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## HIGH SCHOOLS.

Fourteen cities and towns are still reported as having separate high schools, or schools of equal grade, public or private. Four years appears to be the ordinary length of the coursc. At Providence an elegant building has been erected for the high school, from which school 85 per cent. of the teachers in the city schools are said to be supplied. At Newport, because a portion of every class drops out before the completion of the course, the strictly practical and disciplinary studies have becn evenly distributed throughout the 4 years, so that every pupil may get the utmost possible benefit from these during his time in the school. The high school here is supplying a want long felt in the community by abnndantly furnishing, for the first time in the history of the place, candidates for teachers' places who are well trained and capable. At Bristol the high school foll off considerably during the year from the loss of an effective assistant teacher whose place was not supplied. At Woonsocket a now and beantiful building for the high and grammar schools was dedicated in 1877. At East Greenwich it is proposed to turn to high school purposes the advantages of the excellent academy there, which can be had at smaller cost than would be needful to maintain a high school.

The public discussion of the high school question during the year has strengthener the sentiment that sustains these schools and drawn forth an emphatic utterance in favor of them. At the session of 1876 the house of representatives of the State passed a resolution instructing its committee on education to inquire and report to the house "whether or not the public money now expended on schools above the grade of grammar schools could not be expended more to the public advantage in instructing the pupils attending the public schools in the indnstrial arts." The report of the committee in response to this inquiry stated that "The higher education is the fountain of popular education. We sce that in all countries where great success has attended the
efforts to instruct the masses it has been due to the influences emanatiug from the higher seminaries of learning. Whatever influences operate detrimentally to the high schools in the same degree militate against the real efficiency of the elementary schools. Our high schools may be modificd, altered, or improved, as the exigencics of the various localities require, but never abolished."-(City reports and State report.)

## other secondary schools.

For statistics of reporting busincss colleges, private academies, and preparatory schools, see Tables IV, VI, and VII of the appendix following, and the summaries of them in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## BROWN UNIVERSITY.

This university continues to be the one means for collcgiate training in this State, and seems amply to supply all prescut needs in this direction. Depending on the high schools of the public system and varions good elassical schools around to prepare candidates for admission to its classes, it has no preparatory school, but it will examine in certain studies, a year bcforehand, such as propose to enter its freshman class, thus giving time to make up all deficiencies and secure the most thorough preparation possible. ${ }^{1}$ Besides special courses for students who are not candidates for a degree, the academical department includes the customary classical course for the degree of bachclor of arts and 3 courses for that of bachelor of philosophy, all covering 4 years each. Two of these 3 include classical studies in some measurc; the third omits these and substitutes for them scientific studies. In all these courses there is a large allowance of elective studies, beginning in the classical with the second sophomore semester; in the philosophical, with the first one.
For its semiannual examinations, Brown secures in addition to the faculty committees of examination in each study; these are composed of prominent teachers, clergymen, lawyers, doctors, and scientists.- (Catalogue for 1877-78.)
A new fire proof library building, with accommodations for 150,000 volumes, is the chief outward addition made in 1877. The funds for this, amounting to $\$ 65,000$, besides a lot, came from the always liberal hands of the late John Carter Brown, A. м., for many years a member of the board of fellows.
For full statistics of the academical department, see Table IX of the appendix following; for a summary of these, the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

The scientific department of Brown University enjoys the benefit of the United States grant for a State college of agriculture and the mechanic arts, and is substantially such a college for this State. Its regular course of study is of 3 years, and is meant for students who wish to prepare for pursuits especially requiring knowledge of mathcmatical and physical science and their application to the industrial arts. Applied chemistry, civil engincering, and agriculture in some of its scientific branches are the chief specialties of this department. Students who enter only for these studies in whole or in part are subject to the same conditions of admission as those for the select courses, and, having pursued them, receive certificates stating the time of their university residence and the measure of their acquisitions. If they, however, follow on from this beginning the regular classical or scientific courses of the university to their conclusion, they may receive the degree of bachelor of arts or bachelor of philosophy.

## PROFESSIONAL.

So far as is known, there are no professional schools yet established in Rhode Island, nor any preparation for professional pursuits beyond the private study of thcology with clergymen, of medicine and pharmacy with physicians and apothecaries, and of law with lawyers.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB, THE BLIND, AND TIIE FEEBLE-MINDED.
The State makes an annual allowance for the care and education of these several classes of unfortunates; but, having no institutions of her own for these purposes, has to avail herself of those in other States.

## REFORMATORY AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING.

The State, as such, has no reformatory or industrial school. The city of Providence, however, sustains the Providence Reform School, which makes its twenty-seventh annual
${ }^{1}$ Specimens of the examination papers for admission in 1877 are given in the catalogue for the autumn of that year, and show a determination to have well fitted students.
report. This shows that since the founding of the school in 1850 it has had 2,584 inmates, of whom 213 remained at the date of the report. These inmates have come from every portion of the State, Providence naturally furnishing the largest number, a great proportion of them being boys. As usual in such cases, many who enter are illiterate and often have been idle vagrants. But those admitted are subjected to school training, receive moralinstruction, and are taught such simple industries as may enable them to carn au honest living.- (Report and return.)

The Sheltcr, a private benevolent institution, also in Providence, receives and trains young colored children in reading, writing, arithmetic, and vocal music, as well as in sewing and housework, placing them afterwards in familics. Twenty-five were so trained in 1877.-(Return.)

## ART EDUCATION.

A school to instruct artisans in drawing, painting, modelling, and designing, with a view to the application of the principles of art to the requirements of trade and manufacture, has becn planned in Providence and will probably be open for such training in the autumn of 1878 .

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION.

## RHODE ISLAND INSTITUTE OF INSTRUCTION.

The thirty-second annual session of this association was held at Providence, January 11-13, 1877, and was one of more than usual interest in respect to the importance of the questions considered, the speakers who gave instruction, and the number of teachers who assembled.

The first meetings of the institute were held in sections. Before the high school section the chief address was delivered by Professor J. H. Appleton, of Brown University, on "The methods of teaching chemistry." The session for the primary and grammar department was largely attended. Mr. A. J. Manchester described, with blackboard illustrations, "Methods of drill in penmanship;" Miss Mary L. Jewett, of the State Normal School, gave "A general exercise for common schools," and Mr. L. W. Russell delivered an address upon "Some defects in reading and their remedy." In the evening, Hon. Joseph White, late secretary of the Massachusetts board of cducation, addressed the institute on "Moral and religious training."
On the following day addresses were delivered and papers read on "Reform in spelling," by Mr. Edward H. Cutler, of the Providence High School, and on "English literature in the common schools," by Principal Greenough, of the normal school. "The metric system," in its principles, methods, rules, and advantages, was discussed by W. F. Bradbury, of Cambridge, Mass., and "The Kindergarten," by Hon. B. G. Northrop, of Connecticut. The customary large mass meeting in the evening, held in, Music Hall, was addressed by Rev. H. I. Cushman, on "The practical in education;" by Hon. Joseph White, of Massachusetts, on the "Importance of the teachers' calling;" by Hon. B. G. Northrop, on "The English languaqe;" by Rev. Dr. Behrends, on "How far should the state educate?" and by Rev. Dr. Taylor, who spoke on various educational topics.
On the last day, addresses were delivered by William B. Dwight, of the Connecticut Nornial School, on "Reaching the mind of the pupil," and by Hon. T. B. Stockwell, on "Education at the Centennial."
The exercises each day were enlivened by singing, by the reading of entertaining selections, and by a discussion of the different addresses and papers.- (New-England Journal of Education.)

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## ALEXIS CASWELL, D. D., L!̣. D.

On the 8th of January, 1877, dicd this honored ex-president of Brown Universitydistinguished at once as a scholar, scientist, divine, and uscful citizen. Born in Taunton, Mass., January 29, 1799, he was thus nearly 78. Descending, on both sides, from old New England blood, he grew up with all the sturdy firmness of that stock, plodded five miles on foot every day while preparing himself for college, and entering Brown University in September, 1818, bore off in 1822 the highest honors in a class of more than usual excellence. After a year of further study, accepting a tutorship at Columbian College, Washington, D. C., he rose to the professorship of ancient languages within two years, discharging with great acceptability the duties of the chair from 1825 to 1827 , and pursuing theological studies at the same time. Owing to the embarrassed circumstances of the college, he temporarily accepted the pastorate of a Baptist church in Halifax, Nova Scotia, and then that of an important church in Providence, of which he had become a member while in college. While engaged in this latter charge in the autumn of 1828, the professorship of mathematics and philosophy in his alma mater fell vacant through the resignation of Dr. Alva Woods. Mr. Caswell, being at once offered the chair, accepted it, and thenceforward was identified
with the college and with Providence. Coming thins into intimate association with President Wayland, who had been elected to his high office eighteen months before, the new professor gave his chief his heartiest assistance in efforts to improve the discipline of the institution and to enlarge and olevate its course. In such harmonious cö̈peration they went on till 1855, when President Wayland resigned the place which he had held since 1827, and President Sears came in. As the senior member of the faculty, of marked ability and usefulness, most active in the promotion of the interests of the institution, and for some time previous substantially its head, Dr. Caswell might reasonably have expected at this time a promotion to the presidency. And when what he liad fairly merited was given to another, it would not have been strange if he had shown some disappointment. But if any was experienced, no one heard it from his lips or saw it in his countenance. He went about his duties (since 1850, those of instruction in mathematics and astronomy) as if everything had gone according to his wish, giving the new president the same hearty support he had always given Dr. Wayland. Five years later he allowed himself, for the first time, a year of rest and travel, visiting the astronomical observatories of the Old World, and attending meetings of its scientific associations. Then, after two years' further service, in 1863 he resigned the professorship which for thirty-five years he had adorned, and retired to attend to his personal and private intcrests. But he was not suffered to remain in private life. The presidency of the university again becoming vacant by the retirement of Dr. Sears in September, 1867 , it was offered to Dr. Caswell ${ }^{1}$ in the January following. He accepted with modest confidence, successfully administered his trust for four years and a lialf, and then again resigned, leaving the university with a larger student roll, a fuller endowment, an additional professorship, and a museum much increased.
While connected with the college he had been for many ycars an active member and once the president of the American Association for the Promotion of Science, and was one of the original corporators of the National Academy of Science. In these associations he had done valuable service. But now the evening of life came on, the quict of family and social life was sought, and while not withholding his counsels from the college or his presence'from such scientific gatherings as he conld attend, it was mainly religious and philanthropical associations that called him from his retirement and brought him again before the world. His last days of a well spent life were serenely passed in a city which is said to have been "crowded with his friends, but containing for him not a single enemy."- (Memorial volumc, 1877.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

His Excellency Cinarles C. Van Zandt, president of the State board of education, Providence. Hon. Thomas B. Stockwell, State commissioner of public schools, Providence.
${ }^{1}$ He had received the degree of doctor of divinity in 1841, and that of doctor of laws in 1865.

## SOUTH CAROLINA.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| White youth of school age. | 85, 678 | 83,813 |  |  |
| Colored youth of school age | 152, 293 | 144, 315 |  | 1,865 |
| Total school population... | 237, 971 | - 2148,128 |  | 7,978 |
| Enrolled in public schools, white | 52, 283 | 46,444 |  | 5,839 |
| Enrolled in public schools, colored Total enrolment ................ | 70,802 | 55, 952 |  |  |
| 'Total enrolment .................. | 123, 085 | 102, 396 |  | 14,850 20,689 |
| School districts. | 427 | 437 | 10 |  |
| Free public schools | 2,776 | 2,483 |  |  |
| School-houses <br> Number of these owned by dist | 2,465 | 2, 084 |  | 331 |
| Number owrned by other parties |  | 1,487 |  |  |
| Number with grounds inclosed. |  | 1,481 |  |  |
| New school-houses erected Cost of these ....... |  | 25 |  |  |
| Cost of these |  | \$2,775 |  |  |
| Newr ones rented during the ye Rent paid for these |  | ¢, 79 |  |  |
| Rent paid for these |  | \$2, 430 |  |  |
| Valuation of school-houses......... teachers and their pay. | \$326, 063 | 294,907 |  | \$31,156 |
| Men teaching in the public schools |  | 1,639 |  |  |
| Women teaching in the public schools | 1,154 | 1,035 |  | 119 |
| Number of white teachers. | 1,081 | 1,725 |  | 255 |
| Number of colored teachers Average monthly pay of me | 1,087 | 949 |  | 138 |
| Average monthly pay of women | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 3040 \\ 2886 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 2832 \\ 26 \\ 87 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 298 \\ \mathbf{1} 99 \end{array}$ |
| ancome and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole receipts for public schools | \$457, 260 | \$189, 353 |  |  |
| Whole expenditure for them. | 423, 871 | 226,021 |  | 197, 850 |

(From reports of Hon. J. K. Jillson and Hon. Hugh S. Thompson, ${ }^{1}$ State superintendents of education, for the two years indicated.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A State superintendent of education is elected every 2 years by the people in the same manner as other State officers for general supervision of all the public schools. He is to visit and inspect them, and make annual report through the governor to the legislature.
A state board of cxamincrs, composed of the State superintendent and. 4 persons appointed by the governor, the superintendent being chairman, constitutes an advisory body which the latter may consult when in doubt about his official duty; it also has power to prescribe rules, text books, and a course of study for tho public schools, as well as to examine teachers and issue certificates good throughout the
State. State.

[^64]LOCAL.
A county school commissioner, elected by the people every 2 years, has in each county, under the State superintendent, the supcrvision of all the public schools within it, except in Charleston County, where the city school system, having a superintendent of its own, is exempt from such supervision.

County boards of examiners, composed of the county commissioner and 2 other members appointed by the State board for terms of 2 ycars, examine in their respective counties candidates for positions as teachers in the public schools, and give to each person found qualified a certificate setting forth the things he is capable of teaching, such examination to be rencwed every year. These boards advise the commissioners as to doubtful points of duty and divide their counties into convenicnt school districts.
Boards of trustecs, each composed of 3 memivers, for the school districts thus formed are appointed by the county board of examiners for terms of 2 years, to take the management and control of the school interests of the district.-(State school law.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

A glance at the statistics is enough to show that there is apparent retrogression at every point, save in the number of school districts, in which there is an increase of 10. To some extent this retrogression is apparent only, and is due to a failure of school officers to report. In a large measure, however, it is doubtless rcal, and is attributed by Superintendent Thompson mainly to three causes: (1) The political disorders which preceded and attended the change in the State government at the close of 1876 and opening of 1877 disorganized the school system. (2) In the belief that the schools had generally been closed from this cause, and that for those remaining a comparatively small amount would be required, the new legislature appropriated only $\$ 100,000$, in addition to the poll tax, for the maintenance of the free schools, in place of the $\$ 202,662$ of 1876. This might perhaps have proved sufficient, as a penalty had been imposed for non-payment of the poll tax, which it was supposed would considerably increase the revenue from that source. But (3) just as the schools were getting into operation agitation was begun to secure the payment from the revenues of this school year of claims which had been pending against the school funds for services and supplies in 1873. In August, 1877, the supreme court affirmed the constitutionality of an act which had bcen passed March 3,1874 , to provide for meeting these old claims, and the effect was to divert in this direction a large part of the revenue which had been relied on to maintain the schools for the remainder of the fiscal year, which closed October 31, 1877. From these three causcs there were fewer schools, smaller enrolments, and shorter school terms than in previous years. The superintendent, nevertheless, believes that there has been throughout the State a renewed intcrest in education, which, under better circumstances, he hopes will bear good fruit. But he sees obstacles in the way of an efficient system of free schools which it must take long to thoroughly surmount. Among these he enumerates three: first, the necessary expensiveness of having separate schools for the equal education of the whites and blacks, an arrangement which no southern Statc would be willing to forego; next, the difficulty of so placing schools in the sparsely settled sections of the State as to put them within reach of all ; and, finally, the great poverty of very many parents of both races, which renders it difficult for them to furnish their children needed text books, and which often forces them to keep the children from school because of the need of their assistance in the labors of the house and of the field.-(State report.)

## MEANS OF IMPROVEMENT.

With a view to obtaining the needed funds for meeting the inevitable expenses of the schools Superintendent Thompson favors the adoption of a proposed amendment to the constitution which would authorize the levying of a tax of not less than 2 mills on the dollar, said tax to be held in the several county treasuries and paid out only for the support of public schools. He also favors the passage of an act, like the one of which Charleston now enjoys the benefit, allowing all incorporated towns to levy taxes additional to the ordinary ones for the support of schools within their corporate limits.
Another means to which he looks for yet more general improvement of the schools is the passage of a law amendatory of the act of 1871 . With the aid of several gentlemen experienced in school matters and learned in the law, he prepared a bill in 1877 which substitutes for the present unwieldy board of education, composed of the State superintendent and all the county school commissioners, a State board of examiners, to be composed of the superintendent and 4 persons appointed by the governor; gives this board the usual large powers of a State board; makes it advisory to the supcrintendent in his dutics; does away with the free supply of text books by the State; removes from the hands of school trustces a power now liable to great abuse, and gives them for taking a biennial census of school children a compensation not hitherto
afforded them for such work. Beyond these things the proposed new law conforms mainly to the older one. ${ }^{1}$ - (State report.)

## AID FROM THE PEABODY FUND.

Aid to the amount of $\$ 4,100$ was received in $1876-97$ from the Peabody education fund, and was appropriated to schools in Columbia, Florence, Yorkville, Sumter, and Aiken Counties. All but 2 of the 7 schools thus aided were for the instruction of colored pupils, and the amounts appropriated indieate an enrolment of from 100 to 460 children, with an average attendanee of 85 per cent., while the mere faet of the appropriation to each scliool is ovidence of its being a fiee common school with proper grades and with at least 1 teacher for every 50 pupils. - (State report.)

## KINDERGARTEN.

A school of this elass - with a eonduetor, assistant, and 24 pupils attending 2 hours daily for 5 days of each week - is reported from the Williamston Femalo Collegre, Williamston, as aecomplishing results "good beyond the most sanguine hopes."-(Return.)

## CHARLESTON CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## OFFICERS.

A board of city school commissioners eleeted by the people at each regular municipal election, 1 for each city ward, has charge of the interests of the city public schools, with power to elect a superintendent for them, and to levy and cause to be collected, as other city taxes are, a sum not to exceed a mill and a half upon the dollar on all taxable property in the city, the money so eollected to be placed in the city treasmry, subject to the order of the commissioners, for the benefit of the publie sehools. - (Law of March 6,1871 .)

## STATISTICS.

Estimated present population of the city, 54,000 ; youth of sehool age, 5,873 white and 6,854 colored, a total of 12,727 ; publie school buildings, 5 ; enrolled in these, 6,713 , nearly equally divided between white and colored, the great majority of these in the ordinary English studies, with 401 in higher branches; teachers, 89 , of whom 10 were colored; averago monthly pay of teachers, $\$ 121.66$ for males and $\$ 39.23$ for females; number of months the schools were in session, 10 ; expenditure for them, $\$ 58,675$. Of this sum, $\$ 50,925$ went to pay salaries of teachers, school officers, and janitors; $\$ 418$ for rent of lands on which two of the school-houses are built; $\$ 1,306$ for repairs ; $\$ 1,559$ for insurance and other incidentals; and $\$ 4,467$ for books and school apparatus. - (Report of eity board in State report.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOLS.

The State normal school at Columbia was suspended in June, 187\%, from want of legislative support. The State is thus without a normal school of its own. A normal course, however, covering 4 years, is provided for at Claflin University, Orangeburg, designed for whites, and the Avery Normal Institute, Charleston, under the auspices of the American Missionary Assoeiation, prepares teaehers for the schools of the colored race. In 1877 it had 87 pupils studying with a view of becoming teachers, besides 228 others. In the summer of that jear, 22 were graduated from a 4 years' normal course, which begins, however, with the primary elements. In the ligh school at Charleston, some attention is also given to the preparation of teachers for the city schools.

## TEACHERS' LNSTITUTES.

The law makes no positive provision for holding teachers' institutes. It is made the duty, however, of each eounty school commissioner "to aid the teachers in all proper efforts to improve themselves in their profession." For this purpose he is to encourage the formation of associations of teaehers for common improvement; to attend the meetings of such associations, and to give such adviee and instruction in regard to their management as in his judgment will contribute to their effieiency.

It does not appear from the State superintendent's report that any of these associations of teachers were held during the year 1876-77, although in the previous year there were teachers' institutes held in 4 counties of the State.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## HIGI SCHOOLS.

No statistics are given by the State superintendent in respect to sueh schools beyoud the statement that 2,546 pupils in the publie schools were pursuing the higher branches

[^65]of study, a decrease of 592 from the number of the previous year. Of the above number 401 were in the Charleston High Sehool.

Superintendent Thompson states in his report that gentlemen deeply interested in the educational advancement of the State have proposed a revival of the old system of county high sehools to be supported partly by the State and partly from tuition fees. He says that a system of schools thus organized would possess many advantages, and that if it were praetieable now he would urge the adoption of the plan. But he does not see how, in aecordanee with a eonstitution which provides for free schools only, ally portion of the publie fund ean be used for this purpose ; and in the existing financial eondition of the State he cannot advise any additional taxation for schools.- (State report.)

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For statisties of private aeademies and of preparatory departments of eolleges and universities, see Tables VI, IX, and X of the appendix following, and the summaries of them in the Report of the Commissioner preeeding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS OF COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.

For statisties of reporting colleges and universities, see Talle IX of the appendix following, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preeeding; for their courses, see the Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876.
It may be said here, however, that the Collegc of Charleston greatly revised and improved its course in 1877, substituting in the earlier part Smith's History of Rome and the Student's Gibbon for Duruy's Histoire Romaine, rearranging much of the Latin and Greek, and making many other desirable ehanges., Special courses, to inelude at least 3 suljects; are also provided.- (Cireular for 1877-78.)

Erskine College, Due West, presents in its eatalogue for 1877-78 a scientific department in addition to the preparatory and elassieal collegiate noticed in 1876.

Newberyy College, Newberry, presents also for the same year, besides its preparatory and elassical courses, mentioned last year, a seientific course to be recommended to the board of trustees for adoption.

Clafin University, Orangeburg, not mentioned under this head in 1876, reports for 187\%, in eonneetion with its aeademical department, an English preparatory course of 2 years, to be continued till the improved condition of the eommon sehools shall render it unnceessary; a elass:eal preparatory, also of 2 years, introduetory to its collegiate classieal eourse; and a normal course of 2 years beyond the 2 preparatory years.

Wofford College, Spartanburg, has added a scientific course to its previous one for baehelor of arts, and has taken another step in advance by adopting a rule to eonfer no A. M. in course, but to restriet this degree to sueh bachelors of arts graduated with distinetion as shall pursue for a year after graduation an assigned course of study in one or two of the regular departments of the eollege, and pass with distinction a written examination on that work.

The University of South Carolina, at Columbia, suspended in 1877 for want of legislative support, remains closed.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

For statisties of institutions for the superior instruction of young women, see Table VIII of the appendix following, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

|For statistics, see Tables X-XIII of the appendix, and summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.]

## SCIENTIFIC.

The South Carolina Agricultural College and Mechanics' Institute, at Orangeburg, a department of Claflin University serving as the State eollege of agriculture and meehanie arts, has agrieultural and scientific eourses, for whieh it prepares students in its sehools. There is an experimental farm conneeted with the institution and a carpenter shop for practical instruetion. Other meehanical departments will be opened as means may warrant. By manual labor on the farm and in the shop a student may assist in defraying his expenses. Tuition is free. Number of students, 37 , of whom 12 were young women.- (Catalogue and return, 1877.)

## THEOLOGICAL.

The Theological Seminary of the Synod of South Carolina and Georgia, at Columbia (Presbyterian), takes the high stand of requiring a collegiate edueation or its equivalent as a condition preeedent to entrance on its course. It reports for the year 1877 an attendanee of 40 students who all had pursued studies at some college or university previous to entering here.

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, formerly at Greenville, was removed in
1877 to Louisville, Ky.-(Letter from Professor Broadus.)
LEGAL.
The Lavo School of the University of South Carolina, closed in common with the other departments in 18\%\%, remains still suspended.

## MEDICAL.

The Medical College of South Carolina, at Charleston, with the usual 3 Jears of study and 2 courses of lectures, had 60 students under its 7 professors and a demonstrator in 1877.- (Return.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB AND THE BLIND.

The South Carolina Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, at Cedar Spring, had an attendance during the year 1876-77 of 26 pupils, 17 of them deaf and dumb and 9 blind. In the department for the deaf aud dumb the branches taught are Peet's course of instruction, geography, arithmetic, English grammar, history, algebra, geometry, Latin, Bible lessons, and geueral literature. In the department for the blind, they are orthography, reading, writing, mental and written arithmetic, English grammar, geography, ancient and modern history, natural philosophy, rhetoric, geology, algebra, biblical and general literature, and vocal and instrumental music. The State appropriation for the fiscal year was $\$ 5,000$. An additional sum of $\$ 2,000$ is asked for in order to make arrangements for instructing these youths in appropriate industries, such as printing, cabiuet work, and shoemaking for the deaf and dumb, and broom, mat, and brush making, and chair seating for the blind.- (Report of institution, 1876-77.)

## EDUCATION OF ORPHANS.

The Holy Communion Church Institute, Charleston (Protestant Episcopal), continued in 1877 the excellent work begun ten years before; it brings up in connection with its day school and boards free of charge in its home such orphan and destitute children of good character as its rector, Rev. Dr. A. T. Porter, can find the means to thus sustain and educate, aiding them afterward in obtaining positions in business or prosecuting college study. In 1877 there were 85 boarders in the home, besides 70 day pupils.(Return.)

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## PROFESSOR WILliam williams, D. D.

Dr. Williams, born in Athens, Ga., March 15, 1821, received his literary training at the University of Georgia, and studicd law at the law school of Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. After 5 years' practice of his profession he became a Baptist minister, preached for 5 years in Auburn, Ala., and then was made professor of theology in Mercer University, at Macon, in his native State. In 1859 he was appointed professor of church history, church goverument, and pastoral duties in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, which was opened that year in Greenville, S. C., and which in 1877 was removed to Louisville, Ky. Some ycars after assuming his duties at Greenville, he was transfcrred to the chair of theology in the scminary, and he held this till his death, which occurred at Aiken, February $20,1877$.

Dr. Williams possessed great acutencss and vigor, was rarely equalled by those around him as a reasoner, and was especially remarkable for the terse and clear statement of any subject on which he had to speak. His lectures excited admiration and enthusiasm, and his preaching was of a high order.- (Communication from Professor Joha A. Broadus, Louisville, Ky.)

CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER.
Hon. Hugh S. Thompson, State superintendent of education, Columbia.
[First term, May 1, 1877, to January 1, 1879.]

## TENNESSEE.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY


$a$ In 1876, the enrolment and attendance were not reported from 12 counties; in 1877, 5 counties failed to report enrolment and 8 daily attendance, probably from the fact that the superintendents of those counties received littlo or no salary.
$b \operatorname{In} 1876,8$ counties failed to report the number of schools; in 1877, the same number reported neither schools nor teachers, probably for the reason given above.
(From reports of Hon. Leon. Trousdale, State superintendent of public schools, for the two years indicated.)

OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.
GENERAL.
A State superintendent of public schools, nominated by the governor and onfirmed by the senate for a term of 2 years, has the oversight of the free sehool system through-
out the State, and is required to submit to the governor a plain statistical statement respecting it by the middle of December of each year.

LOCAL.
For each county, a supcrintendent of mublic seliools is elected by the county court, biennially, in January of the even years; he must be a person of literary and scientific attainments, and, when practicable, of skill and experience in the art of teaching, and must report annually, by October 1, to the State superintendent.

For each school district, there is a board of three dircetors, elected by the people of the district for terms of 3 years, one to be changed or reëlected each year. In case of failure to elect a director in any year, the county superintendent appoints one.

In cities, boards of education of difterent numbers and terms, with city superintendents, have charge of the interests of public schools.

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## general condition.

The figures for the year show that there is a fuller life in the school system. Notwithstanding prevalent depression in all business, consequent large decrease in the receipts, and necessary proportionate decrease in the expenditure for schools, the reported eurolment in public schools exceeded by 33,463 that of 1876 ( 7 fewer counties, however, reporting this item in 1876); while both enrolment and average attendance greatly excceded the reported increase of scholastic population. To meet the increased enrolment and attendance, we find 707 more schools open, with 791 more teachers, which gives 1 new teacher for evcry 42 new pupils enrolled and for evcry 21 additional in average attendance. In the mean time, the private schools have so declined as to show 58 less in the number of institutions, 104 fewer teachers, and a diminution of 3,125 in enrolment and of 607 in the average attendance.

Besides the greaternumbers in the public schools, the superintendent reports a better quality of teaching, partly through more care in examining and giving liccnses and partly through greater efforts on the part of the teachers to improve. This last has no doubt resulted in some measure from the more complete instruction afforded teachers in county institutcs, 27 more such institntes having been held in 1877 than in the preceding year. And when a larger enrolment, better attendance, and improved quality of teaching come at a time which has witnessed the cutting down of wages and the reduction of othcr expenses wherever practicable, we may perceive what an increase of vitality there would be should all the counties do what is now done by about two-thirds of them, i. e., raise local taxes to supplement the State allowance for public education.

A further evidence of progress is the increase of graded schools, in which rank may be also reckoned the consolidated schools, these being private academies and seminaries which extend to public pupils their advantages on condition of receiving their proportionate share of the school funds. The increase of these two was 59, making a total of 367 for the State.

## SCHOOLS FOR COLORED CHILDREN.

Only 38.6 per cent. of the colored children of school age were enrolled in the public schools, while the proportion of white children thus enrolled was nearly $5 \%$ per cent. This disparity is accounted for by the sparseness of the colored population in some countics, there not being in tho school districts a number sufficient to organizo schools. The same advantages are offered both races by the law, and in districts in which their population preponderates colored inhabitants are not slow to avail themselves of their opportunities. Much complaint is made in almost every county of the incompetency of colored teachers and of tho difficulty of obtaining well qualificd ones. This difficulty is being gradually overcome through the aid of the rarious colleges for colored students, especially those at the capital.- (State report for 187\%.)

## school-houses.

In some counties the people have been awakened to the necessity of having schoolhouses properly constructed and well situated, and the erection of 272 new ones is reported. Some of these were paid for out of the school fund, some were built by private enterprise and others by combined individual and public funds. The school fund is not large enough to bnild the needed houses without discontinuing the schools for a limited period; but when private aid cannot be obtained there is no othcr alternative, and in such cases school directors have been advised to build the houses as the only way open "to promote the interests of schools in their respective districts." Conveniently placed, comfortable, and commodious school-houses, with good seats, blackboards, and olementary charts, will, it is believed, disarm the most obstinate opposition to the system. - (State report.)

## AID FROM THE PEABODI FUND.

This exeellently managed fund has greatly assisted in effecting the improvement noticeable in the State school system. In 1876-77, besides allowing $\$ 9,000$ for the normal college at the eapital, the general agent allowed $\$ 6,850$ for school purposes within the State, of whieh $\$ 200$ went to an institute for the improvement of colored teachers. The grants are-wisely limited to such really graded schools as continue for 10 months of the year, with at least 100 pupils on each roll, 85 of the 100 in average attendance, and 1 teacher for every 50 scholars; every such school helps to raise others to its standard.

## INDUSTRLAL TRAINING.

In view of a eireular from the president of the East Tennessee University and State Iudustrial College requesting county superintendents to select proficient and worthy pupils from the public schools for free matriculation at this college, Superintendent Trousdale seeonds the appeal. He says that the university, founded to give an industrial and scientific education, is designed to be the complement of the State school system; that there is a tendency toward giving more weight to industrial training in the free schools; and that such a training is an indispensable preliminary to diversifying State industries, affording employment to idle laborers, and producing and increasing skill in manufacturing and mechanical pursuits. In the lack of educated master workmen and of laborers trained to be skilful in their pursuits, he sees a cause sufficient to aecount for the absence of manufacturing industry in a State in which idle laborers are abundant and the material for manufactures is produced on every hand. He would therefore have students sought out for the university, seeing in this tho starting point for a new movement elearly pointed out by the needs as well as the advantages of Tennessee.-(State report.)

## A DANGER ESCAPED.

The opponents of an organized State school system mustered sufficient strength to secure the passage of a law by the legislature in 1877 abolishing both State and county superintendency. The governor, however, came to the rescue of the system, and declined to affix his signature.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

As no general law prescribes the official staff for a city system in this State, the boards of education differ in numbers and organization. That of Knoxville has 5 members, chosen for terms of 5 years each, 1 going out each year; that of Memphis 20 , chosen for terms of 2 years, 10 going out each year ; that of Nashville 9 , chosen for terms of 3 years, 3 going out each year. City superintendents of schools serve as the aetive agents of the boards.

STATISTICS.

| City. | Population. | Children of school age. | Enrolled. | Average daily attendance. | Teachers. | Expendi. ture. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chattanooga | a12,000 | 2,421 | 1,709 |  | 24 | \$15, 884 |
| Knoxville.. | a16,000 | 1,949 | 1,415 | 725 | 22 | 12, 367 |
| Memphis. | a50, 000 | b?, 091 | 3, 097 | 2, 457 | 63 | 61, 014 |
| Nashville. | 27, 085 | 9,55 | 4,032 | 2,936 | c74 | 60,673 |

a Estimated.
8 The legal school age in Memphis is stated in a roturn to be 6 to 20 years. In the other cities it is given in returns as 6 to 18 .
c This is not iaclusive of 2 special teachers.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

At Chattanooga, aeeording to a return of the superintendent, from which the above statistics are taken, the.schools are classed as primary, grammar, and high, the first 2 of these including 8 grades; the high school, 3. At present all the grades are arranged in the same buildings, but kept distinct. No distinction in the pay of teachers is made for difference in the grade of school taught, but only for the rank of the teacher. Music, drawing, and penmanship are tanght by the regular teachers, under the direction of the superintendent.

Knoxville, also grading her schools from primary up to high, but with intermediato elasses between the primary and grammar grades, reports improvement in attendance, in the quality of teaching, and in the accommodations for scholars. It had been supposed that the Knoxville College, meant for colored pupils, would take many from the public schools; but, instead of this, the number in the colored schools, as in the others, has been larger in the past year than previously, so that the rooms for their use are
even inconveniently crowded. The city schools, too, are beginning to furnish for themselves resident teachers accustomed to the system. Three graduates of the high school, chosen as teachers after thorough examination, are said to be doing very satisfactory work. The trustees of the Hampden Sidney Academy have generously put that excellent building at the disposal of the board of education, to increase the accommodations of the girls' department of the intermediate and grammar grades.-(City report for 1876-77.)

Memphis, where, too, there is a fully graded system, sends no report for 1876-77 beFond statistics. In the preceding year the report indicated a saving of not less than $\$ 10,000$ through a system of half-day schools, in which each child received a larger measure of attention from the teacher than had been customary in the full time schools; and this, too, with greater variety of exercises and far less inconvenience from crowding. A normal class was also noted as having been established to prepare teachers for the city schools. Arrangements so advantagcous as both these were are not likely to have been discontinued.

At Nashville the course of study extends through 11 grades, each apparently occupying one year. The last 3 ycars include high sclool studies. There is also a special course in writing and drawing. Object lessons enter largely into the instruction given for the first 6 years. Vocal music is tauglit throughout. In the last year of the high school Latin composition is to be practised, and pupils in German and French are to use those languages in the class room. With an increase of 421 in the number of children of school age, there was for $1876-77$ a dccrease of 127 in the enrolment and some falling off in average daily attendance; this last attributed to the prevalence of diphtheria. A table of statistics covering the last scven years, however, shows on the whole a steady increase in the percentage of both enrolment and attendance, while the percentage of tardiness has fallen off in a most remarkable degree, from 1.38 in $1870-71$ to only .17 in 1876-'77. Much is said to have been accomplished, too, in developing among the pupils a sense of right and propricty, an enlightened prevalent opinion that discourages any tendency to rudencss and disorder. The colored children in the schools are credited with an improvement much beyond the whites in respect to attendance and punctuality; and, except that the management and means of discipline for them have had to be slightly more stringent and the time required for classes to accomplish the same work a little more protracted, their schools are reported to liave done as well as any under the charge of the school board.- (City report for 1876-77.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## STATE NORMAL COLLEGE, NASHVILLE.

This is a college rather for the State than of the State, the legislature doing thus far nothing toward its support and the Peabody fund furnishing most of the means. The remainder comes from the University of Nasliville, which gives the use of its buildings, grounds, and library.

The second scholastic year of the institution is reported to have been eminently successful, the standard of scholarship having been raised, the teaching force increased, a body of 92 students gathered, and a respectable first class graduated, numbering 8 , who all engaged in teaching.
In order to diffuse as widely as possible the advantages of the school and encourage pupils to prepare in it for teaching, tuition has been made entirely free, the only charge being one of $\$ 3$ a year to defray a part of the incidental expenses. Many of the text books required are also loaned to students. The hope is held out that, through extra appropriations from the trustees of the Peabody fund, there will be in another ycar considerable chemical and philosophical apparatus, and several scholarships for the benefit of other States not yet in a condition to do much toward trainiug teachers.(Report of president for 1876-777.)

## OTHER NORMAL TRAINING.

The Freedmen's Normal Institute, Maryville, reports 40 normal students for 1877 ; the Le Moyne Normal School, Memphis, 165 ; the normal department of Central Tennessee College, 72; that of Fisk University, 299; that of Maryville College, 15; and the McNairy County Normal Institute, a department of Purdy College, 14; in all, 605. The first 4 are largely, if not wholly, for colored students, and report for the year 27 graduates, of whom 24 engaged in teaching. The coursc at the Maryville Institute is of 3 years; at the Le Moyne School, 4 ; at Central Tennessee Collcge, 2; at Fisk University, 5 for the lower and 7 for the higher normal; at the McNairy County Institute, 3. At Maryville College it is a sort of parallel course with the others pursued.-(Returns and catalogues.)

## TEACILERS' INSTITUTES.

A teachers' institute was held in each of the ten congressional districts of the State with encouraging success. The State superintendent was present and presided at all but one; a majority of the county superintendents attended, and there was at each
meeting an average of about fifty teachers present. Many of the ablest and most skilful teachers and lecturers in the State participated actively in the discussions. Wherever the meetings were held the people hospitably entertained the teachers. They also attended and showed an interest in the exercises. There is but one sentiment as to the value of these meetings in arousing the teachers to the importance of their work, in stimulating inquiry and exertion, in enlarging their views, and in a wakening their professional zeal and pride.

There being no appropriation to sustain institutes, the balance left of $\$ 600$ given by Dr. Sears, agent of the Peabody education fund, in 1876, was used to pay the travelling expenses of lecturers.
The State Teachers' Institute (colored) held about fifteen normal institutes in different parts of the State for the benefit of colored teachers. The professors of Fisk University, of the Central Tennessee College, and of the Nashville Normal Institute assisted Professor Spence, the president, in organizing and instructing these institutes, and upon the recommendation of the State superintendent $\$ 200$ were appropriated from the Peabody fund to pay the expenses of the managers and instructors.-(State report for 1876-77.)

## departments of educational journals.

The Tennessee School Journal, which began and ended in 1874, has had no successor devoted to the interests of education in the State. But there have been educational departments, first, in the American Journal of Education, published at St. Lonis, and more recently in the Eclectic Teacher, published since Jılly, 1876, at Carlisle, Kentucky.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## HIGH SCHOOLS.

The 171 consolidated schools reported, with the high schools in a few county towns and in the five or six chief cities of the State, represent all that we at present know of secondary instruction under the free school system, as the State report does not indicate either the number of public high schools or of instructors and pupils in them. In the list of schools aided by the Peabody fund 8 high schools appear. Neither printed report nor written return from Knoxville, whose schools were among those aided from that fund, indicates the existence there of any school with such a designation, bnt the course presented shows that high school studies are prosecuted to a very considerable extent in the grammar grades, reaching to Cicero's Orations in Latin, to Xenophon's Memorabilia in Greek, and including geometry, trigonometry, and Anglo-Saxon, with a fair range of English literature. At Memphis the high school is reported to have 4 rooms with 240 sittings, and to be divided into male and female departments, but the number of teachers and pupils is not given. Nashville reports 1 room for recitation and study and 4 for recitation only, with 5 teachers, 227 scholars, and an average attendance of 188.-(Reports and returns.)

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For statistics of business colleges and private academies, of a preparatory school, and of preparatory departments of colleges and universities, see Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX of the appendix following, and the summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

For statistics under this head, see Table IX of the appendix, and a summary of this in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.
The following 2 colleges, however, do not send written returns for 1877, and their statistics thercfore are not in the table referred to: Burritt College, Spencer, and Mary Sharp College, Winchester. The printed catalogues for $1876-77$ show an attendance of 109 students in the first and 105 in the second.
The departments and courses of instruction in all the colleges, so far as appears, are the same as reported in 1876. In about half of the colleges in the State both seyes are admitted, and in at least 7 cases we find these colleges beginning the preparation of their students with primary departments.
Neophogen College ceased to exist at the close of 1877.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

For statistics under this head, see Table VIII of the appendix, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

# SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION. 

## SCIENTIFIC.

The Tennessee Agricultural College, a department of East Tennessee University, at Knoxville, has courses of instruction in agriculture and in mechanic arts, each of which covers 4 years. During the sophomore and freshman years the two courses are nearly identical, the more special and technical studies being placed in the latter years of the collegiate term. There are 275 State scholarships provided; and, as before mentioned, the president is looking up students to fill them. The whole number attending the university in 1877 was 92 . The proportion of these engaged in scientific study does not appear.- (Catalogue and return, 1877.)

Scientific departments are also connected with Vanderbilt University, the University of the South, Greeneville and Tusculum College, and Central Tennessee College.

## THEOLOGICAL.

The theological departments of Cumberland University, Lebanon (Cumberland Presbyterian), Central Tennessee College, Nashville (Methodist Episcopal), Fisk University, Nashville (Congregational), and Vanderbilt University, Nashville (Methodist Episcopal Church South), report courses of 3 years each, except the first, which has only 2. In this, however, there seems to be a starting from a higher point than in the others, candidates being examined as to the possession of a good English education and some acquaintance with the Greek New Testament. None appears to require a collegiate training or any approach to an equivalent for this, though Vanderbilt has a course designed for classical students as well as one wholly English. That at Central Tennessee College, mainly for colored students, is English throughout; and at Fisk University, which trains the same class, the theological course appears from both catalogue and return to consist of the simple addition of biblical instruction to the other studies for young men who are looking forward to the ministry. In these 4 schools there are reported 138 students in theology under 17 instructors.- (Reports and returns.)
The University of the South, Servanee (Protestant Episcopal), organized in $187 \%$ a school of theology, with 2 professors, but without indication of the length of course or of the precise character of the requirements for entrance on it. The catalogue for the autumn of that year shows 4 students in this school.

## LEGAL.

Law schools exist in connection with Cumberland and Vanderbilt Universities, the course in each covering one year. In neither case is any special literary qualification for entrance or any previous reading of law required. Students in the Cumberland school, 51 , under 2 professors ; in the Vanderbilt school, 26 , under 3 instructors.-(Reports and returns.)

## MEDICAL.

In addition to the Medical Department of the University of Nashville and the Medical Department of Vanderbilt University, mentioned in the report for 1876, there are in the same city now the Nashville Medical College, founded in 1877, and also, in union with Central Tennessee College, a Meharry Medical Department, which was opened in October, 1876 , and graduated 1 student at the close of its first session. A class of 18 entered in October, 1877. The school, established by Messrs. Samuel and Hugh Meharry, of Indiana, has been continued through their liberality, and is designed to educate young colored men for medical practice among the members of their race. As with the others, there is no note of any preliminary examination ; 2 years of study, with attendance on 2 courses of lectures, a satisfactory written examination, an acceptable original thesis, and full age form the requisites for graduation. A preliminary year of study is required at Vanderbilt.- (Catalogues and circulars.)
The Tennessec College of Pharmacy, at Nashville, reports for 1876-77 a 2 years' course, 6 instructors, 12 students, of whom 2 had received a degree in letters or science, and 2 graduates.-(Return.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.

Thể Tennessee Deaf and Dumb School, at Knoxville, had 100 pupils under instruction in 1877, of whom 52 were males. They are taught the common school branches; also shoemaking, and, to a limited extent, agriculture. Tuition and board are free to those who are unable to pay. The State appropriation for the year was $\$ 21,000$, and no income is reported from any other source.-(Return.)

The Tennessee School for the Blind, at Nashville, reports 10 instructors and 5 employes, with 62 pupils, who were taught the common English branches, music, and Latin, besides broom making, cane seating, sewing, fancy work, and telegraplys. The
institution has a library of 1,006 volumes, and grounds, buildings, and apparatus valued at $\$ 90,000$. No receipts are reported for this year except the State appropriation of \$17,000.-(Return.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION.

## STATE ASSOCIATION.

The State Teachers' Association held its annual meeting at the close of January, 1877, at Nashville. Several able papers were read and much discussion had with refereuce to amendments to the school law. A committee appointed by the association submitted a memorial to the general assembly embodying certain amendments, the most important of which was the organization of a central county board of education by the different boards of directors, for the purpose of unifying the work in counties and securing a broader, more responsible, and more intelligent administration of the public schools. The bill accompanying the memorial was favorably reported by the chairman of the committee on education in the house, but it did not reach its third reading in that body.-(State report for 1876-77.)

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## PROFESSOR PAUL F. EVE, M. D.

Professor Eve, eminent as a surgical instructor, was born near Augusta, Ga., June 27, 1806. His subsequent history may be almost written in his titles: Bachelor of arts of Franklin College, Georgia, 1826; doctor of medicine of the University of Pennsylvania, 1828; bearer of the Golden Cross of Honor for meritorious services in Poland, 1831; professor of surgery in the Medical College of Georgia, 1832-1849; in the University of Louisville, 1850 ; in the University of Nashville, 1851-1868; in the Missouri Medical College at St. Louis, 1868-69; professor of operative and clinical surgery in the medical departments of Nashville and Vanderbilt Universities, 1870-1876; Centennial representative of surgery at the Medical. Congress of Nations at Philadelphia, 1876; and finally professor of surgery in the new Nashville Medical College, 1877, on November 3 of which year he died. It may easily be inferred that one who filled so many posts of influence, who was offered others almost as numerous as those he filled, and who crowded every lecture hall he occupied with eager and appreciative students, was a man of much more than common mark. And such he certainly was; his noble presence instantly arrcsted the attention which his intense enthusiasm, his large stores of knowledge, and great operative skill subsequently kept intently fixed. Studying after his graduation at Philadelphia in the best schools of France and on the battle fields and hospital floors of Europe, he came back so wcll prepared to teach that even in the thien sparse population of the South his classes rose in the first yoar from 28 to 195. Succeeding at Louisville the great physician Dr. Samuel D. Gross, he so electrified his audiences there as to draw forth from trustees, faculty, and students a unanimous request that he should stay, when regard for his wife's failing health had induced him to turn his face southward again. Entering at Nashville on what seemed a comparatively small field, his class fast grew from 136 to 454 , fairly rivalling the great schools of New York and Philadelphia. And so throughout, as speaker, writer, and operative surgeon, he stood ever far ahead of ordinary men, one of the born leaders of his kind, few equalling him and fewer still excelling him in any field on which he entered. His death was like his life, remarkable. Exhansted with labor and suffering probably from heart disease, his sympathies were strongly excrcised for a poor laborer crushed by a railway train, and rising early in the morning to see if he could afford relief, he stopped on his way home to see a patient operated on the day before. The exertion proved too great for his weakened system, and at the threshold of the hotel where this latter patient was sojourning, he sank fainting with weakness and quickly died before her eyes. - (Transactions of the Mcdical Society of Tennessee.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER.

Hon. Leon. Trousdale, State superintendent of public schools, Nashville.
[Term, 1877-1879.]

## TEXAS. <br> STATISTICAL SUMMARY.


(Reports of Hon. O. N. Hollingsworth, State superintendent of public instruction, for 1875, and from the same, now secretary of the State board of education, for 1877.)
Notes on the statistics.-The counties reporting for 1875 were 97 ; for 1877 there were 110. The figures for the former year differ much from those given by Governor Coke in his message to the legislature at the beginning of 1875 , which were 313,061 for scholastic population, 161,670 for enrolment in public schools, $\$ 1.56$ for the monthly cost of each pupil, and $\$ 1,008,821$ for total expenditure upon the schools. An estimate for the whole State, covering the school year $1874-75$ (p. 6 of the superintendent's report), gives 184,705 as the enrolment, 125,224 as the average attcndance, 3,898 as the number of schools, and 4,030 as the number of teachers.

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A State board of education, composed of the governor, comptroller, and secretary of State, since August 19, 1876, has had general charge of the interests of public schools. It distributes the available annual school fund to the connties, on the basis of scholastic population; counsels county school officers from time to time, through circular letters, as to practical details of duty; is to have the school laws printed in form for distribution after cach legislative session that has acted on them, and is to make report of the public schools in various specified particulars at each biennial session of the legislature and at each special session authorized by executive proclamation to legislate on matters relating to the schools.
A secretary of the board, appointed by it, acts as its executive officer at Austin, and performs such duties as the board may require.

## LOCAL.

The county judge in each county acts in some slight sense as a superintendent of school affairs for the county, by examining applications for the establishment of school communities ${ }^{1}$ within it, sanctioning such as he is satisfied are made in good faith, and appointing for them the legally required school officers.
Three school trustees, thus appointcd, are to provide school-houses, engage teachers,

[^66]and see that the schools for which they act are conducted in accordance with the provisions and limitations of the law.

A board of examiner's for cach county consists of 3 well educated persons, also appointed by the county judge. It is to examine every person proposing to tcach in the public free schools, and to report the result to the judge, without a certificate from whom no one may be engaged to teach a public school within the county. - (School law of 1876.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## EXPLANATORY.

Under the school law of 1876 only biennial reports are made by the board of education of this State, and nonc having been presented in 1877, very little information respecting the public schools can be given. A letter from Hon. O. N. Hollingsworth, secretary of the board of education, expresses regret at his inability to furnish a full statement as to the condition and progress of public free schools. In the absence of a printed report, he kiñlly forwards such printed matter touching the educational interests of the State as has been furnished the local press. From this some information has been gleaned regarding the system of education in certain of the cities, as well as a few facts relating to the general system, including remarks upon the school law by Secretary Hollingsworth himself.

## THE SCHOOL LAW.

Secretary Hollingsworth considers the present school law, passed in 1876, the best the State has ever had. The distinguishing features which he thinks commend it to popular esteem and render it acceptable to sparsely settled neighborhoods are: (1) Community organization, determined, not by geographical limits, but simply by individual membership; no such feature is found in the school laws of the other States. (2) Trustees have the authority to permit the teacher whom they employ to receive pupils not of the scholastic age at such rates of tuition as may be agreed upon between the parties interested, thus happily blending with mutual advantage the two systems, private and public.

Another thing which, in the opinion of the superintendent, renders the school law popular, is that no special school tax, as such, is assessed. School revenucs come from interest on the permanent school fund, a poll tax, and one-fourth of the general revenue. In addition to these general or State resources, there are local or county additions, such as fines collected for violation of the local option law, funds collected as dog tax, and interest from the proceeds of the sale of county school lands.
The objection that the efficiency of the system is weakened by the liberty allowed in the organization of school communities holds good, it is acknowledged, in the villages, towns, and densely populated rural districts; but, on the other hand, il , is said that if the law established a minimum registration of pupils as a prerequisite to organization, many children would be denied the privileges guaranteed by the school law. Under the law as it is, a few neighbors, representing perhaps not more than two or three pupils of scholastic age and as many more who are not within that age, may, if they see proper, organize a school community; trustees are appointed, a teacher is employed, and the children are taught. This has beeu done in many cases.
Secretary Hollingsworth defines a public school under the law as follows:
"1. A school that is organized in the manner prescribed by section 29 of the school law.
"2. A school that recognizes the legal authority of public officials.
"3. A school taught by a teacher holding a certificate of competency.
"4. A school tanght in compliance with a written contract lawfully made between the teacher and the legally appointed trustees.
" 5 . A school from which none who desired to participate in its benefits were excluded in its organization.
"6. A school the teacher in charge of which demands no extra tuition from parents or trustees for the instruction of children of scholastic age studying only such branches as are prescribed by law. A public school is absolutely free to all pupils members of the organized community of the scholastic age, when their studies are confined to the branches prescribed by law. A teacher that proposes to merely credit parents of such children with the sum paid by the trustees out of public school fund, and to hold parents responsible on individual accounts for any extra amount, is not a teacher according to the school law, and is not entitled to one dollar of the public school fund. Parents may, as a voluntary act, contribute of their private funds to the support of a teacher in a public school, but no school organization can legally reccive the benefit of the public school fund when it is either expressed or privately understood that the teacher is to be paid full private rates of tuition and that it is expected of every one who sends to the school to comply with such terms.
"7. A school wherein the tcacher uses the English language as the common medium of imparting instruction.
"8. A school non-sectarian in matters of religion."

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

No general law determines the number of members or the organization of boards of education for cities. The arrangement of these matters is left to the several city goveriments.

STATISTICS.

a Estimated.
$b$ Between 8 and 14, the legal school age ; between 6 and 18 the number is 790
c Average enrolment.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS

Brenham.-The public schools here comprise primary, grammar, and high departments, each being divided into 3 grades of a year each. In order to make transition easier for the brighter pupils, the lower grades are divided into two classes, each representing half a year's work. The schools were in session in 1876-977 ten months. Organized recently as an experiment, they have succeeded so well as to disarm all opposition, and are now the pride of the city. - (City report and letter.)
Houston. - Since the city took charge of the public schools there has been a steady increase of pupils, and the public school system is pronounced a success.- (Report of board of trustees.)
San Antonio. - The year 1876-77 was marked by prosperity in most of the classes. There was an average attendance of 81.85 pea cent. on the average number of pupils enrolled. Teachers' meetings were held by the supervising principal twice a month, and the improvement resulting in the quality of the teaching is reported to have been very perceptible at subsequent examinations of the pupils; butsince the school board did not make attendance obligatory, all was not accomplished that was desired.- (Report.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOLS.

No State normal school appears to have been yet established, but the catalogue of the Mansfield Male and Female College contains a notice of "a normal school for training teachers." The students in this are taught at present with the regular classes, but as soon as a sufficient number desire it a separate class is promiscd. No special course is indicated. Essentially the same kind of normal school appears also at Waco University, Waco. A normal institute exists at Austin, under the care of the American Missionary Association, with 146 pupils, probably colored.

## institutes.

There is no present provision in the school law for the holding of teachers' institutes.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## high schools.

Of public high schools, as such, there is no specific information for 1877, beyond the fact that a school of this class, established in 1875-76, crowned the school system of the city of Brenham. The course of 3 years includes Virgil and Cicero in Latin, and the Anabasis, Crito, and Iliad, in Greek, with a good selection of English studies, and instruction in German throughout. Under the school laws of this State for some years past private academies, on receiving and teaching such pupils as required secondary training, have been allowed compensation out of the public school fund. Probably many schools of this kind-half private, half public-exist in the State.

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For statistics of a business college, private academic schools, preparatory schooks, and preparatory departments of colleges and universities, see Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX of the appendix following, and the summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding. It may be mentioned here, however, that a commercial school
exists in the Southwestern University, Georgetown, the course in which covers 1 year; students, 28, under 1 instructor. A kindred school in Trinity University, Tehuacana, enrolled 24 pupils under 1 instructor. A commercial school is among the 8 planned for the State Agricultural College.- (Catalogues.)

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLleges.

For statistics of universities and colleges, see Table IX of the appendix, and a summary of the same in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

Except at Waco University, where there has been some extension of the curriculum, there appear to have been no changes made in the courses of study or plans of instruction of these colleges since 1876, when they were given for each institution in detail. Information reaches this Bureau, though not from an official source, that the State in 1877 purchased lands and buildings near Hempstead, Waller County, with a view to the establishment of an institution for colored youth which may afford them advantages for collegiate and scientific training.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

For statistics of this class of schools, see Table VIII of the appendix following, and a summary of this in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

The State Agricultural and Mechanical College, at College Station, Brazos County, established in 1876, began with 6 students, a number which in the second year rose to 250 , while it had accommodations for only 160 . Embarrassment and a considerable falling off was the result. New buildings now make the accommodation sufficient for 250 , and it is announced that no more than that number will be received until the State shall enlarge every department. Eight departments have been planned, answering to the customary "schools" of southern colleges; but the want of adequate preparation for advanced studies on the part of applicants has thus far limited operations to the academic or preparatory training. When the needful material shall have been furnished, every department contemplated in the organization will be equipped and the real work of the college will begin.-(Catalogue for 1877-78.)

## THEOLOGICAL.

A department of theology connected with Baylor University, at Independence (Baptist), has a 3 years' course of study, and reports 6 students for 1877.

A school of theology, with 3 professors and a 3 years' course, was announced to be opened by Southwestern University, Georgetown (Methodist Episcopal Church South), in the autumn of that year, the requirements for admission to be proficiency in the schools of English, mathematics, Latin, and Greek through the junior year.-(Catalogue for 1876-77.)

## LEGAL.

A professor of law appears in the list of the faculty of Baylor University, Independence, but there is no indication in its circular for 1877 of the number of students under his instruction or of the character or length of the legal course.

Trinity University, Tehuacana, has a law school, with 2 professors, and a course of 10 months, which reports 9 students for the autumn of $187 \%$.

## MEDICAL.

No report for the year 1877 has been received from the Texas Medical College and Hospital, Galveston.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.

The Texas Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb reports for 1877 a corps of 4 teachers and an attendance of 56 pupils, making 148 since the foundation of the school. The studies taught are the ordinary branches of a plain English education, spelling, reading, writing, arithmetic, grammar, geography, history, the Bible, and morality. There is a printing office in which 6 of the boys were employed; others were engaged in farm and garden work. Except these, no industrial occupations for the boys are yet provided. The girls are taught the ordinary duties of housekeeping and needle and fancy work, to which it is hoped that drawing and painting may be added. There are 300 volumes in the library.- (Catalogue, special return for 1877, and letter from the superintendent.)

## EDUCATION OF THE BLIND.

The Texas Institution of Learning for the Blind, at Austin, gave instruction during the year 1876-'77 to 65 pupils, 28 males and 37 females, in reading, raised print; orthography, raised print; writing, by the New York point or dot system ; arithmetic; geography; English grammar; rhetoric ; etymology; algebra; natural philosophy; history and music; besides broom, pillow, and mattress making, and beadwork, serving, cutting, \&c. The study of telegraphy, previously pursued, was not continued in 1876-77, but a return appears to indicate that it has been revived.-(Report of the trustees, 1876-77.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.
His Excellency Richard B. Hubbard, president, Austin.
Hon. O. N. Hollingsworth, secretary and executive officer, Austin.

## VERMONT.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

a This number is quite possibly somewhat too high, as the figure for 1876 was based on returns which were not complete.
$b$ Exclusive of school lands (value not estimated), which produce about $\$ 14,000$ a year.
(Report of Hon. Edward Conant, State superintendent of education, for 1875-76, with report and return from the same for 1876-77. The items of income and expenditure for $1876-77$ are from the return.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A State superintendent of education, elected by the joint assembly at each biennial session of the legislature, has general charge of the interests of public school training in the State. He is to give his whole time to the promotion of these interests, to hold institutes in counties where the teachers request it, and to require at his discretion returns from incorporated academies and grammar schools; at each biennial session of the legislature he must make report of his official acts and of the condition of the schools.

## LOCAL.

An examining board for each county is chosen, since 1876, at each annual meeting of the town superintendents of the county, and is to consist of one of these superintendents with 2 practical teachers. 'To candidates for county license this board is authorized to grant certificates valid for 5 years when these candidates pass successfully a written examination extending to not less than 6 subjects and embraciag the subjects required by law to be taught in the common schools, with drawing and methods of teaching.
A town superintendent of common schools ${ }^{1}$ is elected by the people of each town at their

[^67]annual March mecting to visit and supervise the public schools within it. A law of 1874 , as amendcd, makes it a duty of the town superintcndents in each county to mect annually on the first Tuesday of April to agree on a sct of questions to be used in the county in the written examinations of teachers and to fix a stanclard to be reached in these examinations for the ensuing year.

Town school directors, 3 or 6 in number, are chosen by the people in towns that have abolished the district system, at first for terms of 1,2 , and 3 years, subsequently for terms of 3 years each, one-third going out annually. They have the carc and custody of the school propcrty of the town and the customary duties of school boards, with authority to establish graded schools and provide for the instruction of pupils in the sciences and higher branches of education.

School district officers are a moderator to preside in the meetings, a clcrk, a collector of taxcs, a treasurer, one or three auditors, and a prudential committee of onc or three legal voters for care of the schools, all elected at the annual school mecting in March and holding till their succcssors arc chosen. A law of 1876 , however, allows districts to choose prudential committees of 3 , with a view to a three year's' term, one to be changed ycarly. Union or graded districts may have 3,6 , or 9 , with annual change of one-third.- (Compiled school laws, 1875, and laws of 1876.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## A CORRECTION.

In the Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1875 it was stated on the authority of Dr. Franklin B. Hough's pamplhlet, entitled "Constitutional provisions in regard to education in the several States of the American Union," that the very imperfect form of constitution adopted in 1777 was "without provision for educational institutions." Superintendent Conant has since shown that this statement is erroneous, and that, as given in Sladc's Vermont State Papers, the instrument expressly said: "A school or schools shall be established in each town, by the legislature, for the con${ }_{*}$ venient instruction of youth, with such salaries to the masters, paid by each town, * * * * [as] to enable them to instruct youth at low prices." It was also further said: "One grammar school in cach county and one university in this State ought to be established by direction of the general assembly." The correction came too late for insertion in the Report for 1876 , but it is now made with plcasure, showing, as it does, that Vermont stood no whit behind her sistcr States in respect to the early expression of a judgment in favor of the three chief forms of education.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

The summary of statistics previously given shows that, notwithstanding many adverse circunstances, there has been considcrable cducational advance. The number of schools in 1877 was 26 greater than in 1876 , the avcrage time of session longer, the enrolment larger by 2,028, with an average attendance considerably increased; this, too, when the school population, instead of increasing, had fallen off 152. The incrcase in the number of malc teachers also is encouraging, and is considcrably larger in proportion to the whole number than is the dccrease of female teachers which has to be sct against it. The diminution in the wages of both men and women teachers is common to most of the States this year, and with a decrease in the item of building and repairs sufficiently accounts for the falling off in the expenditures for public schools. There is rcason to believe that, although teachers' wages have been lower, the tcaching has generally been of better quality, through the influence of the county institutes held.

## INTRODUCTION OF DRAWING.

By a law of November 28, 1876, free hand drawing was added to the required studies of the public schools. No note is made in the report of the extent to which this requirement has been carried out, nor is it said whether any system for the State, meant to reach all the schools and facilitate the introduction of this study, has becn agreed upon. Of course, without some such system there must be difficulty in giving effect to the law.

## GRADED SCHOOLS AND GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Another law of the same date defines a graded school in Vermont to be "any school in this State maintained by a town or by a school district for not less than 30 weeks each year, aud consisting of 4 or more departments, taught by 4 or more teachers, having an cstablished course of study, and having all the departments under the oversight or control of one principal teacher." Any school district supporting such a school is declared to be a graded school district and to be entitled to any and all privileges granted by law to such districts. With a view to better gradation of the schools and to the unification of their work, a well arranged course of study, reaching through 8 classes and covering 10 years, is given by Superintendent Conant in his report and has been sent out with the registers to all the schools. The general adoption of such
a course could hardly fail to be improving, as united and harmonized effort is always more effective than that which is independent and irregular. Twenty-one graded school systems in as many districts existed in 1876-77, eight of them having the public school associated with an acadomy or county grammar school, which receives their advanced scholars, according to a permission given in the school law. There was an average of $6 \frac{2}{3}$ grades each in these schools, the teachers numbered 150 , the reported pupils 7,060 , three districts not reporting their pupils. At least 4 appear to have high school courses.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

In Burlington there is a board of school commissioners composed of one member from each ward, with the city superintendent of schools as president; in Rutland, a board of trustees, also consisting of a member from each ward, a member of the board being the acting president.

## STATASTICS.

| City. | Population. | Children of school age. | Enrolment. | Average attendance. | Teachers. | Expenditure. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Burlington | 18,000 | 3, 207 | 1,046 | 808 | 36 | \$19, 768 |
| Rutland ... | 10,000 | 2,206 | 825 | 507 | 16 | 9,708 |

Notes on the statistics. - The figures for population and children of school age possibly include a larger territory than is covered by the school reports. The information as to Burlington is derived from a district report; that from Rutland, from a return to this Bureau.

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Burlington reports in all 11 day schools, of which 2 were ungraded, 4 primary, 3 intermediate, 1 grammar, and 1 high. There were also 3 evening schools, among which for the first time appears a mechanical drawing school. Such a school had been long desired by the superintendent and school board, but until the autumn of 1877 they did not see their way clear to the establishment of it; then the offer of two city officers and of a professor in the University of Vermont to give 3 evenings weekly to the school if the city would fit up rooms for it led to immediate action. The school enrolled 34 pupils, about half of them young men from the workshops of the city, the remainder from the public schools, and up to the close of the year was in successful operation. The average attendance in the day schools was much affected by an epidemic of diphtheria, which led many alarmed parents to keep their children home.-(Report of Superintendent Charles J. Alger for 1877.)
At Rutland the graded school district, which does not seem to include the whole place, had in it. 1 high, 1 grammar, 1 intermediate, 4 secondary, and 5 primary schools. Teachers here are required to prepare themselves thoroughly each day in the studies to be pursued in their respective classes, and to avoid corporal punishment if possi-ble.- (Report for 1876-77.)
In both Burlington and Rutland there are several private and church schools, and in each there is an academic school for boys.

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOLS.

Reports and returns from the 3 State normal schools show at Castleton, for 1876-777, 5 instructors, 69 students, 9 graduates from the first course and 4 from the second; at Johnson, 11 instructors, 120 normal students, 16 graduates from the first course and 4 from the second; at Randolph, 8 instructors, and 230 normal students in 1877, with 51 graduates from the first and 12 from the second course; totals, 24 instructors, 419 normal pupils, 76 minor and 20 higher graduates.

The first course in all these schools includes the studies required by law to be pursued in the common schools, and can be completed in one year. The second includes the same branches; but adds another year of higher studies. Certificates of graduation from the lower course have the effect of a 5 years' license to teach in the common schools of the State; certificates in the higher course, the effect of a 10 years' license. (Law of November 24, 1874.)

## BENNINGTON TRAINING SCIIOOL.

An act approved November 28, 1876, gave any graded school organized in accordance with a special act of the legislature and situated in a county in which there is no State
normal school authority to cstablish in connection with such graded school a training school department for the preparation of teachers. In accordance with the provisions of that act a training department was organized in connection with the graded school at Bennington in Fchruary, 1877. Ten pupils were admitted who had fimished the course of study in the grammar department, and instruction entirely of a professional character was given them to fit them for their future work. Hereafter, it is proposed to take only the graduates of the high school into the normal elass. - (State report.)

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

The law of 1874 requircs the State superintendent to hold institutes in the counties on the written application of a certain number of teachers. Fourtcen such institutes, 1 for each county in the State, were held, the number of teachers attending ranging from 23 to 95 , and the total of such attendance reaching 819. In conducting these temporary training schools the supcrintendent was aided by the principals of the State normal schools and many others. The two purposes of such meetings, to instruct and imspire the teachers and to awaken an intercst in education among the people, appear to have been effected.

At Burlington, a teachers' meeting having the character of a city institute was held cluring the school session every second week, with great apparent benefit.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTYON.

## HIGH SCHOOLS.

As in many other States, no specific information is given as to the number of this class of schools, or of the instructors or pupils in them. By the constitution of 1793 , as by the "frame of government" in 1777, a grammar school for each county, substantially answering to a county high school, was contemplated; but, if such schools were established, not more than 3 or 4 would scem to have survived. Towns and graded or union school districts under latcr laws are allowed to establish high schools, but the reports from towns published with the State report only give the whole number of common schools, without distinguishing the high schools. For 1876 the graded school districts reporting numbered 33 , and of these 20 had students in preparation for collegc, presumably in high schools. In 1876-977 only 21 such districts made report, 14 having students preparing for college, indicating at least that number of high schools. These students numbered 137, and the graduates from the college preparatory classes of 4 schools were 20 for that year.

Speaking of high schools, the superintendent says: "Our common schools are weak because we do not everywhere provide for (in conncction with them and as aneccssary part of our school system) a higher grade of schools. * * * Our best primary schools are found in connection with higher schools. * * * A public high school excrts a strong influence upon the common schools beyond those immediately associated with it. It is a powerful educator of the people, not only through class room work with the youtin attcnding it, but through jts buildings and grounds and their appurtenances, and most of all through the character of its instructors. It is a centre of activity where educational problems are studied, where methods are examined and tried. It furnishes models for school work, and at once teaches methods to the young and justifies them to the old. Is the question, How can we sccure better instruction and better discipline in the common schools? or, How can we secure the introduction to them of new branches of study? or, How can we elevate teaching to the rank of a profession? or, How can we raise the standard of our normal schools and increase the attcndance in them ? or, How can we help forward the founding of the proper number of academies? or, How can wo fill our colleges with bettcr prepared students? An answer ready, and true as far as it gocs, is, by multiplying good free high schools."

OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.
The academies reporting to the State superintendent in 1876-77 numbered 20, besides 5 with which the schools of graded districts arc associated, and which are not included in the academy list. In the 20 given there werc, for the year, 109 teachers and 2,498 different students, of whom 327 were preparing for college and 60 were graduated from a preparatory collcge course.

For statistics of private academic schools, preparatory schools, and preparatory or acadcmic department of a college, sce Tables VI, VII, and IX of the appendix following, and the summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

The colleges and universities for young men (onc of them admitting roung women also) are the University of Vermont, at Burlington; Middlebury College, Middlebury, a

Congregational institution ; and Norwich University, a scientific and military college, mainly under Protestant Episcopal influences, at Northfield. In these three, the first of which is open to both sexes, 171 collegiate students were reported for 1877, under 26 instructors, not including the scientific department of the State university, to be noticed presently. The courses in the three appear to be the same as stated in the Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876, except that at Norwich University an academic and business course of 3 years seems to have been substituted for the special course in philosophy then noted.-(Catalogues and returns.)

## COLLEGE FOR WOMEN.

The Vermont Methodist Seminary and Female College at Montpelier, authorized to confer collegiate degrees, reports for 1877 a total of 56 students in its regular collegiate classes, besides 45 in special or partial courses, and 1 graduate student.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC

The State Agricultural College, a department of the University of Vermont, affords 4 courses of scientific study, namely, (1) agriculture and related brauches, (2) theoretical and applied chemistry, (3) civil engineering, and (4) metallurgy and mining engineering. There is also a literary-scientific course which coincides substantially with the regular academic course of the university, save that Greek is omitted and its place supplied by substitutions from the department of science. The degrees conferred are bachclor of philosophy, civil engineer, and mining engineer. Number of students in regular courses, 15; in partial courses, 4.-(Catalogue and return.)

## MEDICAL.

The Medical Department of the University of Vermontis, so far as known, the only professional school in the State. It has the usual 3 years' course, including 1 year of preparatory study and 2 of attendance upon its instructions, or 1 on those of some other regular medical school and a concluding one within its halls. No preliminary examination for admission is indicated, beyond the inquiry necessary to settle this point. Professors and instructors in 1877, resident, 6; non-resident, 12; students, 92, of whom only 4 had received a degree in letters or science.- (Catalogue and return.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## INSTRUCTION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB AND THE BLIND.

Vermont, having no institution of her own for the reception of these classes of pupils, provides for the instruction elsewhere of such of them as need her aid.

## REFORMATORY TRAINING.

The Vermont Reform School, Vergennes, which had 129 children under its care during the years 1875 and 1876 , with 116 remaining in the latter year, sends no account of itself for 1877, as its reports are only presented biennially. Both boys and girls under 16 are reccived, and are taught reading, spelling, writing, geography, arithmetic, and history, with such employments as housework, sewing, seating chairs, and making chair frames.-(Report of 1876.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION.

## STATE ASSOCIATION.

The twenty-seventh annual meeting of the Vermont Teachers' Association was held in Bennington, February 1-2, 1877.
Following the address of welcome by Prof. I. W. Dunham, was a discussion of "The relation of the public school to the college," and then a paper on "Class room methods," by Rev. R. M. Luther, of Bennington. A discussion of the question of "School supervision," led by Mr. Richardson, of Barre Academy, and Mr. Dana, of the Rutland High School, served to strengthen the opinion that the system of school supervision in the State is in some respects very defective. An address on "Success in life," by Rev. M. E. Cady, was followed by a brief discussion of compulsory education. In the evening, Rev. R. T. Hall dwelt on "The teaching of morals in schools," and Rev. M. H. Buckham, president of the University of Vermont as well as of the association, advocated "Higher education for business men."

The second day's proceedings began with a discussion of "The best methods in teaching and how to secure them," by A. E. Leavenworth, principal of the Normal School at Randolph, and Walter E. Howard, principal of that at Castleton. Hon. Edward Conant, State superintendent of education, delivered an address on "The progress of education in Vermont," after which a paper by Professor Lewis Pollens, of Burlington,
on "English grammar," was read and Miss Marcia P. Brown, preceptress of the Rutland High School, presented one on "Our work." Professor I. W. Dunham, of Bennington, and Heury Clark, of Rutland, showed that "The State has special claims upon the teacher," and Professor E. H. Higley, of Middlebury College, urged the importance of a "Study of the past." In the evening, J. D. Bartley, principal of the Burlington High School, addressed the association on "Success in teaching," and Professor William Wells, of Union College, delivered an. address on "Errors in our social condition."-(New-England Journal of Education.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER.

Hon. Edward Conant, State superintendent of education, Randolph.
[Third term, 1878-1880.]

## VIRGINIA.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876->7\%. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| White youth of school age (5-21) | 280, 149 | 280, 149 |  |  |
| Colored youth of school age (5-21). | 202, 640 | 202, 640 |  |  |
| Whole number of school age | 482,789 | 482, 789 |  |  |
| Whites of said age in public schools.- | 137, 678 | 139, 931 | 2,253 |  |
| Colored of said age in public schools.. | 62, 178 | 65, 043 | 2,865 |  |
| Total of school age enrolled a ........ | 199, 856 | 204, 974 | 5,118 |  |
| Pupils over the school age, white | 513 | 432 |  | 81 |
| Pupils over the school age, colored. | 208 | 228 | 20 |  |
| Whites in average daily attendance | 80,521 | 82, 029 | 1,508 |  |
| Colored in average daily attendance.. | 34, 722 | 35, 814 | 1, 092 |  |
| Total average daily attendance ...... | 115,243 | 117, 843 | 2, 600 |  |
| Percentage of school population enrolled. | 41.4 | 42.5 | 1.1 |  |
| Percentage in average attendance.... | 23.9 | 24.4 | 5 |  |
| Number in higher branches $a$ SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL-HOUSES. | 7,382 | 7,507 | 125 |  |
| Schools for whites | 3,357 | 3,442 | 85 |  |
| Schools for colored pupils | 1,181 | 1,230 | 49 |  |
| Whole number of public schools | 4,538 | 4, 672 | 134 |  |
| Average time of schools in days | 113 | 112 |  | 1 |
| Number of graded schools | 161 | 164 | 3 |  |
| School-houses used .... | 5,825 |  |  |  |
| Owned by districts | 1, 499 |  |  |  |
| Having good furniture. | 1,750 |  |  |  |
| Built during the year .................. | \$851, 731 |  |  |  |
| Valuation of school property owned by districts. <br> teachers and their pay. | \$851, 731 | \$969,317 | \$117, 586 |  |
| White teachers in public schools. | 3, 984 | 4, 069 | 85 |  |
| Colored teachers in public schools .... | ${ }^{636}$ | 671 | 35 |  |
| Men teaching.......................... | 2,913 | 2, 967 | 54 |  |
| Women teaching | 1,707 | 1,773 | 66 |  |
| Whole number of teachers in public schools. | 4, 620 | 4,740 | 120 |  |
| Average monthly pay of men......... | \$34 95 | \$33 10 |  | \$1 85 |
| Average monthly pay of women...... | 3037 | 2737 | ....... |  |
| INCOME AND EXPENDITURE. |  |  |  |  |
| Whole reported receipts for public | \$1, 215, 325 | b\$1, 102, 113 |  | \$113,212 |
| schools. <br> Whole cost for current and permanent items. | 1, 069, 679 | 1,050,347 |  | 19,332 |
| State school fund. |  |  |  |  |
| Available State school fund | \$1,430, 645 | \$1,430,645 |  |  |

[^68](From reports of Hon. Wm. H. Ruffner, State superintendent of public instruction, for the two years indicated.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A State board of education, an incorporated body consisting of the governor, the superintendent of public instruction, and the attorney general, has charge of the operations of the free school system, of the investment of the State school fund, and of the appointment and removal of county supcrintendents, with other minor duties. It is to report annually to the legislature.

A State superintendent of public instruction, elected by joint vote of the general assembly every 4 years, beginning with 1874, enters upon duty March 15 following his elcetion, and is the chief executive officer of the public school system.

## Local.

County superintendents of schools, since 1877 appointed by the State board of education for terms of 4 years, have the usual duties of such officers.
County boards, known as school trustee electoral boards, composed of the county judge, the Commonwealth's county attorney, and the county superintendent of schools, appoint the local school officers for districts within their respective countics, under a law of January 11, 1877. Other county boards, composed of the county superintendent and the district school trustecs in each county, have charge of all public school property within their respective counties and of the arrangement of the boundaries of districts and subdistricts.
District school trustees ( 3 members in each district), appointed by the school trustee electoral boards for torms of 3 years, with provision fer yoarly change of one member, have the care of schools for their several districts.-(School laws of 1873 and 1877.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## progress for the year.

In presenting his severth annual report for the year ending July 31, 1877, Superintendent Ruffner states that "during the past year the work of public education has continued to progress favorably. The enrolment of pupils, the average attendance, and, I may add, the quality of the teaching, have all gained. The ofticial management has also improved in economy, system; and efficiency. Efforts for the improvement of teachers have multiplied. The spirit of education has bcen promoted among the pcople and a growing attachment to the public school system has been manifested very generally."
"The gains over last year were, in enrolment, nearly 5,000 pupils, and in average daily attendance about 3,000 , with a corresponding gain in the percentage of school population in attendance upon the schools. And at the same time the cost of tuition was reduced over $\$ 4,000$, and the total current expenses for the year were reduced about $\$ 36,000$, while the increased work might have been expected to increase the cost. About $\$ 15,000$ more than last year was expended by the districts in permanent improvements. The expenses of the central office were reduced from $\$ 6,519$ to $\$ 5,819$. * * The difficulties under which the work was prosecuted were unusually great, and the progress made is surprising, and is conclusive as to the stability and success of the systcm."-(Report of State Superintendent W. H. Ruffner for 1876-'77.)

## one serious hindrance.

As affecting the rate of the progress above recorded, and as threatening an abatement of it in the future, Dr. Ruffiner calls attention to the fact that the cmbarrassments of the State finances have led to an "annual and increasing diversion of school funds." The interest on the litcrary fund, heretofore unaffected by this dificulty since 1873, has during the past school year bcen reduced in payment from $\$ 64,904.00$ to $\$ 16,476.22$; while "the diversion of a large share of the proceeds of the capitation and property tax began with the first year of the school system, and has becn continued ever since." The fact of this diversion was not discovered till 1876, when an investigation authorized by the legislature revealed an arrearage due to the school fund of "something over $\$ 400,000$ for the fiscal years 1870, 1871, 1872,1873 , and 1874." The amount was subsequently reduced to $\$ 382,732$, but the financial difficulties of the State treasury have caused a continuance of the same system of diminished payments of interest school funds, till, on July 31, 1877, Dr. Ruffner estimated that "the total deficit due the school fund must have been about $\$ 550,000$." And as the auditor takes the ground that the constitution does not control him in his action, while the law does, a legislative appropriation for any civic purpose may at any time in the future sweep away the constitutionally prescribed school moneys unless the State takes decided action to the contrary, either through its legislature or the courts.

## means of lengthening a short school term.

The paucity of means for schoo's has litherto kept the school term down to an average of about $5 \frac{1}{2}$ months. This, Dr. Ruffner thinks, meets sufficiently the current needs
of the great body of the people, who are compelled to use the labor of thcir children during a large portion of the year. But it does not meet the wants of parents who aim to carry the education of their children beyond the prinary school. As a means of remedying this difficulty, Dr. Ruffiner proposes an arrangement by which every alternate school-house in a county shall be opencd for the first five months of a school year and then the other for the next five months, thus giving those who wish for it the opportunity for ten months' attendance. A union of any two adjacent school districts, each having its own school-house, would make this practicable in any ncighborhood, even without an arrangement of the kind for the county gencrally. The plan seems worthy of consideration in all States and neighborhoods where short school terms form the ordinary rule, and where, in conscquence, the aspirations of parents or of pupils for the fullest opportunities of training are now frustrated.

## AID FROM THE PEABODY FUND.

This fund has continued to render important aid in carrying forward the school system of the State, its grant for the year covered by the report having amounted to $\$ 16,850$. This has becn distributed, according to the rules established by the trustees, mainly among well regulated free schools continued for about 10 months of the year, having 100 to 300 or more pupils, with a daily average attendance of 85 per cent. on the enrolment. The people, in each case, must pay for current expenses twice or three times as much as they receive from the fund, and must bcar all the cost of erecting, repairing, and furnishing school-houses, must grade their schools, provide a teacher for every 50 pupils, and must use their best endeavors to make them model schools. A portion of the fund has also gone to aid normal instruction in teachers' institutes conducted by the State superintendent and by sclected instructors under his direc-tion.- (State report for 1876-77, and Peabody fund report for 1877.)

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## OFFICERS.

The school boards of cities, under a general State law, consist of not mare than 3 trustees from each ward where the cities are divided into wards; where there is no such division, of not more than 3 for each school district which may be established within a city by the action of the school board with the approval of the common council. In cities with 10,000 or more inhabitants a city superintendent of schools is appointed by the State board of education and paid from the State school fund.

STATISTICS.

| City. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 14, 000 | 4,447 | 1,183 | 812 | 18 | \$13,595 |
| Alexandria | 15, 000 | 4,093 | 1, 388 | 789 | 23 | 15,431 |
| Norfolk... | 23, 000 | 6, 244 | 1, 344 | 1,085 | 26 | 17, 658 |
| Richmond | 77, 500 | 20, 754 | 5,558 | 4,696 | 87 | 80,788 |

ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.
Alexandria.-The average attendance was 7 per cent. better in the schools for whites and 2 per cent. better in schools for colored children than in 1875-76. In enrolment the white schools gained over 7 per cent., while the colored schools lost over 1 per cent. The enrolment of white children (698) was 25 per cent. of the whole school population, and that of colored children (485) was 30 per cent. of the same. The percentage of attendance to enrolment reached 90 ; the cost of educating each child, based on average daily attendance, was \$12.27. - (Report of Superintendent Richard L. Carne, for 1876-77.)

Lynchburg.-The schools here are classed as primary, grammar, and high, the course in the primary grades requiring 4 years; in the grammar grades, 3 ; in the high schools, 3. In the last it is prescribed, except that an election is allowed betwcen Latin and Greek and French and German. A letter from Supcrintendent Biggers states that his report for 1877 was not published by the board for want of funds. For the same reason the schools were closed 8 days prior to the usual time. He thinks, however, that the school system is more firmly rooted in the good opinion of the people than ever before.

Norfolk.-The schools were taught 10 months, in 7 buildings. The estimated value of school property is $\$ 58,000$. Cost of each pupil in average attendance, $\$ 16.26 .-$ (Return.)

Richmond. - The original graded course of study of the public schools embraced 13 grades; but it has been revised by Superintendent Peay, so that now all the former studies are included in 10 grades, namely, 4 primary, 3 grammar, and 3 high. Halfday schools in the lowest grade have been tried and proved a success. Children of five to eight years of age, it is found, make as great progress in $3 \frac{1}{2}$ hours of study as in 6 . Of the 120 schools belonging to the system, 2 were high, 23 grammar, and 95 primary; 75 were for white and 45 for colored children. The average cost on the total expenditures for the support of schools for $1876-$ '77 was $\$ 15.99$.- (Report.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCIOOLS AND NORMAL DEPARTMENTS.

The Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, at Hampton, has a course covering 3 years, with a preparatory course of 1 year. In addition to the studies of the course, which are chiefly of an elementary character, farming, sewing, and household work were taught. There is a 3 weeks' institute at the close of the course to prepare graduates for teaching. The number of students during the year $1876-77$ was 274 , of whom 105 were girls and 169 boys.-(Catalogue, 1876-77.)

Valley Normal School and Summer Institute, at Bridgewater, Va., embraces in its 4 years' course of instruction classical, normal, business, grammar, and ornamental departments, a model school, and a summer institute for teachers, this last continuing about 6 weeks. The attendance in 1876-'77 on the teachers' advanced course was 5 ; on the teachers' elementary course, 19 ; and at the normal institute, 71. The whole number of normal students in the year 1877 was 97 ; of other students, 111.-(Catalogue and return.)
A normal institute at Strasburg, kindred to that at Bridgewater, is spoken of in the Educational Journal of Virginia for August, 1877, but no report from it has reached this Bureau.
Roanoke College, Salem, has a department to meet the wants of those who wish to prepare themselves for teaching. It is under the immediate supervision of the president of the college. Students have the privilege of taking any studies they may wish in the college classes without additional charge.- (Catalogne of college.)
The Richmond Nc. "al School, a department of the public school system of Richmond. is sustained at an annual expense of about three thousand dollars. Tuition is free, In 1877 there were 139 students attending its 3 years' normal course, of whom 46 were men and 93 women; 17 were graduated, and 14 of them engaged in teaching.-(Return.)
Teachers' meetings are also held every Saturday during the school term, in the Richmond High School building, which the primary and grammar school teachers are rcquircd to attend on alternate weeks. Superintendent Peay conducts the exerciscs, assisted by the principals of the schools, to each of whom is assigned a special subject. By this means, all new methods are discussed.-(Return to Burean.)
A normal school for the preparation of colored teachers has existed also at Petersburg, under the care of Rev. Giles B. Cook, in connection with an elementary school for colored children. Its statistics for $187 \%$ have not been received; in $18 \overline{\boldsymbol{\gamma}} 6$ there appear to have been 150 pupils in all, without distinction between normal students and others.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

The State board of education has power at its discretion to invite and encourage meetings of teachers at convenient places, and to provide that educational addresses shall be made before such meetings provided no public money is expended for such purposes. The agent of the Peabody fund made for 1876-77 an allowance of $\$ 1,100$ for holding such institutes, and in 72 counties cither these or kindred meetings were held, the State superintendent being present as conductor or lecturer in 39 counties and 2 cities.-(School law and Peabody•report.)

## SCHOOL JOURNAL.

The Educational Journal of Virginia rendered valuable aid in 1877, as in former years, in the improvement of the teachers of the State, alike by many excellent articles in its general department, under the editorship of Mr. William F. Fox, principal of the Richmond High School, and by important matter in its official department, which is under the charge of State Superintendent Ruffner.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## HIGH SCHOOLS.

Superintendent Ruffner reports for 1876-'77 a total of 7,507 pupils as studying higher branches under the public school system, 6,879 of them white and 628 colored. These were probably, in most cases, connected with the high school departments of the 164 graded schools reported by him, 121 of which were for white anid 43 for colored pupils. Two such high schools, one for white and one for colored youth, exist in

Richmond; 2 in Lynchburg also, and doubtless others in the principal cities and large towns.

## OTHER SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

For statistics of reporting business colleges, private academic schools, and schools specially engaged in preparing students for college, see Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX of the appendix following, and the summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

The University of Virginia, Albemarle County, usually receiving annual assistance from the State, has been a typical institution for the colleges in the old Commonwealth that have sprung up since its establishment. Founded by Jefferson in 1825, mainly upon European models, its instructions are given not in the four collegiate classes which are still common at the North, but in collegiate schools devoted to the pursuit of some one branch of study. From these schools a student may select those he will attend, taking, however, as a rule, not less than 3 in the acadcmic department, and receiving at the conclusion of his studies, if he pass a satisfactory examination, one of the following degrees: Proficient in certain studies, graduate in a school, bachelor of letters, bachelor of science, bachelor of arts, or master of arts. These are graded according to attainments, and are given only on evidence of such attainments, no honorary degrees being conferred.

The university was enabled by the liberality of Mr. Lewis Brooks, of Rochester, N. Y., to add to its facilities for instruction in geology and natural history a complete collection of Professor Ward's casts of fossils, and to ercet for the reception of these and like collcetions a new and excellent museum building. This gift is valued at $\$ 80,000$.

Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Randolph Macon Collcgfe, Ashland, and Richmond College, ${ }^{1}$ Richmond, have followed the lead of the University of Virginia in the arrangement of their courses by schools instead of classes, and even the older College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, has rearranged itself on essentially the same model; while Emory and Henry College, Emory, Hampden Sidnoy Colleyc, Prince Edward County, and Roanoke Collegc, ${ }^{1}$ Salem, have the more common plan of 4 collegiate classes.

For statistics of all these institutions, see Table IX of the appendix following, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

For statistics of all institutions for the superior instruction of young women reporting in 1877, see Table VIII of the appendix following, and a summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

[For full statistics, see Tables X-XII of the appendix following; for summaries of these, the Report of the Commissioner preceding.]

## SCIENTIFIC.

The Virginia Agrieultural and Mechanical College, at Blacksburg, has a 3 years' course in agricultural and mechanical as well as literary branches. The college receives twothirds of the proceeds of the congressional land grant for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts, and 200 free scholarships are provided for by law. The catalogue for 1876-77 reports an attendance of 224 students.

The Hampton Nornal and Agrieultural Institute, at Hampton, is devoted to the work of training colored youth in the branches of a good English edacation and in industrial pursuits, including agriculture and the mechanic arts, besides fitting them to be teachers. The institution receives one-third of the income from the congressional grant for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts. Fifty-two students were graduated during the year 1876-77. The attendance was 238, of whom 96 were women.(Returu and report, 1877.)
The Virginia Military Institute, at Lexington, is a State military and scientific school organized upon a plan similar to that of the United States Military Academy. The coursc occupies 4 years. There was an attendance in 1877 of 169 students.- (Catalogue and return. )
In the University of Virginia, the school of analytical and agricultural chemistry had an attendance of 14 students, and that of agriculture and natural history, of 3. There is a course in agricultural engineering and one in mining engineering; also a school of applied mathematics; but apparently there were no students in them.
The Newmarket Polyteelnic Institute, Shenandoah County, an institution for training young men in classical and scientific studies, especially enginecring, chcmistry, and

[^69]telegraphy, is spoken of in terms of high praise by State Superintendent Ruffner in the Edueational Journal of Virginia for January, 187\%. It had, by the last accounts, 3 instructors and 87 students.

## THEOLOGICAL.

The institutions reporting theological students in 1877 are the following: Union Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Chureh in the United States, at Hampden Sidney, having 51 students, of whom 49 had received degrees in letters or scicnee; Riehmond Institute, at Riehmond (Baptist), with 100 students attending; Theological Seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran General Synod (South), at Salem, with 13 students, of whom 12 had received a scientific or literary degree; and the Protestant Episeopal Theological Seminary, Fairfax County, which had 41 students. In all these the course of study covers as many as 3 years, and it reaches 6 in the Richmond Institute, which embraces preparatory and aeademic as well as thcological studics. There is an examination of greater or less extent required by all these institutions. To be admitted in the Union Theological Seminary candidates must have received the degree of A. b. or an equivalent scholastic training.

## LEGAL.

The Law Department of the University of Virginia affords instruction in common and statute law, and in equity, mercantile, intcrnational, constitutional, and civil law and government. The number of students attending in 1877 was 111; the number of graduates, 16. There is also a private summer course of law in connection with this department, which begins its session in July and continues 2 months.

The School of Law and Equity in Washington and Lee University has 2 classes, junior and senior, gives its instruction by text books and lectures, and reports for 1876-7\% a total of 28 students under 7 professors and lecturers. Number of graduates, 11.

Neither of these schools examines candidates for admission.

## MEDICAL.

Opportmities for obtaining a medical education are afforded at the Medieal College of Virginia, Riehmond, and at the Mcdical Department of the University of Virginia, Albemarle County. The first named provides the regular 3 years' medical course and reports an attendance of 46 students. The medical department of the University of Virginia is organized on the same general plan as the other departments of the unirersity, the distinctive features of which are comprehensiveness and thoroughness of instruction and the graduation of the student upon satisfactory evidence of attainments only, withont regard to the length of his course of study. There were 48 students in 1877.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB AND THE BLIND.

The Firginia Institution for the Edueation of the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, at Staunton, had in its Departnient for the D3lind 42 pupils in 1877, who were instructed in the common English branches, highcr mathematics, French, and vocal and instrumental music ; also, in the cmployments of mattress and broom making and cane scating.(Return, 1877.)

The Department for the Deaf and Dumb had an attendance of 91 pupils, who received instruction in the branches of a common school education, including language, grammar, arithnctic, history, natural philosophy, geography, drawing, and painting; also in articulation and lip reading. The employments taught are cabinet making, carpentry, tailoring, shoemaking, printing, painting and glazing, and bookbinding.(Return.)

## miller manual yabor SCiool, albemarle county.

Mr. Samuel Millcr, a wealthy farmer of Albemarlc County, is reported in the educational journals to have devoted several hundred thousand dollars to the establishment in his county of a manual labor school, of which it is hoped that full information may be given in the Report for 1878.

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION.

## EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF VIRGINIA.

The twelfth annual meeting of this association was held at Fredcricksburg, July 10$12,187 \%$. After the presentation of reports by the standing committees, came the anmual address of the president of the association, Thomas R. Pricc, and the address of welcome by Hon. John L. Marye. In giving a vicw of the cducational condition of the State, the president said that no year in the history of the Commonwealth has been rieher than this in educational efforts, nor more richly blessed with success in those efforts; and that in every town and county of the Commonwealth, in school and college and university, the seed sown by this association is already bearing its good frinit.

Addresses and papers were presented on the following subjects: "Current discussion
on spelling reform," by Professor J. A. Harrison, of the Washington and Lee University; "Illiterate education," by Professor George F. Holmes; and "Specialized study," by Captain J. H. Chamberlayne.

The attendance at the meeting is said to have been small, but the reports were excellent and the discussions interesting and instructive.-(Educational Journal of Virginia, August, 1877.)

## NOTEWORTHY EDUCATIONAL BENEFACTIONS.

## GIF'TS AND BEQUESTS.

Following close on a munificent gift of $\$ 55,000$ made in 1876 by Mr. W. W. Corcoran, of Washington, to increase the library and endowment of professorships in the University of Virginia, there came to the same institution in 1876-77, from Mr. Lewis Brooks of Rochester, N. Y., gifts aggrcgating about $\$ 80,000$ to erect and furnish a museum of natural science. Mr. Brooks had previously given to Washington and Lee University $\$ 25,000$ for a like purpose.

Hampdeu Sidney College reports also the completion of a subscription of $\$ 50,000$, "chiefly in Virginia consols," from friends in Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, District of Columbia, and New York; while for the establishment and endowment of a manual labor school in Albemarle County, Mr. Samuel Miller, of that county, is currently reported to have left $\$ 850,000$, also in Virginia securities, $\$ 100,000$ of it to be used in the erection of buildings for the school.

## OBITUARY RECORD.

## HON. JOHN W. BROCKENBROUGH.

Judge Brockenbrough, long the head of a noted law school and for scveral years. professor of law in the Washington and Lee University, at Lexington, died at that place February 20, 1877.- (Virginia Educational Journal, April, 1877.)

## PRESIDENT DUNCAN.

Rev. James A. Duncan, D. D., president of Raudolph Macon College and a well known minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, died at Ashland, near Richmond, Va., on Monday, September 24, 1877. He was born in Norfolk, Va., in 1830, and graduated in 1849 at the college of which he was afterward presidcnt. In the Virginia Conference he was remarkably successful as a pastor, and filled the leading pulpits in Richmond, Alexandria, Washington City, and Lynchburg. He was a delegate to every general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South for sixteen years, and in 1866 and 1870 received a large vote for bishop. At the late general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church he appeared as a fratcrnal messenger of the Church South, delivered a most impressive address, and was received with great enthusiasm. For several ycars he was editor of the Richmond Christian Advocate, and for eight years before his death president of Randolph Macon Col-lege.-(Central Advocate, October 3, 1877.)

## PROFESSOR ALBERT T. BLEDSOE.

Rev. Albert T. Bledsoe, LL. D., editor of the Southern Review, and for many ycars a prominent professor, died at his residence in Alexandria, Va., December 8, 1877, aged 68 years. Dr. Bledsoe was born in Kentucky in 1800, graduated at the United Statcs Military Academy at West Point in 1830, and served on the frontier till 1832, when he resigned. In 1833-'34 he was adjunct professor of mathematics in Kenyou College, Ohio; in 1835-36 professor of mathematics in Miami University. From 1840 to 1848 he practised law at Springfield, Ill., 1848-53 was professor of mathematics and astronomy in the University of Mississippi, and from 1853-'61 professor of mathematics in the University of Virginia. During the late war he took part with the confederates, and a portion of the time was assistant scerctary of war. He was the author of a number of works, including An Examination of Edwards on the Will, A Theodicy or Vindication of the Divine Glory, and An Essay on Libcrty and Slavery.- (Christian Advocate, December 20, 1877.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS.

Hon. William H. Ruffaer, State superintendent of public instruction, Richnond.
state board of education.

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| His Excellency Frederick W. M. Holliday, governor | January, 1882 | Richmond. |
| Hon. W. I. Tuffner, Stato superintendent of public instruction | March, 1879. | Iichmond. |
| Hon. James S. Field, attorney general.................................. | January, 1882 |  |

## WEST VIRGINIA.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

(From report for 1875 and 1876 of Hon. B. W. Byrne, State superintendent of free sehools in those years.)

## OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A State superintendent of free schools, elected at the same time and in the same manner as the governor, holds office, like him, for a term of 4 years. He is charged with the supervision of all eounty superintendents and free schools of the State, and is to see that the sehool system is earried into effect and perfected as far as possible. He reports annually to the governor, though the report is only published biennially.

The board of the school fund, eomposed of the governor, State superintendent of free sehools, auditor, and treasurer, has the management, control, and investment of the sehool fund.

A State board of examincrs, consisting of the State superintendent and two professional teaehers appointed by the governor, has charge of the examination and lieensing of persons desiring State certifieates as teaehers; the certificates are good for life or during good behavior.

## LOCAL.

A county superintendent of free schools is eleeted biennially by the voters of eaeh eounty; he is required to be of good moral charaeter, of temperate habits, of literary aequirements, and of skill and experienee in the art of teaching.

A county board of cxaminers for examining and eertifying teachers is formed in each eounty by assoeiating with the county superintendent 2 experienced teachers, ehosen annually by the presidents of the distriet boards of education in the eounty at a meeting held for that purpose at the county seat in August.

A board of education for cach township school district is chosen every 2 years by the
voters of the distriet for the care and oversight of all public school concerns within the township. It is composed of a president and two commissioners eleeted by the people.
Boards of trustees for subdistricts into whieh townships are divided are appointed by the to wnship boards of edueation, and by the amended sehool law of 1877 are to eonsist hereafter of 3 intelligent and disereet persons appointed at first for terms of 1, 2, and 3 years, and subsequently for terms of 3 years only, 1 to be appointed yearly. They have eharge of the schools or their subdistriet and appoint the teaehers for them.(School law of 1873 as amended in 1877.)

## ELEMEN'TARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION:

The State reports in West Virginia are published only biennially in the even years; consequently but little offieial information is available respecting the working of the free sehool system in 1877.

The report of State Superintendent Byrne for 1876 noted a marked progress in all the departments of the free school system, ineluding an inerease in the number of pupils attending, in the number of sehools taught, and in the length of the sehool term. Better qualified teaehers and greater effeiency in the diseharge of their duties by the school offieers generally, and particularly by county superintendents, were among the indications of advance. The finanees of the sehools, too, had been disbursed more efficiently and aecounted for more elosely by the loeal officers.

The latest information respeeting the public schools of this State is found in the report of Dr. Sears, agent of the Peabody edueation fund, for the year 1877. Dr. Sears says: "The condition of the sehools of the State is encouraging and hopeful; they seem to be condueted with wisdom and energy. Speeial attention is paid to their improvement by means of teachers' institutes, in addition to what is done in the normal sehools."

## aid received from the peabody fund.

Assistance to the amount of $\$ 6,800$ was reecived from the Peabody fund in 1877. Of this, $\$ 200$ went to the Journal of Edueation and $\$ 600$ to teachers' institutes. The remainder was applied to the assistanee of graded sehools in 20 different loealities.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## WHEELING

Officers.-A city school board and a superintendent of public sehools, who must have had at least 3 years' practice as a teaeher in graded schools before his appointment.

Statistics.-Estimated present population, 28,270; ehildren of school age, 9,676; enrolment, 5,397 ; average attendanee, 3,401 ; number of teachers, 93 ; expenditures, $\$ 67,844$.
Remarks. - From a written return sent by the city superintendent, it appears that the system in Wheeling oceupies 8 primary school buildings, having 66 school rooms and 4,500 sittings; 7 grammar sehool buildings, with 500 sittings for study, and 12 evening sehool rooms, with as many teaehers. The number of pupils attending evening schools is not given. The average daily attendanee to each teaeher, excluding speeial teachers, was 35 . The salary of teaehers in primary sehools was $\$ 800$ annually for prineipals and from $\$ 360$ to $\$ 385$ for assistants; in grammar sehools, $\$ 440$ for assistants and $\$ 1,100$ for prineipals. Teachers in evening sehools reeeived from $\$ 25$ to $\$ 40$ a month; a speeial teaeher (of German), $\$ 385$ a year.

## PARKERSBURG.

Parkersburg, of about 7,000 inhabitants, the second eity of the State in respeet to population, sends no official report of its schools. But from the West Virginia Educational Monthly it appears that there are 4 publie school buildings for white pupils and 1 for eolored. In 3 of these the sehools appear to be graded as primary, intermethate, and gramniar schools, the course, aceording to a published schedule, reaching. with one years in these departments, While beyond them in 1877 was a high sehool year's studies being a continuation of those previously pursued.

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL SCHOOLS.

Concord Normal School, at Concord, first opened in 1875, had in 1877 an attendance of 57 normal students under 3 instruetors.
Fairmont State Normal School, at Fairmont, had 145 normal students and 6 instruetors, besides 2 non-resident leeturers; 13 graduated, of whom 11 engaged in teaehing.

The State Normal School at Glenville, opened in 1873, reports 38 normal students, 3 teachers, and 1 graduate.
Marshall College State Normal School, Huntington, had 92 normal students, 5 instructors, and 8 graduates, of whom 4 engaged in teaching.
Shepherd College, Branch State Normal School, at Shepherdstown, organized in 1873, reports 56 normal students, 4 teachers, and 8 graduates.
Hest Liberty State Normal School, at West Liberty, had 44 normal students, 2 resident and 3 non-resident instructors, and 4 graduates.
The above are all State normal schools or branches and receive assistance from the State. The amount appropriated for 1877 to each was $\$ 2,000$, with the exception of the school at Glenville, which received $\$ 650$. The course of instruction at the Shepherd College school covers 4 years; in all the others it is completed in 3. Graduates who have received certificates are authorized by law to teach in the common schools of the State without further examination.-(Returns.)
The Normal Department of Storer College, at Harper's Ferry, for the training of colored teachers, reports, for 1877, 136 students, 5 teachers, and 2 graduates. The course of study covers 3 years. Students are charged from $\$ 10$ to $\$ 12$ per annum for tuition and room rent. Thirty-seven students have finished the course since the opening of the school in 1867, and counting those who have taught without completing the course the number of teacheŕs supplied by the school is about one hundred.- (Return and catalogue.)

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

It is made by law the duty of county superintendents to aid the teachers in all proper efforts to improve themselves in their profession. For this purpose they are to encourage the formation of county institutes for mutual improvement and of union institutes for adjoining counties, but no information as to such meetings for 1877 has been reccived.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## IIGH SCHOOLS.

Nothing can be added this year to what was reported in 1876 regarding the public high schools of West Virginia. The law provides for the establishment of them in either a township district or two or more adjoining districts, in case the inhabitants, aftcr 4 weeks' previous notice, should vote at their biennial election in favor of having them. Five such schools were reported by the State supcrintendent in 1876, against 8 the previous year; but whether the number has since increased or diminished cannot be stated.

## other secondary schools.

For statistics of business colleges, private academic schools, and preparatory schools or preparatory departments of colleges, see Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX of the appendix following, and the summaries of them in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

West Virginia College, at Flemington, and West Virginia University, at Morgantown, report for 1877 an attendance, respectively, of 3 and 42 students in collegiate classes. In both these institutions most of the students twere in the preparatory departments. The 45 collegiate students reported were all young men, although the West Virginia College is open to both sexcs. There are six departments of study in the State University, viz: the classical, scientific, agricultural, engineering, military, and preparatory. There is no report from Bethany College later than 1875-76.

## COLLEGE FOR WOMEN.

Opportunities for the superior instruction of women are further provided by the Wheeling Fcmale College, which reports 120 students, all in the collegiate department, and 10 instructors. This college is authorized to confer collcgiate degrees. There is no preparatory department. Music, drawing, painting, French, and German are taught. There are means for the illustration of chemistry and physics and there is a gymnasium.-(Return.)

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

SCIENTIFIC.
The agricultural and scientific departments of the Statc University include courses in general science, civil engineering, military science, and agriculture. The general scientific course, leading to the degree of b. S., covers 4 years. The studies of the department of engineering for the first, sccond, and third years are the same as those of the scientific course, the branches relating to engincering being placed in the senior
sear. The agricultural instruction is at present embraced in a 2 years' course, and certificates of attainment are given to students who have creditably completed it.(Catalogue of university.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB AND THE BLIND.

The West Virginia Institution for tho Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, at Romnoy, reports for 1877 an attendance of 29 pupils in tho department for the blind and of 66 in that for deaf-mutes. The branches taught are reading, spelling, geography, history, philosophy, arithmetic, algebra, and music. The blind are instructed in the cmployments of mattress and broom making and cane seating.-(Return, 1877.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION.

## EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WEST VIRGINIA.

The association held its annual session at Martinsburg August 28-30, 1877. The address of welcome was delivered by Rev. J. P. Hyde, and the response to it by Mr. F. H. Crago. Addresses and papers were presented on "Popular education," by Hon. C. J. Faulkner; "Against German in the public schools," by Professor C. L. Loos, president of Bethany College ; "The kind of instruction wo need," by Dr. W. K. Pendleton, State superintendent of free schools; "Teachers as quickeners of intellectual life," by Professor E. S. Cox, superintendent of the Parkersburg schools, and one by Professor Joseph McMurran, principal of Shepherd College Normal School, on "The proper character of primary and secondary schools, of colleges, and of universities: the best method of adjusting the curricula of these several grades of schools so as to secure a regular gradation of studies and a generous education for our youth, and by avoiding discord among theso several grades of schools advance the intercsts of our public school system."

Reports were received from various committees, among which may be mentioned one on "The advantages of having uniformity of examinations throughout the State for the same grade of teachers' certificates," and one from the committee of inquiry into the advisability of a compulsory school law. The report of the latter committee, which favored the enactment of a compulsory law, was postponed till the next annual meeting for further consideration.-(Published minutes of meeting.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER.

Hon. W. K. Pendleton, State superintendent of free schools, Wheeling.

[Term, March, 1877, to March, 1881.]

## WISCONSIN.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875->76. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (4 to 20) | 474, 811 | 478,388 | 3,577 |  |
| Youth of said age in public schools... | 280, 153 | 289, 125 | 8,972 |  |
| Total attendance on public schools ... | 282,186 | 291, 270 | 9, 084 |  |
| Attendance on private schools. | 24, 028 | 23, 624 |  | 404 |
| Attendance at colleges and academies. | 1,853 | 1,699 |  | 154 |
| Estimated number in benevolent institutions. | 1,160 | 1,175 | 15 |  |
| SCHOOL districts and schools. |  |  |  |  |
| Districts, exclusive of independent cities. | 5,505 | 5,564 | 59 |  |
| Number of districts reporting......... | 5,461 | 5,533 | 72 |  |
| Districts that purchase text books | 267 | 453 | 186 |  |
| Districts that lent books to pupils | 137 | 244 | 107 |  |
| Districts that sold them | 72 | 170 | 98 |  |
| Public school-houses. | 5,299 | 5,320 | 21 |  |
| Built of brick or stone | 750 | 790 | 40 |  |
| With outhouses in good condition | 3,543 | 3,670 | 127 |  |
| Value of school property. | \$4, 875, 618 | \$5, 183, 902 | \$308, 284 |  |
| Schools with two departmen | 183 | 194 | 11 |  |
| Schools with three or more. | 202 | 211 | 9 |  |
| Average term of county schools in days | $152 \frac{1}{2}$ | 149 |  | $3 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| Average term of city schools in days.- <br> teachers and teachers' pay. | 193 | 193 |  |  |
| Different teachers employed. | 8,630 | 9,858 | 1,228 |  |
| Average monthly pay of men in counties. | \$42 95 | \$40 48 |  | \$2 47 |
| Average monthly pay of women in counties. | 2716 | 2635 |  | 81 |
| Average monthly pay of men in cities- | 10510 | 10820 | \$3 10 |  |
| Average monthly pay of women in cities. | 3720 | 3593 |  | 127 |
| INCOME AND EXPENDITURE. |  |  |  |  |
| Total receipts for public schools | \$2, 327, 694 | \$2, 743, 344 | \$415, 650 |  |
| Total expenditures | 2, 153, 811 | 2, 249, 638 | 95, 827 |  |
| educational funds. |  |  |  |  |
| Amount of permanent school fund. | \$2, 625, 798 | \$2, 596, 361 |  | \$29, 437 |
| University fund | 222,736 | 223, 240 | \$504 |  |
| Agricultural college fund | 238, 479 | 240,792 | 2, 313 |  |
| Normal school fund | 963, 917 | 985, 081 | 21,164 |  |

(Reports of Hon. Edward Searing, State superintendent of public instruction, for the years named.)

OFFICERS OF THE STATE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A Statc superintendent of public instruction, elected every two years by the people, enters on his office the first Monday of January succeeding his election, and has general supervision over the common schools, making annuual report respecting them. He is allowed to appoint an assistant superintendent.

A board of commissioncrs for the sale of school and university lands is composed of the
secretary of state, treasurer, and attorney general, and has charge of all matters connected with such sale and with the investment of the funds accruing from it.
A board of regents of the Statc University, of 11 members, to be appointed by the governor, 1 from each congressional district and 2 from the State at large, with the State superintendent as member ex officio, looks after the interests of the university and elects its officers.
A board of regents of normal schools, consisting of the governor, State superintendent, and 9 appointed members, has the government and control of all the normal schools established by the State, with the power to establish others. Its appointed members hold office for 3 years, one-third going out each year.

## LOCAL.

A county superintendent, elected biennially in each county by the voters thereof, is to examine and license teachers, supervise the common schools, and make annual report conccrning them.
A town board of school directors, for such towns as adopt a township system, is composed of the clerks of the several subdistricts, with those of joint subdistricts the school-houses of which are situated in the town. It has the custody of all public school property within the town, and its secretary has charge and supervision of all the public schools, with the duty of visiting cach one twice in each term.

District school boards, for either an ordinary school district or a free high school district, consist of a director, treasurer, and clerk, elected by the people of their respective districts at the annual meeting for terms of 3 years each, one to be reëlected or changed each year.

Women are eligible to county, town, and district school offices.-(School laws, 1877 and 1878.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## GENERAL CONDITION.

The State superintendent expresses the opinion that, notwithstanding the general business depression, the year was one of advancement. A larger proportionate number of districts than usual appear to have maintained school five months, and the number of children in those districts in which schools were taught for that time or longer was greater by 6,820 than in 1876. The returns of children from 4 to 20 years of age are believed to bc defective, as the increase for the ycar must have been grcater than that given, 3,577 . City returns or estimates of the number of children who attended private schools only are also thought to fall short of the real aggregate, although these estimates are more complete than usual.

While the whole number of teachers required in the public schools was 149 more than in 1876 , the number employed was 1,228 greater. More than one-third of the schools changed teâchers, which indicates a great deal of competition, and thus partially accounts for the reduction of wages. A larger proportion of women, moreover, were employed. There was an increase of 549 third grade certificates issued during the year, indicating the employment of an increased number of teachers of inferior qualifications.
The fact that the number of school-houses reported is less than that of the school districts is explained partly on the ground that some districts own no school-house, but principally on the supposition of imperfect returns. The school-houses will accommodate 345,944 pupils, while the attendance was only 291,270 ; showing that the schoolhouses were by no means generally crowded.

## DEFECTS IN THE STATE SYSTEM.

Hon. Edward Searing, in making his final report as State superintendent, ${ }^{1}$ says that the intcrests of common school education suffer for want of more permanent and intclligent supervision. The public schools of cities are managed intelligently and have competent superintendents ; but a majority of the children of the State are educated in the schools of country and village districts, for which there is a very inadequate system of supervision, and in which the results are far from satisfactory. The cause of this is attributed to the facts (1) that political expedicney largely governs in the nominations for State and county superintendents, and (2) that the salarics of local superintendents are too small to secure thorough or extended work.
The remedy suggested is a separation of the whole educational system, to the utmost extent practicable, from political influcnces and changes. It would be a great gain if each county superintendent were elceted by a special convention of the school officers of the county, as in Pennsylvania, and the term of both State and county superintendents extended to four years. But the superintendent believes that the highest and most satisfactory results can be reached only under a system such as that he recom-

[^70]mended in 1875, a summary of which was presented in the Report of the Commissioner of Education for that year.

## TOWNSHIP SYSTEM.

Any town in this State may by a vote of the inhabitants adopt a township system, instead of the separate district system which has generally prevailed hitherto. A report from Superintendent J. A. MacDonald, of Chippewa County, published in the Wisconsin Journal of Education for July, 1877, contains the following statement of the effect of such a system when well administered: "That portion of the people of the county who conduct their schools upon the township plan are well satisfied with them. On comparison, it must be admitted that these schools excel all others. The fact is undeniable. It can be shown that under this system better school-houses are erected; that they are better provided with all the indispensable requirements of common schools, and that in gencral better teachers are engaged; uniform text books and writing material are provided for their scholars, and the right is granted to evcry parent to select the most suitable school for his children. These advantages are of no ordinary kind; they are aids to progress; and the system under which they are found cannot but commend itself to every one."

## THE TEXT BOOK PROBLEM SOLVED.

Existing laws authorize the purchase of text books by the school board of any district and the loan of these to pupils without chargc. Professor Searing says that the adrantages of this plan of purchase and supply are becoming widely known throughout the State, and that the adoption of it is working a salutary reformation in diminishing the cost of books and in promoting both fuller attendance and greater efficiency in school work. He thinks, with many others, that the free furnishing of text books to pupils by school boards combines more advantages, both from an economical and an educational standpoint, than any other plan thus far proposed. It secures cheapncss; for districts, purchasing in quantity, obtain the books required at wholesalc rates. It leads to longer use of the same books ; for, under this plan, they are preserved and passed from hand to hand until worn out. It prevents unauthorized changes of books by teachers and loss of time at the beginning of a term due to the lack of books. It insurcs a larger attendance of pupils, as no chiildren are kept from school through inability to buy the books they necd. Finally, it renders certain an absolute and constant uniformity of books in the various classes. Resulting from thesc advantages, moreover, are better and casier classification of a school, reduction of the number of classcs to a minimum, convenience in making transfers, and the educating influence over pupils of the requirement to care for books.
The question "whether there would not be large additional advantages from a State uniformity of text books is considered in the report and decided in the negative.

## SCHOOL SAVINGS BANKS.

Supcrintendent Searing recommends the establishment of school savings banks as a means of training children in cconomy and busincss habits. This has been done in Great Britain and France with good results. He also suggests the introduction of book-kecping among the branches taught in common schools.

## kindergärten.

For statistics and other information respecting 5 schools of this class at Milwaukee, see Table $V$ of the appendix following, and for a summary of these statistics sce the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

## officers.

Boards of education for cities appear to consist of one or more members from each ward, with provision for partial annual change ; each board choosing its own president, clerk, and treasurer, and generally a city superintendent of schools. At Madison, the mayor of the city and an alderman are ex officio members of the school board.

STATISTICS.

| City. |  |  | + 苟 品 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fond du Lac. | 15, 308 | 5,846 | 2, 64:3 | 1,867 | 49 | \$30, 523 |
| Janesvillo | 11,000 | 3, 775 | 1,751 | 1, 240 | 35 | 24,415 |
| La Crosso. | 17, 000 | 3,612 | $\stackrel{2}{2} 047$ | 1, 403 | 33 | 34, 732 |
| Madison.. | 10,500 | 3,926 | 2, 212 |  | 30 | 32, 884 |

## ADDITIONAL PARTICULARS.

Fond du Lac had about 500 children in parochial schools, besides those enrolled in public schools. The number of sittings for study in the public schools was considcrably higher than the enrolment. - (Return from Supcrintendent Hutchins.)

Janesville reported for 1877 an enrolment of 450 in private and parochial schools, besides those in the public schools. For these last a special teacher of penmanship was employed.- (Return from Superintendent Burton.)

La Crosse.-In addition to the number enrolled in public schools, about eight hundred attended private and parochial sehools, making about 79 per cent. who attended some school. The average attendance is not prceisely given in the report of the superintendent, but it is stated that the percentage of attendance upon the number enrolled is nearly 95. The schools are graded as primary, intermediate, grammar, and high, the course up to the high school covering 7 years; that in the high sehool 4 years more, though a eertificate will be given those who satisfactorily complete the first 3 years. The eost of tuition in the schools, based on the average number belonging, was only $\$ 13.89$ for each scholar, although here, too, a special teacher of penmanship was employed at a liberal salary.-(Report of Superintendent C. W. Roloy.)

Madison. -The statistics show that there were in the city during the year 1,714 youth of legal school age who did not attend the publie schools; but of these, 1,400 bclonged to the extremes of school age, either kept at home as being too young to attend or engaged in work becanse old enough to earn something; Fhile some 500 were in private or church schools. A careful examination made it appear that the number neither at school nor at work was only about 57. The schools are elassified as primary, grammar, and high, the course in the last occupying 4 years. A considerable nortion of the report is dovoted to an argument against the prevalent notion that study is injurious to health; and it is pretty conclusively shown that, under a good system, whieh does not overwork scholars, there is certainly as grcat, probably greater, likelihood of lengthened life among the studious as among those who do not study.-(Report of Superintendent Shaw.)

Milwaukee, probawly from a change of superintendent, presents no statistics of its schools for 1877 , but a pamphlet from the First Ward Public School Association indicates, for that ward at least, "larger and better school buildings, improved text books and apparatus, better teachers at higher salaries," and a disposition to so improve the school grounds as to make them ornamental, healthful, and agrecable. The committee of the association says, in its report on this suljeect: "Around our schools should be not only ample room for healthful sports and social amusements in the open air and sunlight, but space for workshops supplied with suitable tools and materials, together with ground devoted to horticulture, thus educating the young to produce intelligently with their own hands many useful and bcautiful things." The advantages of these arrangements are enforced at length, and the report was adopted with such unanimity as to encourage the hope that the plan suggested may be carried out.

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS.
The four State normal schools at Platteville, Whitewater, Oshkosh, and River Falls report for the year 1876-'77 a total attendance of 1,125 normal students, including those in preparatory classes. The three schools first named had a total of 941 normal students, 411 of them being men and 530 women. Of these, Whitewater had 25 and Oshkosh 89 in preparatory classes. The three sehools graduated a total of 52 students, 15 of them from the full 4 years' course and 37 from an elementary course of 2 years. Tuition is free to normal pupils, but not to those in other dcpartments. The schools are endowed with a permancent State fund, the interest of which in 1876-'77 amounted to $\$ 85,076.16$. They are managed, as before stated, by a board of regents appointed by the governor. The board keeps itself in connection with the everyday work of the schools by means of visiting committees, which furnish in their reports the information necessary for a comparison of work and methods and for a practical, intelligent administration of affairs.

## OTHER NORMAL SCHOOLS AND DEPARTMENTS.

The Catholic Normal School of the Holy Family, at St. Francis Station, organized in 1871, reports 50 normal students, all of them men, and 12 graduates in 1877 from their 3 years' coursc. All these graduates had engaged in teaching.

A Kindergarten training class was conducted in Milwankee throughout 1877 by Mr. W. N. Hailmann, a prominent advocate for the Northwest of Fröbel's system. Statistics of it have not reached the Burean.

Courses of instruction for teachers are reported in connection with Milton College, Milton, and the Northwestern University, Watertown. In the latter institution (Lutheran), students are prepared for service in the parochial schools of the Synod of Wisconsin as well as in public schools. The studies embrace, in addition to those of the
academic department, German, English, logic, theory and practice of teaching, and sacred music.- (Catalogues.)

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

Institute work was vigorously carried on during the year. Sixty-four institutes were held in 53 different counties. Two of these countics did not report statistics, but in all the others there was an aggregate of 99 weeks of instruction given ; there was an attendance of 4,551 , of whom 1,323 were men and 3,228 women. The number of counties in which institutes were held is the same as last year; the number attending is 109 less, and the number of days' session about 10 less. "It would seem," says the committee on institutes, in the report of the superintendent, "that the limit of institute work has been nearly or quite reached, both as regards demand for it and ability to conduct it efficiently and economically." The cost of maintaining the institutes in 1877 was $\$ 6,607.33$.- (State report.)

A special tabular report of the institutes shows that of the teachers present 194 held first grade, 495 second grade, and 2,688 third grade certificates; moreover, that 465 had been trained in colleges or universities, 319 in academies, 534 in normal schools, and 1,725 in high schools, while 1,252 had enjoyed no other advantages than those of the common schools.

## SCHOOL JOURNALS.

The Wisconsin Journal of Education, a monthly, published at Madison, is the organ of the State Teachers' Association and of the department of public instruction. In the former capacity, it presents each year a considerable amount of the best matter read before the association at its meetings. In the latter, it receives and publishes not only the decisions of the State superintendent in all matters of controversy respecting the public schools, but also many interesting communications from the superintendent and his assistant in relation to matters affecting the State system. It thus occupies a prominent rank among our school journals.

The New Education, published since January 1, 1877, at Milwaukee, under the editorship of Mr. W. N. Hailmann, has given much information respecting Kindergarten training, and has been the steady and often eloquent adrocate of the claims of the Kindergarten to public notice and adoption.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## HIGH SCHOOLS.

Official reports were received, in 1877 , from 57 free high schools, an increase of 37 over those reporting the previous year. There were enrolled in these 5,118 pupils, of whom 1,694 were studying common branches only; 1,862 , algebra or geometry; 2,247, natural science, including physiology and physical geography; 704, modern languages, while 900 were in ancient languages. These schools remained in scssion an average of 35.38 weeks during the year. There were 135 teachers employed.

The free high school lav appears to command continued favor and to be exerting a salutary influence. This law grants State aid to such free high schools as are established and maintained by the people for at least 13 weeks in any one year. An amendment to it was passed in 1877 which enabled all free high schools previously in operation to share in the benefits of the law equally with those established under it, if the requisite reports were made and the law was complied with in other respects, so far as applicable. All but 2 of the additional high schools reporting in 1877 were accepted under this amendment, and received their proportion of State aid, making, as before mentioned, 57 in all, which absorbed the entire appropriation of $\$ 25,000$ made by the State for the purpose.

A subsequent revision of the law made the following changes, which were to go into effect November 1, 1878: (1) Hereafter no free high schools will be recognized except such as shall have been established in accordance with the provisions of the law. (2) Each single municipality establishing such a scliool will constitute a high school district. (3) If two or more towns establish one, it will be known as a joint high school district. (4) Each high school district will elect a director, treasurer, and clerk, who will form the high school board. (5) The board will annually determine the amount necessary to be raised to support the high school, and certify the same, to be assessed and collected; but the amount may be limited by vote of the town meeting, or, in case of a joint high school district, by a joint resolution of the town boards. (6) Only such high school districts as have established and maintained a high school for not less than 3 months in a school year and in a building not used for other school purposes will be entitled to receive aid, and this aid will be extended to no school for more than 3 years. - (State report and school laws.)

## OTIIER SECONDARY SCIIOOLS.

Three schools of academic rank, reporting according to lav to the State superintendent for 1876-77, give a total of 19 instructors, 70 students in regular academic
classes, and 111 in preparatory or irregular ones, with 13 graduates in 1877. A table of unincorporated schools other than public shows 339 such, with 412 teachers, 8,714 pupils who had not attended any public school during the year, and 6,518 in average daily attendance; buit probably the greater part of these, if not the whole, were below the academic grade.

For statistics of business collcges, private academic schools, preparatory schools, and preparatory departments of colleges or universitics reporting to this Bureau, seo Tables IV, VI, VII, and IX of the appendix following, and the summaries of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COMPARATIVE COLLEGIATE STATISTICS FOR TWO YEARS.

State Superintendent Searing gives a summary of collegiate statistics for the years 1876 and 1877 as reported to him. Only 6 colleges, exclusive of the State University, reported each year, but the figures for 1876 include those of Racine College, and not those of Northwestcrn University, while in 1877 Racine College does not report and the Northwestern University does. The figures are as follows:

STATISTICS OF COLLEGES.

|  | 1876. | 1877. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 62 | 61 |
| Number graduated in respective y | 52 | 71 |
| Students in senior classes ....... | 49 | 54 |
| Students in junior classes | 62 | 59 |
| Students in sophomore classes | 84 | 87 |
| Students in freshman classes. | 130 | 127 |
| Students not in regular classes | 8 | 123 |
| Students in preparatory departmen | 949 | ${ }^{613}$ |
| Total number in the institutions. | 1,282 | 1,063 |
| Number of acres of land owned. | 2,625 | 2, 1561 |
| Estimated cash value of lands | \$61, 400 | \$65, 700 |
| Estimated cash value of buildings | 232, 550 | 242, 050 |
| Endowment funds, except real esta | 308, 292 | 245, 612 |
| Income from tuition ....... | 15, 016 | 18,364 |
| Income from other sources | 36, 787 | 36, 602 |

## UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

The State university presents various evidences of progrcss during the year, among which are the completion and furnishing of Science Hall and the magnetic observatory, the construction of an efficient system of waterworks and drainage, the addition of gas and bath rooms to the Ladies' Hall, besides other improvements and repairs. Important additions, either by purchase or gift, were made to the collections in natural history, to the gallery of arts, to the law and general libraries, and to the scientific apparatus of the university.
The conditions of the donation proposed in 1876 by Hon. J. A. Johnson, establishing scholarships for the benefit of pupils educated in the common schools, have been confirmed by an actual payment into the treasury according to the terms specified. That donation was followed in 1877 by the proposal of Ex-Governor Washburn to erect upon the grounds of the university during the coming year, at his own cost and for the benefit of the university, an astronomical observatory, equipped with superior facilities for investigations in astronomical science. The students for the year in regular collegiate classes numbered 188, of whom 48 were young women.

In the report of the board of regents of the university for 1877 the question of coeducation is discussed pro and con by the president of the university and the board of visitors. The report of the board expresses the opinion, based it would appear mainly on their own observation, that the health of the young women has suffered from overwork. A strong disapproval of the systcm of coeducation pursued in the university is therefore expressed on that ground; while it is admittcd that the proficiency shown by the young women in their studies was quite equal to that of the young men. Condemning the present method in strong terms, the board still does not advise that women should be excluded from the university, since the law of the State provides for their education there; but it is urged that the curriculum be adjusted in such a manner as to enable a man or woman to sccure "the form of education best suited to his or her respective sphere - the systcm of compelling men and women to fare alike might be so modified as to preclude the possibility of cansing disease." On the other hand, President Bascom states positively that the health of the young women does not suffer in consequence of their studics here. "The young women, whose health was primarily the ground of criticism, have improved in strength rather than deteriorated since they have been with us, though they have burdened themselves with extra work, which we do not
counscl." Out of 357 students in collegiate and dependent courses, of whom 93 were women, there were 155 days of absence on account of illness on the part of the young men in a given time, and only 18 on the part of young women, or in the proportion of 1 to 3 . The students, moreover, did not know that a registration was kept. While young men may have been proportionally somewhat lcss conscicntious about asking for leave, they were much more sharply questioned before it was granted; so that President Bascom accounts for the discrepancy on the ground that the young men are not so accustomed to confincment as the young women and that study is not so congenial to their habits. The president states, too, that the faculty, most of whom were at the outsct opposed to cocducation and who have had years of obscrvation both as to its relation to education and to the health of the young women, pronounce earucstly and unanimously in favor of the present method.- (Rcport of the board of regents of the State University, 1877, with catalogue and rcturns.)

## other colleges.

In the other collegiate institutions mentioned in the Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876 , the courses and departments continue as then stated, except that in Milton Collegye, Milton, there appcar 2 preparatory ycars, instead of the 1 with which it was credited, and that in Laurenee University, Appleton, Galesville University, Galesville, and Ripon College, Ripon, therc are schools of music not then noted, in Lawrence University one of painting also. Carroll College, Waukeslia, not having advanced beyond a preparatory department, may be found in Table VI. Northwestern University, Watertown (Lutheran), not bcfore mentioned from lack of return, reports English academic, preparatory, collegiate, and normal dcpartments.

## COLLEGES FOR WOMEN.

Two institutions in the State offer to young women exclusively the advantages of superior instruction which in the university and others they must share in common with young men. These are St. Clara Aeademy, Sinsinawa Mound (Roman Catholic), and Milwaukee College. The former does not report the number of instructors, but it has 87 students in its collegiate department, while the latter reports 15 instructors, with 359 students, 181 of them in prcparatory and 51 in collegiate classes, 124 in partial and 3 in graduate courses. Among the studies in these institutions, music, drawing, painting, French, and German find place. Both have apparatus for the illustration of chemistry and physics, and both too report libraries of respectable sizc for the use of students.

The Wiseonsin Female College, Fox Lake, does not report for $187 \%$.

## SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## SCIENTIFIC.

The dcpartment of agriculture of the State University is designed to give a thorough and extcnsive course of scicntific instruction in which the lcading studies shall be those rclating to agriculturc. The studies of the freshman and sophomore years are the same as in the department of science, agricultural studies being placed in the later years of the course.

The university also comprises departments of civil engineering, of mining and metallurgy, of mechanical engineering, and of military science.- (Cataloguc, 1877-78.)

## THEOLOGICAL.

The two institutions for theological instruction reporting from this State are Nashotah House, under the care of the Protestant Episcopal Chnreh, with 30 students and 5 instructors; and the Seminary of St. Franeis of Sales, at St. Francis Station (Roman Catholic), having 132 students and 13 instructors. The course of study at the Nashotah House covers 3 years; that of the strictly theological department at the seminary, the same.

## LEGAL.

The law department of the University of Wisconsin has a 2 jears' conrse in the ordinary branches. Students who are not college graduates must be 20 years of age to enter this department and must pass an examination in the ordinary English branches. There was an attendance in 1877 of 38 students, of whom 12 had rcceived degrees in letters or sciencc. - (Catalogue of university and return.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## SOCIETY FOR THE PROMOTION OF HOME STUDY.

This association, apparcntly formed in 1877 at Milwankee, is not a branch of the well known kindred one in Boston, but an independent socicty, organized for local work. From its opening circular we lcarn that it proposes to establish and carry on a
school in which, by recitations, reading classes, and lectures, joung persons and adults of both sexes may receive assistance in one or more branches ineluded in the curriculum. There will be three school terms, corresponding with those of the city high school; and its sections for study, each with appointed leaders, will give their attention to such subjects as general history, English literature, German literature, politieal science and economy, mathematics, ancient languages, psychology, sociology, physics, and biology. In short, the association aims to make itself a sort of advanced school for those who wish to prosecute important studies, although engaged in the active pursuits of life.-(Secretary, R. C. Spencer, 418 Milwaukee street, Milwaukee.)

EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.
The Wisconsin Institute for the Deaf and Dumb, at Delaware, had during the year 1876-77 a total attendance of 182 pupils, with an average attendance of 155 , a number considerably in advance of any previous year. These were arranged in 9 classes or grades, each under the care of a teacher, while a tenth teacher gave instruction wholly by articulation to 7 pupils, and also taught articulation for a portion of each day to 20 others, all semi-mutes. The branches tanght are the English language, arithmetic, algebra, history, and the elements of natural science. The employments are cabinet making, shoemaking, type setting, sewing, and household work.-(Return and printed report, 1877.)

## education of the blind.

The Wisconsin Institution for the Education of the Blind, at Janesville, taught, during the year 1876-77, 91 persons- 41 males and 50 females-who received instruction in music, history, algebra, rhetoric, grammar, arithmetic, geography, reading, and spelling; also in broom making, cane seating, crocheting, fancy work, sewing, and knitting, and in the weaving of rag carpets. Cane seating was taught to both boys and girls. During one hour of each day the youngest pupils are taught according to a modification of the Kindergarten system. Their improvement, especially in the use of their hands, is already manifest, and it is hoped that with more experience still better results may be secured.-(Return and printed report.)

## REFORMATORY AND INDUSTRIAL TRAINING.

The State Industrial School for Boys, Waukesha, reported to the State superintendent 318 boys as present October 1, 1876, and 364 October 1, 1877, an increase greater than could be well accommodated till a new building then in process of erection should be completed. The institution is meant to be what its name indicates, an industrial school, and not a prison; a means for preventing crime, not for punishing it; a place of cheerful industry where the miseducation of ignorant or vicious parents may be corrected and such training given, such habits and principles inculcated, as will qualify the boys for ordinary pursuits and make them useful members of society. The older boys are required to go to school 4 hours each day and to work 5 hours, with 2 intermissions of half an hour each. The younger ones must attend school the same length of time, but need work only 4 hours daily. In the twenty years since the school was organized it has had more than one thousand boys under training, and its managers have had the pleasure of seeing a large proportion of them become good citi-zeṇs.-(State report.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## STATE ASSOCIATION.

The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the Wisconsin State Teachers' Association was held at Green Bay July 17-19, 1877.
The address of President M. T. Park discussed many questions of interest to the schools, such as music in the public schools, drawing, State university, normal schools, principals' association, supervision of schools, text books, and teachers' institutes. Mr. Albert Salisbury, of Whitewater, read a paper on the "History of the Wisconsin Teachers' Association," which was afterward ordered to be published. Subsequently various topics were discussed, among them "Daily preparation of the teacher" and "Promotions in graded schools." A committee on a course of study for mixed schools then presented through Mr. Robert Graham a report which drew up no course, but which, in accordance with a recommendation, recommitted the subject to a committee of which the State superintendent was made chairman, with instructions to report at the semi-annual meeting in December. Dr. Walter Kempster, superintendent of the Hospital for the Insane at Oshkosh, then delivered a lecture on "Mental discipline." Miss E. C. Jones, of Sheboygan, read a paper on "The relation of teacher and parent," and Mr. W. N. Hailmann delivered before the association an address on "Kindergarten culture," which appears to have excited special interest and discussion. A paper was read by Miss Agnes Hosford, of Eau Claire, entitled "A woman's experience as superintendent of schools;" the report of a committee on the education nceded for the citizen was presented by G. S. Albee, and accepted; the sulject of Kindergarten culture
was again taken up and discussed by Mr. Hailmann, Superintendent Harris, of St. Louis, President Phelps, Superintendent Searing, and others, and a committee of three was appointed to consider the subject and report at the winter meeting. Among the reports of committees presented and adopted at the close of the proceedings in the evening was one submitting resolutions against a State uniformity of text books and approving the efforts of State Superintendent Searing to prevent the proposed legislation on the text book question during the last session of the legislature. Senator Howe was present and made some remarks; after music by the band the association adjourned. - (State report and Wisconsin Journal of Education, Angust, 1877.)
The semianuual session of the association was held at Madison December 27 and 28, 187\%. Business commenced with the presentation of reports by committees on normal schools, geological survey, and teachers' examinations. The first sulbject was discussed by Messrs. Reynolds, Phelps, Searing, Bascom, Pradt, Chandler, MacAlister, and Miss Stewart. After a paper by Mr. Salisbury, on the question "Is the teacher's profession overstocked?" Superintendent Searing read his report on a "State educational system," which was substantially the same as that given in this Report for 1875. The report was discussed by Messrs. Johnson, Walker, Wood, Shaw, Pradt, Phelps, Guernsey, MacAlister, Junor, Bascom, Chandler, Delaney, Rockwood, and Salisbury, a majority speaking in favor of the system proposed by the superintendent. 'A resolution was then passed adopting the report as expressing in its general plan the sense of the association. Reports were read from committees on the "Function of the high school," and on a "Course of study for mixed and graded schools." when Mr. Shaw followed with a paper on "The relation of the university to the high school." Superintendent Searing made some remarks concerning the possible discontinuance of the Wisconsin Journal of Education, and, on his motion, a committee of 5 was appointed to take into consideration the sulject of educational journals. Fifteen minutes were then devoted to the discussion of certain questions growing out of the report of the committee on "Course of study for mixed and graded schools," said questions relating to the courses of instruction in the university. Dr. Bascom thought it would be wise to continue for some time the preparatory course of the university, having in view its entire removal at some future time, and that it is best to have Greek taught in all the high schools of the State in cities of 8,000 inhabitants. The association then listened to a report of President Albee, on the subject of oral and text book instruction, and afterward to a paper on "Rhetorical exercises," by W. H. Beach, another member of the committee. President Whitford, chairman of the committee on "Higher education and the miversity," was not present with his report, but a minority report was submitted by Mr. North, giving reasons why, in his opinion, the work of higher education should not be done ly the State. A report of the committee on educational journals, recommending the continuance and efficient support of the Wisconsin Journal of Education, was adopted. A report of the committee on "Early withdrawal of pupils from school" was discussed and a new committee on the subject appointed. After hearing a report on a scientific institute and continuing the committee to carry out its recommendations, the association adjourned.-(State report.)

## PRINCIPALS' MEETING.

An association of city superintendents and principals of high schools was formed, December 28, 1877, at Madison. Such an organization is desirable, it was claimed, from the fact that subjects of paramount interest to high school men could not receive sufficient attention in the general association.
"The relation of the high school to the university" was discussed by Professor Kerr, President Bascom, State Superintendent Searing, and several others. The general sentiment seemed to be that the preparatory department of the university should be discontiuned and pupils prepared in the public high schools. The committee to which the subject was referred reported that, in their opinion, there should be such a close connection between the different parts of our educational system that pupils could advance directly from the common to the high school, and from the latter to the university; and it recommended that a 3 years' course in Latin and a 2 years' course in Greek, with the other suljects rendered necessary by such addition, be a part of the regular work in all high schools. After some discussion, the report, slightly modified, was unanimously adopted.-(State report.)

## CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICER.

Hon. Williay C. Whitford, State superintendent of public instruction, Madison.
[Term, January, 1878, to January, 1880.]

## Arizona. <br> Statistical summary.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. | $\begin{array}{r}2,955 \\ 1,213 \\ \hline 900\end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 9030 \\ & 580 \end{aligned}$ | ........... | $\begin{aligned} & 310 \\ & 320 \\ & 320 \end{aligned}$ |
| Youth of school age (6 to 21). |  |  |  |  |
| Enrolled in public schools $\qquad$ Average daily attendance. $\square$ SCHOOLS. |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| School rooms for study. | 21 | $\begin{array}{r} 28 \\ 190 \\ \$ 44,436 \end{array}$ |  | .... |
| Average duration of schoois in days... |  |  |  |  |
| teachers. |  |  |  |  |
| Men teaching | $\begin{array}{r} 15 \\ \begin{array}{r} 6 \\ \$ 10 \\ 90 \end{array} \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 6 \\ \begin{array}{r} 25 \\ \$ 100 \\ \$ 00 \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 19 | 9 |
| Women teaching.................... Average monthly pay of men....... |  |  |  |  |
| Average monthly pay of men........... Average monthly pay of women..... |  |  |  | ${ }_{40}$ |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Total receipts for public schools...... |  |  |  |  |
| Total expenditures .................. | 28,744 | 18,407 |  | 10,337 |

(From a special return for 1877 of Hon. John P. Hoyt, governor and ex officio superintendent of public instruction.)

## OFFICERS OF THE TERRITORIAL SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## generali.

A territorial board of education, composed of the governor, secretary, and treasurer of the Territory, devises plans for the improvement and management of the public school funds and for the better organization of the schools of the Territory.

The duties of superintendent of public instruction are devolved by law on the governor, who acts as president and executive officer of the board of education and makes annual report to it.

LOCAL.
For county superintendence, the probate judges of the several county courts are utilized, the judge in each county being made ex officio superintendent of public schools for his county, with the ordinary duties of such an officer.
A board of examincrs for each county is formed of 3 persons appointed by the governor, the county superintendent to be one of said board and ex officio chairman. Its duties are to examine applicants for positions as teachers in the public schools and to give certificates valid for 2 years to such as pass a satisfactory examination.
District boards of trustees for each district, composed of 3 persons each, are chosen by the pcople at the general elections for county officers for the care of the school property of their district and the management of its school or schools.

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## EXPLANATORY.

The school reports in Arizona, thongh required by law to be made annually to the territorial board, are published only once in two years. The last issued having been for 1875 and 1876 , no other is due till the opening of 1879 . Meanwhile, the preceding statistics for 1876-77, kindly furnished by Governor John P. Hoyt, give a tolerably clear comparative view of the general condition of the school system, which seems at most points to have retrograded since 1876.

CHIEF TERRITORIAL SCHOOL OFFICER.
Hon. John C. Fremont, governor and ex officio superintendent of public instruction, Tucson.
[Term, 1878-1880.]

## DAKOTA.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY. ${ }^{1}$

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-777. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (5 to 21) | 10,396 | 11,046 | 650 |  |
| Eurolled in public schools SCHOOLS. | 5, 410 | 6,431 | 1,021 |  |
| School districts. | 328 | 369 | 41 |  |
| Ungraded schools. |  | 235 |  |  |
| Graded schools. |  | 5 | -........... |  |
| Average duration of school in day |  | 75.6 |  |  |
| School-houses reported. | 215 | 135 |  |  |
| Value of school property | \$41,784 | \$37, 037 | ............. | \$4, 747 |
| teachers. |  |  |  |  |
| Men teaching. | 85 | 100 | 15 |  |
| Women teaching................. | 181 | 154 |  | 27 |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Total receipts.... | \$52,008 | \$37, 668 |  |  |
| Total disbursements... | 50, 002 | 27, 362 |  | 22,640 |

(From printed report and special return for 1877 of Hon. W. E. Caton, territorial superintendent of public instruction.)

## OFFICERS OF THE TERRITORIAL SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL.

A territorial superintendent of public instruction, nominated by the governor and confirmed by the council at each biennial session of the legislative assembly, has general charge of the interests of public schools.

## LOCAL.

A county superintendent of public schools is elected by the people of the county every two years, at the same time and in the same manner as other county officers, for the supervision of the county free schools.

District school boards are composed of a director, clerk, and treasurer elected at the annual town meeting for terms of 3 years each, one-third to be changed yearly. They have the care of the school-houses and management of the district schools.- (School law of 1877.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## INCREASED INTEREST IN THE SCHOOLS.

The territorial superintendent reports a very general increase in the interest of school officers and others in the subject of public instruction throughout the Territory, and a marked advance in the public schools during the year. This he ascribes mainly to the efforts of county superintendents, who in many of the counties visited schools, conferred with district officers, and became personally acquainted with the wants of the schools.-(Territorial report.)

## FINANCIAL REPORTS.

A correct report of the financial condition of the school districts cannot yet be given, since district treasurers have not been called upon for such reports hitherto; many have kept no account of the receipts and expenditures of their districts, merely reporting at the annual school meeting that they had paid out all they had received from the county treasurer, which statement was received in lieu of a financial report. It is hoped, however, that hereafter no difficulty will be found in making the necessary legal report, since county superintendents have been instructed to visit the various school districts and assist the officers in starting a set of books which will furnish an exact statement of the financial condition.- (Territorial report.)

## SCHOOLS FOR INDIANS.

At the Yankton Agency there were 3 schools in operation during 1876-77, having 4 teachers, 3 of them men. In two of the schools there was a total enrolment of 120

[^71]pupils, 69 boys and 51 girls; the other had 35 girls, but it does not give the number of boys attending. The school-houses were frame and in good condition. Spelling, reading, arithmetie, geography, and English grammar were the branehes taught, both English and Dakota text books being used in giving instruction. There were also 2 sehools taught for the Yankton Indians at Fort Buford ; one having 17 pupils enrolled, the other, 8 .

At Standing Roek Ageney a school with 30 Indian boys enrolled is taught by two Benedictine monks, and a small one for girls is taught by Mrs. De Gray. As there is no boarding sehool for girls here, some of her pupils come six or seven miles to sehool.(Territorial report.)

## CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## YANKTON.

Organization.-The schools are under the management of a board of education consisting of 8 members, who are eleeted for terms of 4 years, 2 going out of office each year. The secretary of the board is ex offieio superintendent of the eity schools.

Statistics.-Sehool population ( 5 to 21 years of age), 935 ; number enrolled, 691 ; average daily attendance, 397 ; per cent. of attendance, 93.1 ; number of sehools (ineluding 1 high, 2 grammar, and 6 primary), 9 ; number of sittings provided, 486; number of teachers, 11.

Other information.-One of the most important changes during the year in school affairs is the adoption of the "library plan" for furnishing text books. By this plan the board owns all the text books used in the sehools and, to pupils who are able to pay, rents for the term those of the books which cost over 25 eents at an advaneed fee equal to about one-fifth of the cost; the needy reeeive them free, as formerly. Books valued at 25 cents or less are sold at first cost, transportation and exchange ineluded. These are used prineipally by pupils in the first or lowest grade, and it is considered that they are more liable to be destroyed than those whieh are used by older children. The plan has thus far given satisfaction.-(City report, 1877.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

teachers' institutes.
Territorial and county institutes appear to be the only means yet provided for the professional training of teachers. The superintendent, however, has reeommended that some aetion be taken by the territorial legislature toward the establishment of a normal school. County institutes lasting a week were held in Yankton, Turner, Lineoln, and Union Counties, and resulted in awakening among the people a new interest in the professional training of teaehers.

## TERRITORIAL TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The annual institute for the teachers of Dakota was held at Yankton, beginning September 3 and continuing five days. While the attendance was not as large as was desired, it was mueh greater than ever before. Thirty-six teachers and ten or eleven superintendents were present, and a number of district sehool offieers visited several of the sessions.

Eael day exereises comprising praetical lessons on the best means of teaching the different branches were given by experienced educators and afterward critieised by committees appointed for that purpose.

During the evening sessions, papers and addresses of more general interest were presented by some of the most prominent edueationists of the Territory. Gen. W. H. H. Beadle delivered an address showing the importance of edueation to national and moral well-being. Superintendent Caton read a paper by Mrs. L. W. Slaughter, superintendent of Burleigh County, on the "Relations of edueation and labor." Essays were read by Mr. J. C. Seott, on "The tendencies of the times," and by Mr. A. W. Barber, on "The spirit of the sehool law." Superintendent Caton, besides delivering the opening address, took a prominent part in the exercises every day. These were enlivened by music and by oceasional diseussions of the subjeets before the meeting. One on school government ealled the attention of teachers espeeially to the importance of mildness in discipline and of having but few rules.

Altogether, this institute appears to have been not only suceessful in its results, but a very pleasant occasion to those attending.-(Territorial report.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

## COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS.

Teachers' associations have been organized in Miunchaha, Turner, and Union Counties. It is expeeted that these associations will have a tendeney to interest both teachers and patrons, so that they may cö̈perate in the public sehool work.

CHIEF TERRITORIAL SCHOOL OFFICER.
Hon. W. E. Caton, territorial superintendent of public instruction, Elk Point.

## DISTRECTEN COLUMESA.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876->7\%. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Total population, U. S. census, 1870 ... | 131,700 | 131,700 |  |  |
| School population (6 to 17 years) 1870. | 31,671 | 31, 671 |  |  |
| Colored school population, 1870 | 10,494 | 10,494 |  |  |
| Eurolled in public schools..... | 19,629 | 21, 264 | 1,635 |  |
| Colored children enrolled | 5, 454 | 5,954 | 500 |  |
| Total average daily attendance ....... | 14,907 | 16, 318 | 1,411 |  |
| Average daily attendance of colored pupils. | 4, 354 | 4,749 | 125 |  |
| Estimated number in private schools.. SCHOOLS. |  | 7,692 |  |  |
| Number of school rooms for study .. | 289 | 293 | 4 |  |
| Number of seats provided.......... | 16,104 | 17,587 | 1,483 |  |
| Average duration of school in days.... |  | 188 |  | 3 |
| Value of public school property teachers. | \$1, 164, 606 | \$1,169, 614 | \$5, 008 |  |
| Men teaching | 26 | 31 | 5 |  |
| Women teaching | 281 | 299 | 18 |  |
| Total number of teachers. | 307 | 330 | 23 |  |
| Average monthly pay of men... | \$120 00 | \$9617 |  | \$23 83 |
| Average monthly pay of women | 8000 | 7121 | .......... | 879 |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Total receipts for public schools. | \$223,372 | \$370, 996 | \$147, 624 |  |
| Total expenditures ....... | 405, 828 | 370,996 | \$14, 62 | §34, 832 |
| expenditure per capita - |  |  |  |  |
| Of school population | \$11 12 | \$1090 |  | \$0 22 |
| Of enrolment. | 1795 | 1624 |  | 171 |
| Of average daily attendance | 2364 | 2116 |  | 248 |

(Report of Superintendent J. O. Wilson for 1876-77 for the District of Columbia, and of G. F. T. Cook for schools for colored children.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## ORGANIZATION.

The public schools of the District are under the control of one board of trustees, composed of 19 members, 14 white and 5 colored; 14 of them being from the cities of Washington and Georgetown and 5 from the county. There are two superintendents, one having charge of the white schools in the citics and of both classes of schools in the county, and the other of the colored schools in the cities. The members of the board and the supcrintendents are appointed by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, and hold office at their will. The executive officers of the board are subboards, superintendents, supervising principals, principals, and teachers, ranking in the order named. Members of subboardsreccive no pay; all other officers are salaried. Men are employed as supervising principals and as assistants in eighth and ninth grade boys' schools, and may be employed in seventh grade boys' schools in the cities and in mixed, ungraded schools in the county. All other teachers in the public schools are women.

Sixty pupils are allowed to each teacher of a graded school and 45 to each teacher of an ungraded school. Half day schools are permitted only in the first and second grades, composcd chiefly of children six to eight ycars old. About two-thirds of the school population are white and one-third colored. The two raccs are separated in the public schools, but like advantages are afforded to each. The schools for whites are taught exclusively by white teachers, those for colored children principally by colored teachers.
Four systems of schools came under the care of the board when consolidated in 1874. In the county schools and in the colored schools the boys and girls were taught in the same rooms, while in the white schools of the two cities the practice was generally the other way. In a few cases separate buildings were provided; but for the most part boys and girls attended school in the same building, occupying separate school rooms. Since then no change has becn made in this respect, except where for special reasons it has been found expedient in city schools to put boys and girls together; and so far as this has been done, good results have followed. The boys have grown more respectful and are more easily governed; the girls have lost nothing in ladylike deportment and have gained somewhat in self reliance. Better conduct on the streets and a more tidy personal appearance of both boys and girls have been noticed by citizens and pointed out to members of the board.- (Report of Superintendent Wilson.)

## CITY SCHOOLS FOR WHITE CHILDREN.

Statistics.-There are in Washington and Georgetown 205 public schools for white children, of which 80 are for boys, 84 for girls, and 41 for both. The total enrolment was 13,105 ; average enrolment, 10,805 : and average daily attendance, 10,257 . There was an increase during the year of 1,022 in total enrolment, of 974 in average enrolment, and of 914 in average daily attendance. The pcrcentage of the white school population enrolled was 67.2 ; the percentage of attendance based on average enrolment was 94.9 , a decrease of .2 of 1 per cent. from that of the previous ycar. Of the 220 teachers employed 4 were teachers of vocal music and 2 of drawing; all but 13 were women; 157 were educated in the public schools and 78 were graduates of normal schools. Besides the number attending public schools, as given above, there was an estimated enrolment in private and parochial schools of 6,760 .

Course of study. - The elementary part of the course extends through a period of eight years, and includes the study of reading, spelling, penmanship, arithnctic, English grammar, geography, United States history, vocal music, drawing, elements of algebra, and some oral instruction in natural science. The high school course commences, and at present ends, with the ninth year. The normal school takes up the work at this desire to become teachers in city schools.

Drawing.-Owing to the excellence of the system pursued (Walter Smith's), and to the fidelity and skill with which it has been taught, the instruction in drawing has been giving results equal to those attained in other studies. When this system was introduced into the public schools, in 1874, the teachers had neither a knowledge of the methods of teaching nor of the subject to be taught. They showed, however, a desire to learn both, and classes embracing nearly the entire corps of teachers were immediately formed and placed in charge of Mrs. Fullcr, the supervisor of this department. They have met regularly every Saturday during the first half of the school ycar, and will continue to meet until there is no longer any necessity for it.
Candidates for admission to the normal school were for the first time examined in drawing in 1877. It is intended to advance the normal course of instruction in this study from year to year as progress in the lower grades shall justify it, so that in a few years the schools will have excellent teachers in drawing.

## CITY SCHOOLS FOR COLORED CHILDREN.

Statistics.-In 1870 the colored population of Washington and Georgetown was 38,725 ; it is estimated to have reached in 1877 about fifty-one thousand, and the school population over eleven thousand. Public school provision has been made for a little over forty per cent. of this population. The number of sittings in $1876-77$ was 4,809 , an increase for the year of 307 . There were 79 schools in opcration during the year, of which 64 were primary, 14 grammar, and 1 high. The enrolment was 5,954, being 500 greater than that of 1875-76. The average daily attendance was 4,749 , which was 98.1 per cent. of the average enrolment.

Punctuality and attendance.-In these schools, where the circumstances of the population are unfavorable to even fair results in attendance, the degree of excellence shown year after year in regular as well as punctual attendance is remarkable. Of 13 schools which had no case of tardiness during the year, not one had a percentage of attendance less than 96.9 ; and of 20 schools having one case and not more than 3 , results in percentage of attendance was 97.2 . The inference is valid that these good Discipline.-The discipline itained at the expense of excellence in others.
Discipline.-The discipline of the schools, as a whole, was good. There were 366
cases of corporal punishment and 141 of suspension, the former being 68 more and the latter 5 less than those of the previous year. In 16 schools there was not a case of corporal punishment, in 33 not one of suspension, and in 6 not one of either method of punishment. The discipline was of the highest order in nearly all the schools in which punishment was seldom inflicted.

Drawing.-In this study the results, as a whole, were good. The progress of those schools which were under the immediate instruction of the special teacher was excellent. The great aptitude and fondness for this study manifested in all grades, however, necessitate the utmost vigilance and caution in order to repress the haste of pupils, which is fatal to accuracy and real excellence.

Music.-The close of the third year of thorough and systematic instruction in music in these schools disclosed very satisfactory results. Sufficient progress has been made to permit very fair grading throughout the primary and grammar schools. Those of the lowest grades were taught by the regular teachers, while the others were under the care of 2 special teachers, who gave in each school 2 lessons a week. - (Report for 1876 -77 of Hon. G. F. T. Cook, superintendent of schools for colored children.)

## COUNTY SCHOOLS.

The whole number of pupils enrolled in the county schools during the year 1876-977 was 2,205, an increase of 93 over the preceding year; and the number of teachers cmployed was 37. Although the increase in enrolment was not large, there was a decided gain in regularity of attendance, orderly habits, and scholarship. These schools have been greatly benefitcd by their union with the city schools under the same board of trustees, the same rules and system of supcrvision, and with the same text books and course of study. School-houses and premises are kept in better condition than formerly, pupils are seated more comfortably, school rooms are better furnished with the necessary appliances for teaching, and teachers are emulating whatever is best in the city schools. - (Report of Hon. J. O. Wilson, superintendent of schools.)

## KINDERGÄRTEN.

For statistics of 5 schools of this class, see Table $V$ of the appendix, and the summary of these statistics in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## THE WASHINGTON NORMAL SCHOOL.

During the year 1877 the facilities for professional training in this school were increased by the addition of a school for observation and practice. The course of study is limited to one year, and the aim from the first has been to admit no candidate who has not the requisite qualifications for a teacher, so that the year may be devoted exclusively to professional work. The attainments of pupils first admitted did not quite reach the standard, and some acadcmic work had to be clone, but succeeding classes have come nearer to it, and it will eventually be reached. At the examination for admission in June, 1876, there were 41 applicants having the qualifications required; and of this number, the 20 ranking highest were admitted, and graduatcd in $187 \%$. Graduates who have tanght in the public schools of the city onc year and have given satisfactory evidence of their ability to instruct and govern a school receive diplomas equivalent to third class certificates. Such diplomas were given in 1877 to 15 graduates. This school has graduated during the 4 years of its existence 76 teachers, of whom 70 are employed in the city schools.

## MINER NORMAL SCHOOL.

This normal school for colored young women was formed in 1877 from the normal class of the high school for colored pupils. Only graduates of the high school are admitted, and they must be recommended by the principal of the school and the superintendent of colored schools, and approved by the trustees of the Miner School. After graduation, and after passing the requircd examination in teachership, they are to have preference over all other candidates for appointment as teachers of primary grades in the colored schools.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## PUBLIC HIGII SCHOOLS.

No high school has yet been opened for the white pupils of Washington and Georgetown, but all in the ninth grade grammar schools are doing high school work, and the necessity for the cstablishment of a high school for these has becn for some time apparent. There was an enrolment of 145 pupils in the ninth grade, of whom 91 were boys and 54 girls. The average daily attendance was 116 .

The high school for colored pupils has dropped its preparatory grade, and is now composed wholly of pupils pursuing high school studies. The course of study at this
school has been necessarily restricted to 3 years, but since the transfer of its normal class to the Miner Normal School and the disappearance of some other causes which made the short course necessary, it is hoped that the time is near when the school may be established on a more comprehensive and liberal basis. There was a total enrolment of 94 pupils in high school studies. A class of 11 was graduated in the summer of 1877 .

## other secondary schools.

For statistics of business colleges, private academic schools, preparatory schools or departments of colleges, see Tables IV, VI, VII, IX of the appendix following, and the summaries of them in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## COLLEGES.

For statistics under this head, see Table IX of the appendix, and the summary of it in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

There appears to have been no important change since 1.876 in the departments or courses of instruction connected with the institutions reporting, viz, Columbian University, Howard University, and National Deaf-Mute College, Washington, and Georgetown College, Georgetown.
The collegiate department of Columbian University (Baptist) embraces 7 distinct schools, among which are those of Latin, of Greek, and of modern languages.

Georgetown College, a Roman Catholic institution, under the control of the Society of Jesus, is adding elegant and extensive buildings.
Howard University is non-sectarian, and admits both sexes and all races.
The National Deaf-Mute College (non-sectarian) is a department of the Columbia Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb. The college was organized in 1864, and authorized to confer collegiate degrees. Its first object was to provide for deaf-mutes an opportunity (not offered elsewhere) to obtain a collegiate education; another was to prove, what had been doubted by some, that the deaf and dumb can engage successfully in collegiate studies. The truth of this proposition has been amply demonstrated by the experience of the college, while the expressions of interest which the enterprise has elicited both in Europe and America show that the undertaking is approved. That a demand exists for such a school is shown by the fact that up to the collegiate year 1875-76 there had been connected with the college 136 youths, representing 28 States and the District of Columbia.

## PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION.

## THEOLOGICAL.

The Theological Department of Howard University is under the joint supervision of the Presbytery of Washington and of the American Missionary Association, New York City, and its professors are of four religious denominations. The regular course of study covers 3 years. There were 9 graduates in the summer of 1877; and during the fall term succeeding commencement there were 32 students attending, all colored men, of whom 2 had received a collegiate degree.-(Catalogue.)

Wayland Seminary is sustained by the American Baptist Home Mission Society for the benefit of the colored race, the object being to provide preachers and teachers for the South and, eventually, missionaries for Africa. The departments are normal, academic, and theological. The course of study in the last covers 3 years.-(Catalogue.)

## LEGAL.

The Law School of the Columbian University provides an undergraduate course of instruction covering 2 years and a graduate course of 1 year. Pupils are admitted to the former without examination, but graduation depends upon success in mastering the daily exercises and passing the final examinations. The exercises of the school are held after usual office hours, thus enabling young men engaged in Government offices to attend. The graduate year is devoted to common law practice and equity pleadings and practice. There were 49 graduates at the commencement of 1877, and during the following term the attendance numbered 134.
The School of Law of Georgetown University provides a 2 years' course of study and admits pupils without examination. The general plan of instruction embraces lectures, examinations, recitations, and moot courts. Recitations are held during the ovening, so as to accommodate some students who are occupied through the day and to enable others to use the public law libraries and attend the courts. This school graduated 15 students at the commencement of 1877, and had an attendance during the following term of 21.
The Law Department of Howard University was suspended during the year 1876-'77,
but it has since resumed operations. The courso of study covers 2 years. Applicants for admission, unless graduates of some college, are required to pass a satisfactory examination in algebra, geometry, Latin, logic, and mental science. There were 6 students attending during the fall term of $187 \%$.

The National University Law Department examines in advance candidates for admission who are without evidence of collegiate study or its equivalent. No statistics from it for 1877 have been received.

## MEDICAL.

The National Medical College of the Columbian University reports 5 graduates at tho commencement of 1877 and 53 students attending during the fall term of that year. The plan of instruction comprises a course of didactic lectures on the seven essential branches of medical science, namely, anatomy, physiology, materia medica, chemistry, surgery, obstetrics, and the theory and practice of medicine, united with practical instruction at the bedside of the sick.
The Medical Department of the University of Georgetown, in compliance with the demand for a higherstandard of proficiency, has adopted a 3 years' graded course of study, each collegiate year or term embracing 7 months. Attendance upon all three courses is obligatory before the student may apply for final examination. This school graduated 2 students in 1877, and reports an attendance of 46.

The Medical Department of Howard University graduated 10 students at the commencement in 1877, and had an attendance of 48 during the fall term of that year, of whom 5 had received a collegiate degree. The course of study covers the usual 3 years. There is no charge for tuition except $\$ 5$ a year for incidental expenses.

The National Coliege of Pharmacy, Washington, opened in 1873, reports 23 students, 3 instructors, and 5 graduates at the commencement of 187\%. The course of study comprises 2 years' attendance on lectures, but students, in order to graduate, must have had 4 years' practical experience.- (Return.)

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTION.

## EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.

The Columbia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, near Washington, had 107 pupils under instruction in 1877 , of whom 94 were males and 13 females. Since its organization in 1857, it has given instruction to 350 pupils, of whom about thirty have become teachers in similar institutions. The institution is sustained mainly by Congress, and gives free instruction where necessary to deaf-mute children of the District of Columbia, and to those whose parents are in the United States Army or Navy. In the primary department the branches are those usually taught in common schools; high school and collegiate branches are attended to in the collegiate department. The employments taught are cabinet making and carpentry. - (Return and printed reports.)

## CHIEF SCHOOL OFFICERS IN THE DISTRICT.

Hon. J. Ormond Wilson, supcrintendent of schools for white children in Washington and Gcorgctown and of the county schools, Washington.
Hon. George F. T. Cook, superintendent of schools for colored children in Washington and Georgetown, Washington.

## TDAFO.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1874-'75. | 1875-76. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age (5-18) | 3,852 | 2,777 |  | 1,075 |
| Attending public schools.. | 2,093 | 2,724 | 631 | .......... |
| SChool districts. |  |  |  |  |
| Number of school districts | 81 | 77 |  | 4 |
| income and expenditure. |  |  |  |  |
| Receipts for public schools | \$23,734 | \$36,214 | \$12,480 |  |
| Expenditures for them............ | 18,478 | 16,590 |  | \$1,888 |

(From report of Hon. Joseph Perrault, territorial superintendent of public instruction for the 2 years indicated.)

## OFFICERS OF THE TERRITORIAL SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## general.

By an amended law of 1877, the territorial controller is, as before, constituted territorial superintendent of public instruction, and an amendment makes it his duty to exercise a general supervision over the public schools.

## LOCAL.

Since 1875 , the auditor of each county is ex officio county school superintendent, except in Alturas and Boise Counties, where the probato judge of each county is to act as superintendent, the ncw law making no change in these respects.

For school districts, as under the law of 1875, 3 school trustees are chosen at the annual district meeting of each organized district to care for the schools, employ teachers, and perform the other duties of such officers. By the new law it is made a part of their care for schools that they shall keep the houses in repair and furnish them with several distinctly specified conveniences.

## THE TERRITORIAL SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## INFORMATION LACKING.

The school reports in this Territory are biennial, and the last one being for 1875 and 1876 none is due till 1879. No information has been received at this Office from any source on which can be based either a summary of school statistics or any general statement regarding the present condition of the educational interests of the Territory. In reply to a letter of inquiry the governor, Hon. M. Brayman, kindly furnished a list of school officers for 1877, and added:
"We have no universities, colleges, academies, or seminaries. We have several private schools well conducted and liberally patronized. I will endeavor to secure and furnish you their statistics.
"Under section 1946 of the Revised Statutes of the United States two sections of land are reserved in each township for school purposes, but thus far this gift is practically unavailable.
"Unfortunately our legislation in former years was so unwise and extravagant as to plunge the Territory into debt so seriously as to create an excuse or a necessity for dispensing with an independent aud appropriate school management and attaching the duties of territorial and county supcrintendents to other offices. * * * Thus our school system is made a 'side show,' not well grounded in public sympatby nor receiving sufficient intelligent and zealous care."

## CHANGES IN THE LAW.

The new law of 1877 , previously referred to, adds to the former one an amendment making it the duty of the county commissioners in each county to levy, with the taxes for county and territorial purposes, a tax of 5 to 8 mills on the dollar for school purposes, instead of the 2 to 5 in the law of 1875 . For the further support of public schools the county treasurer of each county is to set apart for the school fund the product of all fines and forfeitures for breach of penal laws. From the former source particularly, and to some extent from the latter, there must come considerable increase of the school revenue.
Improvements are made, too, in the matter of the assessment of district taxes, giving power to trustees to enforce the collection of such taxes as have been voted by the district meeting, and to add 5 per cent. to such as remain unpaid after 30 days published notice. Trustees are allowed, without a vote of the district, to levy and collect a rate bill for school-house repairs not exceeding $\$ 25$; the bills are to be paid by parents and guardians of pupils attending, in proportion to the number of such pupils sent by each; no pupil, however, is to be prohibited from attending the school on account of the inability of a parent or guardian to pay.
The marshal annually appointed to take a census of the children of school age in each district is now to be sworn to the faithful performance of his dutics; but one of the most important clauses of the old law of 1871-which required county superintendents to visit each school in their counties at lcast once each ycar, to exercise a general supervision over their interests, and to aid minor officers in promoting theseis not restored.

## CHIEF TERRITORIAL SCHOOL OFFICER.

Hon. Joseph Perrallet, territorial controller and ex officio superintendent of public schools, Boisé City.

## INDIAN TERIRITORY.

[The information under this head refers to Indian education throughout the United States, as well as
in Indian Territory; the euumeration, however, does not include the Indians in Alaska.]

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

## POPULATION AND ATTENDANCE.

Number of Indians in the United States ..... 250. 809
Number who are of mixed blood ..... 27,749
Pupils in Indian Territory attending school 1 month or more ..... 5, 496
Pupils belonging to other tribes attending school 1 month or more ..... 6, 019
Aggregate average attendance of the last number ..... 3, 593
Largest average monthly attendance of the same ..... 4, 774
SCIIOOLS.
School buildings on Indian reservations ..... 366
Boarding schools on Indian reservations ..... 60
Day schools ..... 270
TEACHERS.
Mon teaching among the Indians ..... 200
Women teaching ..... 237
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE.
Received from Government, $\$ 209,337$; tribal funds, $\$ 81,989$; other sources, \$46,053 ..... \$337, 379
Expended for salaries, $\$ 194,413$; other expenses, $\$ 142,966$ ..... 337, 379
indians who can read.
Indians who can read in English ..... 23, 871
Indians who can read in Indian languages ..... 17,269
Indians who can read both languages ..... 8,806
Adults who can read17, 201
Youths who can read
1,206
ing the year
(From the report for 1877 of Hon. E. A. Hayt, Commissioner of Indian Affairs.)

## GENERAL CONDITION.

## PROGRESS OF INDIAN CHILDREN IN THE SCHOOLS.

Commissioner Hayt reports that there is much encouragement to work for the gradual elevation of the partially civilized adult Indians, and especially of the youth of both sexes; a very considerable advance has been made. The Indian youths in the schools show surprising progress in penmanship and drawing, and can be taught the ordinary branches of a common school education as readily as white children, except, perlıaps, arithmetic.-(Indian report.)

## compulsory attendance.

In view of the fact that our chief hope for the civilization of the Indian is in the education of the young, the commissioner urges that every effort be made to bring Indian children into schools. He advises the establishment of a rule making it compulsory upon all Indian children between 6 and 14 years of age to attend school, and requiring English alone to be spoken and taught therein. As many as possible, he says, should be placed in boarding schools, which possess advantages in every way over the others. Forty children, it is stated, can be boarded and instructed at an annual expense of $\$ 125$ each, the cost being slightly reduced in schools containing a larger number of pupils.- (Indian report.)

## nncreased approprlations needed.

Commissioner Hayt recommends the appropriation of $\$ 50,000$ as a special fund for the establishment and support of additional schools wherever, in the judgment of the Secretary of the Interior, they may be most needed. In addition to the ordinary schools, the establishment is particularly recommended of industrial schools, in which those over 14 years of age may be taught the various trades.

The commissioner also advises that provision be made to give a higher education in normal schools at the East to such Indian youths as are sufficiently advanced to enable them to enter those schools.-(Indian report.)

## SCHOOLS OF THE FIVE NATIONS.

As far as can be ascertained from the records of the Indian Office, the schools of the nations inhabiting the Indian Territory are substantially as reported in 1876, namely, among the Cherokees, 75 common schools, held for 10 months in the year, with 2 commodious schools of higher grade, a manual labor school, and an orphan asylum; among the Creeks, 28 public day schools, 2 manual labor schools, and 5 mission boarding schools, besides provision for educating 18 young men in the schools of the States; among the Choctaws, 54 day schools, 1 boarding school with about 50 pupils, and several private schools sustained by tuition fees; among the Chickasaws, 13 district common schools and 4 high schools; among the Seminoles, 5 ordinary schools and 1 aeademy or boarding school, under the supervision of the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions.
Among the Cherokees, and probably among the others, no person can be employed to teach a public school without passing a satisfactory examination before an examining board, and producing a certificate of qualification based upon the result of such an examination.

## SUPERINTENDENTS OF INDIAN SCHOOLS.

Dr. S. W. Marston, United States Indian agent at Muscogee, in the Indian Territory, has kindly furnished the following list of Indian school ofticials for 1877-78:

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## MONTANA.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

(Report for 1876 of Hon. Cornelius Hedges, and special return for 1877 from Hon. Clark Wright, territorial superintendents of instruction in those years.)

OFFICERS OF THE TERRITORIAL SCHOOL SYSTEM.
The Montana school law provides (1) a superintendent of public instruction, appointed by the governor, with consent of council, for 2 years; (2) county superintendents, chosen loy the people for terms of 2 years; (3) board of trustees of 3 members, elected for terms of 3 years each, one to be changed annually by new election ; (4) district clerks, chosen at the annual district meeting, to keep a record of its proceedings, take a school census, and provide school supplies.

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## EXPLANATORY.

The school reports of Montana are biennial, and none is available for 1877. Superintendent Wright, however, in addition to the statistics of the preceding summary, has furnished a statement respecting educational affairs in the Territory from which the following extracts are given:

## BRANCHES TAUGHT.

All schools are taught in the English language, and instruction is given in the following branches: Reading, writing, orthography, arithmetic, geography, English grammar, history of the United States, and such other studies as may be authorized by the trustees of the district.

## SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Two very expellent school buildings were erected within the year 1877, one at Bozeman and the other at Butte, at a cost of over $\$ 25,000$.

## SChool revenues.

Very few of the States, and none of the Territories, unless the District of Columbia be so considered, surpass Montana in the amount of money raised per capita of school population for educational purposes. Unfortunately, Congress has made no provision wherelby the lands donated to public schools can be made available until the Territory becomes a State. The people are thus obliged to rely entircly upon taxation for the support of public schools.

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

An act passed by the last legislature provides that each county containing 10 or more organized districts may hold a teachers' institute when the county superintendent believes that the educational interests of his county would be promoted thereby. The institute is to continue not less than two nor more than five days, and all teachers attending shall be allowed their usual pay while in actual attendanco.

Deer Lodge County was the first to avail itself of the benefit of the new law. The institute convened February 11, with all the teachers of the county in attendance, and the interest was well sustained to the close of the session, which lasted 5 days. It was resolved that the interests of Deer Lodge County demand the establishment of a high school, in which the useful and ornamental branches shall be taught.

SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.
ESTABLISIMMENT OF A COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.
Contemporaneous with the session of the teachers' institute was an effort on the part of the citizens to establish a collcgiate institute, the first school of a higher grade in the Territory. The result was $\$ 18,000$ subscribed, an organization effected, trustees chosen, a site selected, and the good work is still progressing. It is designed that this "Collegiate Institute" shall meet the demand for a collegiate preparatory school not only in Deer Lodge County, but in the entire Territory.

## CHIEF TERRITORIAL SCHOOL OFFICER.

## Hon. C. Wright, territorial superintendent of public instruction, Helena.

## NEW MEXICO.

## EXPLANATORY.

The only official information as to New Mexico for 1877 is a general statement from Secretary Ritch that the condition of public school education in the Territory has not varied materially from what it was represented by him to be in 1875.

A letter, however, has been received from Rev. A. J. Semmes, m. a., m. D., of Pio Nono College, Macon, Ga., giving an account of the educational work of tho Roman Catbolic Church in the Territory, from which the following extracts are made:

## STATEMENT OF DR. SEMMES.

"In 1848, soon after the cession of the Territory of New Mexico to the United States by the Republic of Mexico, and after the organization of the territorial government, the national council of the Catholic Church of the United States, representiag some five millions of American citizens, adopted a resolution for the establishment of an additional American diocese, with the sanction of Pius IX, the presiding Bishop or Pope of the Church. In virtue of this action of the council of Baltimore, the Catholics of New Mexico were withdrawn from the jurisdiction of the Mexican Church and passed under that of the Church of the United States.
"A few months after the passage of the act of Congress organizing the Territory of New Mexico, Rev. Dr. Lamy, a clergyman of the American Catholic Church, was appointed bishop of Santa FE, and, accompanied by the newly appointed governor, judges, marshal, and secretary to the capital of the Territory, he proceeded to organize the new diocese in accordance with American ideas by the introduction of schools.
"The Constitution and laws of the United States being now in force in the newly acquired Territory, and the church being liberated from slavery to the state, as under the Mexican régime, Dr. Lamy proceeded to reform abuses, enforce discipline, and establish schools for the education of the people. He introduced American and European teachers and missionaries, and inaugurated other practical measures for the moral and intellectual improvement of the people, who had enjoyed little or no peace, order, or real liberty under the old régime.
"In 1853, a first class female academy under the charge of the Sisters of Loretto (an association of highly educated and refined Christian ladies) was opened. In 1858, St. Michael's College was founded, in Santa F6́, and superior schools for males and females were established in Taos, Mora, Las Vegas, Bernalillo, and Las Cruces.
"According to the official statistics in the United States Catholic Almanac for 187\%, in the Territory of New Mexico there were in full operation 1 college, 6 academies, and 1 orphan asylum under private control-not including the free territorial schools supported by taxation-in a total population of 90,000 Mexico-Americans and 1,000 AngloAmericans.
"In the city of Santa F6 there is St. Michael's College, with 8 professors and tutors, and an average attendance of three hundred to four hundred students. There is also an academy for young ladies, with an average attendance of 100 pupils, under the principalship of Sister Mary Hayden, a highly accomplished American lady.
"In the town of Taos, the Sisters of Loretto have a school in successful operation, with an attendance of 100 pupils. In Mora, the same ladies have an excellent school, with 80 pupils; another in Las Vegas, with 128 pupils, and another in Bernalillo, with an attendance of 60 .
"The Christian Brothers' Teaching Association is now managing a high school in Mora, with 3 teachers, and 100 boys in attendance, and another school for boys in Bernalillo, with an attendance of 90 scholars.
"A select school for youths is also in successful operation in Albuquerque, under the charge of a thorough classical scholar, Rev. Mr. Tromly.
"Notwithstanding the statement of Mr. Ritch, in the Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876, in reference to what he styles 'the interference of the priests' in the county of San Miguel, in consequence of which the 'public' schools were discontinued, from his own report and from the facts I have submitted as to private education, the educational status of the Territory of New Mexico is as advanced as could reasonably be expected."

In reference to the charge of "interference by the priests," the writer submits that "we are living. under the Constitution and laws of the United States, which protect all professions in their right to a use of a free speech, press, and pulpit in the expression of their opinions;" that "Roman Catholic clergymen have the same right as any other citizens to advertise and popularize by pulpit, press, or speech, their ideas of what constitutes education;" that."'the officers of free educational institutions may use
all legitimate means to increase the number of their scholars; and should this freo competition result in the discontinuanco of any public school, then it cannot be remodied."

## ST. THOMAS'S MISSION.

In addition to the above, a report has been received from St. Thomas's Mission, a school for both sexes at Santa Fé, in charge of Rev. Henry Forrester, of the Protestant Episcopal Church. 'There were 24 pupils attending in $187 \%$.

## CHIEF TERRITORIAL SCHOOL OFFICER.

Hon. W. G. Ritcr, secretary of the Territory. ${ }^{1}$

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## UTAH.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY. ${ }^{1}$

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| population and attendance. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of legal school age ( 4 to 16 in $1875-76$ and 6 to 16 in 1876-77). | 30, 900 | 30,792 |  |  |
| Enrolled in schools. | 19,886 | 19,779 |  | 107 |
| Average daily attendance.. | 13,608 | 13,420 |  | 188 |
| Pupils in schools other than public scrools. |  | 4,360 |  |  |
| Average time of schools in days. | 143 | 146 | 3 |  |
| Number of schools | 310 | 327 | 17 |  |
| Estimated value of school property | \$453, 515 | \$600, 000 | $a \$ 146,485$ |  |
| teachers. |  |  |  |  |
| Men teaching in pablic schools | 215 | 232 | 17 |  |
| Women teaching in public schools | 234 | 238 | 4 |  |
| Whole number of teachers. | 449 | 470 | 21 |  |
| Monthly pay of men.. | \$5400 | \$4500 |  | \$9.00 |
| Monthly pay of women... | 2600 | 2250 |  | 350 |
| Teachers in schools other than public. |  | 92 |  |  |
| INCOME AND EXPENDITURE. |  |  |  |  |
| Total income for school purposes | \$129, 798 | \$210, 052 | \$80, 264 |  |
| Total expenditures............. | 129, 298 | 160, 064 | 30,766 |  |

$a$ This increase is apparent only; an explanation of it is given under elementary instruction.
(Biennial report of Hon. John Taylor, territorial superintendent of district schools, for 1876 and 1877, and special return for 1877 from the same.)

OFFICERS OF THE TERRITORIAL SCHOOL SYSTEM.
general.
A territorial superintendent of district schools is elected biennially by the people for the usual duties of such an officer.

## LOCAL.

A county superintendent of district schools is also elected biennially in each county by the voters thereof.
A county board of examination, to determine the qualifications of persons desiring to teach in the district schools, is formed by the county court of each county, which appoints 3 competent persons for this purpose, without license from whom no one is eligible to employment as teacher by any district board in the county.

Bourds of trustees for districts consist of 3 persons elected by the qualified voters resident in the district in which they are to serve. Their term of oftice is 2 years.

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## EVIDENCES OF IMPROVEMENT.

The territorial superintendent of district schools, in his report for the two Fears ending in November, 1877, congratulates the people of the Territory on "a gratifying progress" in matters of education. The fact that there was an enrolment in public schools (Tooele Ceunty not reporting) during 1877 of 19,779 children, or 44 per cent. of the school population (as estimated on the new basis of 6 to 16 years as the legal
sehool age), indieates, in the opinion of the superintendent, a marked improvement in the facilities for reaching all the children who ought to be in school. The number of sehools was increased by 17 during the year 1877, and by 31 since the last biennial report. The apparent falling off during the past two years in the number of sehool population is attributed chictly to the alteration in the school age, changed since the last report from 4-16 to 6-16. The failure of Tooele County to report for 1877 also subtracts 1,000 from the number in that year. It is thought that if the present school population were estimated on the basis used in the last biemnial report, and the statistics of Tooele County were included, a total would be reached of 37,950 children of school age, which would be an inerease for the two years of 2,254 . In the matter of school buildings there is a growing demand for spaee and improvement in eonstruction.

## SCHOOL PROPERTY.

The inerease in the value of school property has not been as great as would appear from the summary, for the reason that the estimates made of tliis item have not been uniform from year to year, owing to a misconcoption on the part of some county superintendents as to what property they should report. In many cases they have failed to report as school property buildings used for the double purpose of schools and churches, although such buildings had been built mainly for schools and remained under the control of school trustees. The superintendent estimates that since the last biennial report about $\$ 100,000$ have been added to the valuation of school property, and that this makes the present total value about $\$ 600,000$.- (Bienial report, 1876 and 187\%.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL DEPARTMENT.

The normal department of the University of Deseret provides a course of study covering oac year. In 1877, besides the theory and practice of teaching and the elementary English branches, the course included book-keeping, composition, rhetoric, United States history, political economy, civil govermment, zoölogy, physiology, and mental philosophy. This list of studies, however, was fomd too extensive for a single year's course and it has been modified by omitting political economy, civil government, penmanship, book-keeping, and mental philosophy. There were 28 young men and 19 young women in attendance during the latter portion of the year 1877. An annual appropriation from the territorial legislature enables the department to provide free tuition for 40 students, who, in consideration of this, agree to teach in the public schools a yoar after graduation.-(Tervitorial report.)

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## ACADEMIES.

No public high schools are reported. For statisties of academie schools and of a preparatory department to the territorial university, soe Tables VI and IX of the appendix follorring, and the summanies of these in the Report of the Commissioner preceding.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## UNIVERSITY OF DESERET.

The University of Deseret provides for a course of instruction leading to the degree of bachelor of scienee, but as yet it has no students in collegiate classes. There were 183 in the preparatory department during 1575, of whon 85 were young women.(Return and circular.)

CHIEF TERRITORIAL SCHOOL OFFICER.
Hon. Jomi Taylor, territorial superintendent of district schools, Salt Lake Oity.
['Term, 1871-1879.]

## WASHINGTON TERRETORY.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

|  | 1875-76. | 1876-77. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| POPULATION AND ATTENDANCE. |  |  |  |  |
| Youth of school age, 4-21a Enrolled in public schools | 11,000 7,500 | $\begin{array}{r} 12,997 \\ 5,385 \end{array}$ | 1,997 | 2,115 |
| School rooms for study ....................... | 219 | 262 | 43 | -------. |
| Average duration of school in days....... | 104 | 130 | 26 | -----.-. |
| Men teaching | 120 | 134 | 14 |  |
| Women teaching | 100 | 145 | 45 |  |
| Total number of teachers | 220 | 279 | 59 | -.....-.... |
| Average montlily pay of men. |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{r}\$ 40 \\ \hline\end{array}\right.$ |  |  |
| Average monthly pay of wom | \} $38-\$ 0$ | $\{3000$ | ------.-. |  |
| INCOME AND EXPENDITURE. |  |  |  |  |
| Receipts for school purposes | \$54, 557 | \$49,765 |  | \$4, 792 |
| Expenditures for same | 55, 520 |  |  |  |
| Expenditure per capita of school population. |  | 382 |  |  |
| Expenditure per capita of pupils enrolled. |  | 924 |  |  |

$a$ Under a new law, $5-21$ is the age for admission to the public schools, though 4-21 is retained as the age which forms the basis of apportionment of school funds.
(Special return for 1876 from Hon. J. P. Judson, territorial superintendent of public instruction, and printed report from the same for 1876-77.)

## OFFICERS OF THE TERRITORIAL SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## GENERAL

A territorial superintendent of public instruction, under a new law of 1877, is appointed by the governor, with consent of council, for a term of 2 years, and has general supervision of the county and district school officers and of the public schools.
A territorial board of education is created by the same law, to consist of the superintendent as president, and of one suitable person from each judicial district, appointed by the governor, with consent of council, for terms of two years. It is to adopt text books for the public schools, to prescribe rules for their government, to sit at semiannual meetings as a board of examination for territorial certificates, and to prepare twice a year a uniform series of questions for the county boards.

LOCAL.
A county superintendent of common schools for each county, under the new law as under the older one, is to be elected biennially by the people; and to the duties formerly imposed on him are added those of enforcing the course of study that may be prescribed by the board of education and the rules and regulations they may impose for tho examination of teachers, of keeping on file in his office the biemial reports of the territorial superintendent, and of keeping in a good and well bound book, to be furnished by the county commissioners, a record of his official acts. Provision is made for tho increase of his salary to correspond with the augmentation of his duties.
A county board of examination is formed by the county superintendent, who calls to his aid 2 persons holding the lighest grade certificates in his county, the three forming a board for the semiannual examination of those proposing to teach in the public schools.

Boards of directors of school districts are, as before, to consist of 3 members elected by the voters of a new district, at a meeting called for the purpose, for terms of 1,2 , aid 3 years. In the older districts the boards are continued by the election of 1 new member annually, at the annual district meeting, for a term of 3 years.

District clerks, elected for 3 years' terms, are to keep a record of the proceedings of school district meetings, to take an annual census of the youth who are to form a basis for apportionment of school funds, to report this to the county superintendent, on pain of forfeiture of whatever sum the district may lose through failure to report, to keep school-houses of their districts in repair, and to furnish them with needful supplies.

Women are eligible to all school ofices.-(Law of November 9, 1877.)

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

## general condition.

Superintendent Judson, in his report for the year ending September 30, 1877, says that since his previous report ho has visited every comnty in the State except 4 and that he found a general intcrest in education. Nowhere did he find more earnestness or a greater determinat: on to increase educational facilities than in the districts most remote from the thicky settled portions of the Territory. Wherever families were found there were schools. In many instances school-houses were built with funds raised by private subscription; after the public money was exhausted these schools were continued, the teachers being paid by the voluntary subscriptions of the people. In the older districts the fact is being realized that the public school facilitics are not sufficient for the warts of the people, and there is a strong feeling in favor of establishing union or graded schools for instruction in the higher branches. As the law previous to 1877 made no provision for these, private schools have been established to meet the want, and their flourishing condition attests not only the necessity for them but also the public interest in education.-(Report of superintendent.)

> CHANGES IN THE SCHOOL LAW.

Besides the changes indicated under the head of Officers of the Territorial School System, the following, among others, appear in the new law of 1877:

1. The territorial superintendent has considerable additional duty imposed on him in the way of visiting schools, addressing the people on educational matters, holding annually a territorial teachers' institute, and aiding in establishing county institutes. In consideration of these additions to his duties, he is allowed, instead of the scanty annual pittance of $\$ 300$, granted by the law of 1871 and $1873, \$ 600$ a year, with a possible $\$ 300$ more for travelling and incidental expenses.
2. County superintendents are made to forfeit $\$ 100$ from their salaries if they fail to make to the territorial superintendent full and correct reports on all points required by law.
3. Teachers are not to be paid for their last month's labor in the public schools until they have made to the county superintendent the reports required by the board of education.
4. Besides the territorial institute referred to above as to be held by the territorial superintendent, each county superintendent in a county containing 10 or more organized school districts must hold annually a eounty teachers' institute, which is to be attended by all the teachers of the public schools, who, for that purpose, may dismiss their schools during the session of the institute.
5. Provision is made for the establishment of union or graded schools in which instruction shall be given in the higher branches of education. Union districts for the establishment of such schools may be formed by vote of a majority of the inhabitants of 2 or more districts. Single districts also have power to establish graded schools. They are required to be established in all cities, towns, villages, and districts reporting more than 500 youth of legal school age.
6. In cities, towns, or villages containing more than 400 inhabitants, children from 8 to 16 years of age, who are not physically or mentally disqualified for study, and whose education has not been otherwise provided for, must attend public school at least 6 months of the year, unless such children be engaged in labor necessary for their own support or that of others depending on them.
7. For the support of schools in counties, county commissioners are to le ry an annual tax for their respective counties of not less than 3 and not more than 6 mills on the dollar on all taxable property, instead of bcing restricted to 4 mills as formerly. Fines for breaches of penal laws also go to the support of schools. The optional district tax, not to exceed 10 mills on the dollar, may be still voted by the qualified school electors and levied on the taxable property of the district.
8. To the provision of the old law forbidding sectarian or denominational teaching in the public schools, the new one adds the interdiction of all sectarian, political, or infidel doctrines. Any teacher who shall violate these provisions forfeits his certificate for the period of one year.
9. The school age is made $5-21$ instead of $4-21$, though the latter is retained as the basis of the apportionment of school funds.-(School law, 1877.)

## TRAINING OF TEACHERS.

## NORMAL DEPARTMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY.

The normal department of the University of Washington Territory gives a course of instruction covering 2 years, and embracing algebra, history, English composition and literature, analysis, natural philosophy, book-keeping, pedagogics, physiology, gcometry, constitution of the United States, botany, chemistry, and elocution.-(Circular of the university.)

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

As before stated, institutes for the improvement of teachers are hereafter to be held annually in every county, besides a territorial one to be held at least once a year.

## SECONDARY INSTRUCTION.

## HIGH SCHOOLS.

There is nothing to indicate that public high schools are now in existence. They are likely to come as a result of the provisions of the new law for graded schools.

## SUPERIOR INSTRUCTION.

## UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

The territorial legislature of 1877 passed a bill appropriating $\$ 1,500$ for the use of the university during the year 1878, and the same for 1879; and also created 45 free scholarships in it. These scholarships entitle the holder to 2 years' free tuition, the first to be academic and the last collegiate. Each member of the territorial legislature may appoint 1 beneficiary ; each district judge of the three judicial districts, 1 ; and the governor, 3. The money appropriated for the university is not available until at least 30 holders of these free scholarships are in regular attendance.

The courses of study are, classical, 3 years; scientific, 3 years; and normal, 2 years. The first two years of the classical and scientific courses are chiefly occupied with preparatory studies. These arrangements are supposed to be sufficient to meet all present demands. There was an attendance reported in December, 1877, of 68 students. Of these, 36 stndied Latin, 2 Greek, 30 algebra, 18 book-keeping, 15 natural philosophy, and 7 geometry. - (Circular of university and letter of President Anderson.)

## HOLY ANGELS' COLLEGE.

This college, at Vancouver (Roman Catholic), opened in 1856, reports preparatory and collegiate departments, the former having 50 students attending, of whom 20 were preparing for a classical course. Three professors were engaged in teaching in the collegiate department, and one in the preparatory. The statistics of attendance in the collegiate department are not given, nor is the course of study indicated.(Return.)

## EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION.

## WASHINGTON 'TERRITORY TEACHERS' CONVENTION.

A territorial teachers' convention was organized in July, 1876. The main object of the organization was to take such steps as might be deemed best calculated to improve the school system of the Territory. The convention met at Olympia and remained in session three days, during which time some of the principal changes required in the school law were fully discussed, and a committee was appointed to prepare a new law for the consideration of the next meeting. This was held at Seattle in July, 1877, in response to a call issued by the exccutive committee, and was well attended by teachers, school officers, and friends of education. The consideration of the proposed school law occupied the greater portion of the time. It was finally referred to a committee of 5 , who were to revise and publish it; and the convention adjourned to meet at Olympia on the second Wednestlay of October, when it was proposed to take final action on the law before it was submitted to the legislature. ${ }^{1}$ (Report.)

## CHIEF TERRITORIAL SCHOOL OFFICER.

Hon. John P. Judson, ${ }^{2}$ territorial superintendent of public instruction, Olympia.

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## WYOMING.

## THE TERRITORIAL SCHOOL SYSTEM.

## EXPLANATORY.

In the absence of any printed report on edueation for 1877, the governor of the Territory, Hon. J. W. Hoyt, kindly furnishes an account of the condition of public sehools from whieh the following extracts are made. Governor Hoyt's statement is based mainly on personal observation and inquiry; the statistics alone are taken from tho superintendent's report for 1876.

## support of schools.

Under a law of 1873 [amended in 1877] the schools are supported by a two-mill tax on all taxable property in the several eounties, the same being levied by the county eommissioners of each county and collected at the same time and in the same manner as territorial and eounty taxes are collected, except that it is reeeivable in cash or warrants of the school. All fines, penalties, and forfeitures collected for the nonfulfilment of ofticial duty under tho provisions of the act, are recoverable by action in the name of the people of Wyoming Territory for the use of the school distriet or county in whieh they have aecrued.

## SCHOOL AGE.

Children between 7 and 21 years are declared to be of school age, and both sexes are admitted on equal terms and receive the seme instruetion in the sehools of every grade.

## PROVISION FOR COLORED CHILDREN.

Where there are 15 or more eolored children within any school distriet, the directors thereof, with the approval of the county superintendent havingjurisciction, may provide a separate school for them.

## TEACHERS.

In the employment of teachers, no discrimination is allowed to be made in the question of pay on aecount of sex when the persons are equally qualitied.

## INSTITUTES AND TEXT BOOKS.

For the instruction and advaneement of teachers, a lanv approved December 15, 1877, requires that "the territorial superintendent of public instruction, together with the several county superintendents and the principals of all graded schools in the Territory, shall hold annually at some convenient place a territorial teaehers' institute," the same to continue in session not less than four nor more than ten days. Besides the ordinary work of teachers' institutes, it is made incumbent upon the said instituto during its sessions" to discuss and decide upon a series of books and a system of edueation which shall be uniform throughout the Territory, and to decide upon the manner and time in which shall be held a county institute in each eounty during the year, under the direction of the territorial superintendent or some person by him speeially authorized in writing." It is further made "the duty of the territorial superintendent to soe that the books and system so decided upon shall be introduced in all the schools of the Territory to the exclusion of all others. The series of books so adopted shall not be ehanged except by yote of a majority of the whole board, nor shall they be changed oftener than once in five years except by unanimous decision of said board. The travelling expenses of all principals of graded schools in attending the moetings of the institute are paid out of the general fund of the Territory.

## SCHOOL LIBRARIES.

Provision is made for ereating school librarios by authorizing the qualified electors of a distriet to vote a sum not exceeding $\$ 100$ annually for the purehase of books.

## COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE.

Finally, attendanee between the ages of 7 and 20 is mado obligatory for at least 3 months of each year except in extreme cases, where, in the judgment of the district beard, based on special inquiry or on the certificate of a physician, the enforcement of this provision would prove injurious to the health of the child or work a serious hardship. And "any parent or guardian or other person having children in chargo between the ages of 7 and 16 years who shall neglect or refuse to comply with the provisions of this [the aforcsaid] act shall, on conviction, be punished by a fine not exceeding $\$ 25$ for each and every offence."

## STATISTICS.

In vlew of the recent formation of a school system in Wyoming and the wide distribution of its population of less than 50,000 , added to the fact that a very large proportion of the adnlt population consists of persons without families, the whole number of pupils at present enrolled cannot much exceed 2,000. In 1876 there were but 1,690 . The number of men teaching was then 21 ; of women, 27. Total amount of money raised by taxation for school purposes, $\$ 24,626$; number of school buildings, 21. Average monthly pay of teachers, $\$ 71.56$; average cost of each pupil, $\$ 1.86$.

## SCHOOL BUILDLNGS.

The building occupied by the graded school of Cherenne, being two-thirds of the building planned, was erected at a cost of nearly $\$ 30,000$, and would do credit to any city. The city of Laramie is now completing a still more commodions and costly bnilding for its graded schools. In each case there is a fair supply of the means of illustration, and the beginning of a library. The buildings in the smaller towns, villages, and interior settlements do credit to the populations they severally represent.

## CONDITION OF THE SCHOOLS.

Of the school system now in operation, as well as of the schools themselves, I am able to speak in terms of high commendation. The gradation is complete from the lowest primary to the end of the high school, which last is able to fit its pupils for admission to the ordinary college of the country; so that when the college or university comes to be established it will rest directly upon the existing public schools of the Territory. The schools are directed and taught by persons well qualified for their responsibilities by study in the academies, colleges, and, in several instances, normal schools of the East, and in general are doing excellent work. ${ }^{1}$ Indeed, after a careful inspection of nearly every school in the Territory and attendance upon some of the examinations and public exercises at the end of the last school year, I am constrained to say that the graded schools give evidence of an efficiency that would do honor to the older cities of the East.
It is also worthy of note that the public at large feels a great pride in the public schools of the Tcrritory, and is ever ready with liberal means, as well as with active moral influence to promote their advancement. In fact, I have never known a community, whether in this country or in Europe, more zealously devoted to the cause of popnlar education than the people of this new Territory.-(Letter from Governor John W. Hoyt.)

CHIEF TERRITORIAL SCHOOL OFFICER.
Hon. Joseph Sladghter, territorial librarian and ex officio superintendent of public instruction, Cheyenne.

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## EDUCATHONAL CONVENTHONS AND ASSOCEATYONS.

## NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

## GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

The seventeenth annual meeting of the National Educational Association was held in Louisville, beginning August 14, 1877. After an address of wclcome by Mayor Charles D. Jacob, President M. A. Newell delivered his annual address. Discussing the question whether the public schools are doing all they shonld to prepare good citizens, he sliggestcd a rearrangement of the course of instruction in the interests of those who must leave school very early in life, and the addition of a department of manual labor, not to be attached to the public school, but supplementary to it. In the evening Mr. J. F. Blackinton, of Boston, read a paper on "Silent forces in education," such as the teacher's manner, temper, and character, and Professor Thomas R. Price, M., A., one on "The study of English as introductory to the study of Latin and Greck." On the following day, after reports from certain committees and the transaction of some other business, papers were read by Professor W. R. Webb, of Temnessce, on "The relation of the prcparatory or grammar school to college and university;" by President A. B. Stark, LL. D., of Logan Fcmale College, Russellville, Ky., on "The place of English in the ligher education;" by Professor Maurice Kirby, of Henderson, Ky., on "Tho study of social economy in public schools," and by Professor W. R. Garrett, of Nashville, Tenn., on "The limits of education," especially in the Unitcd States, such as the limit of demand on the part of the people and the limit of supply on the part of the schools, the latter branch deprecating excessive multiplication of studies for our youth. On the third day, Professor L. S. Thompson, of Sandusky, Ohio, read a paper giving "Some reasons why drawing should be tanght in our public 'schools," particularly as preparatory to all mechanical pursuits. The committee on the National Burcau of Education then offered its report, with resolutions which were adoptcd by the association. These reaffirmed the conviction of the association, previously expressed, as to the great value of the Bureau; urged upon Congress the necessity of making adequate and liberal pecuniary provision for its support and for the publication and distribution of its documents, and also the need for a permanent building of suitable proportions and arrangements for the accommodation of a sufficient clerical force, for the preservation of the rapidly increasing professional library, and for the reception and classification of donations made to the pedagogical museum. The resolutions also expressed approval of measures pending before Congress for the creation of a permanent fund in aid of education. A committee of 5 was appointed to wait upon the President of the United States and lay before him these views of the association; also one of 15 members, to act in conjunction with committees from similar bodies and in coöperation with the department of superintendence at its winter meeting, with instructions to prepare a memorial to Congress urging legislation on this subject in harmony with the views of the association. Another report from the same committee was presented by Hon. J. O. Wilson, superintendent of schools, Washington, D. C., showing the need of a building for the accommodation of the begiming which has already been made toward a national pedagogical museum. Dr. Rutus C. Burleson, of Texas, then read a paper on "The educational interests of Texas," and Hon. George W. Hill, State superintenent of schools in Arkansas, read one entitled "Educated mind-its mission and responsi-. bility."

The cnumeration of papers read and addresses delivered gives but a faint idea of the important subjects before the association and its departmcuts, or of the practical and able manner in which many of them were treated. Most of the papers and addresses were followed by extemporancous discussions of great interest, prominent among which may be mentioned those touching on the relations of education and labor.

## DEPARTMENT OF HIGIIER INSTRUCTION.

The papers read before the department of higher instruction were as follows: One by Professor William Leroy Broum, LL. D., of Vanderbilt University, on "The elective system;" one by Dr. Noall Porter, on "The class system," and one by Professor Caskie Harrison, of the University of the South, on "American revision and adaptation of forcign text books." The report of a committee appointed at the meeting of the association in 1876 on spclling reform in Germany, prepared by Professor Raddatz, was presented, but not read.

## NORMAL DEPARTMENT.

The opening address before the normal department, by its president, Louis Soldan, of the St. Lonis Normal School, considered the question how far edueation can be made to aid in bringing aboat a condition of greater industrial prosperity. A paper by Dr. E. C. Hervitt, of the Illinois Normal University, on "The range and limits of normal sehool work," was also read. In the absence of Mr. J. C. Greenough, of Rhode Island, his paper on "Common sehool studies in normal schools" was read by its title and referred to the committeo on publieation; after whieh came a paper by C. C. Rounds, principal of the normal sehool at Farmington, Me., entitled "Attaeks on normal sehools." Professor S. H. White, of Illinois, then read a paper giving "A few queries concerning some of the details of normal sehool work." The object of the paper, it was stated, was to elicit from others engaged in such work their views eoncerning some of the questions whieh arise in sehool management and their experience in connection with them.

## ELEMENTARY DEPARTMENT.

The president of the elementary department, Hon. H. A. M. Henderson, made some extemporaneous opening remarks, when Zalmon Richards, of Washington, D. C., read a paper on "The English language in elementary sehools," and the president read one by Rev. R. H. Rivers, D. D., of Martin College, Pulaski, Tenn., on "Moral training." On the following day, at the opening of the session, Mrs. C. J. Hildreth, supervisor of the Kindergärten of St. Lonis, being ealled upon for remarks, presented some arguments in favor of Kindergarten instruetion. Professor John Kraus, of New York, then read a paper on "The Kindergarten: its use and abuse in Ameriea," and Mrs. KransBülte followed with one on "The Kindergarten and the mission of women: my experience as a trainer of Kindergarten teachers in this country, with illustrations of the work of the latter."

## INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT.

The first paper read before the industrial department was by Hon. S. R. Thompson, State superintendent of Nebraska, on "Relations of the eommon school to industrial edueation." The diseussion on this having lasted till a late hour, the paper by Professor George T. Fairehild, on "Systematie mannal labor in industrial edueation," was not read, but was ordered to be printed in the proeeedings. On the following day President J. D. Runkle spoke extemporaneously on "The Russian system of mechanieal art edncation as applied in the Massaehusetts Institute of Teehnology." This address also was followed by a diseussion whieh lasted too long to permit the reading of the suceeeding paper by Professor Charles O. Thompson, of Woreester, on "The relation of manual labor to teehnological training." It was accordingly ordered to be printed in the proceedings.

## DEPARTMENT OF SUPERINTENDENCE.

The department of superintendence of this assoeiation held a special meeting in Washington, D. C., March 1, 1877, and another at the same place December 11, 12, and 13 of the same year. Among the subjects considered by the meeting in Mareh were the forms for State and city sehool statisties, educational representation at the Paris Exposition of 1878, edueation in the South, and the National Bureau of Edueation.
The meeting in December was one of more than usual importance. About haif of the States were represented by their State school officers, and other superintendents were present from a number of eities and counties. Besides these, the sessions of the meeting were attended by many Govermment officials, ineluding the President, members of Congress, members of boards of education, teachers, and eitizens. Among the most prominent subjeets of remark and diseussion were the representation of edueational interests at the Paris Exposition, industrial edueation, the high school question, and that of aid to edueation by the National Government. The last topie was treated in a paper by the United States Commissioner of Edueation, which gave an aecount of what has been done in the past in aid of edueation by the National Government. It also eame up in diseussions upon measures, then pending before Congress, providing for the establishment of a permanent edueational fund the interest of whieh should be distributed in aid of publie sehool edueation throughout the States and Ter-ritories.-(Proceedings of National Educational Association, 187\%.)

## AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF INSTRUCTION.

The forty-eighth annual meeting of this institute was held at Montpelier, Vt., July $10-12,187 \%$. The session is reported to have been interesting and successful, and the attendance large, over 600 teaehers being present, for whose entertainment complete and satisfactory arrangements wero made by the citizens.

After the address of the president, Hon. Thomas W. Bicknell, of Boston, remarks were made by State Superintendents Corthell of Maine, Downs of New Hampshire, Conant of Vermont, and by Rev. A. D. Mayo, of Springfield, Mass.

The main points presented by the president's address were as follows: 1. All instructors charged with the education of children and youth should be selected on the ground of especial talents, professional training, and aptness to tcach. 2. Such teachers should possess eertificates of qualification entitling them to teach in town, county, or State, for at least three years, when these should be exchanged for life certificates founded on a basis of talent, training, and experience. 3. Teachers possessing life certificates should hold an advisory relation to local officials in regard to gradation, courses of study, promotions, general policy, and seope of school régime. 4. The county and State examiners should be selected on account of special fitness as edueational experts, and, possessing large experience as practical educators, should possess the power of examining candidates and granting provisional and life certificates. 5. The school supervision of all grades should be in the hands of men and women whose experience has been gained in the school room and who have made the philosophy, means, and ends of education an especial study.

Papers and addrcsses were presentcd by Professor Albert Harkness, Ll. D., of Brown University, on "The results of modern linguistic studies;" by I. N. Carleton, A. M., on "Growth in teaching power;" by President Runkle, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, on "The Russian system of art education as applied at the Instituto of Technology;" by Mrs. H. M. Miller, of Concord, N. H., on "Modern reading;" by Professor W. M. Barbour, of Bangor Theological Seminary, on "The rights of the taught;" by Hon. P. Emory Aldrich, of Worcester, Mass., on "The rights and duties of the State in relation to education;" by A. P. Stone, superintendent of schools, Springfield, Mass., on "The educational outlook;" by Rev. A. D. Mayo, of Springfield, Mass., on "Normal schools;" by Professor E. R. Ruggles, of Dartmouth, on "The place of history in education, and the methods of teaching it;" by Principal H. E. Fuller, of St. Johnsbury Academy, on "Honorary and otficial titles;" by President Hulbert, of Middlebury College, on "Life and form ;" and loy Mr. Marshall, of Fitehburg, on "Yellowstone Park, as illustrated by the stercopticon."

Among the resolutions adopted by the institute was one indorsing the value of the work done by the New-England Journal of Edncation and another expressing a very high estimate of that accomplished by the National Bureau of Education. A committee was also appointed to memorialize Congress for a more liberal support of that Burean.-(New-England Journal of Education, July 19, 1877.)

## ASSOCIATION OF NEW ENGLAND SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.

The New England Association of Sehool Superintendents held its semiannual meeting in Boston May 13.
The first paper was by Hon. T. B. Stockwell, of Providence, R. I., "Can the present system of graded schools be made more effective?". It was argued that there is room for improvement in the direction of greater clasticity, and that, in the promotion of scholars, age, health, and ability should be taken into account. A discussion followed,' which was participated in by Superintendents Tash, Stone, Parker, Leach, Philbrick, Harrington, and Osgood. Secretary Dickinson, of Massachusetts, spoke of the spirit of eriticism which is abroad, and said he regarded it as a sign of life and health. Superintendent Marvel, of Holyoke, read a paper on "Faets and figures," in which he laid down important principles that he thought should govern in the making of statistice and in the estimates of school expenditures. In the afternoon the question "What are the proper limitations of the teacher's liberty and of the superintendent's and sehool committee's anthority?" came up for consideration, and was discussed by Superintendents Kimball of Chelsea, Parker of Quincy, Waterman of Taunton, and others.

The committee appointed at the last meeting to consider what should be done in our public schools in respect to instruction in the metric system reported throngh Mr. Philbrick, making the following among other recommendations: That all State legislatures should render instruction in the system in our public schools obligatory; and that, without waiting for such legislative action, all school authorities should at once provide as far as practicable for instruction in the system in the sehools under their charge. - (New-England Journal of Education, May 31, 1877.)

## AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE.

The twenty-sixth annual meeting of this association was held at Nashville, Tenn. beginning on Weduesday morning, August 29, 1877, and closing on the Tuesday night, following. Many northern and eastern men were present, the attendance of registered members at the meeting being only one-fifth less than at Buffalo the year preceding; and the heat, which many had feared to encounter, was not found more oppressive than at several previous meetings in eastern loealities. The intcrest taken in the meeting by the citizens, the open handed hospitality they exercised, and the excellent arrangements made for comfort in the cool capitol, all combined to make the meeting one long to be remembered by those present.

The hope that this meeting would again bring into the ranks of the association the southern men of scicnce, who had returned but slowly since the meeting of 1866, was shown to be well founded; and even a larger number of southern members than was anticipated presented themselves. One hundred and seventy-thrce members signed the registcr and were present at the meetings, which were also largely attended by the citizens. These reumions of citizens with members from various parts of the counand exemplified the wisdom of fostering in a scientific as wcll as social point of view, a means of advancing scicnce by diffusing it among the poople. There were 219 new members elected.
Ninety-three papers were entered by title for the meeting; of these, 15 were either withdrawn by their authors or did not pass the standing committee, from lack of abstracts or from not being considered appropriate to the objects of the association. The remaining 78 were mostly read in full or in abstract, and were divided as follows: In general session, 3 ; in the mathematical, physical, and chemical section, 16 , of which 14
ivere in the che natural history section, 38 , of which 8 came from the subsection on anturopology and day being specially devoted to anth elopical papers.

Owing to the illness and consequent absence of the retiring president, Professor William B. Rogers, the customary president's address was not delivered; but those of Vice Presidents Pickering and Marsh were read in full at two general evening meetings, that of Professor Pickering relating to "The endowment of research," and that of Professor Marsh to "The introduction and succession of vertebrate life in Amcrica." These both were very valuable papers, the former advocating the establishment and endowment of an institution for mathematical, physical, and chemical research; the the new con the most interesting information as called "bird tracks" in the Connecticut Valley sandstoncs are not bird tracks at all, but tracks of gigantic dinosaurs walking usually on their hind feet alone, but occasionally putting to the ground their smaller anterior extremities. The address of Professor Daniel Wilson, chairman of the subsection on anthropology, took the ground that, although the idea of a plurality of origin and of a number of distinct races of men was supported by the high authority of Agassiz, "the leadings of scientific induction now point in a wholly different direction, tending to the more comprehensive unity which embraces all men in the descent from a centre common to them with other Mallery." Another paper of general interest in this section was by Colonel Garrick In this, from an extensive collation of data, the conclusions submitted were, that the native population of the territory occupied by the United States at its discovery has been wildly overestimated; that, while many of its component bodies have diminished or been destroyed, their loss has been in large part compensated by gain among others; and that, though some temporary retrogradation must always be expected among indiyet nal tribes in their transition from savagery or barbarism to more civilized habits, Other papers and addresses are well worthy of notice here, but the brief space at command forbids. Before adjournment arrangements were made for a committee of the association to meet with an international geological congress to be held in Paris in 1878. Resolutions were also passed in favor of a committee on the development of mineral resources and the encouragement of arts and manufactures in the mineral States; in favor of Captain Howgate's system of polar exploration; in favor of the introduction of studies in science into the schools; in favor of a permanent committee on the relations of science to the industrial arts; in favor of the preservation of the National Yellowstone Park, and in favor of the continued fostering of the United States and discussion, the observations now taken by it to be subjected to special rescarch

## AMERICAN SOCIAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the American Social Science Association was held September 3-6, at Saratoga, N. Y. It opencd with an address by David A. Wells, president of the association, on "The relations of economic laws to public and private morality." Papers were read at the gencral session loy Professor W. Stanley Jevons, of England, and
B. F. Nourse, of Boston, on the silver question ; on "Savings banks;" by Gamaliel Bradford, of Boston, on "'Prospects of resumptiou'" and by William Minot, of Boston, on "Taxation." This was followed by a statement of the system of taxation in vogue in Sweden, Denmark, Prussia, and other continental coustries, by N. C. Fredcrickson, late professor of political economy, Stockholm, Sweden. Dr. Elisha Harris, of Now York, read a rcport on "Registration of vital statistics in the United States," giving a plan for a basis of uniformity both national and international. Mr. Carroll D. Wright, of Reading, Mass., read a paper on "The

Massachusetts census and its lessons." Dr. Nathan Allen, m. D., of Lowell, presented one on "Change in New England population;" and J. Randolph Tucker, of Virginia, one on "The relations of the United States to each other as modificd by war and constitutional amendments." Remarks on the southern question were made by Lafayette Foster of Connecticut, Dexter A. Hawkins of New York, David Dudloy Field, and many other prominent gentlemen present. Hamilton A. Hill, of Boston, read a paper on the navigation laws of Great Britain and the United States, advising that we should follow England in this respect. Horace White, of New York, read a paper on the tariff question, and the late Samuel Bowles, of Springfield, Mass., one on the relation of State and municipal governments and the reform of the latter. Dr. D. F. Lincoln, of Boston, read an essay on half time schools; Elisha Wright, a paper on bird culture in relation to cottage homes; Hon. E. R. Meade, one on the Chinese question; and Edward T. Potter, one on the restriction of areas in the construction of tenement houses. A paper on house comforts and amusements at small cost, furnished by Rev. E. C. Guild, of Waltham, Mass., was read by Rev. Mr. Jenks.
At a sectional mecting of the department of jurisprudence, Professor W. P. Wells, of Michigan University, read a paper on the work of American law schools and its hindrances. Professor Pomeroy, of Rochester University, spoke in favor of law schools. David Dudley Field advocated a three years' course in these schools, followed by one year in a lawyer's office. At a subsequent meeting of this section papers were presented on "A graduate course at law schools," by Professor Baldwin, of Yale College; on "Extradition," by Professor Sheldon Amos, of London; and on "Local taxation," by William Minot, jr., of Boston.
In the conference of charities, P. Letchworth, of Buffalo, read a paper on "Dependent and delinquent children," giving a brief account of the efforts in the State of New York in behalf of this class of children. Mr. R. L. Dugdale, of New York, followed with a paper on "Hereditary transmission of vice and pauperism," which attracted much attention. Rev. E. E. Hale, of Boston, submitted a report for the committee to which was assigned the subject of tramps and vagrant laws; and Dr. H. B. Wilbur, superintendent of the Asylum for Idiots at Syracuse, presented a report on public buildings for dependent classes.

In the department of health, papers were presented on diseased eyes in school children, by Dr. E. G. Loring, of Boston; on "The danger to the health of girls from imperfect early training," by Mrs. A. C. Martin; and on ventilation, by Mr. F. Tudor. The report of the sccretary of the department, Dr. D. F. Lincoln, congratulated the members on the accomplishment of a large part of their plan in school hygicnc.
An important paper on "The ventilating and warming of school-houses in the northern United States" was read by Dr. F. Winsor, of Winchester, Mass. Among the conditions insisted upon as necessary to secure good ventilation in school rooms are an air space of at least 250 cubic feet for each of the oldest pupils and of 175 for the youngest; a floor space of at least 20 square feet for each of the older children and of 14 for the younger ones, on the supposition that the room is 12 feet in height; the entire air of the room to be changed two and a half to three times an hour, and this by downward ventilation by exhaustion, the motive power being heat in a shaft or chimney; outlets, in the proportion of 7 square inches per capita, to be somewhere in the wall within two feet of the floor (never in the floor) and entering a duct or space beneath it; inlets to be anywhere except in the floor; temperature to be kept between $64^{\circ}$ and $68^{\circ}$ F.- (New-England Jonrnal of Education, September 13, 1877, and American Architect and Building News, October 6, 13, 1877.)

## AMERICAN PHILOLOGICAL ASSOCLATION.

The ninth annual session began at Baltimore, in the Johns Hopkins University, July 10,1877 , and continued 3 days.
The proceedings opencd with an address of welcome by Mr. John T. Morris, president of the school board of Baltimore, which was responded to by Professor B. L. Gilderslceve, vice president of the association. Twenty-four other addresses and papers were presented during the session, of which many were of great interest, both on account of the subjects trcated and the distinguished reputation of the authors, and it is much to be regretted that want of space forbids even a brief notice of them. The subject of reform in English spelling was brought beforc the association in the address of its president, Professor S. S. Haldeman, and in the report of the committee on reform of English spelling. Professor Haldeman thought that the association shonld pay constant attention to the English tongue, its antecedents, its grammar, and the inherent laws of speech, from which its pronunciation should be deduced, instead of regarding the vagaries of an uncertain alphabet. He said that, "without an alphabet adapted to our speech, our spelling has not been controlled by science or even by common sense," and that "it is time that the tyranny of the dictionaries should cease." Professor W. D. Whitney submitted the following report from the committee:

The attempt to prepare an English alphabet according to the principles laid down in the report of last year brings out the following facts:

1. There are eighteen Roman letters which eommonly represent in English nearly the same elementary sounds which they represented in Latin: $a$ (father), $b, c(k, q), d$, $e$ (met), $f, g$ (go), $h, i$ (pick), $l, m, u, o$ (go), $p, r, s$ (so), $t, u$ (full).
2. The consonant sounds represented in Latin by $i$ aud $u$ are now represented by $y$ and $w$, and the sonants eorresponding to $f$ and 8 are now represented by $v$ and $z$.
3. There are three short vowels unknown to the early Romans whieh are without proper representatives in English - those in fat, not, but.
4. There are five elementary eonsonants represented by digraphs: the (thin), th $=d$ th (thine, then), sh (she), zh (azure), ng (sing); to which may be added ch (church), $g$ ( $j$ ).

It seems best to follow the Latin and other languages written in Roman letters, in the use of a single sign for a short vowel and its long, distinguishing them, when great exaetness is required, by a diacritical mark.

The alphabet would then have thirty-two letters.
Twenty-two of these have their common form and power as deseribed above in statements 1 and 2.

The three rowels in fat, not, but need new letters. Without laying any stress on the exact form, it is reeommended to try some madifieations of $a, o$, and $u$, sueh as $\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \boldsymbol{v}$.

For the consonants now represented by digraphs new letters would be desirable, but no particular forms are now recommended. The following are mentioned: $d, A,(t h e n)$; $\mathrm{f}, \mathrm{t}$ (thin) $; \mathrm{f}, \mathrm{fi}(\mathrm{sh}) ; \boldsymbol{y}(\mathrm{zh}) ; 0(\mathrm{ng}) ;$ è (ch).

The-use of these letters with only these powers and the dropping of silent letters will so change the look of large numbers of words that they will not be recognized at sight. It seems necessary, therefore, that there should be a transition period, and for that the following suggestions are made:

1. Transition eharacter may be used resembling, if possible, two letters:

| For a in fate, e may be use |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| "e " mete, | " | ، | 6 | ${ }^{1}$ |
| " $u$ " pure, | ü oru " | " | " | iu. |
| " $s$ " as, | " | " | " 6 | z. |
| " $\mathrm{g}^{\prime}$ " gom, | 9 " | " | " | j. |
| " $c$ " cent, | ¢ | " | " | s. |

2. The digraphs now representing single eonsonants may be named and otherwise treated as single letiers.
3. New letters can be most easily introdueed by using them only for the old letters which they resemble in form.
4. Long words bear changes best, and vowels are more easily changed than eonsonants, which project more above and below the line. Dropping final silent $e$ is the easiest ehange.

It was resolved that the committee on the reform of English spelling be eontinued for one year. - (Proceedings, 1877.)

## SPELLING REFORM ASSOCIATION.

This association held its meeting at Baltimore immediately after that of the Americau Philological Association. Professor Whitney reported from the committee on new spellings the plan recommended to the Philological Association by its committee, which was nearly identical with that of the Spelling Reform Association. The report was adopted without amendment, and, therefore, the two associations are in complete harmony. Professor F. A. March was elected president; Melvil Dewey, of Boston, secretary; and Professor E. Hubbard Barlow, of Lafayette College, eorresponding seeretary and treasurer.-(New-England Journal of Education, August 23, 1877.)

## AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE CONVENTION.

A eonvention of the eolleges organized under the authority of land grants from Congress was held at Columbus, Ohio, December 27, 1877. Representatives were present from Iliinois, Massaehusetts, Iowa, Missouri, Now Jersey, Virginia, Pennsylvania, aud Ohio. J. M. Gregory, of Illinois, was chosen president, and J. R. Smith, of Ohio, secretary. Papers were read during the day by President Gregory, of Illinois, on "College degrees," and by President Runkie, of Massachusetts, on "Seientifie study and courses of study." At the evening session, a discussiou took place on military instruetion and drill in the colleges, and a paper on "New congressional appropriations for scientific and technical education," was read by Professor, Atherton, of New Jersey.-(Now-Englaud Journal of Education.)

## INTERCOLLEGIATE LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

The third amual eonvention of this association was held on Thursday, January 4, 1877, at the Academy of Music, New York. The following colleges were represented:

Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.; Lafayette College, Easton, Pa.; Cornell University, Ithaea, N. Y.; St. John's College, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Princeton Colleğe, Princeton, N. J.; Williams College, Williamstown, Mass.; Hamilton College, Clinton, N. Y. ; Rutgers Female College, New York, and College of the City of New York. The first prize for excellence in oratory was awarded to F. F. Laird, the representative of Hamilton College. His sulject was "The negro in Ameriean history." The seeond prize was given to S. D. Dodge, of Williams College; subjeet, "John Milton." In essay writing, Taylor, of Northwestern University, took the first prize, and Brewer, of Cornell, the second. In Latin, Sehwertfeger, of Cornell, received the first prize, and Veghte, of Rutgers, the second. In Greel, the first prize was awarded to Feyd, of Coinell, the second to Hunter, of the Northwestern University. In mental seienee, Jones, of Princeton College, took the first, and Dayton, of Northwestern University, the second. In mathematies, Hollwith, of the College of the City of New York, and Von Velzer, of Cornell, received the first prize equally.- (The Bates Student, January, 1877, and The Dartmouth, February 8, 1877.)

Representatives from 13 colleges were present at a subsequent meeting of the Intercollegiate Literary Association held in New York City, Mareh 30, 1577, to eonsider the subjeet of incorporating the society under State laws. A number of distinguished edueationists were also present. The judges seleeted for the next annual contest were as follows: In oratory, Bayard Taylor and Rev. E. H. Chapin; in mathematics, Professor Simon Neweomb, P. S. Michie, and A. Hall; in Greek, Professors T. W. Chambers and Charlton T. Lewis; in Latin, Professors J. H. Morse and Mylton Maury ; in mental seience, Presidents Noah Porter and J. H. Seelye. (Educational Weekly, April 12, 1877.)

## AMERICAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION.

The fifth annual session of the American Public Health Association was held in Chicago September 25-28, 1877.
Many papers, reports, and addresses were read and spoken, and at the close of the session several were left in the hands of the seeretary which there had not been time to read. A large majority treated of sanitary regulations necessary to public health, diseussing questions of drainage and sewerage, the removal and utilization of excreta, the destruction of offensive gases from rendering tanks and fertilizing establishments, the sanitary value of forests, the eause and prevention of epidemic diseases, and publie holidays in relation to publie health. A few took up the consideration of special diseases and their prevention or alleviation, while others considered questions of health in relation to edueation.
One of these last was by Dr. J. M. Gregory, of the Illinois Industrial University, on "The relation of hygiene to the higher edueation," in which he dwelt at length on the various causes of failure of health in schools and colleges. He claimed that overstimu, lation by the marking system in colleges is productive of disease, and mentioned that in his own college a committeo had been appointed to devise some system of grading scholars which should avoid that way of estimating merit. Another paper was by Dr. Coan, of Quiney, showing the benefieial results of a system of physical training in the development of health among the girls at the University of Michigan; and still another, by Dr. Charles N. Hewitt, of Minnesota, on "Hygiene in relation to the public schools," in which he advoeated a wider diffusion of knotyledge on the suljeet of health by means of the physician, the newspaper, and the school teacher.-(The Sanitarian, November, 187\%.)

## APPENDIX.

## STATISTICAL TABLES

RELATING TO

## EdUCATION IN THE UNITED STATES.

Table I.-Part 1.-Statistics of the school systems of the States and Territories, showing States Bureau

|  | States and Territories. |  | SCHOOL YEAR. |  | SCIIOOL POPULATION. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Begins- | Ends- | Between what ages. |  |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 1 | Alabama. | 1876-'77 | Oct. | Sept. 30 | 7-21 |  |
| 2 | Arkansas | 1877-'78 | July | June 30 | 6-21 | 190, 282 |
|  | California. | 1876-'77 | July | June 30 | 5-17 | 200, 066 |
| 4 | Colorado. | 1876-77 | Sept. 1 | Aug. 31 | 6-21 | 21, 612 |
| 5 | Connectieut | 1876-'77 | Sopt. 1 | Ang. 31 | 4-16 | 137, 099 |
| 7 | Florida ... | 1877-'76 | Dee. 1 | Nov. 30 | 5-21 | 35, 649 |
| 8 | Georgia.. | 1876 | Oct. 1 | Sept. 30 | 4-21 | e74, 828 |
| 9 | Illinois ... | 1877 | Oct. 1 | Dec. 31 | 6-18 | 394, 037 |
| 10 | Indiana. | 1877 | July 1 | June 30 | 6-21 | 693, 706 |
| 11 | Iowa. | 1876-'77 | Sept. 16 | Sept. 15 | 5-21 | 694, 568,026 |
| 12 | Kansas | 1877 | Aug. 1 | July 31 | 5-21 | 232, 861 |
| 13 | Kentucky | 1876-'77 | July 1 | June 30 | f6-20 | 512, 808 |
| 15 | Maine | 1877 ${ }^{187}$ | $h$ Sept. - | h.June 30 | 6-21 | 266, 033 |
| 16 | Maryland | 1876-77 | ${ }_{\text {Scpt }} 1$ | Mar. 31 | 4-21 | 217, 417 |
| 17 | Massaehusetts | 1877 | May | Junc 30 | $5-20$ | 276, 120 |
| 18 | Miehigan. | 1876-'77 | Sept. 4 | $\stackrel{\text { Apr. }}{\text { Scnt. }} 3$ | 5-15 | - 4697,444 |
| 19 | Minnesota | 1876-'77 | Sept. 1 | Ang. 31 | 5-21 | - $\begin{array}{r}\text { 4238, } \\ \text { c234 } \\ \end{array}$ |
| 20 | Mississippi | 1877 | Jan. 1 | Dec. 31 | 5-21 | 324, 989 |
| $\stackrel{21}{22}$ | Missouri | 1875-76 | Apr. $\frac{1}{1}$ | Apr. - | 6-20 | 725, 728 |
| 23 | Nevrada.. | 1876-'77 | Apr. 1 | Apr. ${ }^{2}$ | 5-21 | 92, 161 |
| 24 | New Hampshire | 1877 | Scpt. 1 | Aug. 31 | 6-18 | 8,475 |
| 25 | New Jersey.... | 1876-'77 | Sept. ${ }^{\text {Mar. }}$ | Mar. - | 4-21 | c73, 418 |
| 26 | New York | 1876-77 | Oct. 1 | Sept. 30 | 5-18 | 1, 318, 58274 |
| 27 | North Carolina | 1876-77 | Scpt. 1 | Aug. 31 | 6-21 | 1, 586, 234 |
| 28 | Ohio ... | 1876-'77 | Sept. 1 | Aug. 31 | 6-21 | 1, 027, 248 |
| 30 | Pregon ...... | ${ }_{1877}^{1876-77}$ | Apr. 1 | Mar. 31 | 4-20 | 50, 649 |
| 31 | Rhode Island | 1876-377 |  | Juno | 6-21 | e1, 200, 000 |
| 32 | South Carolina | 1876-7 | May 1 | Apr. 30 | 5-15 | l53, 316 |
| 33 | Tennessce. | 1876-'77 | Nov. 1 |  | 6-16 | 228, 128 |
| 34 | Texas .... | 1876-77 | Sopt. 1 | Aug. 31 | 6-18 | 442, 458 |
| 35 | Vermont. | 1876-77 |  |  | 8-14 | 127, 085 |
| 36 | Virginia. | 1876-77 | Apr. 1 | July 31 | $5-20$ <br> $5-21$ | $\begin{array}{r}92,925 \\ 489 \\ \hline 89\end{array}$ |
| 37 38 | West Virginia | 1875-76 | Sept. 1 | Aug. 31 | ${ }_{6} 5-21$ | 482,789 184,760 |
| 38 | Wisconsin | 1876-'77 | Sept. 1 | Aug. 31 | $4-20$ | 478, 388 |
| 40 | Dakota | 1877 , | Dec. 16 | Dee. 15 | 6-21 | n2, 955 |
| 41 | Distriet of Columbia | 1876-77 | Sept. 1 | Aug. 31 | 5-21 | 11, 046 |
| 42 | Idaho | 1875-76 | Sept. 1 | June 30 | 6-17 | 031, 671 |
| 43 | Montana. | 1877 |  |  | 5-18 | 2, 777 |
| 44 | New Mexico |  | Jan. 1 | Aug. 31 | 4-21 | 4, 892 |
| 45 | Utah |  |  | Noe. 31 | $7-18$ | -29, 312 |
| 46 | Washington | 1876-'77 | Sept. - |  |  |  |
| 47 | Wroming | 1876 | Sept. - | Aug. - | 7-21 | 12,997 |
| 48 | Indian: |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Creeks. | 1876 | Scpt. ${ }^{\text {S }}$ | June 30 | 7-21 | 4, 0416 |
|  | Choetars. | 1876 | Sept. 1 | May 1 | 6-20 | 2,300 |
|  | Seminoles. | 1876 | Scpt. 1 | May 31 |  | 471 |

$a$ Number under 5 years of age.
$b$ Number between 5 and 17 years of age.
c Estimated.
$d$ For the winter; 68,588 for the summer.
$e \operatorname{In} 1873$.
$f$ For eolored population the sehool age is from G-16.
$g$ A printed report of later date gives 227,607 as the enrolment.
in These dates are for New Orleans only.
$i$ Number over 15 years of age.
the enrolment, attendance, duration of schools, \&c.; from replies to inquiries by the United of Education.

$j$ These from printed report for 1870-77; a later return places the number enrolled at 310,181, and the arerage daily attendance at 228,447.
$k$ This figure is from a printed report; in a written return the State superintendent gives 55,599 as the number "in actual attendance."
$l$ Census of 1875.
$m$ In erening schools; 93 are enrolled in both day and evening schools.
$n \operatorname{In} 1876$.
o Census of 1870.

Table I.-Part 1.-Statistics of the school systems of the States and Tervitories

a Estimatect.
b A verage attendance
$c$ In the eounties; in the cities, 200 days.
$d$ In evening schools.
howing the enrolment, attendance, duration of schools, \&. Continued.

$e \operatorname{In} 1875$.
$f$ In the counties; in the cities, 193 days.
$g$ In the counties; in the cities the average salaries are: Of men, $\$ 108.20$; of women, $\$ 35.93$.

Table I．－Part 2．－Statistics of the school systems of the States and Territories，showing States Eurcau

|  | States and Territories． | annual income． |  |  |  |
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|  | 1 | 30 | 31 | 32 | 33 |
| 1 | Alabama ．． | \＄250， 615 |  | a\＄267， 243 |  |
| 2 | Arliansas | 200， 000 |  | 200， 000 | \＄12， 000 |
| 3 | California．． | 1，766， 257 | \＄1，486， 233 | 3，252， 490 | 220， 572 |
| 4 | Comneetieut． | 120,057 205,892 | 63,394 $1,047,053$ | 183,451 $1,252,945$ | 137， 261 |
| 6 | Delaware．．． | c20， 285 | 186， 940 | 1，216， 225 |  |
| 7 | Florida．．． | 11，587 | 68， 217 | 79， 804 |  |
| 8 | Georgia | 291， 319 | 142， 727 | 434， 046 |  |
| 9 | Illinois ． | 1， 000,000 | 8，335， 442 | 9，335， 442 | 304， 898 |
| 10 | Indiana | 1，494， 330 | 2，548，746 | 4， 043,076 | 624， 094 |
| 11 | Iowa ．． |  | 4，120， 059 | 4，120， 059 | 276， 827 |
| 13 | Kentucky | 1，084，575 | 500,000 | 1，584，575 | 200， 000 |
| 14 | Louisiana | －184， 905 | 235， 729 | 1，420， 634 |  |
| 15 | Maino | 224， 580 | 657， 705 | 822， 285 | 24， 033 |
| 16 | Maryland | 522， 794 | 814， 569 | 1，337， 363 | 21， 271 |
| 17 | Massachusetts | c41， 065 | 4，191， 511 | 4，191， 511 | 140， 861 |
| 18 | Miehigan．． | e492， 147 | 2，217， 961 | 2，710， 108 | 220， 806 |
| 19 20 | Minnesota | 209， 837 | 750， 163 | 960， 000 | 190， 082 |
| 21 | Missouri ．－ |  | 882， 397 | 882， 397 | 158，568 |
| 22 | Nebraska | 80， 574 | 303， 177 | 482， 751 | 98， 459 |
| 23 | Aevada | 44， 247 | 115， 312 | 159， 559 |  |
| 24 | New ITampshire． | 437， 521 | 101， 212 | 538， 733 | 0， 237 |
| 25 | New Jersoy | 1，193， 668 | 723，330 | 1，916， 938 | 100,000 |
| $\stackrel{26}{27}$ | New York | 2，703， 519 | 7，454， 906 | 10，158，425 | 170， 000 |
| 27 28 | North Carolina． | h380， 071 |  | h380， 071 | 4， 575 |
| 20 | Orio ．．．．． | 1，528， 278 | 5，560， 772 | 7，098， 250 | 233， 660 |
| 30 | Pennsylvania | 1，000， 000 | 7，500，000 | 8，500，000 | 38，551 |
| 31 | Rhodo Island．． | － 80,753 | 577， 940 | 8，658， 693 | 10，902 |
| 32 | South Carolina | c100， 000 | 53， 965 | 153， 965 |  |
| 33 <br> 34 | Temnessee |  |  | 567， 673 | 150， 750 |
| 35 | Vermont |  | 518， 107 | 513， 107 | 15，073 |
| 36 | Virginia． | 341， 266 | j702， 213 | 1，043， 479 | 16， 476 |
| 37 | West Virginia | 196， 798 | 578， 966 | 1，775， 764 | 91， 844 |
| 38 39 | Wisconsin ．．．．．． |  |  | 1，887， 5.55 | 192， 063 |
| 40 | Dakota． |  |  | 20， 1868 |  |
| 41 | Distriet of Columbia | 0 | 279，543 | 270， 543 | 6，340 |
| 42 | Idaho ．．．． |  | 17，088 | 17， 088 |  |
| 43 | Montana． |  |  | 37， 092 |  |
| 45 | Utah ．．．．．．． | 20， 000 | 30，115 | 50，115 | 20 |
| 46 | Washington． |  |  | 49， 765 |  |
| 47 | Wyoming |  |  | 24， 626 |  |
| 48 | Indian： Cherokees． |  |  |  |  |
|  | Creeks ．．． |  | 0 | 0 | 72,298 10,000 |
|  | Choctaws． | 1，522 |  | 1，522 | 27， 500 |

a Ineludes $\$ 116,628$ poll tax．
6 Estimated．
c From Stato appropriation．
d Increase in two years．
c Distriet tax required by statute．
$f \mathrm{~A}$ number of counties not reported；total income shonld be orer $\$ 2,000,000$
$g$ Amount paid by State only．
the income, expenditure, and permanent school fund; from replies to inquirics by the United of Education.

$h$ Of this $\$ 121,645$ was a balance on hand at the end of June, 1876.
$i$ Includes repairs.
$j$ Including an unexpended balance from last year of $\$ 191,652$.
$k$ Amount expended for old indebtedness.
$l_{\text {. School lands will not become available until Utah is admitted into the Union as a State. }}$

Table I.-Part 2.-Statistics of the school systems of the States and Territories,

|  | States and Territories. | annual expenditure. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Current. |  |  |  |
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|  | 1 | 41 | 42 | 43 | 44 |
| 1 | Alabama .................................. | \$384, 993 |  | \$392, 493 | \$1 02 |
| 2344 | Arkansas ...................... | $\begin{array}{r}* 73,166 \\ \alpha 2,149 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  | * ${ }^{* 119,403}$ |  |
|  | Colorado | a2, 149, 780 | \$378, 254 | 2, 2149,725 | $\begin{array}{r}13 \\ 795 \\ \hline 95\end{array}$ |
| 5 <br> 6 | Connceticut. | 1, 058,682 | 234, 781 | 1, 510, 223 |  |
|  | Delaware | 114, 027 | 102, 198 | 218, 025 |  |
| 7 8 | Florida.. | 74, 628 | 5,707 | 101, 722 |  |
| 9 | Illinois. | 5, 000, 000 | 1, 713, 919 | 7,388, 596 | ${ }_{7}^{110} 45$ |
|  | Indiana | 3, 049,094 | 1, 012,933 | 4, 673,766 | 590 |
| 11 | Iowa .. | a2, 593, 645 | 1,337, 258 | 5, 197, 426 | 790 |
| 12 | Kansas... | 824,966 |  | c1, 328, 376 | 570 |
|  | Kentucky | 1, 000, 000 | 100, 000 | 1, 130, 000 | 200 |
| 14 | Louisiana | $e 295,504$ 951,877 | 66,325 125,211 | e369, $1,170,698$ | 511 |
| 16 | Maryland | 1, 085,063 | 272, 931 | 1, 637,583 | 507 |
| 1718 | Massachusetts | $f 871,857$ | 430, 255 | g5, 582, 519 | 1526 |
|  | Michigan. | 1, 941, 338 | 907, 345 | 3,187, 913 | 605 |
| 18 19 20 | Minuesota | 791, 679 |  | cl, 181, 327 |  |
| 2122 | Missouri . |  |  | 2, 374,960 |  |
|  | Nebraska | 457,049 | 194, 612 | i861, 264 | 751 |
| 23 | Nevada ......... | 101, 016 | 12, 882 | 162, 760 |  |
| 24 | New Hampshire | 429,021 $1,481,124$ | 70,867 28,006 | 604, 654 |  |
| 26 | New York. | 7, 915, 634 | j2, 467, 198 | j12, 110, ${ }^{1}, 003$ | 530 |
| 27 | North Carolina. | - 263,524 | j2, 15, 760 | j12, 406,447 | 685 |
|  | Ohio ..... | 4, 957, 254 | 1, 362,691 | 7, 411, 068 | 721 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 29 \\ & 30 \end{aligned}$ | Oregon ........ | 190, 922 | 25, 625 | 241, 893 | 477 |
| 31 | Rhode Island. | 4, 7412,543 | 2, 389,237 |  | m9 09 |
|  | South Carolina | 212, 582 | 7,338 | 226, 021 | m 09 |
| 33 34 | Tennesseo | 565, 651 | 37, 930 | c699, 513 | 158 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 34 \\ & 35 \end{aligned}$ | Texas ... |  |  | 496, 083 |  |
| 35 | Virminiant | 420, 826 | 55, 443 | 537, 153 | 581 |
| 37 | West Virginia | 731,545 | 124, 12047 | $\begin{array}{r} 1,050,346 \\ 793,272 \end{array}$ |  |
| 39 | Wisconsin. | 1, 563, 038 | 328, 391 | 2, 249, 638 |  |
|  | Arizona. | 10,400 | 6, 907 | 62, 843 |  |
| 40 | Distriet of Columbia | 15,639 239,854 | 4,988 | n37, 668 |  |
| 42 | Idaho .............. | 239, 14,376 | 91,581 2,214 | 370,996 16,590 | 1090 |
|  | Montana | 25, 804 |  | 16,590 54,104 | 1105 |
| 45 | New Mexico | 15, 432 | 3,458 | 18, 890 |  |
|  | Utah | 127, 480 |  | 18, 85 |  |
| 47 | Wyoming | $\cdots 16,400$ |  | *16,400 | 382 |
| 48 | Indian: |  |  |  |  |
|  | Cherokees. | 43, 075 | 54,576 | 110, 110 | 2478 |
|  | Creoks ... | 11, 200 | 1,800 | 13, 000 |  |
|  | Choctaws Seminoles | $\begin{array}{r} 12,000 \\ 2,250 \end{array}$ | 700 | $29,022$ | 1262 |

[^76]showing the income, expenditure, and permanent school fund, fo.-Continued.


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| Logansport, Ind | John K. Walts |
| Madison, Ind* | M. Shannon, secretary |
| Richmond, Ind | John Cooper |
| South Bend, Ind | Alfrad Kummer |
| Trerre Haute, In | William H. Wiley |
| Burlington, Iow | R. Gr. Saunderson. |
| Council Bluffs, Iow | W. H. Hatch |
| Davenport, Iowa | Phœbe W. Ludlow |
| Des Moines, west side, Ia | J. H. Thompson. |
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| Kcokuk, Iowa | W. W. Jamieson |
| Atchison, Kans | I. C. Scott. |
| Lawrcnce, Kans | W. A. Boles |
| Leavenworth, Kans* | John Wherrell |
| Covington, Ky | B. D. Best. |
| Lexington, Ky. | J. O. Harrison. |
| Louisville, Ky* | George H. Tingley |
| Newport, Kу | W. H. Jones |
| Paducah, Ky | D. C. Culley |
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| Fitchburg, Mass. | Joseph G. Edgerly ..... |
| Haverhill, Mass* | R. Stuart Chase, secretary |
| Holyoke, Mass. | L. H. Marvel ... |
| Lowell, Mass | Charles Morrill ........................ |
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| Milford, Mass | George E. Stacy, sccretary. |
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| Salem, Mass* | Augustus D. Small |
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Table II．－School statistics of cities containing 7，500 inhabitants and over，for 1877，\＆c．－Contmued．

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Table II.-School statistics of cities containing 7,500 inhabitants and over, for 1877, \&c.-Continued.


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 $h$ Estimated building.

* From Report * From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876.
a Rural or ungraded schools.
6 West division. 6 West division.
$c$ Includes normal teachers. d Used for day schools also.





[^78]* From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876.
$a$ Grammar and primary.

TABLE II．－School statistics of cities containing 7，500 inhabitants and over，for 187\％，\＆c．－Continued．

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$p$ Includes a normal practice, and a music teacher, $q$ and 9 in the intermediate grade.
$r$ In union or mixed schools. $t$ Evening schools not included.

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Table II.—School statistics of cities containing 7,500 inhabitants and over, for 1877, sc.-Continued.

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Table II.—School statistics of cities containing 7,500 inhabitants and over, for 1877, \&c.-Continued.

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Table II．－School statistics of cities containing 7，500 inhabitants and over，for 1877，fc．－Continued．

|  | City． | Average annual salaries of－ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Estimated real value of property used for school pur－ poses． |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Principals in high schools． |  | Assistants in high schools． |  | Principals in normal schools． |  | Teachers in evening schools． |  | Special teachers． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | 1 | 75 | 196 | 17 | 78 | 79 | 80 | 81 | 82 | 83 | 84 | 85 | 86 | 87 | 88 | 89 | 90 |
| 75 | Newton，Mass | \＄2， 700 |  | \＄1， 417 | \＄1，100 |  |  |  |  | \＄1， 500 | \＄1，000 | \＄200 | \＄69，000 | \＄340，000 | \＄28， 000 | \＄6，000 | \＄443， 000 |
| 76 | Pittsfield，Mass＊ | 1，700 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1，200 |  |  | 11， 600 | 49， 800 |  |  | 61， 400 |
| 77 | Salem，Mass＊ | 3， 000 |  | 1，200 | 725 |  | a\＄800 |  |  | 1， 600 | 1， 200 |  |  |  | （35， 0 |  | 341， 500 |
| 78 | Springfield，Mass | 2， 600 |  | 1，350 | 850 |  |  |  |  | 900 | 700 |  |  | （550，000） |  | 4，500 | 554，500 |
| 79 | Taunton，Mass．．． | 1， 200 | \＄750 | ${ }^{425}$ | 350 | \＄425 | 350 |  |  | 1，200 |  |  | 20，000 | 160,000 | 20， 000 | 2，000 | 202， 000 |
| 80 | Weymouth，Mass＊ | 1，300 |  |  | 475 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 14， 000 | 85， 000 | 14， 000 | 2，000 | 115， 000 |
| 81 | Woburn，Mass ．．．． | b1， 900 |  |  | 6675 |  |  |  |  | 6500 |  |  | ${ }^{(180}$ | 000） | 12， 000 | 1，000 | 193， 000 |
| 82 | Worcester，Mas | 2,700 1,400 |  | 1，374 | 842 |  |  |  |  | 1，500 | 1，200 |  | 239， 15.017 | 584，500 | 41,058 10,000 | 7,650 1,500 | 872,225 151,500 |
| 84 | Ann Arbor，Mich | 1， 300 |  | 1，200 | 500 |  |  |  |  | 600 | 400 | 600 | 15， 000 | 110， 000 | 5， 000 | 1，700 | 130， 700 |
| 85 | Bay City，Mich | 1，000 |  |  | 425 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 29， 000 | 94， 300 | 12， 000 | 4，700 | 140， 000 |
| 86 | Detroit，Mich | b2， 000 |  | b1，200 | 6900 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 633， 716 |
| 87 | East Saginaw，Mich | 1， 200 |  |  | 600 |  |  |  |  | b500 | $b 100$ | b500 | 30，000 | 85，000 | 9，000 | 1，500 | 125， 500 |
| 88 | Grand Rapids，Mich | 2， 250 |  | 691 | 670 |  |  |  |  | 1， 000 |  | 1， 000 |  | 000） | 10， 000 | 5， 000 | 270,000 |
| 89 90 | Saginaw，Mich．．．．． | 1，000 | 1，400 |  | 500 700 |  |  |  |  |  | 800 |  | 29，${ }_{(300}$ | 000）${ }^{65,000}$ | 5,000 14,500 | 1,000 2,000 | 100,000 321,500 |
| 91 | St．Paul，Minn ．．． | b1，620 | b675 | 61，080 | $b 675$ |  |  |  |  | （d） |  | b1， 080 | 60， 000 | 225，000 | 15， 000 | 4， 000 | 304， 000 |
| 92 | Natchez，Miss＊ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 93 | Vicksburg，Miss | 975 | 975 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 15， 000 | 25， 000 | 4， 000 | 250 | 44， 250 |
| 94 95 | Hannibal，Mo | 750 1,400 |  | 1，400 | 650 |  |  |  |  |  | e300 | $f 300$ | 7，500 | 26， 000 | 5，800 | 200 | 39,500 200,000 |
| 96 | St．Joseph，Mo．． | 1， 600 |  | 1，938 | 850 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 26，788 | 75，908 | 14,000 | 2，000 | 118， 696 |
| 97 | St．Louis，Mo ． | 2，197 |  | 1，440 | 840 | 2，775 |  | \＄187 | \＄130 | 1，500 | 974 | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}f 641 \\ f 722\end{array}\right.$ | 786， 422 | 1，683，121 | 160， 000 |  | 2，620，543 |
| 98 | Omala，Nebr | b2， 000 |  |  | b1， 200 |  |  |  |  |  |  | $f 1,200$ | 101， 000 | 324， 000 | 9， 050 | 925 | 434， 975 |
| 99 | Manchester，N．H | 1，800 |  | 900 | 544 |  | g513 |  |  | 1，200 |  |  | （ 7271 | 900） |  | 6， 175 | 278,075 |
| 100 | Nashua，N．H | 1，600 | 550 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 34， 391 | 190， 500 | 6， 000 | 3，500 | 234， 391 |
| 101 | Portsmouth，N．H | b1， 500 |  |  | b1， 000 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1，008 | 13，100 | 58，900 | 6，400 | 2，200 | 80， 600 |
| 103 | Elizabeth，N．J＊．． | 1， 600 |  |  | 625 |  |  | 240 | 160 |  |  |  | 33， 500 | 73， 000 | 10，000 |  | 116，500 |



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|  | City． | Average annual salaries of－ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Estimated real value of property used for sehool pur－ poses． |  |  |  |  |
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| 150 | Allegheny， Pa |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | \＄1，000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 151 | Allentown， Pa |  |  | a\＄70 | $a{ }^{\text {a }} \times 5$ |  |  |  |  | W1，00 |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\$ 893,031$ 400,000 |
| 152 | Altoona，Pa．－ | \＄720 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | \＄13，000 | $\$ 50,000$ | \＄3，700 | \＄100 | 66， 800 |
| 154 | Carbondale， I <br> Chester，Pa |  |  |  | 320 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 6， 000 | 15，400 | 3， 000 | 600 | 25， 000 |
| 155 | Chester，Pa ${ }^{\text {D }}$ | 1，000 |  |  | 713 |  |  | a\＄16 | \＄16 |  |  |  | 33， 610 | 59， 500 | 7，341 | 100 | 100，551 |
| 150 | Easton，Pa | a105 |  | $a 95$ | a63 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 00） | 10，700 | 600 | 255， 300 |
| 158 | Erie，Pa＊．．．． | ．2，000 | b\＄1， 100 | 1， 000 | 550 |  |  | 850 |  | 1， 000 | \＄550 |  | 120， 000 | 169， 320 | 8，500 | 2，000 | 299， 820 |
| 159 | Lancaster，${ }^{\text {a }}$＊ | 1,200 990 | ${ }_{660}$ | 770 | 625 |  |  | 45 | 37 |  | 550 |  | 2，500 | 387， 087 | 21，131 | 2， 500 | 413，218 |
| 160 | Now Castle，Pa |  | 480 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10，000 | 28，000 |  | 200 | 82， 4300 |
| 161 | Norristown，Pa | 1，500 |  |  | 700 |  |  |  |  | 300 | 280 |  | 28， 973 | 71， 029 | 14，477 | 575 | 115， 054 |
| 163 | －Pittsburgh，${ }^{\text {Pa＊}}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1.200 | 900 |  | 1，969， 669 | 4，010， 700 | 300， 100 |  | 6，280， 469 |
| 164 | Pottsville，Pa＊ | 1， 400 |  | 1，200 | 500 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10,000 |  | $1,900,000$ 192,000 |
| 165 | Reading， $\mathrm{P} \mathrm{a}^{*}$ ． | 1， 500 | 850 | 1， 630 | 630 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 45， 000 | 300，000 | 4，000 |  | 192,000 350,000 |
| 166 | Seranton，Pa．，4th dist＊ |  | 600 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 50， 000 |  | ，000） |  | 350,000 180,000 |
| 168 | Shenandoah，Pa．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4， 500 | 41， 000 | 4，000 | 500 | 50， 000 |
| 169 | Wilkes－Barre，Pa．， 3 dist | a140 |  |  | a 60 |  |  |  |  | 380 | 523 |  | 25， 000 | 75， 000 | 7，000 | 1，800 | 108， 800 |
| 170 | Williamsport，Pa．．．．．．．． | c800 |  |  | c520 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 38，000 | 75，000 | 8,500 | 800 | 84， 000 |
| 171 | York，Pa | c1， 500 |  | c800 | c550 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 122,300 125,000 |
| 173 | Newport，R．I． <br> Providence R．I | 3， 500 |  | 2，200 | 1，200 |  |  | 100 | 50 | 800 | 1，000 |  | 33；006 | 172，000 |  |  | 205， 006 |
| 174 | Warwiek，I．I |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 175 | Woonsocket，R．I | 1， 500 | 600 | 600 | 600 |  |  |  |  | 500 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 143,000 |
| 176 | Chattanooga，Tenn | 900 | 900 |  | 500 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | （14， |  | 1， 800 |  | 16， 364 |
| 178 | Knoxville，Tenn ．．． | c1，125 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3， 000 | 10，000 | 2， 500 | 100 | 21，600 |
| 179 | Nashville，Tenn ．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1， 800 |  | 1，200 | ¢900 |  |  |  |  | 1，170 | 1，000 |  | 31,500 45,000 | 96,000 116,000 | 11,400 6,500 | 150 500 | 139,050 168,000 |




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* From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876 .
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 $h$ About $\$ 300$ per annum; is used by superintendent
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$i$ Includes funds from different sources.
$j$ Estimated.

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TABLE II.-School statistics of cities containing 7,500 inhabitants and over, for 1877, fc.-Continued.

| City. |  | Total taxable property in the city. |  | Tax for school purposes. |  | Rcceipts. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Expenditures. |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Amount received from intcrest on permanent fund. |  |  | Amount received from taxation. |  |  |  |  | Permanent. |  |  |
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|  | 1 |  | 91 | 92 | 93 | 94 | 95 | 96 | 97 | 98 | 99 | 100 | 101 | 102 | 103 | 104 | 105 | 106 |
| 151 | Allentown, Pa |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 152 \\ & 153 \end{aligned}$ | Altoona, Pa. Carbondale P | \$0,180,000 | 2, 060, 000 | 3. 33 | 10 |  |  |  |  | \$3, 732 | $\$ 51,620$ 18,933 | \$156 |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 153 \\ & 154 \end{aligned}$ | Carbondale, | $2,500,000$ $8,914,973$ | 822,600 6, 686,230 | 3.66 | 11. | \$165 |  |  |  | 1, 641 | 18,93 67,60 | \$150 | \$800 | $\$ 22,821$ 9,266 | $\$ 2,342$ 1,106 | ${ }^{\$ 62}$ |  |
| 155 | Danville, Pa* | 3, 300,000 | 6, $1,200,000$ |  | $14^{3.5}$ |  |  |  |  | 1,823 1,706 | 27,564 | 50 | .... 17 | 29, 437 | ${ }^{1,106}$ | 1,238 |  |
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| 159 | Lancaster, ${ }^{\text {Pa* }}$ | 13, 194,208 | 5, 740, 750 | 4. 33 | 13 | 1, 381 |  |  |  | 6,571 | 68, 979 |  | 25, 486 | 102, 417 |  | 1,599 |  |
| 160 | New Castie, Pa | 4, 410,568 | 13,194, 298 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2,670 |  |  |  | a5, 000 | 48, 055 |  | 30,886 | 87, 217 |  | 21) |  |
| 161 | Norristown, Pa | 4, 10, | 1,227,642 |  | 10 | 283 |  |  |  | 1, 610 | 12,637 | 742 |  | 15, 272 |  | 626 |  |
| 162 | Philadelphia, Pa |  |  |  |  | 17,058 |  |  | 7, 538 | 3,007 | 16, 833 | 1,350 | 1,707 | 32, 890 |  |  |  |
| 164 | Pottsville, Pa*. | 12, 000000 | 175, 000, 000 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 66, 248 |  |  |  | 32, 456 | 448, 145 |  |  | 1, 546,849 | 8,314 | 5,319 |  |
| 165 | Reading, Pa*. | 23, 320, 994 | 6, ${ }^{6307,700}$ |  | ${ }_{3} 6.5$ | 4, 052 |  |  | 276 | 3, 308 | 33, 969 | 408 | 31,726 | 73, 739 | 17, 281 | 5,176 | 25 |
| 166 | Scranton, Pa.,4th dist*.... | 10, 900,000 | $23,320,094$ $2,725,000$ |  | $2{ }_{2}^{3}$ | 1,487 |  |  |  | 9, 9000 | 75, 293 |  | 37, 740 | 124, 420 | 3, ${ }^{8} 00$ |  |  |
| 167 | Shenandoah, Pa.......... | 3, 000, 000 | 1, 844, 405 |  | 8 |  |  |  |  | 5, 888 | 54, 990 | 75 | 6,410 | 67, 363 |  |  |  |
| 168 | Titusville, Pa. | 6, 200,000 | 1, 550, 000 | ${ }^{5} 75$ | 15 | 4,411 3,389 | \$1,310 |  |  |  | 13, 543 | 51 | 1,176 | 20,491 |  | 214 |  |
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| 175 | Woonsocket, R. I . |  | 11, 497, 562 |  | 1. 25 | 148 | 4,331 |  |  | 4,071 | 6,000 15,000 |  | 1, 323 | 11,542 |  |  |  |
| 177 | Knoxville, Tenn ... |  | 4,500, 000 |  | 2. 5 | b660 |  |  |  | c5, 393 |  | 49 | 1,131 | 12, 304 | 644 | 723 | 96 |
| 178 | Mcmphis, Tenn | 25,000,000 | $4,000,000$ $20,406,385$ |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 290 | 750 | 12, 957 |  | 257 |  |
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Table III.-Statistics of normal schools for 1877, f.c.-Continued.





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| 89 89 | Bennett Seminary. | Greensboro', N. C | 1874 | Rer. Edward O. Thayer, B. A. |  |
| 90 | Ray's Normal Institute* | Kernersville, N. C..... | 1874 | John S. Ra |  |
| 91 | Ellendale Tcachers' Institu | Little Rivor P.O., N. C | 1872 | W. E. White |  |
| 92 | Shaw University... | Raleigh, N. | 1866 | H. M. Tupper, A. M |  |
| 93 | Tileston Normal School* | Wilmington, | 1872 | Amy M. Bradley | 0 |
| 94 | Northwestcm Ohio Nom | Ada, Ohio... | 1871 | H. S. Lchr, A. M <br> Andrew K nell | 0 |
| 95 | Cincinnati Normal School | Cincinnati, | 1874 |  |  |
| 96 | Cleveland City Normal |  | 1869 | Jane W. Blackwoo |  |
| 97 | Dayton Normal and Training | Dayton, Ohio ............ | 1869 | W. Brinkerhoff, A. M |  |
| 98 | Hopedale Normal School* | Lepedale, Ohio........ | 1855 | Alfred Holbrook | 0 |
| 99 100 | National Normal School. . . . | Milan, Ohio . . . . . . . . . . . | 1832 | Miss Delia Palmer | 0 |
| 100 101 | Western Reserve Normal School. . . . . . . . . | Mount Union, Ohio ... | 1846 | James A. Brush, A. M | 0 |
| 101 | Normal department, Mount Union College*. | Mount Union, Ohio ... | 1865 | H. W. Johnson | 0 |
| 03 | Southern Ohio Normal Sch | Pleasantville, | 1875 | J.C. Harper | 0 |
| 104 | Sandusley Training School | Sandusky, Ohio | 1874 | Huldah Gazlay. |  |
| 105 | Ohio Central Normal School | Worthington, O | 1871 | John Ogden, M. | 0 |
| 106 | Wilbcrforce University, normal dep't 6 | Xenia, Ohio ............. | 1873 | Sarah C. Bierce |  |
| 107 | Ohio Free Normal School ........... | Yellow Springs, Ohio.. | 1876 | J.B. Weston | 0 |
| 108 | Pennsylvania State Normal School | Bloomsburg, Pa | 1869 | D.J. Waller, jr | 10, 000 |
| 109 | Southwestern Normal College............... | California, Pa | 1874 | George P. Beard, A. | 25,000 |
| 110 | Northwcstern State Normal Sch | Edinboro', Pa | 1861 | J. A. Cooper, A. M | 10,000 |
| 111 | State Normal School at India | Indiana, Pa | 1875 | David M. Sensenicre | 3,665 |
| 112 | Keystone State Normal Sch | Kutztown, Pa | 1866 | Rev. Nathan C. Schaeffer |  |
| 113 | Central State Normal School. | Lock Haren, P | 1877 | Albert N. Raub, A. M | 10, 000 |
| 114 | Pennsylvania Stato Normal School, 5th dist | Mansfield, Pa | 1862 | F. A. Allen. | d20,000 |
| 115 | Pennsylvania State Normal School, 2 d dist . | Millersville, Pa | 1855 | Edward Brooks, A. M., PH. D . | 6,500 |
| 116 | Philadelphia Normal School for Girls ..... | Philadelphia, Pa. (n. e. cor. 17th and Spring Garden streets). | 1848 | George W. Fettcr. | 0 |
| 117 | Riverviow Normal and Classical Institute | Pittsburgh, Pa. (2and4 Sixth street). | 1877 | J. D. Kelly, A. M | 0 |
| 118 | Snyder County Normal | Selin's Grove, Pa....... | 1872 | William Noetling, A. M | 0 |
| 119 | Cumberland Valley State Nomal | Shippensburg, Pa..... | 1873 | Rev. I. N. Hays, A. M | 30,000 |
| 120 | West Chester State Normal Sch | West Chester, Pa | 1871 | Georgo L. Maris, A. M. | 11, 132 |
| 121 | Rhode Island State Nommal Scho | Providence, R. I........ | 1871 | James C. Greenough, A. M | 12, 500 |
| 122 | Avery Normal Institute. | Charleston, S. C. (35 Bull street). | 1865 | Amos W. Farnham. |  |
| 123 | South Normal School and Business Inst* | Joncsboro', Tenn .. | 1876 | Wise and Presnell | 0 |
| 124 | Freedmen's Normal Institute | Maryville, Tenn | 1872 | William P. Hastings | 0 |
| 125 | New Providence Inst. (Maryville Collcge)* | Maryville, Tenn | 1852 | Frank M. Smith. |  |
| 126 | Le Moyne Normal School... | Memphis, Tenn | 1871 | A. J. Steelo. . . . . . . . . | 0 |
| 127 | Central Tennessee College, normal dep ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | Nashville, Tenn. | 1866 | Rev. T. Braden, A. M., pres' | 0 |
| 128 | Normal department of Fisk University | Nashville, Tenn | 1866 | A. K. Spence . . . . . . . . . . . . | 0 |
| 129 | State Nommal College, Univ'ty of Nashville | Nashville, Tenn | 1875 | Eben S.Stearns, D. D., pres | 0 |
| 130 | McNairy County Normal School, Purdy College. |  | 1877 | J.J. Taylor |  |
| 131 | Castleton State Normal School. . . . . . . . . . | Castleton, | 1869 | Walter E. Howa |  |
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Table IV．－Statistics of commercial and business colleges for 1877 ；from replies to inquiries by the Enited States Bureau of Education．

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|  | Sacramento Business College | Sacramento，Cal．（210I street） |  | 1873 | E．C．Atkinson | 7 | 2 | 129 | 99 | 95 | 4 | 30 | 20 | 10 |
| 2 | Heald＇s Business College | San Francisco，Cal．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 1864 | Edward P．Heald | 13 | 3 | 401 | 365 | 348 | 17 | 36 | 36 | 0 |
| 3 | Garden City Commercial College | San José，Cal．．．．．． | 0 | 1869 | Herman B．Worcester | ＋ | 1 | 61 | 61 | 57 | 4 | 0 | 5 |  |
| 4 | Institute Business College＊ | San José，Cal | 0 | 18．．． | F．K．Simonds ．．．．．．．．．．． | 2 |  | 85 | 85 | 80 | 5 | 0 |  | 0 |
| 5 6 | Moorc＇s Southern Business University | Atlanta，Ga． |  | 1858 | B．F．Moore，A．M．，president． | 4 |  | 137 | 137 | 130 | 7 |  |  |  |
| 6 | Business course of Bowdon College＊． | Bowdon，Ga ．－ | 1856 | 1856 | John F．Williams，president． |  |  | 76 | 76 98 | 16 98 | 30 |  |  |  |
|  | Conimercial course，St．Viateur＇s College＊ | Bourbonnais，Ill | 1874 | 1865 | Marquam and Baker．．．． | 15 |  | 125 | 98 120 | 98 |  | 27 | 27 |  |
| 9 | Commercial course，St．Ignatius College． | Chicago，Ill．（413 W．Twelfth | 1870 |  | Rev．Thomas H．Miles，s． | 15 | 0 | 103 | 103 | 103 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 10 | Dyhrenfurth Business College＊ | street）． <br> Chicago，Ill．（149E．Randolph | 1864 | 1858 | Julius Dyhrenfurth | 4 |  | 40 | 40 | 40 |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | I．B．Bryant＇s Chicago Business College＊． | street）． <br> Chicago，IIl．（sontheast cor－ ner State aud Washington strects） |  | 1856 | H．B．Bryant，president． | 12 | 1 | 568 | 490 | 460 | 30 | 78 | 75 | 3 |
| 12 | Western Business Collcge ．．． | Galesburg，Ill ．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1862 | 1861 | J．M．Martin \＆Bro． |  |  | 212 | 125 | 110 | 15 | 87 | 64 | 23 |
| 13 14 | Jacksonville Business College | Jacksonville， 71 |  | 1866 | George W．Brown | 5 |  | 310 | 260 | 241 | 19 | 50 | 38 | 12 |
| 15 | Joliet Busincss Collcge <br> Northwestern Busincss College and Art School （department of Northwestern College）． | Noliet，Ill ${ }^{\text {Naperville，}}$ İl | 1866 | 1866 | II．Russscll－．．．．．．．．．． | 2 | 1 | 350 260 | 350 260 | 300 | 50 | 100 | 75 | 25 |
| 16 | Parish＇s Central Illinois Business College and Telegraphic Institute． | Peoria，Ill |  | 1865 | A．S．Parish． | 2 | 2 | 210 | 164 | 142 | 22 | 46 | 39 | 7 |
| 17 | Gcm City Business College ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | Quincy，Ill（508 Main street） | 0 | 1865 | D．L．Mussclman | 4 |  | 317 | 192 | 170 | 22 | 125 | 112 |  |
| 18 19 | Becker＇s Rockford Business Collcge | Rockford 71. |  | 1860 | E．C．A．Becker． | 3 | 1 | 115 | 75 | 53 | 22 | 40 | 36 | 4 |
|  | Springfield Business Collcge．．． |  |  |  | S．Bogardus．． | 3 |  | 118 | 58 | 58 |  | 60 | 60 |  |
| 20 | Evansville Commercial College | Evansville，Ind．（corner Third and Main streets）． |  | 1850 | G．W．Rank and E．J．Wright | 5 | 1 | 501 | 365 | 345 | 20 | 136 | 125 | 11 |
| 21 | Indianapolis Business College and Telegraph Institute． | Indianapolis，Ind．（N．Penn－ sylvania street）． |  | 1858 | C．C．Koerner | 12 | 1 | 600 | 450 | 410 | 40 | 150 | 125 | 25 |
| 22 | Commercial department of Butler University ．． | Irvington，Ind ．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 1870 | C．E．Hollenbeck，A．M ． | 2 |  | 28 | 28 | 19 | 9 |  |  |  |


Table IV.-Statistics of commercial and business colleges for 1877, \&c.-Continued.




* From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876.

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| Northwestern Business College and Institute of | Madison, Wis |  | 1865 | H. M. Wilmot |  |  |  | 339 | 317 | 203 | 114 | 51 | 35 | 16 |
| ${ }_{\text {Penmanship.* }}{ }^{\text {a }}$ artment of Milton College | Milton, Wi |  |  | A.C.Whitford |  |  |  | 170 | 170 | 100 | 70 |  |  |  |
| Spencerian Business Collego............. | Milwaukee, W | 1870 | 1863 | Robert C. Spence |  | 1 |  | 207 | 141 | 135 | ${ }^{6}$ |  |  |  |
| Oshliosh Business College*......... | Oshkosh, Wis............. |  | ${ }_{1864}^{1867}$ | Wenry C. Spencer |  |  |  | 135 | ${ }_{70}$ | 145 50 | 20 | $\begin{aligned} & 54 \\ & 65 \end{aligned}$ | ${ }_{5}^{50}$ | ${ }_{10}^{4}$ |
| Spencerian Washington Business College.. | Washington D. C. (corner Seventh and $L$ streets northwest). |  |  | Henry C.spencer |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



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|  | Hurd＇s National Business College of Upper Iowa University． |  | 5 | 2 |  |  | 19 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Iowa City Commercial College＊．．．．． | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $x$ |  |  |
|  | Baylies＇Mercantile College＊ |  |  |  |  |  | 20 | $\times$ | $\times$ | x |  |  |
|  | Muscatine Business College | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |
|  | Ottumwa Business College |  |  |  |  |  | 18 | $\times$ |  | $x$ | $\times$ |  |
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|  | Warr＇s Bryant \＆Stratton Business College |  |  | 6 |  |  | 17 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |
|  | J．W．Blaekman＇s Commereial College．．． |  |  |  | 2 |  | 18 |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |
|  | Soulé＇s Commercial College and Literary Insti－ tute． | 0 | 3 | 5 | 27 | 13 | 14 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |
|  | Dirigo Business College．．．．．．－．－－．－．．－．－．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\times$ | $x$ | $x$ | $\times$ |  |
|  | Portland Business College＊ |  |  |  |  |  | 18 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |
|  | Sadler＇s Bryant \＆Stratton Business College＊ |  |  |  |  |  | 18 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |
|  | Bryant \＆Stratton Commercial School ．．．．．．． |  |  | 6 | 0 |  | 17 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |
|  | Frcueh＇s Business and Nautical Colleg | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | $k \times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |
|  | Sawyer＇s Business College．．． | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22 | － | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |
|  | Carter＇s Commercial College | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Battle Creek Business College＊ |  |  |  |  |  | 20 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $x$ |  |  |
|  | Goldsmith＇s Bryant \＆Stratton Business Uni－ versity． |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |
|  | Mayhew Business College ．－．．－．．－．．－．．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  | 21 | $\times$ | $x$ | $x$ |  |  |
|  | Parson＇s Business［Collego＊ |  |  |  |  |  | 20 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |
|  | Grand Rapids Business College and Telegraphie Institute． | 3 | 7 | 6 |  |  | 23 |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |
|  | Commereial and telegraphie department，Hills－ dale College． |  | 16 |  |  |  | 22 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $x$ |  |  |
|  | Jackson Business College ．－．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  | 19 | $x$ | $x$ | $x$ |  |  |
|  | Kalamazoo Busincss College and Telegraph In－ stitute． |  | 10 |  |  |  | 18 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\dot{\lambda}$ |  |  |
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|  | Minueapolis Business College．．．．．．．．．．．－．．．．．．．－．－ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |
|  | St．Paul Business Collcge and Tclegraphic Insti－ tute． |  | 12 |  |  |  | 20 | $\times$ | x | $\times$ |  |  |
|  | St．Stanislaus Commercial College．．－．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 0 | 8 | 15 | 65 | 0 | 13 | $\times$ | $x$ | $x$ | $\times$ | x |
|  | Bryant＇s Business Collcge． | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | $x$ | $x$ | $\times$ |  |  |
|  | Bryant \＆Stratton Busincss Coll |  | 25 |  |  |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |
|  | Jones＇Commercial Collegc．．．．．．． | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 | ＋ | $\times$ | x | $\times$ |  |
|  | Mound City Commercial College | 3 |  |  |  |  | $18$ | $x$ | $\hat{x}$ | $\times$ |  |  |
|  | St．Louis University，（commercial course） | 0 | 0 | 71 | 20 | 0 |  | x | $\times$ | ＋ | $\times$ | $x$ |
|  | Great Western Business College | 6 |  |  |  |  | 2 | $\times$ | $\times$ | x |  |  |
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|  | Name of Kindergarten. | Loeation. |  | Name of conduetor. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number of assist- } \\ \text { ants. } \end{gathered}$ | $P$ <br> 4 <br> 4 <br> $\vdots$ <br> $\vdots$ <br> $\vdots$ <br> $\vdots$ <br> $\vdots$ |  |  |
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|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 19 | Bates Strect Kinder. garten No. 18. a | Lewiston, Me. (box 512 ). | 1875 | Grace M. Crosby | 0 | 19 | 4-8 | 5 |
| 20 | Miss Williams' Kindergarten. | Baltimore, Md. (193 North Eutaw street). | 1874 | E. Otis Williams ...... | 1 | 13 | 3-8 | 3 |
| 21 | Mount Vernon Institute Kindergarten.* | Baltimore, Md. (46 Mt. Vernon place). | 1874 | Mrs. WilhelmineO'Don nell. | 1 | 15 | 3-8 | 3 |
| 22 | Mrs. Voigt-Hiehle's German-American Kindergarten. | Baltimore, Md. (263 Lexington arenue). | 1875 | Mrs. Louisa Voigt. | 0 | 12 | 4-7 | 4 |
| 23 | Patterson Park Kindergarten. | Baltimore, Md. (21 S'th Broadway). | 1877 | Misses French and Randolph. | 3 | 8 | 3-8 | 4 |
| 24 | Chauncy Hall Sehool Kindergarten.* | Boston, Mass. (259 and 265 Boylston street). | 1874 | Alice E. Baleh |  | 10 | $3 \frac{1}{2}-7$ |  |
| 25 | Kindergarten | Boston, Mass. (28 Mt. Vemon street). | 1871 | Miss Nina Monre. |  | 11 | 3-6 | 3 |
| 26 | Private Kindergarten.* | Boston, Mass. (52 | 1873 | Mary J. Garland and | 1 | 26 | 3-6 | 3 |
| 27 | Public Kindergarten .. | Chestnut strect). <br> Boston, Mass. (corner <br> Somerset and Allston | 1870 | Rebecca J. Weston. Lucy H. Symonds | 1 | 26 36 | $3-6$ $3-6$ | 3 3 |
| 28 | South End Kindergarten. | streets). <br> Boston, Mass. (154 West | 1873 | Mrs. A. E. Gardner | 3 | 18 | 3-7 | 4 |
| 29 | Frce Kindergarten .... | Cambridge, Mass. (Concord avenue). | 1877 | Helen Willson |  | 22 | 3-7 | 3 |
| 30 | Fröbel Kindergarten .. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Cambridge, Mass. (172 } \\ & \text { North avenue). } \end{aligned}$ | 1875 | Mrs. S. L. Cook |  | 10 | $3-5$ | 3 |
| 31 | Kindergarten | Cambridge, Mass. (62 |  | Misses Maey and Ban- |  |  |  |  |
| 32 | Kindergarten | Cambridge, Mass. (Win- |  | croft. <br> Miss Baxter |  |  |  |  |
| 33 | Florenee Kindergarten. | throp street). <br> Florence, Mass. (Pine street). | 1876 | Mrs. A. R. Aldrich .. | 4 | 52 | $2-5$ | 3 |
| 34 | Kindergarten of Waltham New Church School. | Waltham, Mass . . . . . . |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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|  |  | Occupations of pupils. | Apparatus and appliances. | Effect of the system. |
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| 91 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 5 | 39 | Building, laying figures with staffs, tablets, and rings, sewing, weaving, perforating, folding and cutting, interlacing, and peas work. | All Kindergarten material, books of games, \&c. | The children are benefited physically by games; they gain rapidly ideas of color, proportion, beauty, \&c., and soon learn to express their thoughts correctly. |
| 5 | 40 | Fröbel's occupations and read. ing and writing for the older children. | Fröbel's Kindergarten gifts.. | Such a wakening and developing of the facultics of the child as enable it to make more rapid and intelligent progress in regular school studies than is possible withoutKindergarten training. |
| 5 | 35 | Plaiting, weaving, drawing, singing, modelling, embroidering, \&c. | Fröbel's gifts, charts, chromos, and appliances for calisthenics. | The physique is developed, the mind is trained for observation, the perceptive faculties are quickened, \&c. |
| 5 | 52 | Kindergarten occupations, drawing, object lessons, \&c. | Slats, blocks, pictures, books, paper, card board, \&c. | Attaches children to school; engenders a love for books, for regularity and order, freedom, and justice. |
| 5 | 40 | Fröbel's gifts and occupations; also singing in German and English, marching, games, calisthenics, object lessons, and the study in German and Enclish of poetry suited to the are of the children. | Fröbel's gifts, tables, seats, pictures, ornaments, and a piano. | The children are strong and healthy in body, with habits of observation and thought, and trained memories. |
| 5 | 38 | Kindergarten occupations ..... | All of the best and most recent apparatus and appliances. | Excellent. |
| 5 | 32 | Fröbel's occupations, and any which insure quickness of observation, skill of hand, taste of invention and ingenuity, and are at the same time adapted to the children's pow. ers, and the Kindergärtner's purposes and methods. | Balls, blocks, staffs, tablets, blackboards, squared tables, \&c. | Favorablydevelops the physical and mental powers. |
| 5 | 36 | Building, staff laying, drawing, weaving, sewing, \&c. | Kindergarten material | Harmonions development, |
| 5 | 40 | Building, stick laying, drawing, card sewing, weaving, modelling, object lessons, \&c. | Fröbel's gifts ................. | Harmonious development, <br> physical, mental, and moral. <br> Do. |
| 5 | 36 | All of Fröbel's occupations.... | All Kindergarten apparatus and appliances. | Do. |
| 6 | 40 | Building, stick and ringlaying, sewing, weaving, modelling, painting, drawing, \&c. | Squared tables, chairs, slates, and all material necessary for the occupations. | It strengthens physically, makes the movements agile and graceful, quickens the powers of observation and judgment, and cultivates ease in expression of thought. |
| 5 | 40 | Building, laying of sticks, tablets, and rings, drawing, weaving, paper folding, sewing, perforating, and modelling. | Squared tables, seats, plants, and other Kindergarten material. | Very satisfactory. |
| 5 | 541 | Block, ring, and stick laying, weaving, sewing, folding, pricking, clay modelling, \&c. | All of Milton Bradley's Kindergarten gifts. | The children are healthy and happy, and their powers of observation and expression are rapidly and naturally developed. |

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|  |  | Occupations of pupils. | $\Delta$ pparatus and appliances. | Effect of the system. |
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| 9 | 10 | 11 | 1.2 | 13 |
| 5 | 40 | Pricking, scwing, folding, weaving, cutting, stick laying, gift exerciscs, modclling, and peas work. | Those uscd by Fröbel........ | It strengthens the body, exercises the senses, and devclops all the facultics in a natural manner. |
| 5 | 40 | Pricking, sewing, weaving, folding, peas work, stick laying, modelling, \&c. | Balls, cubes, angles, squares, sticks, \&c. | Health and vigorous condition of body and mind. |
| 5 | 40 |  |  | Do. |
| 5 | 40 | Pricking, sewing, drawing, weaving, interlacing, folding, cutting, peas work, modelling, \&c. | Paper, zephyr worsted, cardboard, needles, sticks, peas, clay, \&c. | The muscles are harmoniously developed and the child is brought into a sympathy with man and nature which early teaches him to think and act for himself. |
| 5 | 40 | Weaving mats, sewing, pricking, drawing, folding, pasting, object lessons, games, \&c. | Squared tables, chairs, plates, rings, baskets, blackboards, $\& c$. | Mental and plysical devclopment according to natural laws. |
| 6 | 40 | The usual occupations ........ | Fröbel's gifts. |  |
| 6 | 43 | The usual Fröbel occupations. | Fröbel's gifts, minerals, stuffed birds and animals, pictures, plants, and flowers. | Salutary. |
| 5 | 44 | Fröbcl's occupations and preparatory exercises for reading, writing, and arithmetic. | Fröbcl's gifts, pictures, piano, slates, \&c. | It is a healthy and harmonions development of body, mind, and soul. |
| 5 | 40 | Weaving, pricking, sewing, games, gymnastics, drawing, modelling, paper cutting, mounting, folding, and interlacing. | Fröbel's gifts, balls, cubes, cylinders, tablets, sticks, rings, a blackboard, \&c. | Do. |
| 5 | 40 | Calisthenics, marching, drawing, weaving, modelling, writing, reading, spelling, arithmetic, object lessons, \&c. | Dumb bells, worsteds, mats, slates, sticks, cubes, triangles, cases for specimens, $\& c$. | -The awakening and expanding of the perceptive and reflective powers, and the strengthening and developing of the physical. |
| 6 | 44 | Fröbel's occupations | Fröbel's gifts | Beneficial in every respect. |
| 5 | 44 | Fröbcl's occupations, paper folding, weaving, modelling, drawing, singing, building, | do | Healthful to mind and body. |
| 5 | 44 | \&c. <br> The usual Kindergarten occupations and elementary branches in German and English. | The usual Kindergarten apparatus and toys. | Habits of obedicnce, kindness to each other, and a thorough preparation for primary class instruction. |
| 5 | 44 | Fröbel's occupations ........... | Fröbel's gifts. |  |
| 5 | 40 | The usual Kindergarten occupations. | Fröbel's gifts and materials.. | Develops originality, dexterity, powers of observation, habits of order and neatncss, and quickens the perceptive fac ulties. |
| 5 | 40 | Building, stick, ring, and tablet laying, perforating, wearing, embroidering, peas work, paper folding and cutting, drawing and painting, games, gymnastics, exercise songs, | Fröbel's gifts, squared tables, blackboards, drawing books, apparatus for teaching color and form, natural history charts, \&c. | Excellent. |
| 5 | 48 | All of Fröbel's occupations, pcas work, singing, gymnastics, \&c. | All of Fröbel's gifts, cubes, blocks, gymnastic apparatus, \&c. | Beneficial to mind and body. |

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|  | Name of Kindergarten. | Location. |  | Name of conductor. |  |  |  |  |
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|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 76 | Kindergarten of the German - Ameriean Elementary and Real School. | Newark, N. J. (19 Green street). | 1872 | Herrmann Schurieht, director. | 3 | 75 | 4-7 | 5 |
| 77 | Kindergarten of the Twelfth Ward Ger-man-English Sehool. | Newark, N. J. (Niag. ara street). | 1874 | Mary C. Beyer | 1 | 56 | 3-7 | 5 |
| 78 | Fröbel'sKindergarten, St. Agnes School. | Albany, N. Y. (Elk street). | 1876 | Miss Mary C. Peabody |  | 16 | 4-7 | 3 |
| 79 | Miss Helen Hart's Tindergarten. | Auburn, N. Y. (box 525). | 1876 | Miss Helen E. Hart. . . | 2 | 14 | 3-7 | 2 |
| 80 | Brooklyn Fröbel Kirı dergarten. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Brooklyn, N. Y. (22 } \\ & \text { FirstPlace). } \end{aligned}$ | 1877 | Misses Mary and Elizabeth Sharpe. | 1 | 17 | 3-8 | 3 |
| 81 | Columbian Kindergarten. | Brooklyn, N. Y. $(209$ Clinton avenue). | 1872 | Mrs. A. W. Longfellow | 2 | 30 | 3-7 | 3-4 |
| 82 | Fröluel Kindergarten. | Brooklyn, N. Y. $(398$ Adelphi street). | 1877 | Miss Lena Schroeder.. |  | 8 | 3-7 | $3 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| 83 | Kindergarten | Brooklyn, N. Y. (360 State street). | 1873 | Miss E. Christiansen. . | 2 | 20 | 3-7 | 5 |
| 84 | Kindergarten of Loekwood's New Aeademy.* | Broolilyn, N. Y. (139 <br> S. Oxford street). | 1870 | Miss Celina Coughlin . | 0 | 17 | 3-7 | 3 |
| 85 | Miss A. M. Anderson's Kindergarten. | Brooklyn, N. Y. (175 St. James Place). | 1876 | Miss Annie M. Anderson. | 1 | 16 | 3-7 | 3 |
| 86 | Kindergarten of tho Poppenhusen Institute. | College Point, N. Y.... | 1871 | E. V. Briesen | 1 | 110 | 3-6 | 5 |
| 87 | Dansville Sominary Kindergarten.* | Dansville, N. Y. (eorner Liberty and Elizabeth streets). | 1876 | Mrs. E. S. Brodt . . . . - | 1 | 55 | 3-9 | 4 |
| 88 | Miss Devereux's Kindergarten. | Irvington-on-the-Hudson, N. Y. (Main st.). | 1875 | Mrs. S. S. Ropes...... | 0 | 12 | 3-7 | 3 |
| 89 | Ameriean Kindergarten. | New York, N. Y. (33 West Forty.fifth street ${ }^{\text {t }}$. | 1860 | Miss E. M. Coo ....... | 5 | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} 40 \\ \text { to } \\ 50 \end{array}\right\}$ | 3-10 | 4 |
| 00 | Kindergarten | New York, N. Y. (241 East One Ifundred and Nineteenth street). | 1877 | Miss Mathilde Becker. | 1 | 18 | 3-7 | 4 |
| 1 | Kindergarten of Moeller Institute. | New York, N. Y. (336 West Twenty-minth street). | 1872 | Miss Caroline Hoff mann. | .. | 27 | 4-7 | 5 |
| 2 | Kindergarten of Mrs. Froehlich's School. | New York, N. Y. 128 East Fiftioth street). | 1874 | Miss Ida Stieglitz. | 1 | 32 | 4-7 | 4 |

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inquiries by the United States Bureau of Education-Continued.

|  |  | Oeeupations of pupils. | Apparatus and applianees. | Effect of the system. |
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| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 5 5 | 48 50 | All of Fröbel's oeeupations, and, for the older ehildren, singing, drawing, object lessone, gymmasties, and geometrieal eombinations. | Fröbel's gifts, pictures, plants, piano, \&e. | Very benefieial. |
| 5 | 50 | Object lessons, movement plays, building, tablet, staff, and ring laying, drawing, perforating, embroidering, weaving, interlacing, paper folding, peas work, modelling, \&e. | Pietures, plants, minerals, tablets, staffs, rings, and any other material necessary for the oceupations. | The mind is awakened and trained, the inventive powers are ealled into aetion, and the ehild learns to express his thoughts with ease. |
| 5 | 36 | Drawing, building, weaving, sewing, stiek and ring laying, pricking, \&e. |  | Most exeellent. |
| 5 | 40 | Building, stiek, ring, and tablet laying, drawing, interlaeing, peas work, gymnastics, and singing | Kindergarten tables, boxes of all the gifts, slates, \&e. | Very satisfactory. |
| 5 | 36 | All the Fröbel gifts and oceupations; gymnastic exereises, German, Freneh, and English poetry suitable for ehildren. | All neeessary for the oeeupations. | Not possible to determine in one year's experience. |
| 5 | 38 | Fröbel's oceupations ........... | Fröbel's gifts and materials, eabinet and museum of natural history. | Healthy and natural development in all respeets. |
| 5 | 38 | Fröbel's oceupations |  | Execllent. |
| 5 | 40 | Weaving, drawing, playing, singing, modelling, sewing, and the elementary branehes in English and German. |  | The mental and moral natures are developed and strengthened, and the ehild thoroughly prepared for the elementary grade of any sehool. |
| 5 | 40 | All the oeeupations of the Fröbel system. | Building bloeks, weaving materials, eardboard, letters, triangles, eharts, \&c. | grade of any sehool. <br> Exeellent. |
| 5 6 | 36 | Weaving, building, paper eutting and folling, sewing, prieking, drawing, modelling, peas work, \&e. | All Kindergarten material... | The ehild beeomes strong and graceful, polite and thoughtful; its inventire powers are developed, and knowledge eagerly sought. |
| 6 | 47 | Fröbel's oceupations |  | Exeellent in every respeet. |
| 5 | 44 | Singing, games, gymnasties, oral instruetion, map and figure drawing, \&e. | Toys, games, blaekboards, map board, Fröbel's gir'ts, \&e. | Quiekness in learning, grace of movement, \&e. |
| 5 | 36 | Fröbel's oeeupations ........... | All Kindergarten material... | Its developing power upon the mind is astonishing and delightful to any sineere lover of ehildren or of true education. |
| 5 | 40 | Bloek building, weaving, stiek and ring laying, peas work, designing and drawing, making books without words, mod elling, learning the alphabets of color and form, perforating, \&c. | All the material neeessary for the oecupations. | Satisfactory in every respeet. |
| 5 | 48 | Fröbel's oceupations ........... | Fröbel's gifts | Benefieial to mind and body. |
| 5 | 44 | The usual oeeupations | The usual materials | Excellent. |
| 5 | 39 | Lessons and oceupations of the Fröbel system. | Fröbel's gifts, gymnastie apparatus, piano, plants, \&e. | It strengthens the body, exereises the senses, employs the mind, \&e. |

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Table V.-Statistics of Kindergärten for 1877; from replics to

|  | Name of Kindergarten. | Lrocation. |  | Name of conduetor. |  | $\mathbf{P}$ <br> 4i <br> H <br> o <br> E <br> Z <br> K |  |  |
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| 93 | Kindergarten of the German-Ameriean School of the Nineteenth Ward. | New York, N. Y. (244 East Fifty-seeond street). | 1869 | Peter Stahl. | 1 | 57 | 4-6 | 5 |
| 94 | Miss Jandon's Kindergarten. | New York, N. Y. (32 East'Thirty-first street). |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 95 | Mrs. Smuller's Kindergarten. | New York, N. Y. (Fifth avenue, southeast eormer One Eundired and Twenty-sixth street). | 1873 | Miss A. M. Smuller. | 3 | 15 | 3-7 | 4 |
| 96 | Normal Training School for Kindergartners and Model Kindergarten. | New York, N. Y. $(9$ West Twenty-eighth street). | 1872 | Prof. John Kraus and Mrs. Maria KrausBölte. | 5 | 60 | 3-7 | 1-4 |
| 97 | Kindergarten der Roehester Realsehule. | Rochester, N. Y. (7 and 9 Mortimer street). | 1872 | Hermann Pfaeffin | 1 | 25 | 4-7 | $5 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| 98 | Mrs. A. Hollister's Kindergarten.* | Syracuse, N. Y. (620 Chestnut street). | 1877 | Mrs. A. Hollister |  | 8 |  |  |
| 99 | Kindergarten of Seamen's Orphan Asylum. | West New Brighton, N. Y. (box 65). | 1874 | Miss C. M. Thompson |  | 30 | 3-7 | 3 |
| 100 | Kindergarten of Cineinnati Wesleyan Collego. | Cineinnati, Ohio (Wesley avenue). | 1876 | Elizabeth A. Melliek.. |  | 10 | 3-8 | 3 |
| 101 | Miss Holene Goodman's Kindergarten. | Cineinnati, Ohio (87 WestSeventhstreet). | 1877 | Miss Helene Goodman. | 1 | 15 | 3-7 | 3 |
| 102 | Brook'sSehool Kindergarten. | Cleveland, Ohio (Sibley street). | 1875 | Emma F. Read | 2 | 33 | 3-7 | 3 |
| 103 | East Cleveland Kindergarten. a | Cleveland, Ohio ........ | 1877 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 104 | Trinity Kindergarten* | Toledo, Ohio (cormer St. Clair and Adams | 1875 | Miss Cornie S. Parker. | 1 | 20 | 3-7 | 3 |
| 105 | Kindergarten of the Ohio Central Normal Sehool. | Worthington, Ohio.... | 1876 | Mrs. A. B. Ogden ....... | 0 | 11 | 3-7 | 3 |
| 106 | Ameriean Kindergarten. | Germantown, Pa. (4840 Main street). | 1876 | Miss Ada M. Smith. |  | 12 | 3-9 | 4 |
| 107 | Germantown Kindergarten. | Germantown, Pa. (corner Mill and Main streets). | 1874 | Miss Marianna Gay...- | 1 | *14. | 3-6 | 3 |
| 108 | Ameriean Kindergarten of Philadelphia Seminary. | Philadelphia, Pa. (719 Brown street). | 1877 | Mrs. Sarah T. Price ... |  | 14 | 3-7 | 3 |
| 109 | German-Ameriean Kindergarten. | Philadelphia, Pa. (23 South Nineteenthst.). | 1874 | Miss Anna Bennett.... | 2 | 11 | 3-8 | $3 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| 110 | Kindergarten* | Philadelphia, Pa. (1527 |  | Miss Dewing. |  |  |  |  |
| 111 | Kindergarten .......... | Spruee street). <br> Philadelphia, Pa. (1333 <br> Pine street). | 1874 | Mrs. M. L. Van Kirk .. | 2 | 33 | 3-7 | 3 |

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|  |  | Gccupations of pupils. | Apparatus and appliances. | Effect of the system. |
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| 5 | 54 | All of Fröbel's occupations; light gymanastics, \&c. | Object pictures imitations of animals, light staves, wooden bells, \&c. | Thorough preparation for the lowest elcmentary grade of the school. |
| 5 | 40 | Fröbcl's occupations, with the more advanced occupations, and reading, spelling, and writing for the older chil- | Fröbcl's gifts, appliances for calisthcuics, piano, organ, $\& c$. | A healthy and harmonious development of both body and mind. |
| 5 | 38 | Fröbel's occupations, gymnastic games, songs, stories, garden work, care of domestic animals. | Fröbel's gifts, plants, museum and cabinet. | Harmonious development. It teaches combination of knowing with doing. |
| 5 | 48 | Object lessons, siugiug, drawing, sewing, gymnastics, exercises of memory, paper folding and weaving. Fröbel's occupations ........... | Ruled slates, blocks, bolls, colored mats, scissors, sticks, \&c. <br> Fröbel's gifts. | Promotes physical and mental development. |
| 5 | 48 | do | do | Very beneficial. |
| 5 | 28 | Fröbel's occupations, weaving sewing, peas work, drawing painting and modelling | A complete set of materials. | Improved physical condition and strengthened intellects. |
| 6 | 40 | All or Fröbel' gifts and occupations. | Fröbel's gifts | Training the awakening powers of a child's mind in a natural and healthy manncr, and strengthening his threefold nature. |
| 5 | 36 | All of Fröbel's occupations | A full set of the ordinary apparatus and furniture, blackboards, globes, prisms, \&c. | Admirable in every respect, and an exccllent means of insuring superior application to after studies. |
| 5 | 40 |  | Fröbel's gifts . | Excellent. |
| 5 | 45 | Building, sewing, stick, ring, and tablet laying, wearing, pricking, folding, peas work, and modelling. | The ustual Kindergarten matcrial, piano, birds, flowers, pictures, \&c. | Growth in every direction. |
| 5 | 40 | Fröbel's occupations, lessons in color, form, natural history, reading, writing, spelling, poetry, singing, and calisthenics. | Miss Coe's Kindergarten matorial, cabinet containing specimens of natural history, piano, \&c. | The body is strengthened, habits of concentration and obedience formed, conversational powers developed, \&c. |
| 5 | 40 | Modelling, sewing, weaving, druwing, peas work, pricking, paper folding, making figures with rings, cubes, triangles, \&c. | Many of Fröbel's gifts, piano, blackboard, plants, birds, tables, pictures, illustrations of the animal, vegetable, and mineral kingdoms, \&c. | Command of powers of body and mind, strength, agility, and grace of body, accuracy in the use of scnses, refinement of imagination, ease and exactness in the use of langrage. |
| 5 | 40 | The 1st, 2d, and 3 d gifts, the square tablets of the 7 th gift, drawing, scwing, weaving, pricking, modelling, interlacing, \&cc. | A ruled blackboard, squared tables, small chairs, \&c. | Habits of attention and order are gained and the moral effect is excellent. |
| 5 | 36 | Ali of Fröbcl's occupations, weaving, sewing, pricking, drawing, working in clay, \&e. | Fröbel's gifts, blocks, balls, slats, plancs, \&c. | Good. |
| 5 | 40 | All of Fröbel's occupations.... | All Kindergarten material, tables, chairs, blackboards, plants, birds, \&c. | A development mentally and physically and a superior preparation for the advanced class. |

a Was a branch of the Brook's School Kindergarten and has now become a part of it.

Table V.-Statistics of Kindergärten for 1877 ; from replics to


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| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 5 | 40 | Singing, lessons in color and form, gymmastics, simplo lessons in English and German, blackboard excreises, drawing, classification of oljjects in the three kingloms, \&c. | Flowers, birds, fishes, pictures, and the twenty gifts of Fröbel. | Improved physical condition, a strengthening of the perceptive and reflective powers, and a careful cultivation of the heart. |
| 5 5 | 36 40 | The gifts, occupations, and gymmastics designed by Fröbel. <br> Fröbel's occupations | All the matcrial necessary for Fröbel's occupations, piano, $\& c$. <br> Fröbel's gifts | Habits of application and close observation, promotes a vigorous growth of the intellect, with lemarkable practical development of the moralnature. Promotes harmonious development of all faculties. |
| 5 | 40 | Fröbel's occupations, building, stick and tablet laying, drawing, sewing, weaving, \&c. | Fröbel's gifts, chairs, squared tables, plants, \&c. | It cultivates a regard for the rights of others, renders them accurate in intellectnal ocenpations and cheerful in disposition. |
| 6 | 42 | The usual occupations and German lessons. | Fröbel's gifts | A healthy development of mind and body. |
| 5 | 40 | Fröbel's 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 14th, 15 th, and 16 th gifts. | All necessary for the occupations. | Good beyond our mostsanguino hopes. |
| 5 | 40 | Weaving, folding, interlacing, drawing, perforating, building, peas work, modelling, singing, gymnasticis, \&c. | Balls, blocks, slates, peas, wax, clay, charts, blackboards, plants, pictures, fish, birds, \&c. | Improved physical and nervons condition, a cultivation of the powers of observation and expression, and a capacity to appreciate and enjoy whatever is beautiful in nature. |
| 6 6 | 50 44 | Stick laying, network, drawing, weaving, pricking, embroidering, peas work, ring laying, paper folding, and gymmastics. <br> Usual Kindergarten occupations. | Fröbel's gifts and Müller's tablets. |  |
| 5 5 | 40 48 | All of Fröbel's gifts and occupations. | Piano, aquarium, flowers, birds, stuffed animals, and - other attractions. The first fourteen gifts | It is the education of hand head, and heart. <br> Very good. |
| 6 | 49 |  |  |  |
| 5 5 | 40 | Modclling, sewing, weaving, 1st, 2d, and 3d gifts, object lessons, gymnasties, drawing, and the care of plants. | Kindergarten tables, chairs, slates, ani natural objects. | Development of the threefold nature of the child. |
| 5 | 40 | All Kindergarten occupations and gifts by which they are taught to reason and reflect through the use of their bodily senses and their mental avid spiritual perceptions. | Fröbel's gifts and objects for teaching form, color, and number, and pictures illustrative of natural history, of art, of physiology, \&c. | Excellent in every respect. |
| 5 | 40 | Fröbel's occupations with singing and primary instruction for children over six years. | All necessary for the occupations, ruled blackboards, squared tables, natural history charts, \&e. | Improved physical and nervons condition, skill of hands, habits of exactness, order, and cheerful obedience. |
| 5 | 5 40 | All of Fröbel's gifts and occupations. | All the usual apparatus and materials for calisthenics. | Each occupation and game has its special educational value; each is addressed to the gradual and healthy development of some part of the child's nature. |
| 5 | 540 | Object lessons, weaving, porforating, marching, singing, calisthenics, \&c. |  |  |

# Commercial colleges and Kindergärten from which no information has been received. 

| Name and location. | Name and location. |
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| 1. Commerclal colleges. | Miss J. Baldwin's Kindergarten, Bridgenort, Conn. |
| Commercial department of Southern University, | Kindergarten of Mrs. Brooks's School, Newton Centre, Mass. |
| Art and Business College, Sacramento, | Franklin A. M. Kindergarten, St. Louis, Mo. |
| Pacific Business College, San Francisco, Cal. | Hamilton P. M. Kindergarten, St. Louis, Mo. |
| Bioomington Business Eniversity, Bloomington, $\Pi 1$. | Humboldt A. M. Kindergarten, St. Louis, Mo. |
| Westeru Business College, Leavenworth, Kans. | Humboldt P. M. Kindergarten, St. Louis, M |
| Dolbear's Commercial Colloge, New Orleans, La. | CarondeletP. M. Kindergarten South St. Mous, Mo |
| Comer's Commercial College, Boston, Mass. | Des Pères A. M. Kindergarten, South St. Lou |
| Spalding's Commercial College. Kansas City, Mo. Parson's Commercial College, Lonisiana, Mo | Des Peres P. M. Kindergarten, Sou |
| Bryant \& Stratton Business College and Telegraphic Institute, Syracuse, N. Y. | Kindergarten of Miss Woodward's Seminary, Mor ristown, N.J. |
| Mount Union Business College, Mount Union, Ohio. | Beacon Street School Kindergarten, Newrark, N. J. |
| Iron City College, Pittsburgh, Pa. | Miss Alston's Kindergarten, Newark, N. |
| Dolbear's Commercial College, Na shville, Tenn. Morgan Business College, Salt Lake City, Utah. | Kindergarten of Glens Falls Academy, Glens Fall N. Y. |
| 2. Kindergärten. | Kindergarten of Mrs. Frederic Jonson's School, New York, N. Y. <br> Volks-Kindergarten, Cincinnati, Ohio. |
| Home Kindergarten, Sacramento, Cal. | Mt. Vernon Kindergarten, Philadelphia, Pa. |

## Tables IV and V.-Memoranda.

| Name and location. |
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| 1. Comitercial colleges. |
| Commercial department, Eureka College, Eureka, 11 Rock Island Business College, Rock Island, 111. Crescent City Commercial College, Evansville, Ind... |
| College of Business, Irvington, Ind. |

Normal Busincss College, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Williamsburg Business Colloge, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Union Business College, Cleveland, Ohio.
Franklin Business Institute, Columbus, Ohio
Moore's Business College, Piqua, Ohio
Long's Business Institute, Philadelphia, Pa
Burgess' Business College, Galveston, Tex.

## 2. Kindergärtea.

Kindergarten of Homesworth School, New Haven, Conn. (747 Chapel st.) North Side Kindergarten, Chicago, M1.. (148 North Dearborn street)
The Misses Grant's Kindergarten, Chicago, Ill. (130 North Dearborn st.)
Kindergarten of Georgetown Female Seminary, Georgetown, Ky......
Bates Street Kindergarten, Lewiston, Me. (94 Park street)...............
Bates Street Kindergarten No. 18, Lewiston, Me. (box 512)
Deutscher-Fröbel Kindergarten und Elementarklasse, Baltimore, Md.
Miss Lombard's Kindergarten, Boston, Mass. (21 Hancock street) ......
Follen Street Kindergarten, Cambridge, Mass
Mirs. Gardner's Kindergarten, Jackson, Mich
Minneapolis Kindergarten (Mrs. E. R. Holbrook), Minneapolis, Minn
Madison A M. Kindergarten, St Louis, Mo (210 Olive
Madison P. M. Kindergarten, St. Louis, Mo. (219 Olive street)
Miss Alexander's Kindercarten St. Louis, Mo. (1505 Pine street........
American Kindergardergarten, St. Louis, Mo. (1525 Pine street).
Mis Cindergarten (Miss C. G. Hulse), Newark, N. J
Miss Dora Cushman's Kindergarten, Newark, N. J
Misses French and Randolph's Kindergarten, New Brunswick, N. J....
Kindergarten of the Vineland Institute, Vineland, N.J.
Remsen Street Kindergarten, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Kindergarten of Mrs. Sylvanus Reed's School, Now York, N. Y. 8 East Fifty-third street).
Kindergarten of the German-American School (Miss Becker), New York, N. Y. (159 East Eighty-fifth street).
Miss Wright's Kindergarten, Poughkeepsie, N. Y
Centennial Kindergarten, (Miss Ruth R. Burritt), Philadelphia, Pa
Kindergarten (Miss Stuke), Philadelphia, Pa., (447 North Seventh st.)
Langton's Kindergarten, Philadelphia, Pa.
East Side Kindergarten, Milwaukee, Wis.
Iiving Place Kindergarten, Washington, D. C
Kindercrarten of Miss Osborne's School, Washingt...........................
Kindergarten of
Miss Hooper's Kindergarten, Washington, D. C. (Le Droit Park)

Not a distinct department.
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Sec Baltimore, Ma.
Closed.
See Columbian Kindergarten; identical.
Closed.
Sce Kindergarten (241 East 119th street).
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Sec Normal Training School for Kindergarten Teachers.
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Dispused of to Miss Minnie C. Morton, Camden, N.J.
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Table VI.—Statistics of institutions for secondary instruction for 1877, \&c.-Continued.
NOTE. - $\times$ indicates an affirmative answer ; 0 signifies no or none; .... indieates no answer.


Table VI.-Statistics of institutions for secondary instruction for 187\%, \&.c.-Continued.


Table VI.--Statistics of institutions for secondary instruction for 1877, s.c.-Continued.

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Table VI. - Statistics of institutions for secondary insiruction for 1877, \&c.- Continued.

| Note.-x indicates an affirmative answer; 0 signifies no or none; .... indicates no answer. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Name. | Location. |  |  | Principal. |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{7}{0} \\ & \stackrel{0}{1} \end{aligned}$ | 获 |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 40 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ |  |
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| 262 | Bradford Academy. | Bradford, Iowa | 1866 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 263 | First German Evangelical Sehool | Eurlington, Iowa | 1860 | 1865 | John F. Grawe ....... | Non-sect | ${ }_{0}^{2}$ | 0 | 8 | 33 35 | 29 50 | 45 | 15 | 83 |  |  | 2 |  |
| 264 | Graff"s School...................... | Burlington, Iowa |  | 1863 | R. J. Grafí |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 265 | Coo Colle giate Institute - .-........ | Cedar Rapids, Iowa. |  | 1874 | Rev. Rovert A. Condit. | Presb... | 4 | 3 | 101 | 60 | 41 | 64 | 37 | 6 | 20 |  |  |  |
| 266 | St. Joseph's Aeademy of tho Saered Ileart. | Cedar Rapids, Iowa. | 0 | 1875 | Sister Mary Isidoro.......... | R. C.... | 1 | 6 |  | 50 | 150 | 200 | 4 | 8 |  |  |  |  |
| 267 | Evangelical Lutheran Parish School.* | Clayton Centre, Iowa |  | 1860 | Rev. F. W. Seifert. | Ev. Luth | 1 |  | 71. | 38 | 33 |  |  | 71 |  |  |  |  |
| 268 | Friends' Seleet Sehool* . . . . . . . . | Coal Creek, Iowa | 0 | 1876 | Thomas E. Mott | Firiends. |  |  |  | 20 | 13 | 39 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 269 | St. Francis Male and Female Academy. | Council Bluffs, Iowa |  | 1872 | Prof. Dan. O'Doherty, malo department; Sisters of Charity, female dept. | R. C.... | 1 | 9 | 180 | 65 | 115 | 180 | 2 | 11 |  |  | 3 |  |
|  | Decorah Institute*. | Decorah, Iowa |  | 1874 | J. Breckenridge |  | 2 | 1 | 261 | 135 | 126 |  | 11 | 27 | 2 | 9 |  |  |
| 271 | Denmark A cademy ... | Denmark, Iowa | 1843 |  | Henry K. Edson, A. M.... | Cong | 2 | 4 | 204 | 103 | 101 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |
| 273 | Young Ladics' Sehool. | Dubuque, Iowa | 1869 | 1868 | Sister M. Josephino. Miss H. | R. C. |  | 9 | 130 |  | 130 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 274 | Eldora A cademy ...... | Eldora, Iowa... | 0 | 1872 | Miss H. F. Horr | Epris.... | 1 | 4 | $\stackrel{26}{35}$ | a12 | 23 | ${ }_{32}^{17}$ | 9 3 | 9 0 | 1 |  |  |  |
| 275 | Epworth Seminary | Epworth, Iowa | 1857 | 1857 | Rev. Adam Holn | M. E.... | 2 | 2 |  | 47 | 44 | 83 | 8 | 0 | 8 |  | 1 |  |
| 276 277 | Grinuell Academy ...... | Grinnell, Iowa. |  | 1872 | J. Maey, ^. м................. | Non-scet | 4 | 3 |  | 98 | 72 | 71 | 99 |  | 38 | , | 13 |  |
| 278 | Lenox Collegiate Institute | Hopkinton, Iowa | 1873 | 1864 | Rev. Samuel Hodge, D. D ... | Presb.. | 5 | 2 |  | 119 | 79 | 133 | 65 | 15 |  |  |  |  |
| 279 | St. Agatha's Seminary | Iowa City, Iowa | 1864 | 1850 | Viliam McClain. | Non-sect | 1 | 2 | 172 | 114 | 58 |  |  |  |  |  | 30 |  |
| 280 | Irving Institute ...... | Irring, Iowa.... |  | 1862 | Joln G. Craven, A. is | Baptist |  | 1 |  | 25 | 147 | 147 | 5 | 27 | 2 |  |  | 0 |
| 281 | Jefferson Academy | Jefficrson, Iowa |  | 1875 | J. S. Dunning...... | Baptis | 2 | 2 |  | 63 | 79 | 119 | 18 | $\cdots$ | 8 | 13 |  |  |



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Table VI. - Statisitics of institutions for secondary instruction for 187\%, \&c.-Continued.


Table VI.- Statistics of institutions for secondary instruction for 18\%7, \&c.-Continued.

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| 387 388 | Oak Grove Seminary and Commercial College. <br> Boys' School of St. Paul's Parish. | Vassalboro', Me........... | 1857 | 1846 | Edward II. Cook, A.b........ G. G. Mead ............. | Friends <br> P.'E.... | 5 | 3 | 72 36 | 40 36 | 32 | 57 | 13 13 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 389 | Knapp's Institute* | tota street). Baltimore, Md. (29, 31, and 33 North Holliday st.). | 1864 | 1853 | Frederick Knapp | Non-sect | - | 3 |  | 300 | 100 | 400 | 15 | 350 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 390 \\ & 391 \end{aligned}$ | Morison Academy Mt. Vernon Institute. |  non Place) | 1859 | 1859 | Helen S. Fletcher . <br> Mrs. M. I. Jones and Mrs Maitland | P.E... | 5 | 5 | 50 70 | 0 | 50 70 | 70 | 25 | 65 |  |  |  |  |
| 392 | Newton Academy | Baltimore, \idd. (Baltimore |  | 1847 | Thomas Lester.............. |  | 2 |  | 30 | 30 |  | 30 |  | 15 |  |  |  |  |
| 393 | Oxford School for Boys | st. and Carrollton av.). Baltimore, Md. (cor. Myr- |  | 1873 | William C. Hynds, A. M. |  | 2 |  | 20 | 20 |  | 12 | 8 | 4 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 394 | Patterson Park Seminary. | Baltimore, دd.......... |  | 1877 | Misses K. S. French and N. F. Randolph. | Non-sect | 0 | 3 | 20 |  | 20 | 20 |  | 20 |  |  |  |  |
| 395 | Pembroke School for Boys ${ }^{\star}$ | Baltimore, Md. (189 Madison avenue). |  | 1861 | Prof. James C. Kinear, A. m. | Non-sect | 5 | 0 | 40 | 40 |  | 40 | 15 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 0 |
| 396 | Roland Academy | Baltimore, Md. (253 W. Holiman st |  | 1872 | Rebecta McConkey | Non-sect |  | 6 | 76 |  | 76 | 76 | 28 | 76 |  |  |  |  |
| 397 | St. George's Hall . | Baltimore, Ma. (Elmwood |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 398 | St. Joseph's Academy (Calvert | Baltition), Md. (79 Sara- | 0 | 1848 | Brother Gustavus | R.C..... | 8 | 0 |  |  | 0 | 120 | 20 | 40 |  |  | 2 |  |



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| 449 | Sedgwick Institute | Great Barrington, Mass |  | 1837 | James | 11 |
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| 450 | Piospect Hill Scho | Greenfield, hirss .- |  |  |  |  |
| 451 | Elmwood Home | Hadles, Mass |  |  |  |  |
| 452 | Hamover Academy | Hamover, Mass |  | $18: 8$ |  |  |
| 453 | Derby Academy. | Hingham, Mass |  |  |  |  |
| 454 | Leicester Acade | Leicester, Mass | 1784 | 1784 | D. Ne |  |
| 455 | St. Patrick's Femalo | Lowell, Mass |  | 1852 | Sister Dés |  |
| 456 | Barstow School. | Mattapoisett, Mass | 870 | 1857 | Charles W. Ben |  |
| 457 | Eaton Family Sel | Middleborough, Ma |  | 1854 | Amos H. Ei |  |
| 458 | Pcirce Acadeny | Mifldleborough, | 183 | 1808 |  |  |
| 459 | Highland Hall. | Millbury, Mass |  |  |  | t |
| 460 | Cofitin School (Lancasterian School) | Jantucket, Mas | 1827 | 1827 | Edmund B. Fox | Non-stet |
| 4.61 | Triends' Academy .-................ | New Bedfo |  |  |  |  |
| 462 | Schouls. <br> Consolidated High and Putnam $\}$ | Newburypor | 1838 | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} 1843 \\ 1848 \end{array}\right\}$ | Amos H. Thom | Non-sect |
| 463 | South Berkshire Insti | New Marlboro', M | 7 | 1857 | Ambrose E. Stone, |  |
| 464 | New Salem Academ | New Salem, Mass | 17 |  | I. Smil |  |
| 465 | Hillside Boarding and Day Selnool. | Newton, Mass |  |  | S |  |
| 466 | Miss Salisbury's School for Young Ladies. | Pittsfield, Mass |  |  |  |  |
| 467 | School for Boys | Pintsineld, Ma |  |  |  |  |
| 468 | Sawin Academy and Dowse Higlı School. | Sherborn, Mass |  | 74 |  |  |
| 469 | Dummer Academy ................ | South Byt |  | 63 |  |  |
| 470 | Family and Day School for Young Ladies. | Springtield, Mass |  |  |  |  |
| 471 | Hillside Home for Young Ladies. | Stockbrid |  | 1875 | Mary A. Brewer Benj. Worcester | $\mathrm{COI}$ |
| 472 | Waltham Niew-Church School |  | 0 | 1866 | Norman P. Wood, A. | Nou-sect |
| 473 | Willow Park Seminary ${ }^{*}$ | W estboro, Has | 0 | 1806 | M. C. Mitchell, A. M. | -ox-sect |
| 474 | Fanily School for Boys | West Tisbury, | 1824 | 1870 | Rev. N. Fcllows, A. |  |
| 475 | Weslevan Academy .-............. | Wilbranam, Mass. | 1824 | 1875 | Rev. N. Fer. N. H and M. H |  |
| 476 | Enolish and Classical Fimily School. | Williamstown, Mass |  | 1875 | Lev. N. H. and M |  |
| 477 | Mighland Military Academy | Worcester, M |  | 1873 | A va William | Non-sect |
| 478 | Miss Williams' School .............. | Worcester, M | () | 1873 | Ava V lliams. <br> Mrs. Minna V. | Noll-scet |
| 479 | School of Modern Lan | Worcester, M |  | 1875 | Rev. John B. Miége, s. J | R. C..... |
| 480 | Detroit College. ... . . . . . . . | Detroit, Micir . .............. |  | 1877 | Emil Pollmar | Non-scet |
| 481 | German American Seminary | Detroit, Mich. (Lafayette st.) | 1861 | 1861 | Emil Pollmar. | Non-scet |
| 482 | Mrs. Towle's Sch | Detroit, Mich. (35 Lafayette ave.) |  |  | Mrs. S. Towlo | it |
| 483 | Latimer Hal | Fentonville, Mich | 186 | 1871 | Rev |  |
| 484 | School for Young Laties and Children. | Grand Lapids, |  | 1874 | The Misses Pacon |  |
| 483 | St. Mal'y's Academy . . . . . | Monroe. Min |  |  | Major J S Pomers, supt |  |
| 486 | Michiran Military Acaden | Orchard Lake, M | 1877 1868 | 1877 | Major J. s. Rogers, sup WV. M. Gorrie | Non-sect |
| 487 | St. Croivi Valley Academy | Afton, Minn |  | 869 872 |  |  |
| 488 | Caledoníl Acadcmy ............. | Calcdonia, Min |  | 865 | Sister MI Gcretrade Pow |  |
| 489 | Bethlehem Academy and Parish School. | Faribault, Miun <br> * From | Or't | 863 <br> 10 | moissioner of Education | $1876 .$ |

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| 573 | Brainerd Insitute .-.... | Elizabeth, N |  | $1872$ | James H. Lansley, PH. D | Non-sect |
| 575 | Misses Hayward's English and | Elizabeth, |  | 1869 | ses J. L. and A. Hayward |  |
|  | French School for Young Ladics. |  |  | 1861 | Miss N. C. Read | Presb |
| 576 | The Elizabeth Institute* | Elizabeth, N.J. (521 North Broad street). |  | 1801 | Miss N. C. Hcad | Presb |
| 577 | English and Classic |  | 0 | 1875 | I. N. Leigh | Presb |
| 578 | Frechold Institute. | Frcehold, |  |  |  |  |
| 579 | Hackensack Academ | Hackens | 1867 | 1874 | Rev. Gco. II. Whitney, D. D.. | II. |
| 580 | Centcnary Collcgiate Ins | Hackettstow | 1867 | 1864 | Rev. William M. Wells...... | Non-seet |
| 581 | Young Ladics' Seminary | Holoken, N, | 1860 | 1861 | Magnus Schoedcr. | Non-scet |
| 58.2 | Hoboken Academy | Honoken, N.J................ | 1870 | 1867 | Rev. Leopold Moh | Ref. D |
| 583 | Ifartha Institute. | Hoboken, N.J. (cor. Sixth strect and Park avenue). | 1870 | 1807 | Miss Mathilke Sc | R |
| 584 | Young Ladies' Ins | Hoboken, N. J | 0 | 1800 | Miss Mathide Schmid Miss Elizabeth II. Bo | Non-sect |
| 585 | Hopervell Scminary | Hopewell, N.J | 0 | 1873 | Mi. Oaker, A. M | Non-sect |
| 586 | Jamesiourg Instilut | Jetscy City, N. J. (109 | 0 | 1857 | Henry C. Miller, A. M., and |  |
| 587 | Har,brouck Institute............... | Grand street). | 0 | 1810 |  | Presb |
| 588 | Classical and Commercial High School. | Lawrencev |  | 1810 | Rev. Samuel д. Hamin, D. D | Presb |
| 589 | Lawrenceville Femalo Seminary.. | Lawrene |  | 1835 | Rev. R. H. Davis, PI. D.-.... Charles Jacobus, A. M | Nou-sect |
| 590 | Glenwood Institute | Matawan, | 1872 |  | Rev. Julius D. Rosé, A. M., | P. E. .... |
| 591 | St. Stephen's Scliool | Miliburu, | 1872 | 1870 | M. I., PH. D. |  |
| 592 | Hillside Cottage Seminary | Montclair, N |  | 1876 | Mrs. Mary A. Morrison . . . . | Non-sect |
| 593 | Boarding School for Loys | Morristown, |  | 1815 | Rev. S. N. Howell, A. | Non-sect |
| 594 | English and French Boarding and Lay School for Young Ladics. | Morristown, N. |  | 1861 | Miss E. Elizabeth | Non-sect |
| 595 | Miss Woodward's Seminary ...... | Tow |  | 1841 |  |  |
| 596 | Ccrlar Grove Boarding School for Young Ladics. | Ivew Brunswick, N.J. (Corlege aremue). |  | 1841 1872 | nall. | Non-scet |
| 597 | Scminary for Young Ladics... | New brunswick, N. J. (13 Livingston avenue). |  | 1872 | Mrs. DI. S. Parks .............. | Nou-sce t |
| 598 | Newton Colle miate Institute | Newton, N. J | 1852 | 1848 | S. S. Sterens, A. M |  |
| 599 | Montrose Military Iustitute* | Orange, N. J. (box 603) |  | 1871 | C. (r. Kinoman, А. M .... | Non-sect |
| 600 | Classical School for Boys | Passaic, N. J...-.......... | 0 | 1871 | Charles 1 . Stickle, A. Mi Pev J C. Wyctoff | ivon-sect |
| 601 | Passaie Falls Institute.. | Paterson, N. J. (cer. Mar- <br> ket and Church strcets). |  |  | Mrs. G. C. Tallman | Non-sect |
| 602 | Tallman Scininary | Patcison, N. J. (York are.) |  | 1859 | Mres. G. C. Tallman Tet. A. P. Lasher | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Non-sect } \\ & \text { Non-sect } \end{aligned}$ |
| 603 | Pennington Institute -............ | Pennington, N. J. .-....... | 0 0 | 1844 1853 | Rev. A. P. Lasher Hattic M. Comey | Baptist. |
| 604 | Bearding and Day School for Young Ladies and Children. | Plainfield, N. J. (s. e. cor. Chemr and Fourth sts.) | . 0 | 1853 1876 | Mr. Helcn Burrow |  |
| 605 | Forth Plainficld Seminary for Young Ladies. | Plainfield, N.J |  | 1876 | Dr. Helen B |  |
| $(06$ | Seminary at Ringoes... | Tingo |  | 1870 | Mrs. K. D. Laris |  |
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| 729 | Classical School. | New Fork, N. Y. 1267 |  |  | J. Harris Patton. | Presb |  | 1 |  | 14 |  | 3 |  | 9 | 8 |  |  |  |
| 730 | Duane Bors. | Broadway). <br> New York, N. Y. (729 6th ave.). |  | 1865 | Duane S. Everson, A. m. |  | 6 | 1 |  |  |  | 60 | 50 | 70 | 40 | 15 | 10 |  |
| 731 | English and French School........ | New York, N. Y. (148 Mad |  |  | Mrs. John J. Robcrts and |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 732 | English, French, and German Boarding and Day School. | ison ave.). <br> New York, N. Y. (13 East 31st st.). |  | 1869 | Miss J. G. Walker. <br> Mrs. Frederick Jonson and | Non-sect | 8 | 8 | 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 25 | 90 |  |  |  |  |
| 733 | Fezandie Institute............... | New York, N. Y. (1214 |  | 1866 | E. F. G. Fezandiél........ | Non-sect | 6 | 1 | 9 | 9 | 0 | 9 | 4 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 734 | Fort Washington French College. | Now York, N. Y. (Station |  | 1855 | Alfred Mr. Cotte, A. m | R.C. | 10 |  | 57 | 57 | 0 | 57 | 28 | 57 | 10 | 6 | 42 | 25 |
| 735 | French and English School | Nevt Xorl, N. Y. (167 Mad |  |  | Mlle. Lenz |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 736 | French Protestant Institution |  |  | 1871 | Milles. Fanny and Mathilde |  | 6 | 12 | 46 |  | 46 | 46 |  | 46 |  |  |  |  |
| 737 | Friends' Seminary . | 3.th st. <br> New York, N. Y. (comer Ratherford Place and |  | 1861 | Charbonnicr. <br> Benjamin Smith ............ | Friends | 5 | 8 | 123 | 70 | 53 |  |  | 47 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 733 | Holladay Collegiatc Institute...... | East 10th st.). <br> New York, N. Y. (1223 |  | 1873 | Waller Holladay, b. s., c., \& | Non-sect | 6 | 0 |  | 19 | 0 | 6 | 12 | 12 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 739 | Institute for Young Ladies*....... | New York, N. Y. (25 West 45th st.). | 0 | 1867 | Mille. Mc. Tardiveldu Saret . | Non-sect | 16 | 10 |  |  |  | 108 | 30 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 740 | Jackson Institute | New Yoik, N. Y. (Boston ave. and 167 th st.). | ... | 1870 | Mris. F. I. Jackson | Non-sect | 1 | 5 | 55 | 10 | 45 | 30 | 10 | 50 |  |  |  |  |



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| $\begin{aligned} & 825 \\ & 826 \end{aligned}$ | Alexander Institute ................. | White Plains, N Whitestown, N. | $\begin{gathered} 0 \\ a 1827 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1845 \\ & 1827 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Oliver R. Willis, A. M., PH.D <br> James S. Gardner, A. M. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Presb ... } \\ & \text { Presb ... } \end{aligned}$ | 4 | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ | $\left.\right\|_{177} ^{27}$ | $\begin{gathered} 27 \\ 100 \end{gathered}$ | $\stackrel{0}{75}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} 23 \\ 115 \end{gathered}\right.$ | 54 | $\begin{aligned} & 16 \\ & 10 \end{aligned}$ | ${ }_{30}^{3}$ | 12 | 10 | ${ }_{3}^{3}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & 827 \\ & 828 \end{aligned}$ | Middlebury Acadcmy <br> Yates Academy. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Wyoming, N. X } \\ & \text { Yates, N.' } . . . . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1819 \\ & 1842 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1816 \\ & 1842 \end{aligned}$ | PH. D. <br> H. G. Davis, A. M <br> M. Smith, A. B | Non-sect <br> Non-sect | ${ }_{2}^{1}$ | 4 | ${ }_{6}^{96}$ | ${ }_{33}^{45}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & 51 \\ & 29 \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 86 \\ & 52 \\ & 56 \end{aligned}$ | ${ }_{9}^{4}$ | ${ }_{1}^{6}$ | 5 | 0 | 2 | ${ }_{0}$ |
|  | Schol for Young Ladies and Chil- | Yonkers, N. |  | 1877 | Mrs. K. A. Hoibrook and | Non-sect | 1 | 6 | 60 | 15 | 45 | 17 | 12 | 31 | 1 |  |  |  |
| 830 | Ravenseroft School.............. | Asheville, N. C |  | 1873 | Miss Fannie E. Buxton. | P. E... | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  |  |
| ${ }_{832} 83$ | Eelvidere A cademy. | Belvidere, N. |  | 1836 | William A. Symmes | Fricnds | 1 | 1 | 45 | 25 | 20 | 38 | 6 | 1 | 6 |  | 2 |  |
| ${ }_{833}^{832}$ | Cary Female Seminary*. | ${ }_{\text {Brevard, }}$ Cary, N. C. | 1870 |  | S. G. Coltrane Rev. Jesse II. Page.... | Non-sect | 1 | 2 | 34 | 17 |  |  |  | 19 |  | 18 |  |  |
| 834 | Hughes's School............... | Ccdar Grove, N. C |  | 1842 | S. W. Hughes. | Presb ... | 1 |  | 35 | 35 | 0 | 10 | 25 |  | 7 |  | 4 |  |
| 835 | Charlotte Institute for Young Ladies. | Charlotte, N. |  |  | Rev. S. Taylor Martin.. | Presb .. | 2 | 5 | 50 | 0 | 50 | 50 | 10 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 836 \\ & 837 \end{aligned}$ | Scotiai Seminary ................ | Concord, N. C... | 1870 | 1870 | Luke Dorland, sup't | Presb | 1 |  | 28 | 0 |  | 128 | $0$ | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |
| 838 | Rock Spring Seminar | Denver, N. C. | 1873 |  | R. Matt. Thompson, A. M..... | Non-sect | 1 |  | ${ }_{66} 6$ | 36 | 30 |  | ${ }_{6}$ |  |  |  | 1 |  |
| 839 | East Bend Academy | East Bend, N. C | 1878 | 1856 | J. M. Matthews. | Non-sect | 1 |  | 36 | 28 | 8 | 34 | 2 | 2 |  | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 840 841 | Graham High School | Graham, N. C. | 1850 | 1837 | Rev. D. A. Long, A. | Christ'n | 3 |  | 184 | 78 |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{0}^{9}$ | ${ }_{0}^{4}$ | o |
| 842 | Hillsboro' Military Academy*. | Hillsboro', ${ }^{\text {N. }}$ C |  | 1858 | D. H. Hamilton and Hugh |  | 2 |  | 40 | 40 |  |  | 35 | 8 | 35 |  | 4 |  |
| 843 | Somerville Institut | Leasburg, N. C |  |  | Miss Lillie Lea. | et |  |  | 20 | 8 | 12 | , 20 | 2 | 2 |  |  |  |  |


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| 947 | Leechburg Lutheran Academy a. | Leechburg, Pa | 1865 | 1864 | F. T. Hoover, president of | Ev. Luth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 948 | English Academy of the Univer- | Lewisburg, Pa |  | 1846 | board of directors. <br> William E. Martin, A. M |  | 2 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 949 | sity at Lewisburg. <br> Linden Hall Seminary | Lititz, Pa , |  |  |  | Baptist.. | 2 | 0 |  |  | 0 |  |  |  | 11 | ${ }^{6}$ | 2 |  |
| 950 | Lititz Academy................... | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Lititz, Pa } \\ & \text { Lititz, } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1863 \\ & 1837 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l\|l} 1794 \\ 1822 \end{array}$ | Rov. II. A. Brickenstein. <br> F. D. Rickert and G. W. | $\frac{\text { Mor'v'n. }}{\mathrm{Mor}^{\prime \prime} \mathbf{v}^{\prime}} .$ | ${ }_{3}^{2}$ | 9 | $\begin{aligned} & 74 \\ & 43 \end{aligned}$ |  | 74 | 43 | ${ }_{14}^{14}$ | 9 | 2 |  | 1 |  |
| 951 | Swithin Shortlidge's Media Academy for Boys.* | Media, Pa |  | 1866 | Hepp. <br> Swithin C. Shortlidge, A. M.. | Non-sect | 10 |  |  | 100 |  | 80 | 15 | 30 | 10 | 15 |  |  |
| ${ }_{953}^{952}$ | Ccdar Hill Seminary <br> Greentvood Scminary | Millville, Pa |  |  | George C. Ruth | Friends | 1 | 1 |  |  | 30 | 70 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 954 | Western Pennsyly ania Classical | Mt. Joy, Pa |  | 1873 |  | $\frac{\mathrm{M} . \mathrm{E}}{\text { Baptist... }}$ | 3 | 4 | ${ }_{135}^{79}$ | ${ }_{76}^{65}$ | 14 59 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 955 | and Scientifici Institute. | Mt. Pleasant, Pa | 1872 | 1873 | Rev. Leroy Stephens, A. M... |  | 3 |  | 135 | 76 | 59 | 83 | 35 | 2 | 14 | 1 | 2 |  |
| 956 | Nazareth Hall .-.............. | Nazareth, Pa | ${ }_{1863}$ |  | Rev. G.M. Spargrove, A. M.. |  | ${ }_{12}^{3}$ | 0 | 61 97 | 36 97 | 25 | ${ }^{44}$ | 17 |  |  | 0 | 3 |  |
| ${ }_{958}^{957}$ | Treemount Seminary | Norristowit ${ }_{\text {a }}$ |  | 1844 | John W.Loch, PH. D....... | Non-sect | 12 | 1 | 92 | 86 | ${ }_{0}^{0}$ |  |  | 10 |  | ${ }_{4}^{6}$ |  | $\stackrel{3}{2}$ |
| 959 960 | Parkesburg Classical Instituto ${ }^{*}$. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Parkesbur, Pa | 1869 | 1857 | $\stackrel{\text { H. }}{ }$ | Meth... | 1 | 1 |  |  | 35 32 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 960 | Academy of the Protestant Epis- copal Church. | Philadelplio, Pa. (cor. Lo. cust and Juniper sts.) | 1787 | 1785 | Rev. James W. Robins, D. D. | P.E.... | 12 | 0 |  |  | ${ }_{0}$ | 57 | 135 | 96 |  | ${ }_{6}$ | 10 | 10 |
| 961 | Broad Street Academy. | Philadelphia, Pa. ( 337 S S. | 0 | 1863 | Edward Roth, A. m |  | 8 | 4 | 99 | 99 | 0 | 93 | 60 | 62 |  |  | 2 |  |


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| 59 | Young Ladies' Seminary .-..........- |
| 60 | Mystic Valley English and Classical Institute. |
| 61 | Now Britain Seminary |
| 62 | Homesworth Family School for Young Ladies. |
| 63 | Miss Nott's School |
| 64 | The Elderage School. F-....-.-.-.-. |
| 65 | West End Institute, Young Ladies Boarding and Day School. |
| 66 | Bulkeley School |
| 67 | Waramang Academ |
| 68 | Fitch's Home School for Young Ladies and Boys. |
| 69 | Hillside Family School for Boys. |
| 70 | The Selleck School* |
| 71 | Boarding and Day School for Koung Ladies. |
| 72 | Frenchand English Boarding |
| 73 | Saybrook Seminary* |
| 74 | Seabury Instituto. |
| 75 | Betts Military Academy |
| 76 | Gothic Hall |
| 77 | Select Boarding and Day |
| 78 | The Maples; Family School for Young Ladies.* |
| 79 | English and Classical School |
| 80 | Family School for Boy |
| 81 | Stratford Institute |
| 82 | Alworth Hall* |
| 83 | The Gunnery |
| 84 | St. Margaret's Diocesan School for Girls. |
| 85 | Oak Hill Ladics' Seminary |
| 86 | Grecn's Farms Academy |
| 87 | Wilton Academy |
| 88 | Wilton Boarding Academ |
| 89 | Winchester Institute* |
|  | Parker Academy |

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| $\begin{aligned} & 306 \\ & 307 \end{aligned}$ | Green River Female Scminary ．．．．．． La Ruo English and Classical Insti－ tute． | 0 | 0 | $\times$ | $\times$ $\times$ $\times$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 40 \\ 14 \frac{1}{3}, 20 \frac{1}{2} \end{array}$ | 2， $\begin{array}{r}\text { \＄0 } \\ \hline 0\end{array}$ | \＄0 | \＄0 | \＄000 | 40 | Sept．，1st Mon． Scpt．，1st Mon． |
| $308$ | Alexander College ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 0 |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | 0 | 0 |  | 6 | 30 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 309 \\ & 310 \end{aligned}$ | Carroll Seminary． |  |  | $\times$ <br> $\times$ <br> $\times$ | $\times$ <br> $\times$ <br> $\times$ | ${ }^{\times}$ | $\times$ | 1，00 | 0 0 | 43 | 12，000 | 10， 000 | 600 | 1， 800 3,000 | $\begin{aligned} & 40 \\ & 40 \end{aligned}$ | Scptember 4. Sept 1st Mon． |
| 311 | Danville Classical and Military Acad－ emy． |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | ＋ $\times$ $\times$ | $x$ | 400 200 | 400 | 30,40 $50-60$ | 15,000 20,000 |  |  | 2,000 3,500 | 36 20 | Sept．，1st Tues． September 11. |
| 312 | Green River Academy and Science School．＊ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 20 | 5，000 | 0 | 0 | 4，000 | 40 | Sept．，1st Mon． |
| 313 | Eminence Male and Female Semi－ nary． | x | $x$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30－50 |  | 0 | 0 | 2，000 | 40 | Aug．，last Mon． |
| $314$ | Kalamont High School ．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 0 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | 500 |  | 50 | 10， 000 | 0 | 0 | 1，800 | 40 | September． |
| 316 | Kentucky Eclectic Institute | ${ }_{0}$ |  | x $\times$ $\times$ | $x$ $\times$ $\times$ | 0 | 0 |  |  | 30，40， 50 |  |  |  | 1，000 | 40 | Sept．，1st Mon． |
| 317 | St．Aloysius and St．Joseph＇s Acad－ emies． |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $x$ | 0 | 0 | $\begin{array}{r} 150 \\ 1,400 \end{array}$ | 0 | 40,75 $10-20$ | $\begin{aligned} & 12,000 \\ & a 5,000 \end{aligned}$ | 0 | 0 | 4,000 2,000 | 39 40 | Sept．，1st Mon． Sept．，1st Mou． |
| 318 | Preparatory and Sclect School of the Abbey of Gethsemani． | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 90 | 0 | 55 | 3， 000 | 475 | 600 | 1，363 | 43 | Sept．，1st Mou． |
| 319 | Ghent College ．．．．．．．．．．． | 0 | 0 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  | 50 | 25， 000 |  |  | 3，500 | 40 | Sept．，1st Mon． |
| 321 | Hodgenville Seminary | 0 | 0 | x 0 | ${ }^{\times}$ | 0 | 0 |  |  | 30－50 | 7，000 |  |  | 2，500 | 40 | Sept．，1st Mon． |
| 322 | Franklin Iustitute． | 0 | 0 | $\times$ | ＋ | 0 | ＋ | 100 | 0 | 620 40 | 300 6,000 | 0 | 0 | 1,200 3,000 | 42 | September 1. |
| 324 | Calvaster Academy＊． |  |  |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 24－40 | 2，500 | 0 | 0 |  | 40 | Sept．，1st Mon． |
| 325 | Sayre Female Institute |  |  |  | $\times$ $\times$ $\times$ | 0 $\times$ | － | 400 | 10 | c160 |  |  |  |  | 40 | Sept．，1st Mon． |
| 326 | Threlkeld Select School | 0 | $\times$ | $\times$ 0 | $\times$ 0 | ${ }_{0}$ | $\times$ |  |  | ${ }^{60}$ | 100， 000 |  | d1， 900 | 8，500 | 40 | Sept．， 20 Mon． |
| 327 | Loretto Academy． |  | ＋$\times$ | x | $\times$ | ${ }_{0}$ | $\times$ | $\begin{array}{r} 0 \\ 400 \end{array}$ | 0 | ＋ 75 | 500 | 0 0 | 0 0 | 4，250 | 40 44 | Sept．，1st Mon． September 1 |

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| 865 | 40 | August 26 |
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| 2,000 | 38 | Aug., last Wed |
| 841 | 35 | Aug., last Tues |
| 450 | 36 | Aug., last Tucs |
| 800 | 40 | September. |
|  | 39 | August 26. |
|  | 20 |  |
|  | 36 | September |
| 1,200 | 39 | Aug., last Mon. |
| 500 | 32 | September |
| 1,500 | 36 | Sept., 1st Wed. |
| 500 | 42 | December. |
| 3, 117 | 40 | August 26. |
| 500 | 39 30 | September ${ }_{\text {September }} 20$. |
| 415 | ${ }_{36}$ | September 20. |
|  | 35 | Sept., 1st Tues. |
| 950 | 39 | Aug., last Tues. |
| 750 | 33 | September 1. |
|  | 36 | Sept., last Wed |
|  | 40 | Sept., 1st Mon. |
|  | 38 | Sept., 1st Mon. |
| 300 | 33 | September 1. |
|  | 16 | Nov., 1st Mon. |
| 2,500 | 39 | Aug., 3d Wed. |
| 800 | 39 | August 22. |
|  | 13 | Augrast 20. |
| 1, 200 | 30 | September 1. |
| 500 | 24 | September 1. |
| 2,250 | 40 | Sept., 1st wc |
|  | 42 | September 1. |
| 10,000 | 40 | Sept., 1st Wcd. |
|  | 40 | September. |
|  | 40 | Scpt., 1st Mon. |
|  | 40 | September 14. |
|  | 39 | September 18. |
| 5,000 | 40 | Sept., 3d Wed. |
| 1, 200 | 44 | Sept., 1st Mon. |


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| 537 | Deering Academy |
| 538 | Pinkerton Academy |
| 539 | Franklin Academy |
| 540 | Penacook Normal Academy |
| 541 | Francestown Academy |
| 542 | Gilmanton Academy |
| 543 | Hampton Acarlemy* |
| 544 | Hillsborough Bridge Union School and Valley Academy. |
| 545 | Contoocook Academy |
| 546 | Kingston Academy |
| 547 | Lancaster Academy |
| 548 | Milton Classical Ins |
| 549 | McCollom Institute |
| 550 | Nashua Iiterary Instituti |
| 551 | New Hampton Literary Ins |
| 552 | Appleton Academy |
| 553 | North Conway Academy |
| 554 | Coe's Northwood Academy |
| 555 | Northwood Seminary |
| 556 | Pembroke Academy |
| 557 | Pittsfield Academy ${ }^{*}$ |
| 558 | Miss Morgan's School for Young Ladies. |
| 559 | Smith's Academy and Commercial College. |
| 560 | McGaw Normal Institute |
| 561 | Dearborn Academy |
| 562 | Barnard Academy |
| 563 | New Hampshire Confcrence Seminary and Female College.* |
| 564 | Warncr Free High School |
| 565 | Tubbs' Union Academy |
| 566 | Kearsarge School of Practice |
| 567 | Wolfborough and Tuftonborough Academy. ${ }^{*}$ |
| 568 | Trinity Hall |
| 569 | Blair Presbyterial A cademy |
| 570 | Now Jersey Collegiate Institu |
| 571 | South Jersey Institute |
| 572 | West Jersey Acade |
| 573 | Brainerd Institate |
| 574 | Jefferson Park Academy |
| 575 | Misses Hayward's English and French School for Young Ladics. |
| 576 | The Elizabeth Institute*. |
| 577 | English and Classical School. |

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|  | 1 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 29 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 32 | 33 |
| 718 | Monticello Academy............... is $^{\text {S }}$ |  |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | 163 |  | \$24, 32 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 719 | Sherman Academy...................... | $\times$ | 0 | 0 | ${ }_{0}^{\times}$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | 163 | 0 | $\begin{array}{r}\$ 24,32 \\ 12 \\ \hline 1\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}\text { \$10, } \\ \text { 5, } \\ \hline 187\end{array}$ | \$30, 000 | \$2, 100 | \$2, 453 | $\begin{aligned} & 40 \\ & 39 \end{aligned}$ | Septcmber 2. <br> August 1. |
| $\begin{aligned} & 720 \\ & 721 \end{aligned}$ | Nassan Academy* ... |  |  |  | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | 75 |  | 20 | 5,922 |  | \$ 0 | 800 | 39 | August 1. <br> September. |
| 722 | Now Berlin Academy. | 0 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ $\times$ $\times$ | $\stackrel{\times}{\times}$ | 500 1,591 | 0 | 3-10 | 3,500 |  |  | 900 | 39 | Sept., 1st Mon. |
| 723 | Gormley Scminarye. | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\stackrel{\times}{\times}$ | $\stackrel{\times}{\times}$ | 1,521 | 50 | 120 | 20,000 8,000 |  |  | 5, 080 | 40 | Sopt., 3d Wed. |
| 724 | Newburgh Institute and Family School for Boys. |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  | 400 |  | 400 | 80,000 |  |  |  | 38 | September 15. Sept., $2 d$ Tues. |
| 725 | New Paltz A cademy b -..... | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | 600 | 1 | 36 | 7,000 | 0 | 0 | 2,160 | 40 |  |
| 726 727 | Acadcmy of the Holy Cros |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | 450 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 42 | Sopt., 1st Mon. |
| 728 | Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies. | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | 0 | 0 | 125 | 10 | 60-200 |  |  |  |  | 35 |  |
| 729 | Classical School.................... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 100-250 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 730 | Duane S. Everson's School for Boys. |  | $\times$ | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 731 732 | English and French School ......... |  | $\stackrel{\times}{\times}$ |  | $\stackrel{\times}{\times}$ |  |  |  |  | 100-200 |  |  |  |  | 40 | September 20 |
| 732 | English, Erench, and German Boarding and Day School. | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 40 | Sept., last Mon. |
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| 735 | French and English School ...... | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | 700 | 200 | c450-700 | 20,000 |  |  |  | 40 | Septcmber 20. |
| 736 | French Protestant Institution |  | $\times$ |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 40 |  |
| 737 |  | $\times$ <br> $\times$ | $\times$ $\times$ $\times$ | 0 | 0 | ${ }_{0}^{\times}$ | ${ }_{0}$ |  |  | 48-140 | 75,000 | 40, 000 |  |  | 40 | Scptember 12. |
| 739 | Institute for Young Ladies*. |  | $\times$ <br> $\times$ <br> $\times$ | $\times$ | $x$ | + | $\times$ <br> $\times$ <br> $\times$ | 1,200 | 300 | $100-300$ 125 |  | 0 | 0 | 4,330 | 39 | September 19. |
| 740 | Jackson Institute.... |  | + | $\stackrel{\times}{\times}$ | $\times$ |  |  | 1,200 | 30 | 50-100 | - |  |  | 0 | 39 | September 21. |
| 741 | John MacMullen's School. | $\times$ | $\times$ | 0 | 0 | $\times$ | 0 | 500 | 10 | 100-250 |  | 0 | 0 | 3,500 | 49 | September 15. |
|  | Makattan Academy. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8-12 | 55,000 |  |  |  |  | Sept., 1st Mon. |


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| 1073 | Int. Pleasant Female |
| 1074 | MeNion County Agricultural and Sciontific School |
| 1075 | Nashville Noxmal and Theological Institute. |
| 1076 | Holston Sominary |
| 1077 | Oak Hill Institute |
| 1078 | Ooltewah Academy |
| 1079 | Temperanco Hall* |
| 1080 | Mrs. Welch's School |
| 1081 | Paris Female Seminary* |
| 1082 | Woolsey College* |
| 1083 | Giles College |
| 1084 | Clear Spring Aeade |
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| 1086 | West Tennessee Normal Sehool and Business Institute. |
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| 1088 | Madison Academy |
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| 1090 | Nourse Scminary |
| 1091 | White Seminary |
| 1092 | Obion College. |
| 1093 | Pleasant Grove Seminary |
| 1094 | Washington Colleg |
| 1095 | German-American Ladies' C |
| 1096 | Live Oak Female Seminary |
| 1097 | Gonzales Male and Female College. |
| 1098 | Clark Seminary for Young Ladies* |
| 1099 | Lameaster Masonie Institute |
| 1100 | River-Side Institute* |
| 1101 | Wiley Unirersity |
| 1102 | Pine Hill Academy |
| 1103 | Alamo Select School |
| 1104 | St. Mary's Institute* |
| 1105 | Ursuline Convent |
| 1106 | Coronal Institute |
| 1107 | The Grove Academ |
| 1108 | AddRan College |
| 1109 | Barre Aeademy |
| 1110 | Goddard Seminary |
| 1111 | St. Agnes' Hall |
| 1112 | Mt. Anthony Semi |
| 1113 | Bristol Academy |
| 1114 | Burlington Young Ladies' School* |

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| 1182 | St. Mary's Institute | x | $\times$ | $\times$ | $x$ | $x$ | $\times$ | 1,500 |  | \$180 |  |  |  |  | 44 |  |
| 1183 | Lakeside Seminary | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | 0 | 0 | 1, 500 | 0 | - $32-50$ | \$15, 000 |  |  | \$1,500 | 40 | sept., lst Mon. Scotember 18. |
| 1184 | St. Mary's Institate.. | $\times$ | $x$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | 500 |  |  | 50, 000 |  |  |  | 40 | Sept.. 1st Mon. |
| 1185 1186 | St. Catharine's Female Academy |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | x |  |  |  |  | 150-182 |  |  |  |  | 44 | Sept., 1st Mon. |
| 1187 | Rochester Seminary --... |  |  |  | $\times$ | 0 | $\times$ | 40 |  | 25 | 4,500 | \$0 |  | 1,365 | 38 | Sept., 2d Tues. |
| 1188 | Mig Foot Aeademy....... | 0 | $\times$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | + | 0 |  | 16-24 |  | 0 |  |  | 43 | Sept., 1st Thes. |
| 1189 | Carroll College.... |  | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | 1, 100 | 0 | 18-24 | 1,500 | 2,000 |  | 1,880 | 39 40 | Sept., 1st W ed. Sept., 1st Tues. |
| 1190 | Georgetown Colleciate Institute*. | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | .... | 1, 500 |  | 20-75 | 10,000 |  |  | 1, | 40 | September 13. |
| 1191 | Georgetown Feraale Seminary... |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | 0 | $\times$ | 300 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 40 | September 10. |
| 1192 | Georgetown Institute for Males | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\times$ | ..... | -..... |  |  |  |  |  |  | 42 | Sept., Ist Mon. |
| 1194 | Academy of the Visitation |  |  | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | $\times$ |  |  | a15-25 |  |  |  |  | 44 | Sept., 1st Mon. |
| 1195 | Boys' English and Classieal High School. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 84 |  |  |  | 3,000 | 40 | August, last Mon. |
| 1196 | English and French Boarding and Day School. |  | $x$ |  | x |  |  |  |  | 50-150 |  |  |  |  | 40 | September 20. |
| 1197 | English, I'rench, and Classieal Institute.* | $\times$ | $\times$ | $x$ | x |  |  |  |  | 60-100 |  |  |  |  | 40 | Sept., 21 Mon. |
| 1198 | Incarnation Chureh Sehool. | 0 | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | 0 | 0 | 250 | 50 | 36-65 | 3,000 |  |  |  | 40 | September 11. |
| 1199 | Miss Calkins' Select Sehool. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1200 | Misses Perlev's Select School. |  | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |  |  |  | 648 |  |  |  |  | 40 | September. |
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| 1204 | Rittenhouse A cademy | 0 | - | 0 | 0 | $\times$ |  |  |  | $80-100$ 100 |  |  |  |  | 40 | September 19. |
| 1205 | Rosslyn Seminary ... | 0 | $\pm$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | 40 |  | 275 | 6,500 |  |  | 3, 100 | 38 | sept., 2 al Mou. September. |



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| Hammer Hall School for Boys |
| Southwood Selcet School .... |

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Lutheran High School .........
St. Ann's Acadcmy .
St. Mary's Academy
Prairie Home Scminary
Batavia Selcet School
Napa Seminary
St. Joscph's A caion......-. --
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## Sacramento Scminary

Scminary for Young Ladies (Mrs. I. 'T. Huddart).
Academy of our Lady of the Sacred Heart.
Young Ladics' Boarding and Day School (Mrs. C. E. Richardson).
Young Ladies' Institute
St. John's Malc Academy.
Sisters of the Holy Names
Adairsville Migh School
Academy of the Immaeulate Conception.
St. Mary's Academy
Simmerville Academy
Barnesville Hich Selu .....
Byron Acadeny
Camak Academy
Cartersville Scminary
Gilmer Street School.
Centreville High School
Selcet School for Boys and Girls.
O. O. Nelson Institate

Decatur Hich School.
Mawkinsvillc Migh School....
Cherry High School
Union Springs Migh School .

Mercer High School
Academy of St. Vincent de Paal.
Taylor's Creek Academy......
Kelly Springs School
Whitesburg Seminary
Ursuline Academy
Loret to Aeademy
Bencdict Aeademy
Chieago Aeademy
Institute of the Infant Jesus..
St. Marry's Institutc...........
The Bettic Stuart Institute....
Our Lady of the Saered Heart.
St. Ignatius' School
Colle miate Institute
Jolm Strect High School
St. Joscph's $\Delta$ cademy.
St. Panl's Grammar School
Mt. Pleasant High School and Female Seminary.
School of the Parish of tho Good Shepherd.
Warrendale Collego
Christian Collego.
St. Augustine's Acadomy
Christ Church Scminary
Lexington Selcet JIalo School.

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Daderille, Ala.
Montsomery, Ala
Tallcdega, Ala.
Tuscaloosa, $\Delta$ la.
Fort Smith, Ark.
Fort Smith, $\Delta$ rk.
Little Rock, $\Delta \mathrm{rk}$.
Rally Hill, $\Delta r k$.
Batavia, Cal.
Napa City, Cal.
Oakland, Cal.
Sacramento, Cal.
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S an Francisco, Cal.
Hartford, Conn.
Stanford, Conn.

Windsor, Conn. Jacksonvillc, Fla. Key West, Fla. Adairsville, Ga. Atlanta, Ga.

Augusta, Ga. Augusta, Ga.
Barmesville, Ga.
Byron, Ga.
Camak, Ga.
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Cuthbert, Ga.
Dawson, Ga.
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Penfield, Ga.
Savannalh, Ga.
Taylor's Creek, Ga.
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County, Ga.
Whitesburg, Ga.
Alton, 111.
Cairo, Ill.
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Eighteenth st.).
Quincy, Ill.
Quincy, Ill.
Springfield, 111.
Fort Wayne, Ind.
La Fayettc, Ind.
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New Albany, Ind.
South Bend, Ind.
Valparaiso, Ind.
Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.
Frankfort, Ky.
Georgetown, Ky.
Hustonville, Ky.
Lebanon, Ky.
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Cedar Grove Female Seminary
Visitation $\Delta$ cademy
Academy of St. Vincent do Paul.
Owenton High School
Bath Seminary
Prof. W. H T
St. Charles Sehool
Select School
Mt. St. Benedict's Academy
Fancebure Malc and Female
Hich School.
Le Têehe Seminary
Feliciana Femalc Collegiate Institute.
D'Aquin Institate

Institution of the Sisters of St. Joscplh.
University School (E.C. Venable).
Ursuline Order
Somersct A cademy
St. Catharine's Háll
Family School for Girls at
"The Willows."
Harpswell Academy
Boarding and Day School for
Young Ladies.
All Saints' School
Richland Sehool for Boys .....
School of Letters and Scienees for Boys.
Cambridme Male Aeademy ...
Mt. de Sales $\Delta$ cademy .
Alnwick Femalc Seminary.
St. Joseph's Academy
Howard Instituto
Mt. St. Agnes' Aeademy
St. Thomas' Home School.
Milton Academy
Evandale Home School
Prof. Henry Crages's Aeademy School for Young Ladies (Mrs. Cushing).

St. Joseph's Seleet Sehool.
Home and Day sehool for
Girls (IIrs. James P. Walker)
Home Sehool for Boys.

## Eaglenest

Boarding and Day School (Mrs. M. C. Brooks)
Home Sehool for Boys
Highland Instituto.
St. Francis Xavicr's Acade...........
Convent of Our Lady of La Salette.
Assumption School
Mrs. Wheaton's Day School
St. Couis School
St. Paul's Femalc Scmin.......
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Boys.
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Loeation.

Louisville, Kr.
Maysville, Kv.
Morganficld, Ky.
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Paris, IVy.
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Paris, Ky.
Portland, Ky. (Ce
dar Grove)
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Baldwin, La.
Jackison, La.
New Orlcans, La. (282 B ayou Road).
New Orleans, La.
(box 15.55).
New Orlcans, La.
New Orleans, La.
Athens, Mc.
Allgusta, Me.
Farmington, Me.
North Harpswell, Mc.

Portland, Me.
Baltimore, MI.
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Baltimore, Ma.
( 78 Rcad st.).
Cambridge, Md.
Near Catonsville, Mr.
Contec's Station, Md.

Noar Emmitts burg, Mrd.
Matthows' Store P. O., MI.

Mt. Washington, Md.

Owings' Mills, Md.

Philonolis P. O. Md.

Near Port De posit, MrI.
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Newburyport, Mass.
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Northborough, Mass.
Petersham, Mass.
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| Summerville Institute | Gholson, Miss. |
| Bethlehem Aeademy | Holly Springs, Miss. |
| Trinity High Sehool | Pass Christian, Miss. |
| Tazoo Seminary for Girls | Yazoo, Miss. |
| St. Vineent's Aeademy | Cape Girardeau, Mo. |
| In | Palmyra, Mo. |
| Aeademy of St. Fraueis de Sales. | Ste. Generieve, Mo. |
| Aeademy of the Saered Meart. | St. Louis, Mo. |
| Antrim Wigh School | Antrim, N. II |
| Academic Sehool | Conway, N. H. |
| Dorer High Sehool | Dover, N. H. |
| Mrt. St. Mary's A eademy | Manchester, N.H. |
| Narlboro' Seleet Seliool | Marlboro', N. H. |
| Boarding and Day School for | Elizabeth, N. J. |

Yoars Young Ladies (Misses Clarkson and Bush).
Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies (Miss Ranney).
Mr. Young's Classical School for Boys.
Adrian Institute
St. Elizabeth's Aeademy ..... .
St. Joseph's Preparatory Boarding School.
Plainfield College for Young Ladies.
Albany Female Academy .... Christian Brothers' Aeademy Alfred Unirersity (academic department).
St. Elizabeth's Aeademy .....
Enclish and Freuch Boarding and Day School.
French and Ençlish Home Aeademy.
Mrs. Vm. G. Bryan's BonrdiugSehool for Young Ladies.
Dean Female College
Loekwood's Academy
St. Joseph's Academy
Select School for Young Ladies (Madame de Castro).

St. Joseph's Aeademy
Champlain Union Sehoul and Aeademy.
Clarence Classieal Union School.
Erasmus Mall Academy......
St. Maryis Seminary for Boys
Gainesvillo Seminary
Young Ladies' Seminary, Mt. St. John.
Hamilton Female Seminary . .
Andrew J. Qua's School.
Monroe $\Delta$ cademy and Únion Seliool.
Lawreneeville Aeademy
Family School for Koung Ladies (Miss Maekie).
Boarding and Day Sehool for Young Ladies (Mrs. J. ' C . Benediet).
Boarding and Day Sehool for Young Ladies (Mrs. Steer).
English and French Boarding and Day Sehool (Mrs. Williames).
English and Frenels School for Young Ladies (Miss $\left.\Delta y y^{\prime} e s\right)$.
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Enclish, French, and German Boarding and Day Schlool (MIrs. Garretson).

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Enclish, Freneh, and German School for Young Ladies (Miss Haines).
French and English Boarding and Day School (Milles. D'Ormieulx and Keith).

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Lyons Collegiate Institute.
MadamedeValeneia's Institute
Madame O. da Silva's Sehool
Miss Burgess' School
Sehool for Boys (Mrs. George Vandenhoff).
School for Young Ladies (Mrs. Grifits)
Seabury Seminary
Ursulino Aeademy.

Home Institute
Cary Collemiate Seminary
Cary Sehool
Sisterhood of Gray Nuns
Sisters of St. Ann.
Parma Institute
Pelham Female Iustituto
Boys and Girls' Sehool (Miss Woodeoek).
Birds' Nest Cottage IIomo Sehool.
Classieal Sehool.
Hartford Aeademy
Keble Sehool (Mary J. Jacksou).
Home Institute
Jackson Military Instituto...
Utiea Female Leademy ...... .
White Plains Female Institute
White Plains Seminary

## Private Sehool

Mills River Academy
Female Seminary
Female Seminary
St. Aurustine's Tom............ and Collegiate Institute.
Ursuline Academy.
St. Aloysius Scminary
Friends' Boarding School
Carleton College
St. Mary's Aeademy for Young Ladies.
Portland Aeademy and Female Seminary.
St. Paul's A eademy
Academy of the Sacred Heart
St. Paul's A eademy $\qquad$
Bellefonte Academy
Bethlehem Home Sehool for Boys.
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Boardiug School for Young Ladies (Mary B. 'Thomas' sisters).
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New York, N. Y. (1.0 Gramerey Park).
New York, N. Y. (277 Madison ave. eor. 40th st.).
New York, N. Y. (020 5th ave.).
New York, N. Y. (33 W. 42 d st.).
New York, N. Y. (5 E. 22d st.).
New York, N. Y. (33 W. 130thst.).
New York, N. Y. ( 17 W .38 th st.).
New York, N. Y. (108 W. 47 thst.).
New York, N. Y. ( $106 \mathrm{~W} .42 d \mathrm{st}$.
New York, N. Y.
(23 W. 48 th st.).
New York, N. Y. (125 W. 42 d st.).
New York, N. Y (East Morrisania).
Nyack, N. Y.
Oakfield, N. Y.
Oakfield, N. Y.
Ordensburgh, N. I.

Osivego, N. Y.
Parma, N. Y.
Pelham, N. Y.
Poughkeepsie, N.
Y.

Rhinebeck, N. Y.
Roehester, N. Y.
South Hartford, N. $\overline{\text {. }}$

Syracuse, N. Y.
Tarrytown, N. Y. Tarrytown, N. Y. Utica, N. Y.
White Plains, N. I.

White Plains, N. Y.

Dumn's Rock, N. C.

Hend erson County, N.C. Millshoro, N. C. Raleigh, N. C.
Raleigh, N. C.
Clereland, Ohio.
Columbus, Ohio.
Mt. Pleasant, Ohio.
Syracuse, Ohio.
Jaeksouville, Orog.
Portland, Oreg.
St. Patul, Oreg.
Salem, Oreg.
Salem, Oreg.
Bellcfonte, Pa.
Bethlehem, Pa.
Columbia, Pa.
Downingtown, Pa.

Germantown, Pa. (52.54 German. town ave.).

List of institutions for secondary instruction, \&c.- Continued.

| Name | Location | Nam | Location. |
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| chool for Young Ladies (Miss Julia A. Wilson). | G | Flag Pond Seminary | Tenn. <br> Flag Pond, Tenn. |
| Academy of our Lady of the | Harrisburg, Pa. | Flag Pond Seminary Harrison High School. | Flag Pond, Tenn. Marrison, 'Tenn. Moffat, Tenn. |
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|  |  |  | ing, Tenn. |
| Collegiate Instituto Eaton Female Institute........ | Jersey Shore, Pa. <br> Kennett Square, Pa. <br> Latrobe, Pa. <br> Philadelphia, Pa. <br> Philadelphia, Pa. | Powder Springs $\Lambda$ eademy | Potrder Springs, Tenn. |
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| St. Xavicr's A cademy........Academy of the Assumption. |  | Cumberland Institute. | Smithvillo, Tenn.Near Sparta,Tenn. |
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| Boys' Select School |  | Oakland Male and Femalo | Tcnn. Watang |
| Collegiate School. | Philadelphia, Pa . (s. W. cor. Broad andWalnutsts.). | Academy. <br> Convent of the Incarnate Word <br> Ursuline Aeadeny | Tenn. <br> Brownsville, Tex. |
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| Collegiate School | Philadelphia, Pa. (10th and Spruce sts.). | St. Mary's Iall Convent of Our Lady of Vermont. | San Antonio, Ter. East Rutland, Vt. |
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| Convent of the Society of the Holy Child Jestis. | Philadelphia, Pa. | Now Hampton Instituto Hardwick A cademy | Fairfax, $V$ t. <br> Iardwick, Vt. <br> Londonderry, Vt. |
| East Walnut Street Female |  | Hardwick Academy |  |
| Seminary. |  | Shoreham Central High Sehool |  |
| English and Classical School for Boys. | Philadelphia, Pa. <br> (n. w. cor. 40th <br> and Sansom sts.) | Underhill A eademy.......... | Undorhill, Vt. $\Delta$ bingdon, Va. |
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| Ingleside Seminary ........... |  | St. Mary's Aeademy . . . . |  |
|  | Philadelphio, Pa. <br> (1532 Spruce st.). | St. Mary's Academy' | Lexington, Va. <br> Norfolk, Va. |
| Miss E. M. Bennett's |  | St. Patrick's Female A cademy | Rich |
| P. Brown's School |  | Southein Female In | Richmond, |
|  |  | Oak Hill Institute - .i.i....... | Vadesville, Va. |
| Vernon Seminary ndergarten. | Philadelphia, Pa. (612N. 13th st.).Philadelphia, Pa. | Academy of the Visitation.... | Mt. de Chantal, near Whecling, W. Va. |
| Select School, (MIr. E. Roberts) |  | Lindsley Institute <br> St. Joseph's Aeademy <br> St. Mary's School <br> Waupaca County Academy | Whecling, V. Va.Whecling, W. Va. |
|  | Philadelphia, Pa. (1712 Jetierson st.). |  |  |
|  |  |  | Wheeling, TV. V |
| Uriy House Academy. |  |  | Baldwin's Mills, |
|  | Philadelphia, Pa. (Oxford Church P.O.). | Gymnasium der Erangel. <br> Luth. Synode von Wisconsin. | atertown, Wis. |
| Wallace Strect Scminary for Young Ladies. | Philadelphia, Pa . (1806 Wallace st.). |  |  |
|  |  | Aeademy of the Visitation... Aeademy of the Sacred Heart | Geormetomn, D. C. <br> Washington, D.C. |
| The Bishop Bowman Institute. St. Benediet's Aeademy ........ Catholie Female Seminary .... Convent of the Sacred Heart. Academy of the Immaculate Heart, Villa Maria. <br> Mantua Academy............... | Pittsburgl, Pa . <br> St. Mary's, Pa. <br> Sharon Hill, Pa. <br> Torresdale, Pa. <br> West Chester, Pa. |  |  |
|  |  | Capitol Hill Female Seminary | $\begin{array}{cc} \text { Washinston, } & \text { D. } \\ \text { C. }(217 & \text { A } \\ \text { st. } \end{array}$s.e.). |
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|  | West Philadel. phia, Pa. (Poweltonareme and 35th st.). | P | Washington, D. C. $(1403 \mathrm{New}$ Tork ave.). |
| Aeademy of the Sacred Heart. St. Bernard's Academy........ | Newport, I. I Woonsocket, R.I. Charleston, S. C. | Thompson Academy ........ | Washington, D.C. |
| A cademy of our Lady of Merey |  | Foung Ladies' Seminary (Miss <br> M. J. Harrover). <br> Cherokce Female Scminary ... <br> St. Michael's College . $\qquad$ <br> University of Washington Territory. <br> St. Joseph's Academy. $\qquad$ |  |
| Ursuline Institute (Valle Crucis). | Noar Columbia, S. C. |  | Washington, D. <br> C. ( 1336 I st.) <br> Near Tahlequah, Ind. 'Ter. <br> SantaFé., N. Mex. Seattle, Wash. <br> Steilacoom, Wash. |
| Brewer Normal Sehool |  |  |  |
| Academy of Our | Sumter, S.C. |  |  |
| St. Stephen's Sel <br> Oak Grove Acad |  |  |  |
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| Name. | Location. | Remarks. |
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| Rev. N. H. Exgleston's English and Classical School for Boys. | Granby, Con | Removed to Willianstown, Mass. |
| Home School for Young Ladies (Mrs. J. | N | Closed. |
| S. Harlem). <br> Tavlor Academ | Wilming |  |
| Peach Orchard | Buena Vista | S |
| Corinth Academy |  | Seo St. Cloud High School ; identi cal. |
| Flemington Insti | Flemington, | Name changed to Tranquil Institute. |
| Hilliard Institute <br> Niacon County Seminary <br> Washington Instituto |  | Suspended. |
|  | Hicks' Mills, | Nat |
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| $\frac{\text { Mrt. Zion Institute........................... }}{\text { Mrasonic Institute }}$ |  | Not foun |
|  | Ringrol | Closed |
| D. Campbcll's Home School ........... | Toc | Not found. |
| St. Francis Xaverius' School. New Providence Academy <br> La Rue County High Sehool | Dyerville, Iowa | For primary |
|  | New Providenco |  |
|  | Buffalo, K | Sce La Rue Englisli and Classical Institute; identical. |
| Flemingsburg Seminary ................... | Flem | Merged into Kalamont High School. |
| Kentucky High School .................... | Frankfort, Ky | Name changed to Kentucky Eclectic Institute. |
|  | Manchester, | Closed. |
| Patterson Fomale Institute .. | North Middle | Closed. |
| St. Vincent's Aeadcmy | Fairfield, L | Tempor in existence |
| Bluc Hill A cademy | Blue Mill | See Table VII. |
| Melrose School............................. | Baltimore, M | Closed. |
| Samuel T. Lester's Seminary for Young Ladies and Girls. <br> Darlington Academy. | Baltimore, M | Closed. |
|  | Darling | Became a part of the public sehool system, September, 1877. |
| St. Clement's Hall <br> Mechanicstown Male and Female Seminary. | El1 |  |
|  | Mechaniestown, Md .... | Closed. |
|  | Boston, Mass. (24th ward) | Closed. |
| Hopkins Academy <br> Preston Cottage School |  | Closed and succecded by Hillside |
|  | Newt | Boarding and Day School. |
| Sclect Sehool............................... | Mankato, 1 | Probably now a part of the public school system. |
| Red Wing Collegiate Institute Iuka Collegiate Institute. | Red | Sold to the Norwegian Lutherans. |
|  |  | See Inka Presloyterial Male High School. |
| Parks' Female Institute..................... | Ripley, Miss | Closed. |
|  | Jefierson City, M | See Table 11. |
| Van Rcnssclaer Academy | Rensselaer, Mo.- |  |
| Landaff High School. | Lake Villase, N. L . | Only a common school. |
|  | Raymond, N. | Has no permanent instructo |
| Farnum Preparatory School .................. | Beverly, N.e | Closed. |
|  | Nounark, | Suspended. |
| Hulse Sominary -.......................... | New Brunswicl | Removed to Baltimore, |
| Boarding and Day School (Misses French and Randolph). | Ne | Name clanged to Cedar Grore |
| Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies (Misses Bueknall). | No | Boarding School for Young Ladies. |
| Tyng Seminary $\qquad$ A. T. Baldwin's Private School for Boys - | Orange, N.J | Not |
|  | Brooklyn, N. X. (25 Tompkins Place). | Suspended. |
| Remsen Street School <br> St. Mary's Acadcmy | Brooklyn, N. Y | See Columbian Institute; identical See St Mary's School; probably |
|  | B | identical. |
| Bede Fall (boarding school for loys) Boarding and Day School on the Hudson (Miss E. E. Dana). <br> Marshall Seminary of Easton $\qquad$ | Conperstow | Suspended. |
|  | Dobls' Ferry, | Removed to Morristown, N.J. |
|  | . Easton, | nary of Easton. |
| Half Moon Institute Kearsarge School for Boys Jackson Institute | Ha | Sold to the distric Closed. |
|  |  | See Jackson Institute, New Yor |
|  |  | N. Y. (Boston are. and 167 strect); identical. |
| Charlier Institute for Young Ladies .... | ew York, N. Y | Succected by French and Eng School, Mlle. Lenz, principal. |
| Dr. Van Norman's Classical Schoo | New York, | Name changed to Van Norman stitute. |

Table VI.-Memoranda-Continued.

| Name. | Loeation. | Remarks. |
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| Enclish, Freneh, and German Sehool for | Now York, N. Y | Closod. |
| Young Ladies (Miss C. A. Hinsdale). |  |  |
| Fort Washington English and Freueh Institute. | New York, N. Y | Closed and succoeded by Fort Washington French College. |
| German-American Instituto. | Now York, N. Y. (336 | Sce Moeller Institute; identical. |
| Girard Institute | New York, N. | Not found |
| Lespinasso Fort Washi | New York, N. Y | Closed. |
| Mrr. Hammond's School | New York, N. X. (40 W. 29th strcet). | Not found. |
| Park Institute | New York, N. X...... | See New York Latin Sehool ; identical. |
| North Granville Seminary | North Granville, D | Not in existonee. |
| Ordensburc Edueational Institute | Ogdonsburg, N. Y | Not in existence. |
| Boys and Girls' Instituto (Mrs. Clearwater). | Poughkoepsic, | Closed. |
| St. Mark's School ............ | Noar Rochestor, N | Closed. |
| Trumansburer Acad | Trumansburg, N. Y | Not in existenec. |
| Howland Sohool.- | Union Springs, N. Y | Sce Table VIII. |
| Woodhull Academ | Woodhull, N. Y | Now a part of the pullie sehool system. |
| Loeust Hill Sominary | Yonkers, N. Y | Name changed to School for Young Ladies and Children. |
| Yonkers Military Academ | Yonkers, N. Y |  |
| Mohegan Lako School | Yorktown, N. Y | Not in existence. |
| Warlowe Crock A cadom | Carteret County | Only a common soliool. |
| Biddle Memorial Institu | Charlotte, N. | Now Bidfle University; see Table IX. |
| Lovejoy Academy | Ralcigh, N. C | Not found. |
| Wentworth Male Academy | Wentworth, N.C | Not found. |
| Stantonsburg High Sehool | Wilson Conuty, N.C | See Hopewell Academy, Stantonslurg; identical. |
| Yadkinvillo Sohool | Yadkinville, N. C | Not found. |
| Canton Collegiate Institute | Canton, Ohio | Closed. |
| Mainoville Academy and Training School | Maineville, Ohio | Now a prolic high sehool. |
| Kooh and Crumbaugh's School | Toledo, Ohio | Closed. |
| Canaan Academy....... | Windsor, Ohi | Not in existence. |
| Young Ladios' Seminary --....-.-. .-. | Carlislo, Pa | Not in existence. |
| Ercildoun Sominary for Young Ladies. | Ereildoun, Pa | Removed to West Chester under the namo of Darlington Seminary for Young Ladies. |
| Friends' Seleet Selool | Germantown, Pa. (Germantown are.). | See Philadelphia. |
| Mt. Dempsey Aoad | Landisburg, Pa . . . . . . . | Not in existence. |
| Muney Sominary. | Muney, Pa | Removed. |
| Aldine English and Classioal Institute | Philadelphia, Pa | See English and Classical Institute; identieal. |
| Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies (Miss Eldredge). | Philadelphia, Pa. (611 Marshall street). | Closed. |
| School for Young Ladies (Anne V. Buffum). | Philadelphia, Pa.... | Not in existence. |
| Selcet Prirate School (Miss F. Creishton). | Philadelphia, Pa. | Not in existence. |
| Washington Institute for Young Ladies (Miss Mary E. Clarke). | Philadelphia, Pa. | Seo Seminary for Young Ladies and Little Girls (probably identieal). |
| West Penn Square Aoadomy | Philadelphia, Pa. | Closed and suceeeded by Langton Sclect Academy. |
| West Walnut Street School | Philadelphia, Pa. (1519 Walnut street). | Not in existenee. |
| Eildon Seminary | Shoemakertown, Pa. | Closed. |
| Lexincton Fomale | Lexington C. H., S. C | Closed. |
| Male İigh School | Columbia, Tenn.. | Sco Columbia High School. |
| Rhoa Academy-....-.................-. - . . | Grooneville, Tenn. | Closed and succeeded by Edwards Academy. |
| MoKenzio College (preparatory dopartment). | MeKenzie, Tenn | See Table VII. |
| McMinn Grange High Sehool | Mouse Creek, Tenn | See Molinn County Agricultural and Scientific School; identical. |
| Chattanooga High School | Ooltewah, Tenn | Sce Ooltewah Aicademy ; probably identical. |
| Owensville Migh Scho | Owensville, Tex | Not found. |
| Christ Chureh School | Fairfax, $V t . .$. | Closed and sueceedod by Cham. plaiu Hall, Higligate. |
| Chureli and Home Sehool for Girls and Small Boys. | Herndon, Va............ | Sce Merndon Fímale Institute; identical. |
| English and Frencl Sehool for Young Ladies (Miss S. L. Jones). | Washington, D. C. (121 Maryland ave. n. c.). | Removed; not found. |
| Muskogee Institute - . . . . . . | Eutaula, Ind. 'T'. (Creek Nation). | Closed. |
| English and Classieal Sehool | Santa Fé, N. Mex ........ | Closed. |




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Table VII.-Statistics of preparatory schools, including schools for secondery instruction having proparatory departments, for 1877, fe.-Continned.







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| Name. | Location. | Remarks. |
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| Talladega College. | Talladega, Ala | Preparatory departmentelosed sehool transferred to Table VI. |
| Crawford High School | Dalton, Ga | Sce Table VI. |
| Bethlehem Aeademy.... | Elizabethtown, Ky | No information received. |
| Lynnland Military Instit | Glendale, Ky | No information received. |
| Franklin Family Sehool....-........ | Topsham, Mie .......-............. | See Table VI. |
| Classical and Mathematical Sehool (William H. Brooks, A. M.). | Boston, Mass. (47 Winter street) | Principal deceased. |
| Warren Aeademy .................. | Wobrurn, Mass | No information reecived. |
| Preparatory Department of Burlington College. | Burlington, N. | No information received. |
| Rutgers College Grammar Sehool . | New Brunswiek, N. J | No information received. |
| Germantown Preparatory School... | Germantown, Pa. (eorner Main and Mill streets). | See Germantown Aeademy. |
| Select High Sehool for Young Men and Boys. | Philadelphia, Pa ... | Name changed to North Broad Street Seleet School for Young |
| Glenwood Classical Seminary ...... | West Brattleboro', Vt. | Men and Boys. <br> Seo Brattleboro' Academy; identical. |


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| Name. | Loeation. | Remarks. |
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| Huntsville Female Seminary. | Huntsville, Ala | Name changed to Rotherwood Ho |
| Hocker College | Lexington, Ky. | Name changed to Hamilton Female College. |
| Marguerite Institute | Now York, N. Y. (13E. | Removed. |
| Ohio Wesleyan Female College | Delaware, Ohio | Consolidated with Ohio Wesleyan Uni- |
| Mrary Anna Longstretlı's Sehool | Philadelphia, Pa. |  |
| Paine Female Collego | Goliad, Tex. | Closed, and succeeded by Goliad College. |

List of institutions for the superior instruction of women from which no information has been received.

| Name. | Location. | Name. | Location. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Centenary Institnte | Summerfield, Ala. | Jane Grey School. | t. Morris |
| Sclool for girls (Miss Sarah | Farmington, Conn. | English, French, and German School. | New York, N. Y. (202 Malione. |
| Foung Ladies' Institute | Windsor, Conn. | Asheville Femate Collego... | Asheville, N.C. |
| Fulow Masonic Female College. | Americus, Ga. | Madame Clement's School | Germantown (Phila.), Pa. (W. |
| Seminary of the Sacred Heart. | Clicago, 71. | Chegaray Institute .... | $\stackrel{\text { Pliadelplia, Pa. }}{\text { Philadelphia, }}$ |
| Female College of Indiana | Greencastle, Ind. | Onegaray | (1527 Spruce st.): |
| St. Mary's Academic Institute. | St. Mary's of the Woods, Ind. | Cottage Hill Seminary ... Columbia Female College | York, Pa. <br> Colnmbia, S. C. |
| Warrendale Female College. | Georgetown, Ky. | La Grange Female College | La Grange, Tenn. |
| St. Catherine's A cademy | Lexington, Ky. | St. Cecilia's Female College | Nashville, Tenn. |
| Kentucky College ........ | Pewee Valley, Ky. | Savannalh Female College... | Savannah, Tenn. |
| Patapsco Female Institute Notre Dame Academy .... | Ellieott City, Md. | Austin Collogiate Female Institute. | Austin, Tex. |
|  | (Highlands). | Bryan Female Seminary. | Bryan, Tex. |
| Female College | Sardis, Miss. | Galveston Female High | Galveston, Tex. |
| Sharon Female College | Sharon, Miss. | Sohool. |  |
| Academy of the Visitation | St. Louis, Mo. | Ursuline Aeademy | Do. |
| Delacove Institute... | Trenton, N. J. | Mozart Institute | Stannton, Va. |
| A cademy of the Sacred Heart A thenæum Seminary | Near Albany, N. Y. | Virginia Female Institute ... | Do. |
| Athenæum Seminary | Brooklyn, N. Y. (cor. Clinton st. and Atlantic ar.) | Wesleyan Female Institute. Parkersburg Female Academy. | Do. <br> Parkersburg, W. <br> Va. |
| St. Clare's A cademy | Buffalo, $\mathrm{N} . \mathrm{Y}$. |  |  |

Table IX.-Statistics of universitics and colleges for 1877; from replies to inquiries by the United States Bureau of Education.
Note.-For statistics of the professional schools or dopartments connected with any of these institutions, reference is made to the appropriate tables.

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Table IX.-Statistics of unircrsities and colleges for 1877, sfc.- Continued.

|  | Name. | Location. |  |  |  | President. | Preparatory department. |  |  |  |  | Number of students unclassi-fied. |
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| 228 | Farmers' College of Hamilton County. | College Hill, Ohio | a1846 | a1846 | Non-sect... | Rev. John B. Smitl, A. I | 2 | 27 | 34 |  |  |  |
| 249 | Ohio Wesleyan University ............. | Delaware, Ohio . |  | 1844 | Meth. Epis. | Rev. Charles H. Payne, D. D., LL. ${ }^{\text {D }}$. | 2 | 282 | 75 | 135 |  |  |
| 230 231 23 | Kenyon College............ | Gambicr, Olio | 1826 | 1827 | Prot. Epis.. | Rev. Charles H. Payuc, d. D., Ll. D. |  | 282 22 28 | 75 | 135 | 96 | b126 |
| 2.31 | Denison University | Granville, Ohio | 1832 | 1831 | Proptist... | Rev. E. Benj. Andrews, A. M . . D. - | 3 | 91 |  | 55 | 15 |  |
| 232 | Hiram College ........... | Hiram, Ohio | 1867 | 1867 | Disciples. | 13. A. Hinsdale, A. m |  | 88 | 65 | 8 | 7 |  |
| 234 | Marietta College......... | Marietta, Ohio | 1826 | 1826 | Non-scet | Rev. Carroll Cutler, D. D....... | 2 | 29 | 2 | 31 |  |  |
| 235 | Mt. Union College* | Mt. Union, Ohio | 1858 | 1846 | Non-sect | Rev. I. W. Andrews, D. D., LL. O. N. Hartshorn, LL. D | 2 |  |  | 60 |  |  |
| 236 | Franklin Collcge. | New Athens, Ohio | 1825 | 1825 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 237 | Muskingum College | New Concord, Ohio | 1837 | 1837 | United Presb. | Rev. David Paul, D. D........ | 0 | 49 | 21 |  |  |  |
| $\stackrel{238}{239}$ | Oberliu Collcge | Oberlin, Ohio . | 1834 | 1834 |  | Rev. James H. Fairchild, d. D. | c7 | 309 | 176 | 213 |  |  |
| $\stackrel{239}{240}$ | McCorkle College..... | Sago, Ohio | 1873 | 1873 | Assoc. Presb.. | Rev. William Ballantine, A. m |  | 8 | 8 | 4 | 12 |  |
| 241 | One Study University Miami Valley College* | Scio, Ohio - ....... | 1867 | 1866 | Mcth. Epis.... | Rev. E. Ellison, A. M. | 4 | 120 | 50 | 11 | 150 |  |
| 242 | Wittenberg College... | Springfield, Ohio | 1874 | 1871 | Friends..... | A. Wright, M. D |  | 56 | 27 |  |  |  |
| 243 | Heidelberg Collcgo.. | Tiffin, Ohio .... | 1850 | 1850 | Evang. Luth | Rev. J. B. Hclwig, D. D........ | 2 | 40 | 15 | 35 | 10 |  |
| 244 | Uribana University . | Urbana, Ohio |  | 1851 | New Church. | Rev. Frank Sewall, $\Lambda$. M..... | 1 | 24 | 11 | 18 | 67 |  |
| 246 | Ottcrboin University | Westerville, Ohio.. | 1849 | 1847 | United Breth. | Rev. H. A. Thompson, D. D | 5 | 84 | 44 | 25 | 55 |  |
| 247 | Willonghby College | West Geneva, Ohio | 1851 | 1849 | Ref. Presb.. | Rev. H. H. George, D. D |  | 85 | 37 | 18 | 39 |  |
| 248 | Wilmington Collcge | Wilmington, Ohio | 1875 | 1870 | Mcthodist | Wenjamin Trueblood, A. is |  | 55 | 44 |  |  |  |
| 249 | University of Woostcr**. | Wooster, Ohio ... | 1866 | 1870 | Priends.. | Benjamin Trueblood, A. m Rev. A. A. E. Taylor, D. | 1 | 35 89 | 35 26 |  |  |  |
| 250 | Wilberforce University | Xenia, Ohio. | 1863 | 1863 | African M. E . | Rev. Benjamin F. Lce, b. D | 6 | 81 | 45 | 45 | 410 |  |
| 252 | Aenia College*. | Xenia, Olio......... | 1850 | 1850 | Meth. Epis... | William Smith, A.m. | 2 | 27 | 22 |  |  |  |
| 253 | Corvallis College. | Corvallis, Oreg..... | 1852 | 1853 | Non-sect...... | Samuel C. Derby, A. m | 4 | 55 | 63 | 36 |  |  |
| $25 \pm$ | University of Oregon* | Eugcne City, Oreg | 1876 | 1876 | M. E. South... | B. L. Arnold, Ph. D | 1 | 30 | 20 |  |  |  |
| 25.5 | Mcainnville College | McMinnvilie, Oreg | 1858 | 1859 | Baptist. | John W.Johnson | 2 | 33 | 42 | 22 |  |  |
| 256 | Christian Coilegu | Donmouth, Oreg. | 1865 | 1860 | Christian | Thomas F.Campbeli, A. м | 4 | 86 | 61 | 49 | 49 |  |




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| Gainesville College | ${ }_{60} 6$ | $3{ }^{3}$ | 9,000 |  |  |  | 150,000 | 150, 000 | 10,000 | 4,000 |  | 2, | 1v |
| Mercer University | Ci230 |  | 1, 500 | 150 | 75 | 300 | 50, 000 |  |  | a7, 000 |  |  | 17. |
| Pio Nono College | ${ }_{6}{ }^{\text {a }}$ |  | 3, 500 |  |  | 4,000 | 100, 000 |  |  |  | 0 |  | y 17. |
| Emory College... | 35-50 | 3-1-5 | 250 | 100 |  |  | 50, 000 | 20,000 | 2,000 |  | 0 |  | June 21. |
| Abingdon College* | 36 | ${ }^{2}$ | 300 | 20 | 10 | 600 | 50, 000 |  | 5, 000 | $\stackrel{5}{8,000}$ | 0 |  | June 20. |
| Inlinois Wesleyan University | 39 | 2-3 $3 \frac{1}{4}$ | 2, 2000 | 1, 000 | 100 |  | 150,000 50,000 |  |  | 10, 000 |  |  | une. |
| St. Viator's College | 200 | ${ }_{2}^{4}$ | 2,000 1,000 | 500 |  | 500 | 60, 000 | 70,000 | 7,000 | 2, 004 |  |  | June 13. |
| Blackburn University | 2.5 | .92 1.90 | 2, 500 | 500 | 40 | 300 | 50, 000 | 47, 000 | 3, 000 | 4, 160 | 0 | 0 | 2. |
| Carthage College. | 40 |  | 10,500 |  |  | 1,000 |  |  |  |  | 0 | 0 | Scptember 2 |
| St. Ignatius College . | 70 |  | 7,000 |  |  |  | 600, 000 |  |  | 7, 500 |  |  | une 27. |
| University of Clicag |  |  |  |  |  |  | 40,000 |  |  | 4,000 |  |  | mue 28. |
| Rock River University | 3. | 2-4 | 2,000 |  |  | 1,000 | 55, 500 | 25, 000 | 2, 000 | 3, 000 |  |  | June ${ }^{\text {Jun }}$. |
| Eurcka College - | 27, 45 |  | 26, 800 | 7,300 |  |  | 291, 000 | 962, 000 | 28,496 | 13,540 2,000 | 0 |  | June 28. |
| Nwing College ... | 30 | ${ }^{2}$ | 6, 100 |  | 100 | 3, 250 | 5,000 250,000 | 111, 000 | 11,000 |  | 0 |  | June 27. |
| Knox College | 15-33 | 23 | 6, 4,000 | 50 |  | 1, 000 | 50, 000 | 100, 000 | 9,000 |  |  |  | u1 |
| Lombard University. | $15-38$ 30 | - ${ }_{3}^{42}$ | 4, 500 | 100 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Jun |
| Hlinois Agricultural College | 36 | $3{ }^{3}$ | 7,500 |  |  | 3,000 | 125, 000 | 100, 000 | 9,000 | 4,400 |  |  | June |
| Illinois College .................... | 25, 30 | ${ }^{4} 212$ | 460 |  | 100 |  | 23, 000 |  |  | 1,355 |  |  |  |
|  | 40-100 | 4 | 3, 000 | 200 | 500 |  | 190, 000 | 65, 000 | 5,500 |  |  |  | une |
| McKendree College | $39-42$ $20-40$ | 4 | 5,000 | 1,060 |  | 2, 500 | 50,000 75,000 | 25,000 50,000 | 5, 000 | 2, 2,000 |  |  | June 14. |
| Lincoln University* | 20-40 |  | 00 |  |  |  | 1, 500 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Evangeliseh-Lutherisches Collegium | 40 |  | 1,925 | 118 | 40 | 900 | 52, 000 | 35, 000 | 3, 384 | 4, 200 | 0 |  | June 20. |
| Monmouth College.. | 18 |  | 1, |  |  |  | 50, 000 | 97, 000 | 9,707 | 2,970 |  |  | June 13. |
| Northwestern Colleg | 24, 30 | $\stackrel{3}{2}$ | 6, 000 | 1,000 |  |  | 50,000 |  | 0 | 2, 000 | 0 | 0 |  |
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| Shurtleff College .................... | 48, 60 | 1-3 | 5, 000 | 2,500 |  | 2, 000 | 35,000 | 195,000 40,000 | 10,000 2,500 | 1,200 |  | 20, | June 13. |
| Westficld College | 24 | 3 | 790 | 100 | 50 | 1, 200 | 100, 000 | 30, 000 |  |  |  |  | June 19. |
| Wheaton College | 33 |  | 2, 170 | 1,50 | 55 | 1, |  |  |  | 1,300 |  |  | June 14. |
| Bedford College. | 30 | 3-314.4 | 6,000 | 1,000 |  |  | 100, 000 | 120,412 | 8,000 | m1, 000 | 23, 000 |  | June 12. |
| Indiana University |  | 3-31 | 12,000 | 1,000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | June 27. |
| Wabash College* | n100 | - ${ }^{1}$ 12 | 5, 000 | 1,000 | 250 | 1,000 | 150, 000 | o1, 000 |  | 500 |  |  | July 14. |
| Concordia College. |  | $2{ }^{12}$ | 300 |  |  |  | 50, 000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Franklin College. | 23, 28 | 3-3年 | 2,066 | 500 | 66 | 500 | 40, 500 | 74,000 | 3,000 12,000 | $\begin{array}{r} 2,000 \\ m 4,500 \end{array}$ | - |  | June 21. |
| Indiana Asbury University* | 0 | $3 \frac{3}{3}-5$ | 10,000 | 1,000 | 0 | 1,000 | 200, 000 |  |  |  |  |  | June 14. |
| Hanover College* | 15-18 |  |  |  | 30 | , | 15, 000 | 19,000 | 1,200 | 1, 000 |  | 9,000 | 0. |
| Hartsville University | 10-18 |  | 1, 500 | 1,000 | 500 | 1, 000 | 150, 000 | 300, 000 | 18,000 |  |  |  |  |
| Butler University | ${ }^{0}$ | 42 |  |  |  |  | 100, 000 |  |  |  |  |  | ne 20. |

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TABLE IX.-Statistics of universities and colleges for 1877, \&e.-Continued.


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[^98]Table X.-Part 2.-Statistics of schools and of collegiate departments of science (mining, engineering, \&c.) not endowed, \&.c.-Continued.



Table XI.-Statistics of schools of theology for 1877; from repties to inquiries by the United States Bureau of Education.

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|  | Name. | Location. |  |  |  | President. |  |  |  |
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| 2 | Theological departnfent of Talladega College | Talladeco, Ala | 1870 | 1870 | Congregational.. | Rev. Edward P. Lord | 2 |  |  |
| 2 | Pacific Theological Seminary ................. | Oakland, Cal. - | 1869 | 1869 | Congregational.. | Rev. J. A. Benton, D. D. (senior pro- | 2 | 6 | 2 |
| 3 | San Francisco Theological Seminary | San Francisco, Cal | 1872 | 1871 | Presbyterian. | fessor). <br> Ret. W. A. Scott, D. D., LL. D. | 4 |  |  |
| 4 | Theological Institute of Connecticut | Hartford, Conu... | 1834 | 1834 | Congregational. | Rev. William Thompson, D. D. (senior | 4 | 7 | 4 |
| 5 | Berkeley Divinity School | Middletown, Conn | 1854 | 1854 | Prot. Episcopal.. | professor). | 6 | 1 |  |
| 7 | Yale Divinity School*. | New Haven, Conn | 1701 | 1822 | Congregational.. | Rev. Noah Porter, D. D., LL. D........ - | 7 | 4 | 4 |
| 8 | Augusta Instituto ........-..................... | Augusta, Ga..... | , | 1869 | Baptist......... | Rev. Joseph T. Robert, LL. D | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| 8 | Theological department of Mercer University .... | Macon, Ga. |  |  | Baptist | Rev. Archibald J. Battle, D. D |  |  |  |
| 9 | Theological department of Ilinois Wesleyan University. | Bloomington, 11 | 1850 | 1875 | Methodist | Rev. W. H. H. Adams, D. D. . |  |  |  |
| 10 | Theological department of Blackburn University . | Carlinville, Ol | 1857 | 1859 | Presbyterian. | Rev. E. L. Hurd, D. D. | 4 |  |  |
| 11 | Baptist Union Theological Scminary | Chicago, Ml. (Morgan Park) | 1865 | 1867 | Baptist...... | Rev. George W.'Northrup, D. D | 6 | 2 |  |
| 12 | Chicago Theological Seminary | Chicago, Ill. (cor. Ashland and Warren aves.). | 1855 | 1858 | Congregational.. | Rev. Franklin W. Fisk, D. D. (senior professor). | 6 | , | 5 |
| 13 | Presbyterian Theological Seminary of the Northwest. | Chicago, Ill. ( 1060 N. Hal: stead st.). | 1858 | 1859 | Presbyterian.... | Rev. L. J. Halsey, D. D. (secretary).. | 5 | 0 | 4 |
| 14 | Bible department of Eureka College | Eureka, M1................. | 1855 | 1864 | Christian | H. W. Everest, A. m. | 2 | 0 |  |
| 15 | Garrett Biblical Institute | Evanston, 11 | 1855 | 1856 | Meth. Episcopal. | Rev. Henry Bannister, D. D. (senior | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| 16 | Theological department of Lincoln University* | Lincoln, 111 | 1865 | 1874 | Cumb. Presb | professor). <br> Rev. A. J. McGlumphy, D. D | 5 |  | 3 |
| 17 | Wartburg Seminary | Meudota, Ill | 1875 | 1853 | Ev. Lutheran. | Rev. Prof. Sigm. Fritschel. | 3 |  |  |
| 18 | Jubilee College $b$......-.......... | Robin's Nest, Il | 1842 | 1839 | Prot.Episcopal.. | Rt. Rev. William E. Mc Laren, s. T. D |  |  |  |
| 19 | Augustana Theological Seminary | Rock Island, 111 | 1865 | 1863 | Lutheran ....... | Rev. T. N. Hasselquist, D. D. . . . . . | 2 | 0 |  |
| 20 | Concordia College. | Springfield, $n 1$ | 1853 | 1874 | Ev. Lutheran | Prof. A. Craemer | 3 | 0 |  |
| 22 | Theological department of Shurtleff College | Upper Alton, 111 | 1835 | 1827 | Baptist. | Rev. A. A. Kendrick, D. D | 3 |  | 2 |
| 22 | St. Ieinrad's Theological Seminary | St. Meiorad, Ind |  | 1860 | Roman Catholic | Rt. Rev. Martin Marty, o. s. 13. (abbot) | 4 |  |  |
| 23 | Theological department of Griswold College c | Davenport, Iowa..........- | 1859 | 1860 | Prot. Episcopal.- | Rt. Rev. William Stevens Perry, D. D., <br> LL. D. (ex officio) | 4 | 2 | 3 |


Table XI.-Statistics of schools of theology for 187\%, $\oint$ c.-Continued.


| 82 | Mount St. Mart's Seminary of the V | Cincinnati, Ohio | 0 | 1851 | Roman Catholic. | Tery Rev. Francis Joseph Pabisch, D. D., C. L. D., LL. D. | 7 |  | 0 |
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| 83 | St. Mary's Theologieal Seminary | Clereland, |  | 1849 | Roman Catholic. | Rer. N. A. Moes..... | 3 |  |  |
| 84 | German Lutheran Semmary . . | Columbus. Oh | 1834 | 1831 | Er. Lutheran ... |  | 2 | 0 |  |
| 85 | Union Biblical Seminary ${ }^{\text {y }}$ - ............................ | Dayton, Ohio | 1570 | 1871 1825 | United Brethren Prot. Episcopal. . |  | 3 | 2 |  |
| 86 | Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Chnreh in the Dioecse of Ohio. | Gambier, Ohio | 1824 1834 | 1825 1834 | Prot. Episcopal.. | Rer. James Harris Fairchild, | 5 | 4 |  |
| 87 | Theological Seminary (Oberlin College) | Oberlim. Ohio | 1845 | $\begin{aligned} & 1834 \\ & 1845 \end{aligned}$ | Er. Luther | Rev. S. Sprecher, D. D., LL. D........... | 1 |  |  |
| 85 | Theological department of Wittenbers | Springfield, | 1836 | $\begin{aligned} & 1845 \\ & 1850 \end{aligned}$ | Reformed | Rev. J. H. Good, D. D | $\stackrel{2}{2}$ | 0 |  |
| 89 | Heidelberg Theological Seminary ${ }^{\text {Christlie. }}$ Bildungen | Titan, Ohio | 1867 | 1860 | Mennonite | Rer. Carl J. ran der Sn | 4 |  |  |
| 90 91 | Christliche Bildungs-Anstalt der Memonitey | Senia, Ohio | 1863 | 1853 | Af. Meth. Epis | Rer. Beniamin F. Lee, | 6 |  |  |
| 91 | Theological Semimary of Wilberforce dnirersity. | Jenia, Ohi |  | 1794 | United Presb | Rev. William Bruce, 1. | 4 |  |  |
| 93 | Theological Seminary of the United Presbyterian Church. | Alleghenr | 70.) ${ }^{-1}$ | 1825 | United Presb | . A. D. Clark, D. | 5 | 2 |  |
| 94 | Western Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church. | Allegheny City | 18.5 1863 | 1827 1807 |  | (senior professor). <br> Rt. Rev. Edmund de Schweinitz, s. T. D. | 3 |  |  |
| 95 | Moravian Theological Seminary | Bethlehem, Pa .-.......... | $\begin{aligned} & 1863 \\ & 1869 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1807 \\ & 1870 \end{aligned}$ | Reformed | Rev. J. H. A. Bomberger, D. D ......... | 3 |  |  |
| 96 | Theological department of Ursim | Irreeland, Pa. (Collegeville P.O.). | 1509 | 1870 |  | Rev. James A. Bromm, D. D. (chairman | 3 | 3 |  |
| 97 | Theological Seminary of the General Symod of the Erangelical Lintheran Church. | Gettysburg | 18.2 | 18.6 | Lilt | of faculty). | 3 |  |  |
| 98 | Theological Seminary of the Reformed Churel in the United States. | Lancast |  | 18.0 |  | Rer. I. N. Rendall. | 4 | 1 |  |
| 99 | Theologieal department of Lincoln Unis | Lincoln Uni | 1871 1847 | 18.1 | Presb | Rer. Abiel Abbot Lirermo | S | 3 |  |
| 100 | Meadville Theological School | Meadrille, | 184 | 1874 |  | Fery Rer. Charles P. $0^{\circ} \mathrm{Co}$ | S |  |  |
| 101 | Philadelphia Theological seminary of St. Charles Borromeo. | Orerbroo | 1 | 180- |  |  | 5 | 2 |  |
| 102 | Dirinity School of the Protestant Episeo | Phi | 1862 | 186: |  | (dean). |  |  |  |
| 103 | St. Vincent's | Philadelphia, Pa. (Germantown). | 0 | 1868 | Roman Catholic. | Very Rev. James Rolando .............. | 5 |  |  |
| 104 | Theologieal Seminary of the Erangelical Lutheran Chureh. | Philadelphia, Pa. (216 and 218 Franklin street). | 1864 | 1864 | Er. Lutheran | Rev. Charles F. Schaetter, D. D. (chairman of fiaeultr). | 4 | 5 |  |
| 105 | St. Michael's Seminary* . . . | Pittsburgh, Pa |  | 1862 | Roman Cath | Rev. Stephen II all.............................. Rer Henry Zeirler, b. D. (superin't). | 2 | 5 |  |
| 106 | Missionary Institute ${ }^{\text {x }}$. | Selinsgrove, Pa | 1858 | 1856 | Er. Lutheran | Rer Henry G. Weston, D. D. | 5 |  |  |
| 107 | Crozer Theolosieal Seminary | Upland, Pa | 1 |  | Roptist.......... | Pacificus | 0 | 5 |  |
| 108 | Theological department of Monastery of St. Thomas of Villanora. | Villanova, | 183.) | 1842 | Roman Catholic. |  | 5 |  |  |
| 109 | Theological Seminary of the General Assembly of the Presbrierian Church in the United States. | Columbia, | 1832 | $1 S_{\sim} 9$ | Presbyterian | man of taculty). | 4 | 2 |  |
| 110 | Theological School of Cumberland University | Lebanon, | 184: | 1854 | Cumb. Presb | Rev. Richard Beard, D. D. (semior professor). |  | 2 |  |
| 111 | Theological conrse in Fisk Un | Nashville, Teun | 1867 | 1869 | Congregational. | Rer. E. M. Crarath, M. A | 3 | 2 |  |
| 112 | Theological department of Central Tennessee Collece. | Nashrille, Tenn | 1866 | 1866 | Meth. Episcopal. | Rer. John Braden, A. ar | 4 | 2 |  |
| 113 | Theological department of Vanderbilt Unirers | N | 1873 | 1875 | Meth. Epis. | Rer. Thomas O. Summers, D. D., LL. D. (dean). |  | 0 |  |
| 114 | Theological department, University of the South |  |  | 1876 | Prot. Episcopa | Per D. G Hastins ( |  |  |  |
| 115 | Theological department, Baylor University | Independence, Tex | 1848 | 1866 | Bapti | llam Carey Crane, |  |  |  |

Table XI.-Statistics of schools of theology for 1877, fo.--Continued.


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Table XI.—Statistics of schools of theology for 1877, \&c.-Continued.


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From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876． $\begin{aligned} & f \text { Special income fund．} \\ & \text { a Suspended for the present as a distinct institation，bat } \\ & \text { connected with Georgetown College．}\end{aligned}$ h Suspended June，1877． Christliche Bildungs－Anstalt der Mennoniten． Christliche Bidungs－Anstalt der Hen University． in the Diocese of Ohio
Theological Seminary（Oberlin College）
Theological department of Wittenberg College． Reported with classical department（see Table IX）． d Frall graduates；also， 4 English graduates．
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Table XI.—Statistics of schools of theology for 1877, \&f.-Continued.



* From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876.
$a$ Reported with classical department of seective funds and the income thereof reported with classical department in Table IX.
Table XI.-Memoranda.

| Name. | Location. | Remarks. |
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| Matthews Hall. | Golden, Colo. | Closed. <br> Closed, being succeeded by The College of the Bible. |
| Bible College of Kentucky University ............it | Charlotte, N. C ........... | See Theological department of Biddle University; identical. |
| Theological department of North Carolina College | Mrunt Pleasant, N. C... | Closed. ${ }_{\text {Cle }}^{\text {Removed to Louisville, Ky. }}$ |
| Southern Baptist Thenlogical Seminary. | Greenville, S. C......... | Removed to Louisville, Ky. |

Table XII. -Statistics of schools of law for 1877 ; from replies to inquiries by the United States Bureau of Education.

|  | Name. | Location. | Date of charter. |  | President or dean. | Corps of instruction. |  | Students. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 1 | College of Law, Southern University*. | Greensboro', Ala. |  |  | Hon. A. A. Coleman, A. M | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | Law School of University of Alabama.... | Tuscaloosa, Ala. . | 1872 | 1872 | Henderson M. Somerville, A. M., LL. B., senior professor. | 2 | 0 | 23 | 8 | 8 |
| 3 | Yale Law School. | Nerw Haven, Cona |  | 1824 | Hon. Francis Wayland, A. M., dean......... | 7 | 1 | 67 |  | 28 |
| 4 | Law department, University of Georgia | Athens, Ga | 1785 | 1867 | Rev. P. H. Mell, D. D., LL. D., chancellor | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 10 |
| 5 | Law department of Mercer University .......... | Macon, Ga...... | 1875 | 1875 | Hon. Cliftord Anderson, chairman ....... | 6 |  | 30 | 3 | 9 |
| 6 | Bloomington Law Institute (Illinois Wesleyan University). | Bloomington, Il |  | 1875 |  | 5 |  | 30 123 | 3 24 | 41 |
| 7 | Union College of Law of Chicago and Northwestern Universities. | Chicago, 111 |  | a1872 | Hon. Henry Booth, LL. D., dean............ | 5 | 0 | 123 15 | 24 | 41 |
| 8 | Law department, McKendree College........... | Lebanon, ll ... | 1839 |  | Hon. H. H. Horner, A. M., dean .... | 1 | 3 | 15 | 8 | 3 |
| 10 | Department of Law, Indiana University b ...... | Bloomington, Ind |  | 1842 | Rev. Lemuel Moss, D. D., president |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | Law department, University of Notre Dame... | Notre Dame, Ind. |  |  | Lucius G. Tong, LL, B.. | 4 | 0 | 20 | 6 | 23 |
| 11 | lowa College of Law (Simpson Centenary College.) <br> Law department, Iowa State University. | Des Moines, Iowa | 1847 | 1875 | William G. Hammond, LL. D., chancellor ... | 4 3 | 6 | 113 | 25 | c75 |
| 13 | Course of Law in Iowa Wesleyan University. | Mt. Pleasant, Iowa |  |  | Rev. W. J. Spaulding, Ph.D., president of university. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | Law College, Kentucky University* | Lexington, Ky |  | 1865 | John B. Bowman, LL. D., regent; Madison C. Johnson, LL. D., presiding officer. | 6 |  | 23 |  | 12 |
| 15 | College of Law, Central University.. | Richmond, Ky. | 1873 | 1874 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16 | Law department, Straight University. .... | New Orleans, La.... | 1847 | 1847 | Hon. Alfred Shaw, dean .... Carleton Hunt, dean | 4 | 0 | 23 |  | 7 |
| 18 | School of Law, University of Maryland... | Baltimore, Md. (32 M | 1812 | d1870 | Hon. George W. Dobbin, IL. ${ }^{\text {D }}$ | ${ }_{3}^{3}$ | 0 | 60 |  | 21 |
| 19 | Boston University School of Law. | Boston, Mass........ | e1869 | 1872 | Edmund H. Bennett, LL. D., dea | 11 | 1 | 173 | 68 | 47 |
| 20 | Law School of Harvard University*. | Cambridge, Mass |  | 1817 | C. C. Langdell, LL. D., dean. | - |  | 187 | 112 |  |




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＊From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876. $b$ Suspended June， 1877 ．
0 Also 6 in advanced class．

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 Easton，Pa ．．．．．．．． Columbia，S．C． Lebanon，Tenn．
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Table XII.--Statistics of schools of law for 1877, \&c.-Continued.


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Table XIII.-Statistics of schools of medicine, of dentistry, and of pharmacy for 1877, f.c.-Continued.


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[^100]Table XIII.-Statistics of schools of medicine, of dentistry, and of pharmacy for 1877, \&.c.-Continued.

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|  | Name. |  |  | Number of volumes. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Date of next com. mencement. |
|  | 1 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 8 | Mcdical department, Wooster University* | 3 | 20 |  |  |  | \$5 | \$30 | \$40 | \$40, 000 |  |  | \$4, 000 | February 22. |
| 9 | Columbus Medical College................. | 3 | 26 |  |  |  | 30 | 25 | 30 | 7,000 | \$0 |  | 2, 800 | February 27. |
| 0 | Starling Medical College.... | 3 | 21 | 1,500 | 1,000 | 100 | , | 25 | 40 | 100, 000 | 0 | \$0 |  | February 25. |
| 51 | Medical department, Willamette University.* |  | 24 | 50 | 1,000 |  | 5 | 30 | 120 | 2,000 |  |  | 2, 500 | June 18. |
| 22 | Jefferson Medical College.................. | 3 | 32 |  |  |  | 5 | 30 | 140 | $a 250,000$ |  |  |  | March 12. |
| 53 | Medical department, Unirersity of Pennsylvania. | 3 | b20 | 3,000 |  |  | 5 | 30 | 150 | a492, 000 |  | 0 | 41, 000 | March 15. |
| 54 | Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania* | 3 | 32 |  |  |  | 5 | 30 | 105 | d60, 000 | d64, 250 | d4, 612 |  | March. |
| 55 | Medical College of the State of South Carolina. | 3 | 20 |  |  |  | 5 | 30 | 50 | 50,000 | 0 | 0 | 2, 800 | March 5. |
| 56 | Medical department, University of Nashville. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7 | Medical department, Vanderbilt University.* | $e 2$ | 21 |  |  |  |  | 30 | 55 |  |  |  |  | February 22. |
| 88 | Meharry Medical Department of Central Tennessee College. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 59 | Nashville Medical College -............... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | February 26. |
| 60 | Texas Medical College and Hospital**..... | 4 | 16 | 40 | 30 |  | ${ }_{5}^{5}$ | 30 25 | 120 |  | 0 | 0 | 3,120 | March 15. June 27. |
| 62 | mont. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 63 | Medical School, University of Virgini | 3 | 21 | ${ }_{(g)} 50$ | 1,000 |  | 5 | 30 | 120 | 50,000 |  |  | 4, 00 | June 27. |
| 4 | Medical department, Georgetown University. | 3 | $i 21$ | (g) | (a) |  | 5 | 30 | 135 | j1,000 |  |  | 3,500 | April 19. |
| 65 | Medical department, Howard University.. | 3 | 21 | (g) |  |  | 10 | 30 | $k 5$ |  | (g) | (g) | (g) | March 4. |


Table XIII.-Statistics of schools of medicine, of dentistry, and of pharmacy for 1877, \&c.-Continued.


[^101]TABLE XIV.- Summary of examinations for admission to the United States Military and
Naval Academies for the year 1877.

$a$ Not examined in this branch.
b Japanese received under a resolution of Congress.

## Table XV.-Part 1.-Degrees conferred in 1877 by universities, colleges, scientifio

[The following are the explanations of abbreviations ased in Part 1 of this table: L. B., Bachelor of of S cience; B. C. E., Baehelor of Civil Engineering; C. E., Civil Engineer; B. Agr., Baehelor of Agri Mining Engineer; D. E., Dynamic Engineer; B. Arch., Bachelor of Arehitecture; Ph. B., Bachelor of D. B., Bachelor of Divinity; D. D., Doctor of Divinity; M. D., Doctor of Medicine; D. D. S., Doctor of

Note.-0 shows that no degrees were

and other professional schools, and by schools for the superior instruction of women.
Letters; A. B., Bachelor of Arts; A. M., Master of Arts; Sc. B., Bachelor of Science; Sc. M., Master culture; B. M. E., Bachelor of Mining Engineering; M. E., Mining Engineer; C. \& M. E., Civil and Philosophy; Ph. D., Doctor of Philosophy; Mus. B., Bachelor of Music; Mus. D., Doctor of Music; Dental Surgery; Ph. G., Graduate in Pharmacy; LL. B., Bachelor of Laws; LL. D., Doctor of Laws].
conferred; .... indicates none returned.

$g$ Includes 1 honorary M. D. and 1 ad eundem
$h$ This is "laureate of arts."
includes 2 laureate degrecs.
$j$ Includes those conferred in commercial course.

# Table XV.-Part 1.-Degrees conferred in 

Note.-0 shows that no degrees were


1877 by universities, colleges, \&c.-Continued.
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## Table XV.-Part 1.-Degrees conferred in

Note.-0 shows that no degrees were

|  | Institutions and locations. | $\frac{\text { All classes. }}{\text { All degrees. }}$ |  | Letters. |  |  |  |  |
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|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 107 | Hillsdale College, Hillsdale, Mieh | 16 | 6 |  | 7 |  |  | 4 |
| 108 | Hopc Collcge, Holland City, Mich | 8 | 0 |  | 4 |  | 4 |  |
| 109 | Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo, Mich.................. | 5 | 0 |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| 110 | Miehigan State Agricultural College, Lansing, Mich | 15 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 111 | Olivet College, Olivet, Mich | 8 | 2 |  | 2 |  | 2 |  |
| 112 | University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn | 16 | 0 | 3 | 9 |  |  |  |
| 114 | Carleton College, Northfield, Minn. | 9 | 0 |  | 3 |  |  |  |
| 115 | Mississippi Collego, Clinton, Miss | 10 | 0 | 2 | 3 |  |  |  |
| 116 | University of Mississippi, Oxford, Miss. | 5 | 6 |  | 4 |  |  |  |
| 117 | Alcorn University, Rodney, Miss. | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 118 | St. Vinecnt's College, Cape Girardeau, Mo | 66 | 0 |  | 1 |  | 1 |  |
| 119 | University of the State of Missouri, Columbia, Mo | c50 | 1 | 2 | 4 |  | 3 |  |
| 120 | Central College, Fayette, Mo - ................... | 4 |  |  | 1 |  | 1 |  |
| 122 | Wincoln Collere, Greenwood, Mo. | $\stackrel{2}{8}$ | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 123 | William Jowell College, Liberty, Mo | 2 | 2 |  | 2 |  |  |  |
| 124 | Baptist Collcge, Louisiana, Mo. | 1 |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |
| 125 | St. Louis University, St. Lonis, Mo. | 5 | 0 |  | 3 |  | 2 |  |
| 126 | Washington University, St. Louis, Mo | 27 | 0 |  |  |  | 1 |  |
| 127 | Drury College, Springfield, Mo | 2 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| 128 | Central Wesleyan College, Warrenton, Mo | d3 | $d 2$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 129 | Doane College, Crete, Nebr....... | 3 |  |  | 3 |  |  |  |
| 130 | Ncbraska College, Ncbraska City, Ne Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 132 | Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H............... Stevens Institute of Teehnology, Hoboken, | 10 | 9 |  | (e) |  | (e) | 6 |
| 133 | Rutgers College, New Brunswick, N. J......... | 58 |  |  | 15 |  | 28 |  |
| 134 | College of New Jersey, Princcton, N. J | 159 | 9 |  | 98 |  | 50 | 1 |
| 135 | St. Stephen's College, Annandale, N. Y | 14 |  |  | 10 |  |  |  |
| 136 | Wclls College, Aurora, N. Y | 5 | 0 |  | 2 |  |  |  |
| 137 | Brooklyn Collogiate and Polytcchnie Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y. | 1 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 138 |  |  | 0 |  | 4 |  |  |  |
| 139 | Elmira Female Colloge, Elmira, N. Y | 8 |  |  | 8 |  |  |  |
| 140 | St. John's College, Fordham, N | 16 | 1 |  | 5 |  | 11 |  |
| 141 | Hobart College, Geneva, N. Y |  | 1 |  | 1 |  | 4 |  |
| 142 | Madison University, Hamilton, N | 32 | 6 |  | 18 |  | 11 | 3 |
| 143 | Cornell University, Ithaea, N. Y. | 67 | 0 | 3 | 9 |  |  |  |
| 144 | Ingham University, Le Roy, N. Y | 14 | 2 |  | 14 |  |  | 2 |
| 145 | College of St. Francis Xavier, New York, N. | 24 | 0 |  | 18 |  | 6 |  |
| 146 | Columbia Collcge, New York, N. Y...... | 218 | 7 |  | 26 |  | 25 | i1 |
| 147 | Cooper Union Free Night Schools of Scicnce and Art, New York, N. Y. | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 148 149 | University of the City of New York, New York, N. Y... | 237 | 6 |  | 10 |  | 1 |  |
| 149 | Vassar College, Poughkeepsio, N. Y..................... | 45 | 0 |  | 45 |  |  |  |
| 150 | University of Rochester, Rochester, N | 44 | 2 |  | 33 |  | 8 |  |
| 151 | Union University, Sehenectady, N. Y | 148 | 13 |  | 28 |  |  | 3 |
| 153 | Univassity of Nortly, Carolina, Chapel Hill, ${ }^{\text {Na.... }}$ | 46 | 2 |  | 10 |  | 7 |  |
| 154 | Davidson College, Davidson College, N. C...... | 5 | 10 |  |  |  |  | 5 |
| 155 | Rutherford College, Excelsior, N. C. | $\ddot{0}$ | 4 |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| 156 | North Carolina College, Mt. Pleasant, N . C |  | 3 |  | 3 |  | 4 | . |
| 157 | Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C | 6 | 3 | 1 | 3 |  | 1 |  |
| 158 | Buelitel College, Akron, Ohio.. | 11 | 3 |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| 159 | Ohio University, Athens, Ohio | 12 |  |  | 6 |  | 3 |  |
| 160 | Baldwin Unirersity, Berea, Ohio | 9 | 1 |  | 6 |  |  |  |
| 161 | Gorman Wallace College, Berca, Ohio | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 162 | St. Xavier College, Cincinnati, Ohio . | 11 | 0 |  | ${ }_{7}^{2}$ |  | 4 |  |

## a These are "master of acconnts."

b Includes 4 conferred in commercial course.
c Includes 7 "baehelor of horticulture" and 1 "bachelor of pedagogics."
$d$ Degrees not specified.

- These degrees conferred, but the numher of eaeh not specified.
$f$ These are "mechanieal enginecr."

1877 by universities, colleges, fc.-Continued.
conferred ; .... indicates none returned.


[^102]$j$ This is S. T. D. (doctor of sacred theology).
$l$ These are degrees in painting.

Note.-0 shows that no degrees were

Manchester College, Manchester, Tenn
Maryville College, Maryville, Tenu


1877 by universilies, colleges, \&c.-Continued.
conferrer;; .... indicates none returned.


Table XV.-Part 1.-Degrees conferred in
Note.-0 shows that no degrees were

a Also 4 diplomas to young mon as "aecountants."
$b$ This is D. C. L.
cDegree of "graduate" on five students.
$d$ Degrces not specified.
$e 9$."graduate in agriculture" and 7 "graduate in agriculture and mechanics."

187 by universities, colleges, \&c.-Continued.
conferred; .... indicates none returned.

$f$ There were 52 graduates.
$g$ These are "graduate Virginia Military Institute."
$h$ This is B. M. M. (bachelor of mining and metallargy).
$i$ These are S. T. D.
$j$ These degrecs conferred, but the number of each not spocified.

Table XV.-Part 2.-Degrees conferred in 1877 by professional schools not connected with universities and colleges.
[The following are the explanations of abbrctiations used in Part 2 of this table: D. B., Bachelor of Divinity; D. D., Doctor of Divinity; M. D., Doctor of Medicine; D. D. S., Doctor of Dental Surgery; Ph. G., Graduate in Pharmacy ; IL. B., Bachelor of Laws; LL. D., Doctor of Laws.]

$a$ Number of graduates reportcd.
$b$ This was "bachelor of sercd theology."
c Number ordained during athe year.
$d$ Includes 2 A. M.
$e$ There were 11 full graduates ${ }_{i}$. also 4 partial.

|  | Institutious and locations. | \#000000000000000000 | Thcology. |  | Mcalicinc. |  |  | Law. |  |
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|  |  |  | $\dot{\theta}$ <br> $\dot{A}$ <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br> 0 <br>  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{\theta} \\ & \dot{B} \\ & \dot{8} \\ & \dot{B} \\ & \dot{8} \\ & B \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | Honorary, LL. D. |
|  | 1 | $\mathfrak{2}$ | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 49 | Union Theological Seminary, Hampden Sidney, Va... | $a 26$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 50 | Protestant Episcopal Theological Scminary, Theological Seminary, Va. | $a 10$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 51 | Nashotah House, Nashotah, Wis.......................... |  | 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 52 | Semimary of St. Francis of Sales, St. Trancis Station, Wis | $a 22$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 53 | Wayland Seminary, Washington, D. C.................... SCHOOLS OF LAW. | a12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 54 | Union College of Law of the University of Chicago and the Northwestern University, Chicago, Ill. | 41 |  |  |  |  |  | 41 |  |
| 55 | School of Law of the University of Maryland, Baltimore, Md. | 21 |  |  |  |  |  | 21 26 |  |
| 56 | Law School of the Cincinnati College, Cincinnati, Ohio. SCHOOLS OF MEDICINE. | 26 |  |  |  |  |  | 26 |  |
| 57 | Medical College of Alabama, Mobile, Ala .......... | 15 |  |  | 15 |  |  |  |  |
| 58 | Medical College of the Pacific, San Francisco, Cal .... | 13 |  |  | 13 |  |  |  |  |
| 59 | Medical Department, University of California, b San Francisco, Cal. | 15 |  |  | 15 |  |  |  |  |
| 60 | Atlanta Medical College, Atlanta, Ga | 22 |  |  | 22 |  |  |  |  |
| 61 | Rush Medical College, Chicago, Ill. | 117 |  |  | 117 |  |  |  |  |
| 62 | Medical College of Evansville, Eransville, | 8 |  |  | 8 |  |  |  |  |
| 63 | Indiana Mfedical College, Indianapolis, Ind... | 28 |  |  | 28 |  |  |  |  |
| 64 | College of Physicians and Surgeons, Keokuk | c117 |  |  | $c 117$ 20 |  |  |  |  |
| 65 | Hospital College of Medicine, d Louisville, Ky. | 20 |  |  | 20 |  |  |  |  |
| 66 | Kentucky School of Mcdicine, Lonisville, Ky | 80 |  |  | 80 |  |  |  |  |
| 67 | Louisville Medical College, Lonisville, Ky ........... | 70 |  |  | 70 |  |  |  |  |
| 68 | Medical Department of the University of Louisinna, New Orleans, La. | e35 |  |  | $e 35$ 05 |  |  |  |  |
| 69 | College of Physicians and Surseons, Baltimorc, Md .- | 65 |  |  | 65 50 |  |  |  |  |
| 70 | University of Maryland, School of Medicine, Baltimore, Mrl. | 50 30 |  |  | 50 80 |  |  |  |  |
| 71 | Detroit Merdical College, Detroit, Mich ........ | 5 |  |  | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| 79 | St. Joseph Hospital Mcdical Colloge, St. dosep Missour A 1 dical College, St. Loulis, Mo..... | 5 $f 73$ |  |  | f73 |  |  |  |  |
| 74 | St. Louis Medical Collcge, St. Louis, Mo | 51 |  |  | 51 |  |  |  |  |
| 75 | Medical Department, University of Buffalo, Buffalo, N. Y. | 31 |  |  | 31 |  |  |  |  |
| 76 | Belleruo Hospital Medical College, New York, N. Y... | 130 |  |  | 130 |  |  |  |  |
| 77 | Woman's Medical College of the Nuw York Infirmary, Now York, N. Y. | 12 |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |
| 78 | Cincinnati College of Medicine and Surgery, Cincinmati, Ohio. | 58 |  |  | 58 |  |  |  |  |
| 79 | Medical Collese of Ohio, Cincinnati, Ohio ....... | 80 |  |  | 80 |  |  |  |  |
| 80 | Miami Medical College, Cincinnati, Ohio | 35 84 84 |  |  | 35 |  |  |  |  |
| 81 | Columbus Mícdical College, Columbus, Oh Starliner Medical College, Columbus, Ohio | 84 916 |  |  | 34 916 |  |  |  |  |
| 82 83 | Starling Medical College, Columbus, Ohio... | 916 198 |  |  | 198 |  |  |  |  |
| 84 <br> 84 | Medical College of the State of South Carolina, Charleston, S. C. | $1 / 19$ 13 |  |  | 17 13 |  | 2 |  |  |
| 85 | Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Va............. | 13 |  |  | 13 4 |  |  |  |  |
| 86 | College of American Merlicine and Surgery, Macon, Ga. | 4 4 |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |
| 87 88 | Bennett Medical College, Chicago, Lity of Now York, New York, N. Y. | 20 |  |  | 26 |  |  |  |  |
| 89 | Eclectic Medical Institute, Cincinnati, Ohio | 121 |  |  | 121 |  |  |  |  |
| 90 | Chicago Homoeopathic College, Chicago, Il | 15 |  |  | 15 |  |  |  |  |
| 91 | Hahnemanı Medical Collese, Chicago, Ill............... | 44 |  |  | 44 |  |  |  |  |
| 92 | Homoopathic Medical College of Missouri, St. Louis, Mo. | 13 |  |  | 13 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table XV.-Part 2.-Degrees conferred in 1877 by professional schools, $\mathscr{\circ}$..-Continued.


[^103]TABLE XV.-Paist 3.-Degrees conferred in 1877 by schools for the superior instruction of women.
[The following are the explanations of abbreviations used in Part 3 of this table: A. B., Graduate in Arts ; A. M., Mistress of Arts ; B. L. A., Graduate in Liberal Arts ; B. L., Graduate in Letters ; M. L. A., Mistress of Liberal Arts ; M. E. L., Mistress of English Literature ; M. Ph., Mistress of Philosophy; M. P. L., Mistress of Polite Litcrature ; B. Se., Graduate in Scienee ; Mis. Mus., Mistress of Music.]

|  |  | All de | rees. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Institutions and locations. |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{p} \\ & \dot{4} \end{aligned}$ | * | d -i 0 | $\stackrel{\dot{\sim}}{\dot{\sim}}$ | + | H H Hid | $\begin{aligned} & \text { A } \\ & \text { A } \end{aligned}$ | Hi | ¢ $\sim$ $\sim$ A | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{0} \\ & \text { B } \\ & \text { B } \\ & \text { D } \\ & \text { D } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 1 | Union Female College, Eufaula, Ala. | 8 |  |  | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | Florence Synodieal Fernale College, Florence, Ala. | 9 |  |  |  |  |  | 9 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | Marion Female Seminary, Marion, Ala.. | 10 |  |  | 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | Alabama Central Female College, Tusealoosa, Ala. | a9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 | Alabama Conferenee Female College, Tuskegee, Ala. | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8 |  |  |  |  |
| 6 | Wesleyan Female Colloge, Wilmington, Del. | 19 |  | 12 |  |  |  |  | 7 |  |  |  |  |
| 7 | Lucy Cobb Institute, Athens, Ga......... | 12 |  |  |  |  | 9 |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 8 | Southern Masonie Female College, Covington, Ga. | 8 |  | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9 10 | Dalton Fcmale College, Dalton, Ga...... Monroe Female College, Forsyth, Ga... | 11 |  | 12 |  |  |  |  | 11 |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | Grifin Female College, Griffin, Ga. | 11 |  | 12 | 11 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12 | Wesleyan Female College, Macon, | 37 |  | 28 | 9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | College Tomple, Nownan, Ga. .-. .-.....- | 12 |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | Youngr Female College, Thomasville, Ga- | 10 |  | 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 16 | Highland College for Women, Highland Park, Ill. <br> Illinois Female College, Jacksonville, 111 | 7 16 |  |  |  |  | 7 | 6 | 10 |  |  |  |  |
| 16 | St. Mary's School, Knoxville, Ill.........- | 16 2 |  | 2 |  |  |  | - | 10 |  |  |  |  |
| 18 | De Pauw Femalc Collegc, New Albany, Ind. | 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7 |  |  |  |  |
| 19 | College of the Sisters of Bethany, Topeka, Kans. | 6 | $b 1$ | 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20 | Bethel Fcmale College, Hopkinsville, Ky | 8 |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4 |  |
| 21 | Lexington Baptist Female Collegc, Lexington, Ky. | 9 |  |  | 9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22 | Millersburg Female Collegc, Millcrsburg, Ky. | 11 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 10 |  |  |  |  |
| 23 | Mt. Sterling Female College, Mt. Sterling, Ky. | 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |  |
| 24 | Boarbon Female College, Paris, Ky.....- | 7 |  |  | 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25 | Logan Fcrale Collegc, Russellville, Ky - | 2 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| 27 | Ky. <br> Stanford Female Collegc, Stanford, Ky.. | 3 |  | 1 | 6 |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| 28 | Silliman Femalc Collegiate Institute, Clinton, La. | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 29 | Mansfield Femalo College, Mansfield, La. | 5 |  |  | 2 |  |  |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 30 | Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Fomale College, Kent's Hill, Me. | 8 |  | 4 | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 31 | Waterville Classical Institute, Waterville, Me. | 6 |  |  |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 32 | Baltimore Female Collcge, Baltimore, Md | 9 |  | 2 | 3 |  |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |
| 33 | Minneapolis Eemale Seminary, Minneapolis, Minn. | 9 |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7 | .... |
| 34 | Whitworth Fcmale College, Brook. haven, Miss. | 21 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 20 |  |  |  |  |
| 35 36 | Franklin Female Collcge, Holly Springs, Miss. | 4 |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 36 37 | Meridian Female Collegc, Meridian, Miss Union Female Collcge, Oxford, Miss.... | 11 |  |  | 6 |  |  |  | 6 |  |  | 5 |  |
| 38 | Stephens College, Columbia, Mo......... | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 39 | Independence Female College, Independenee, Mo. | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4 |  |
| 40 41 | St. Louis Seminary, Jennings, Mo . . . . . Central Femalo College, Lexington, Mo. | c1 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |
| 42 | St. Joseph Female Collegc, St. Joseph, | 2 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | - |  |  |  |  |
|  | Mo. | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 43 | New Hampshire Confercnce Seminary and Female College, Tilton, N. H. | 8 |  |  |  |  |  | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |

Table XV．－Part 3．－Degrees conferred in 1877 by schools，foc．—Continued．

|  | All de | grees． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Institutions and locatious． |  | Honorary． | ¢ 4 | $\begin{aligned} & 4 \\ & 4 \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ | $\dot{4}$ H n | $\dot{\sim}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{4} \\ & \text { H } \\ & \text { H } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 呙 } \\ & \text { ت } \end{aligned}$ |  | 官 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 号 } \\ & \text { 品 } \end{aligned}$ |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11. | 12 | 13 |
| Tilden Ladies＇Seminary，West Lebanon， | $a 10$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bordentown Female College，Borden－ town，N．J． | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |
| Wesleyan Female College，Murfrees－ boro＇，N．C． | 17 |  | 14 |  |  |  |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| Thomasville Female College，Thomas－ ville，N．C． | 8 |  | 2 |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cincinnati Wesleyan College，Cincin－ nati，Ohio． |  |  | （b） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | （b） |  |
| Glendale Female College，Glendale，Ohio． Highland Institute，Hillsboro＇，Ohio． | 11 |  | 11 |  |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hillsboro＇Female College，Hillsboro＇， Ohio． | 2 |  |  |  |  |  | 6 | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| Pennsylvania Female College，College－ ville， Pa ． |  |  | （b） | （b） |  |  |  |  |  |  | （b） |  |
| Irving Female College，Mechanicsburg， Pa ． | 4 |  | 3 |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Pittsbargh Female College，Pittsburgh， Pa． | c10 |  |  |  |  |  | 4 | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| Due West Female College，Due West， S．C． | 13 |  | 13 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Williamston Female College，Williams－ ton， S C． | 7 |  |  |  | 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wesleyan Female College，Brownsville， Tenn． | $d 7$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |  |
| Bellevue Female College，Collierville， Tenn． | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |
| Cumberland Female College，McMinn－ ville，Tenn． | 4 |  |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| State Female College，Memphis，Tenn．．． | 19 |  |  | 7 |  |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |
| Murfreesboro＇Female Institute，Mar－ freesboro＇，Tenn． | 9 |  |  | 6 |  |  |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| Soule Female College，Murfreesboro＇， Tenn． | 14 |  |  | 14 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| W．E．Ward＇s Seminary for Young La－ dies，Nashville，Tenn． | 42 |  |  | 42 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rogersville Female College，Rogers－ ville，Tenn． | $e 7$ 7 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 7 |  |  |
| Mary Sharp College，Winchester，Tenn． | 18 |  | 17 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chappell Hill Female College，Chappell Hill，Tex． | 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7 |  |  |  |  |
| Dallas Female College，Dallas，Tex．．．．．． <br> Andrew Female College Huntsville Tex | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5 |  |  |  |  |
| Andrew Female College，Huntsville，Tex | 3 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |  |  |
|  | 8 |  |  | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vermont Methodist Seminary and Fe－ male College，Montpelier，Vt． <br> Martha Washington College，Abingdon | 3 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| Martha Washington College，Abingdon， Va． | 9 |  | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |
| Albemarle Female Institute，Char－ lottesville，Va． | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| Episcopal Female Institute，Winches． ter，$\nabla$ a． | $a 11$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wheeling Female College，Wheeling， W．Va． |  |  | （b） | （b） |  |  |  | （b） |  |  |  |  |
| Milwaukee College，Milwaukee，Wis． | 12 |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

$a$ Degrees not specified．
6 These degrees conferred，but the namber not reported．
cIncludes 1 B．E．L．（＂bachelor of English literature．＂）
dIncludes 1 ＂graduate in French．＂
e Includes 6 on whom the degree of＂graduate＂was conferred．

STATISTICAL TABLES.
 of Education.
[Explanations of abbreviations: Sch., school ; Soc'l, social; Med., medical; Sci., scientific ; Hist.; historical; Pub., public ; Y. M. C. A., Young Men's Christian Association; Mis., miscellaneous.
 county.
$l$ To mombers of the faculty.
Table XVI.-Statistics of additional public libraries numbering each 300 volumes or upwards for 1877, \&c.- Continued.


|  |  |  | W R McClo |  |  |  |  | 1,678 |  |  | 210 | 172 | 2,405 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 45 | Young Men's Christian Association | Manchester, V | L. D. Coy |  |  | Soc'1 ... | \} $m 427$ | 15 | c442 |  | 100 |  |  |
|  |  | Thetfor | H.P.C |  |  |  | 1,115 | 43 | 4,7 | 4,0 | 350 |  | 110 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $n 1,463$ |  |
| 47 | Vergennes Library Free Public Library |  | Miss Angust |  |  |  | 2, 563 | ${ }_{635}$ | 19,4 | 0 | 1, 726 | 75 | 579 |
|  | $a$ For printing. <br> $b \$ 4,327$ are accrucd dog tax and interest thereon for several years. <br> c For home use only. <br> $d$ Books and public documents. <br> $e$ Gifts of money and books amounted together to $\$ 40$. |  | $f$ Free to members of the lyceum. <br> $g$ For incidentals only. <br> $h$ Except for circulating purposes. <br> $i$ Also a donation of the ground upon which the <br> building stands, estimated ,"alue $\$ 3,000$. <br> $j$ Tncludes "building account." |  |  |  | $l$ The act of incorporation was passed in 1875; the library was opened to the public February, 1878; the report here given dates from February to May. <br> $m$ Volumes and pamphlets. <br> $n$ For two years. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table XVII. - Statistics of institutions for the deaf and dumb for 1877 ; from replies to inquiries by the United States Bureau of Education.

| - |  | Location. |  | Under what control. | Principal. | Instructors. |  | Number under instruction during the year. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Name. |  |  |  |  |  |  | - | 安 | 宽 |
|  | 1. | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 1 | Alabama Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind. | Talladega, Ala... | 1860 | State | Jo. H. Johnson, M. D. | 6 | 0 | 50 | 30 | 20 |
| 2 | Arkansas Deaf-Mute Institute...................... | Little Rock, Ark | 1868 | State | W. G. Jenkins |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | Institution for tho Deaf and Dumb and the Blind... | Berkeley, Cal. | 1860 | State | Warring Wilkinson, м. A | 3 | 0 | 63 79 | 38 49 | ${ }_{30}^{25}$ |
| 5 | American Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb.......... | Colorado Springs, Colo | 1874 | State..... | James P. Ralstin........ | $\stackrel{5}{2}$ | 0 | 26 | 12 | 14 |
| 6 | Whipple's Home School for Deaf-Mutes. | Hartford, Coun ..... | 1817 | Directors | Edward C. Stone, M. A | 17 | 0 | 272 | 162 | 110 |
| 7 |  | Mystic River, Conn | 1846 | Private ${ }^{\text {Trustecs }}$. | Zerah C. Whipple.... | 4 | 0 | -19 | $\begin{array}{r}12 \\ 15 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 4 |
| 8 | Chicago Day School for Deaf-Mutes.................. | Chicago, \#1il. | 1846 | Trustecs....... | Wesley 0. Conuor ...... | 4 | 2 | 85 | 45 | 40 |
| 9 | Illinois Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb. | Jacksonville, Il | 1839 | State ......... | Rev. P. A. Emery, M. A., D. D | 21 | a3 | 459 | 258 | 201 |
| 10 | Indiana Institution for the Deaf and Dumb | Indianapolis, Ind |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | Iowa Institution for the Deaf and Dumb... | Council Blufts, Iowa | 1855 | State | Rev. Thomas MacIntire, A. M | 16 | 3 | 363 | 223 | 140 |
| 12 | Kansas Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb. | Olathe, Kans....... | 1866 | State | Rev. Benjamin Talbot, M. A. . | 8 | 0 | 156 | 82 <br> 54 | 74 61 |
| 13 | Kentucky Institution for Deaf Mutes* ......... | Danvillo, Ky | 1823 | State | John A. Jaco |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | Lousiana Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb.* | Baton Rouge, La | 1852 | Trustees. | John A. McWhorter, A. M | 3 | 0 | 140 | 24 | ${ }_{16}^{56}$ |
| 15 | Institution for the Colored Blind and Deaf-Miutes... | Baltimore, Md. (92 Soutlr | 1872 |  | F. D. Morrison | 2 | 1 | 17 | 10 | 7 |
| 16 | Maryland Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb. | Broadway). <br> Frederich, Md | 1868 | State | Charles W. Ely, m. A. | 8 | 1 | 103 | 65 | 38 |
| 17 | Horace Mann School for the Deaf | Boston, Mass. (63 Warren- | 1869 | School board.. | Miss Sarah Fulle | 7 | 0 | 81 | 40 | 41 |
| 18 | Clarke Iustitution for Deaf-Mutes ................... | Northampton, Mass. | 1867 | Prt. corporat'n | Miss Harriet B. R | 8 |  | 65 | 35 |  |
| 19 | Michigan Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind. | Flint, Mich | 1848 | State .......... | J. W. Parker... | 613 | 2 | 286 | 153 | 31 133 |


TABLE XVII.-Statistics of institutions for the deaf and dumb for 187\%, \&.c.-Coutinued.
Note. $-x$ indicates an affirmative answer and also the branches taught.



Nine and a half acres leased; value of property
leased, $\$ 111,000$.
Also $\$ 7,383$ from comnties.
$\$ 240$ pel amnum to be invested in books.
This was for six months, ending March 1, 1877.
Includes $\$ 3,000$ for improvements to August, 1877
Congressional appropriation, of which $\$ 09,525$ were
for building.
A department of Columbia Institution; its statisties will be found in Table IX $j$ Drawing and painting are also tanght.
$j$ For current expenses; $\$ 20,500$ for special purposes. $l$ Also $\$ 20,000$ for buildin

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\begin{aligned}
& n \text { Since reorganization in } 1871 \text {. } \\
& \text { o Also book-keeping and drawing. } \\
& p \text { Includes all maintenance fees. }
\end{aligned}
$$

$q$ Also natural history, book-keeping, geometry, alge bia, moral philosopley, and Latio.
Income from all sources other than Sta的 $f$ Current expenditure for both departments ; excludes $f$ (antiture for buildings. $g$ Only a nucleus.

* From Report of the Commissioner of Education for
1876 .
a Mrusic is also taught.
$b$ For both departments.
$c$ Drawing is also taught.
$d$ For salaries and contingest expenses ; $\$ 150$ are al-
lowed for each pupil in attendance.
* From Report of the Commissioner of Education for
1876 .
a Mrusic is also taught.
$b$ For both departments.
$c$ Drawing is also taught.
$d$ For salaries and contingest expenses ; $\$ 150$ are al-
lowed for each pupil in attendance. $h$ From Stato tax
-posopo :-ons smor quies

Note. $-x$ indicates the employment taught;

| Name. | Location. |  | Superintendent. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Alabama Institution for the Deaf, the Dumb, and the Blind. Arkansas Institute for the Blind | Talladega, Ala.. | 1866 | Jo. H. Johnson. | Stato. | 2 |
| Arkansas Institute for the Blind | Little Rock, Ark. | 1859 | Otis Patten | State | 2 |
| and the Blind. <br> Georgia Acadomy for the Blind | Berkeley, Cal. | 1860 | Warring Wilkinson, M. A . | State | $b 28$ |
| Illinois Institution for the Education of the Blind. | Macon, Ga ...... Jacksonville, | 1852 | W. D. Williams, A.m | Corporation <br> State | 32 |
| Indiana Institute for the Edrea. tion of the Blind. | Indianapolis, Ind | 1847 |  | State | 27 |
| Iowa College for the Blind | Vinton, Iow | 1853 | Rev. Robert Caro- | State | 32 |
| Kansas Institution for the Education of the Blind. | Wyandotte, Kans | 1867 | Gcorge H. Miller .. | State | 6 |
| Kentucky Institution for the Education of the Blind. | Louisville, Jíy... | 1842 | B. B. Huntoon | State | 20 |
| Louisiana Institution for Education of the Blind and the Indus. trial Home for the Blind. | Baton Rouge, La. | 1871 | P. Lane | Stato | 8 |
| Institution for the Colored Blind and Deaf-Mutcs. | Baltimore, Md. (92S. Broadway). | 1872 | F. D. Morrison | Corporation . | 8 |
| Maryland Institution for the Instruction of the Blind. | Baltimore, Md... | 1853 | F. D. Morrison | Corporation | 15 |
| Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Sliud. | Boston, Mass | 1829 | M. Anagnos | Stateand cor- | 46 |
| 'Michigan Institution for the Elucation of the Dcaf and Dumb and the Blind. | Flint, Mich | 1854 | J. W. Parker | poration. <br> State...... | 63 |
| Minnesota Institution for the Educatiou of the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind. | Faribault, Minn. | 1865 | J. L. Noyes. | State | 3 |
| Mississippi Asylum for the Blind* | Jackson, Miss . . | 1852 | W. S. Langley |  |  |
| Migsouri Institution for the Education of the Blind. | St. Louis, Mo... | 1850 | James McWork. man, M. D. | State | 7 |
| Asylum for the Blind. . . . . . . . . . | Nebraska City, Nebr. |  |  |  |  |
| New York State Institution for the Blind. | Batavia, N. Y... | 1868 | James McLeod | State | 18 |
| New York Institution for the Blind. | New York, N. Y | 1831 | Wm. B. Wait | Corporation . | 61 |
| North Carolina Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind. | Raleigh, N. C | 1849 | Hezekiah A. Gud- | State | (a) |
| Ohio Institution for the Education of the Blind. | Columbus, Ohio.. | 1837 | ger, principal. <br> G. L. Smead, M. A. | State | 55 |
| Orcgon Institute for the Blind.... | Salem, Oreg | 1873 | Mrs. E. J. Dawne. . |  |  |
| Pennsylvania Institution for the Instruction of the Blind. | Philadelphia, Pa. | 1833 | William Chapin, A. | Corporation . | 38 |
| South Carolina Institution for the Education of the Deafand Dumb and the Blind. | Cedar Spring, S. C. | 1849 | N. F. Walker . | State | $b 5$ |
| Teunessce School for the Blind... | Nastuville, Teun | 1846 | J. M. Sturtevant. | Stateand cor- | 10 |
| Texas Institution for the Blind... | Austin, Tex | 1858 | Frank Rai | poration. |  |
| Vircinia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind. | Staunton, Va | 1839 | Charles D. McCoy. | State | 8 |
| West Virginia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind. | Romney, W.Va.. | 1870 | John C. Corcll | Stato | 814. |
| Wisconsin Institution for the Education of the Blind. | Janesville, Wis.- | 1850 | Mrs. Sarah F. C. Little, M. A. | State........ | 21 |

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## replies to inquiries by the United States Bureau of Education.

0 signifies none; .... indicates no answer.


[^106]$m$ Also knitting, brush and mat making, and carpet weaving.
$n$ Telegraphy is also taught.
$o \$ 2,500$ of this were for special purposes.

Table XIX.-Statistics of educational benefactions for 1877 ; from


| Benefactions. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { ت̃ } \\ & \text { H } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | Object of benefaction and remarks. |
| 5 | 6 | g | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| $\$ 2,139$ 2,000 27,301 | \$27,301 |  |  |  | \$2, 139 | \$2, 000 | To aid indigent young men to fit for the ministry. <br> For library. <br> $\$ 18,596$ for increase of endowment and $\$ 8,705$ for current expenses. |
| 20,000 | 20,000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2,500 1,100 | $\left\{\begin{array}{r}2,500 \\ 500 \\ 000\end{array}\right.$ |  |  |  |  |  | For endowment. |
| 10,000 | 10,000 |  |  |  |  |  | For productive fund. |
| 1,000 | 1,000 |  |  |  |  |  | Payment of indelteduess. |
| 3,991 | 3, 080 | \$305 |  |  |  |  | $\$ 3,641$ for the endowment fuad, $\$ 305$ for building, and $\$ 45$ for current expenses. |
| 25, 000 | 25,000 |  |  |  |  |  | A general subscription to the college. |
| 9,500 | 9,500 |  |  |  |  |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \$ 2,500 \text { for payment of debt and } \$ 7,000 \text { on } \\ \text { condition of the maintenance of the } \\ \text { principles of anti-secrecy at present } \\ \text { advocated and taught by the officers } \\ \text { of the faculty. } \end{array}\right.$ |
| 100 4,000 | 4, 000 |  |  |  |  | 100 |  |
| 100 |  |  |  |  |  | 100 | For college library. |
| 24,011 |  |  |  |  | 24, 011 |  | Collected from congregations of the Norwegian Lutheran Synod to aid theological students attending this college, the Theological Seminary, Madison, Wis., and the German Latheran Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mo. |
| $\begin{array}{r} 100 \\ 2,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 100 \\ 2,000 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  | For professors' salaries. |
| 7,500 | 7, 500 |  |  |  |  |  | To aid in the general endowment of the institution. |
| 3,500 3,180 3, | 3,180 | 3,500 |  |  |  |  | For new chapel. |
| 2, 000 |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\$ 800$ for salaries and $\$ 1,200$ to complete building. |
| 3,000 | 3, 000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4,000 400 | 4,000 400 |  |  |  |  |  | To pay professors. |
| 3, 000 |  |  |  |  |  |  | To repair building and support teachers. |
| 1,000 | 1.000 |  |  |  |  |  | For general purposes. |
| 10,000 50 | 10,000 |  |  |  |  | 50 | A note for $\$ 10,000$, payable at death, for the endowment of the chair of the vice president. <br> For library. |
| 1,400 | 1,400 |  |  |  |  | 50 | For permanent endowment, and is from the Kentucky Baptist Ccntennial Fund. |
| 60,000 |  | 60, 000 |  |  |  |  | Given in various sums and at various times by Mr. Chamberlin for the erection of the university building; the object of the university being to provide teachers and preachers for the freedmen. |
| 1,000 |  |  |  | \$1,000 |  |  | To found a scholarship; the income to be expended in the aid of indigent students, at the discretion of the president. |

Table XIX.-Statistics of educational

benefactions for 1877, £c.-Continued.


Table XIX. - Statistics of educational

benefactions for 1877, \&.c.-Continued.


Table XIX.-Statistics of educational

| Organization to which intrusted. |
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benefactions for 1877, s.c.-Continued.


Table XIX.-Statistics of educational

benefactions for 1877, \&c.-Continued.


Table XIX.-Statistics of educationa?

| Organization to which intrusted. |  | Benefactor. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Name. | Location. | Name. | Residence. |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Schools of theology-Cont'd. |  |  |  |
| Danville Theological Seminary. The College of the Bible | Danville, Ky....... <br> Lexington, Ky .... | The Disciples in Kentucky and other States. |  |
| Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. | Louisville, Ky .... | Various persons |  |
| Bangor Theological Seminary .. | Bangor, Me. |  |  |
| Theological School of Bates Col- Lewiston, Melege. |  |  |  |
| New Church Theological School. Taltham, Mass....Augsburg Seminarium ......... |  |  |  |
| Bishop Green Associate Mis- sion and Training School. | Dry Grove, Miss .. | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Mrs. Julia M. Irvington .. } \\ \text { Mrs. Nathalie Bayliss.... } \\ \text { Various persons ........ } \\ \text { Hon. I. F. Randolph..... } \end{array}\right.$ | State of New York.. State of New York. <br> Morristown, N. J. |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { German Theological School of } \\ & \text { Newark, N.J. } \end{aligned}$ | Bloomfield, N.J. . | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Miss Ellen Mowbrey...... } \\ \text { Daniel Price............ } \\ \text { Other persons............ }\end{array}\right.$ | Brooklyn, N. Y Newark, N. J |
|  |  |  |  |
| Theological Scminary of Reformed (Dutch) Church in America. | New Brunswick, N.J. | Gardner A. Sage........... | New York, N. Y .... |
| Theological Scminary of the Presbyterian Church. | Princeton, N. J... | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Executor of Archibald } \\ \text { Cooper. } \\ \text { James Lenox ............ } \\ \text { G. C. Woodhull executor) } \\ \text { From estate of John C. } \\ \text { Green. } \\ \text { Sundry persons }\end{array}\right.$ | State of New York State of New York.. New York, N. Y... |
| Auburn Theological Seminary.. | Auburn, N. Y..... | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { E. B. Morgan.............. } \\ \text { E. C. Richards............. } \\ \text { From the © tate of P. } \\ \text { Snydcr. } \\ \text { Mrs. A. Sorter ......... } \\ \text { Various persons .......... } \end{array}\right.$ | Aurora, N. Y <br> New York, N. Y <br> Niagara Falls, N. Y. |
| Newlurgh Theological Semi- uary. | Newburgh, N. Y .. | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Henry Harison. } \\ \text { Other persons... } \end{array}\right.$ | New York, N. |
| German Theological Scminery of the P. E. Church. | New York, N. Y .. | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Miss Talman............... } \\ \text { Graduates of St. Mary's } \\ \text { Hall. } \end{array}\right.$ | New York, N. Y.... Burlington, N. J .... |
| Union Theological Seminary ... | New York, N. Y .. | Francis P. Schoals Henry Gordon . | New York, N. Y.... Philadelphia, Pa.... |
| $\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { Theological department } \\ \text { Wilberforce } \\ \text { University. }\end{array}\right\}$ | Xenia, Ohio....... | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Mrs. S. E. Jones . } \\ \text { A lady.......... }\end{array}\right.$ | Hamilton, Ohio ..... <br> Eillsboro', Ohio..... |
| Western Theological Seminary. | Allegheny, Pa .... |  |  |
| Moravian Theological Seminary Theological Seminary of the | Bcthlehem, Pa.... | Moravian churches Various persons ... |  |
| Evangelical Lutheran Church. Meadville Thcological School... | Meadville, Pa..... | Various persons ........... | Boston, New York, Providence, Cincinnati, Chicago, Buffalo, Mead. ville, \&c. |

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Table XIX.-Statistics of educational

benefactions for 1877, \&o.-Continued.


Table XIX.-Statistics of educational

| Organization to which intrusted. |
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Table XIX. - Statistics of educational

| Organization to which intrusted. |  | Benefactor. |  |
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| Name. | Location. | Name. | Residence. |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Institutions for secondaiky instruction-Continued. |  |  |  |
| New Perlin Academy | New Berlin, N. Y. | H. O. Moss and others | Now Bcrlin, N. Y |
| Nazareth Academy $\ldots$............. Rochester Realscliule .......... | Rochester, N. Y ... | Rochester Realschulver. ein. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Saugerties Institute.............. } \\ & \text { Jow Garden Boarding School.. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Saugerties, N. Y.. } \\ & \text { Now Garden P.O., } \\ & \text { N. C. } \end{aligned}$ | Various persons <br> Allery Jay...... | Providence, R. I |
| Washington School ............. | Raleigh, N. C...... | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { American Missionary As. } \\ \text { sociation. } \\ \text { From friends .............. } \end{array}\right.$ |  |
| Randall Academy ... | Berlin, Ohio | Various persons <br> (Johm Dorlge (deceased) | Jackson County, Ohio. Beverly, Ohio ........ |
| Beverly College ................. | Bererly, Ohio | $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Benjamin Dum (dc- } \\ \text { ceased). }\end{array}\right.$ | Beverly, Ohio ....... |
| Academy of Central College.... | Contral College, Ohio. | Counties of Central Ohio.. |  |
| Albany Enterprise Academy ... | Lee, Ohio ......... | Agent for tho Avery estate | Pittsburgh, Pa...... |
| Sarannah Male and Female Acatems. | Savaunal, Ohio ... | Various persons |  |
| Albany Collegrate Institute .... | Albany, Oreg | Thomas Montieth. | Albany, Oreg |
| $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Bearer College and Musical In- } \\ \text { stitute. }\end{array}\right\}$ | Peaver, Pa....... | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { John F. Draw } \\ \text { Cyrus Clarke } \\ \text { Henry Hice.. }\end{array}\right.$ | Beaver, Pa.... New Castle, Pa Beaver, Pa.. |
| Western Pennsylrania Classical and Scientific Institute. Broad Strcet Academy ......... | Mt. Pleasant, Pa.. Philadelphia, Pa .. | Various persons |  |
| St. Mary's Seminary Avery Normal Institute........ | Providence, R. I .. Charleston, S.C... | Rev. D. Reley (deccased). American Missionary Association. |  |
| Limestone Snrings Female High School. | Limestone Springs, S. C. | Hon Peter Couper ........ | New York, N. Y |
| Chatata Scminary | Chatata, Tenn .... | Van Antwerp, Bragg \& Co Various persons | Cincimati, Ohio .... Gainesboro', Tenn . |
| Loudon High School............. | Loudon. Tenn..... | Various persons .......... |  |
| Branner Institute ............... Nashrille Normal and Theolog. | Mossy Creek, Teum Nashville, Tenn .. | Department of the Interior <br> \{ Mrs. Davis (deccased) .. | Washington, D. C. <br> Michigan |
| ical Institute. Holston Seminary .............. | New Market, Tenn |  | Penficld, N. Y <br> Gloversville, N. Y <br> Canandaigua, N. Y. <br> New York |

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| Organization to which intrusted. |  | Benefactor. |  |
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| Name. | Location. | Name. | Residence. |
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| Libraries-Continued. |  |  |  |
| Vergennes Library............... nstitutions for the deaf AND DUMB. | Vergennes, Vt.... | Miss Susan B. Strong and others. |  |
| Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind. | Berkeley, Cal..... | Robert W. Durham (doceased). | Chico, Cal |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { American Asylum for the Deaf } \\ & \text { and Dumb. } \end{aligned}$ | Hartford, Conn... | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { James S. Seymour (de- } \\ \text { ceased). } \\ \text { Miss Eliza Morrison ..... } \end{array}\right.$ | Aubarn, N. X <br> Peterboro', N. II. |
| Illinois Institution for the Edr-? cation of the Deaf and Dumb.) | Jacksonville, $\Pi 1$. | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Departments of the Ge... } \\ \text { eral Government. } \\ \text { Northwestern Electrical } \\ \text { Companv. } \end{array}\right.$ | Washington, D. C... |
| St. Joseph's Institute for thè Improved Instruction of DoafMutes. | Fordham, N. Y.... | Company. |  |
| $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { New York Institution for the } \\ \text { Instruction of the Deaf and } \\ \text { Dumb. }\end{array}\right\}$ | New York, N. Y.. | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { E. Holbrook ............... } \\ \text { B. F. Wheelwright..... } \\ \text { Harriet Stoner............ }\end{array}\right.$ | New York, N. Y.... <br> New York, N. Y.... <br> New York, N. Y.... |
| North Carolina Institution for the Deaf and Dumb. | Ralcigh, N.C..... | John Kelly | Hillsboro', N. C..... |

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| 1 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 5 | ${ }_{6}$ |
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| Vol. 3. From the End of the Reign of Louis XIV until the End of the |  |  | 8vo |  | 250 |
| Reign of Louis Philippo. <br> A Bibliography of Bibliography. By Josenh Sabin | J. Sabin \& Sons | do |  | 151 | 150 |
| Bibliotheea Americana-A Dietionary of Books relating to America from |  |  | Each, 8vo |  | Pap., ea., 250 |
| its Diseovery to the Present time. By Joseph Sabin. Parts 47-54. |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Forsyth's Life of Cicero. New edition. 2 vols. in 1 |  | . .do | 12mo | 364,341 | 250 |
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| Name of book and of autlior. | Name of publisher. | Place of publieation. | Size of book. | Number of pages. | Price. |
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| History of Materialism. By F. A. Lange. 3 vols. Vol. I. | James R. Osgood \& Co | do | Crown 8vo |  | 350 |
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| Name of book and of author. | Name of publisher. | Place of publication. | Size of book. | Number of pages. | Priee. |
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Table XXI．－Statistics of schools and asylums for feelle－minded children for 1877；from replies to inquiries by the United States Bureau of Education．

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| 1 | Connecticut School for Imbeciles ．．．．．．．． Illinois Asylum for Fceble－minded Chil－ dren． | Lakeville，Conn．．． Lincoln，Ill | $\begin{aligned} & 1858 \\ & 1865 \end{aligned}$ | Henry M．Knight，M．D．．． Chas．F．Willur，A．m．，M．D． | 12 | $\begin{array}{r} 48 \\ 103 \end{array}$ | ${ }_{79}^{36}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 84 \\ 182 \end{array}$ | $a \times$ | $\times$ | $\stackrel{x}{\times}$ | $\times$ | $\stackrel{\times}{\times}$ |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | 204 | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 14,975 \\ & b 58,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 814,975 \\ 58,000 \end{gathered}$ |
| 4 | Towa Asylum for Feeble－minded Children Kentucky Institution for Educating Feeble－minded Children． | Glenwood，Iowa ．． Frankfort，Ky ．．．． | $\begin{aligned} & 1876 \\ & 1860 \end{aligned}$ | O．W．Archibald，m．D．．．．． <br> J．Q．A．Stewart，M．D．．．．．． | ${ }_{22}^{16}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{\|l\|} 62 \\ 67 \end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 38 \\ & 60 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \\ & 122 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\stackrel{\times}{\times}$ | $\stackrel{\times}{\times}$ | $\stackrel{x}{x}$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | 2 | $\begin{aligned} & 15,000 \\ & 26,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 18,000 \\ & 26,000 \end{aligned}$ |
| 5 | Private Institution for the Education of Feeble－minded Youth． | Barre，Mass．．．．．．． | 1848 | George Brown，m．D |  | 57 | 19 | 76 |  | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  |  | 128 |  | 36，485 |
| 6 | Massachusetts School for Idiotic and Feeble－minded Youth． | Boston，Mass ．．．．． | 1848 | Edward Jarvis，m．D． | 21 | 53 | 35 | 88 |  | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | $\times$ |  |  | （d） |  | e25， 000 | 25，000 |
| 7 | Hillside School for Backward and Feeble Children． | Fayville，Mass．．．． | 1870 | Mcsdames Knight and | 9 | 8 | 1 | 9 | $f \times$ | $\times$ | x | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | 10 |  |  |
| 9 | Idiot Asylum，Randall＇s Island ．．．．．．．．．．． <br> New York Asyun for Tdiots | Now York，N．Y． |  | Mary C．Dunphy |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\times$ |  | $\times$ | （g） | 53 |  |  |
| 110 | New York Asyum for Idiots ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． Ohio State Asylum for Idiots ．．．．．．．．．．． | Syracusc，N．Y．．．． <br> Columbus，Ohio．． | $\begin{aligned} & 1851 \\ & 1857 \end{aligned}$ | Hervey B．Wilbur，m．D G．A．Doren，M．D | $\begin{gathered} 56 \\ 50 \\ \hline 104 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \left.1 \begin{array}{l} 148 \\ 271 \\ 27 \end{array}\right) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 119 \\ & 180 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 267 \\ & \hline 251 \\ & \hline 47 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & x \\ & x \\ & x \end{aligned}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & x \\ & x \\ & x \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & x \\ & x \\ & x \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & x \\ & x \\ & x \end{aligned}$ |  |  | （g） | 201 |  |  |
| 11 | Pennsylvania＇Training School for Feeble－ minded Children． | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Molumbus, Ohio.... } \\ & \text { Mcial Pa........ } \end{aligned}$ | 1852 | G．Aaac N．Kerlin，M．D．．．．．．． | 104 | 147 | $\begin{aligned} & 180 \\ & 101 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 451 \\ & 248 \end{aligned}$ | （h） | $\stackrel{\times}{\times}$ | $\begin{aligned} & x \\ & x \end{aligned}$ | $x$ |  | $\stackrel{\times}{\times}$ |  |  | ${ }_{4}^{201}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l\|l\|} 79,178 \\ 57,535 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l} 77,589 \\ 52,725 \end{array}$ |
| $a$ Articulation，sewing，fancy work，dancing，and gymnastics are also taught． $b$ Per annum from State． <br> $c$ Kindcrgarten instruction and gymnastic excrcises are also given． <br> $d$ Gymnastic exercises form a part of the training． |  |  |  |  | $c$ Of this $\$ 20,000$ is from the State． <br> $f$ Painting，wood carving，and tancy work are also taught． $g$ Also mat malking for boys and sowing for girls． $h$ Also farming and domestic work，and industrial trades． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table XXII.-Improvements in school furniture, apparatus, ventilation, s.c., patented in the United States for the year $187 \%$.

| Name of patentee. | Residence. | Number of patent. | Title of patent. |
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| Taylor, J | Willington, Conn | 188, 984 | Derice for teaching penmanship. |
| Swift, E. M | Windham, Conn | 190, 644 | Slate eleaner. |
| Willbanks, D. A | Monroe, Ga | 189, 535 | Apparatus for teaehing spelling. |
| Andrews, H. L | Chieago, Ill | 190, 662 | Blackboard eraser. |
| Goodrieh, H. © | Chieago, Ill | 188, 792 | Slate frame. |
| Martin, C. E | Chieago, Ill. | 196, 532 | Educational appliance. |
| Haynes, E. | Kirk's Cross-Roads, Ind. | 186,729 | School desk seat. |
| Tilman, N | Xenia, Ind | 194, 015 | Writing ink. |
| Briggs, W. S | Ottumwa, Iowa | 198, 484 | Fountain pen. |
| Kavanaurh, | Chaplin, Ky | 196, 583 | Apparatus for teaching arithmetic. |
| Merrill, T. ${ }^{\text {S }}$ | Portland, Me | 187, 721 | Slate peneil sharpener. |
| Fisher, E. S | Boston, Mass. | 188, 505 | Edueational tos. |
| Smith, E. W | Boston, Mass. | 185, 977 | Scholar's eompanion. |
| Watriss, A. W | Cambridge, Mass | 192, 102 | Paper folder and entter. |
| Trask, C. H | Lynn, Mass .-... | 196, 270 | Combination writing instrument. |
| Baeon, C. N | Winehester, Mass | 188, 227 | Blackboard rubber. |
| Davis, O | Battle Creek, Mich.. | 190, 832 | Folding seat for sehnol desks. |
| Medart, | St. Louis, Mo | 187, 477 | Gymnastie apparatus. |
| Lake, E. B | Bricksburs, N | 196, 676 | Combined peneil holder and sharpener. |
| Shepherd, C | Passaie, N.J. | 193, 099 | Drawing slate. |
| Shepherd, C. | Passaie, N. J | 193, 464 | Sehool slate. |
| Shepherd, C. | Passaie, N. J. | 198, 552 | Slate. |
| Garfield, C. I | Albany, N. Y | 194, 770 | Ventilator for building. |
| Bennett, W. H | Brooklyn, N. Y | 198, 560 | Combined blotting pad and ruler. |
| Bennett, W. HI | Brooklyn, N. Y | 191, 512 | Ventilation and disinfeetion of buildings |
| Gardam, J | Brooklyn, N. Y | 192, 161 | Parallel ruler. |
| Chase, M. W | Buffalo, N. Y | 198, 352 | School furniture. |
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| Browne, C. B | Camillus, N. Y | 193, 139 | Book eover protector. |
| Hofer, W. 1 | Deposit, N. Y | 195, 281 | Adding maehine. |
| Taylor, W. F | Medina, N. Y | 187, 680 | Student's chair. |
| Hussey. C. A | New York, N. Y | 195, 762 | Galvanie battery. |
| Langerfeld, A | New York, N. Y | 187, 871 | Draughtsman's instrument. |
| MeGill, G. W | New York, N. Y. . | 188, 653 | Combined erasive tip and pencil point proteetor. |
| Sehra | New York, N. Y | 186, 885 | Combined eraser and pencil. |
| Stein, D. J | Now York, N. Y | 198, 056 | Writing desk. |
| Wakeman, | New York, N. Y | 198, 169 | Peneil sharpener. |
| Walgrain, W. C. F., and Buseall, K. | New York, N. X.. | 192,957 105,693 | Sehnol desk. |
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| Laekey, S. J | Cleveland, Ohio. | 197, 279 | Chart for objeet teaching. |
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| Simonton, J. | Tiro, Ohio | $\text { 197, } 497$ | Deviee for teaching musieal transposition. Combined slate and book earrier. |
| Haggerty, J. | Corry, Pa .-.... | 190,318 186,288 | Combined slate and book earrier. Combined blotter and paper elip. |
| Farrington, C.B | Philadelphia, Pa | 186, 288 |  |
| MeCormiek, W.D | Seranton, Pa. | 188, 651 | Combined slate and seholar's companion. Sehool desk and settee. |
| Payne, J. R | Coneord, Tenn | 193,459 | Sehool desk and settee. Arding peneil. |
| Fields, C. C | Abingdon, Va. | 187, 114 | Adding peneil. Copying book. |
| Anderson, W. A | La Crosse, Wis..... | 194, 026 | Copying book. |
| Holton, W. J., and Field, J. E. | Milwaukee, Wis ... | 191,856 | Paint pencil or erayon. |
| Durant, E. G -................ | Raeine, Wis | 192, 640 | Elueational globe. |
| Kingsley, H. L., and W. P. Paekard. | Racine, Wis..... | 189,473 | Blaekboard. |
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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ History of England in the Eighteenth Century, vol. ii, p. 43.
    ${ }^{2}$ Ibid., vol. ii, p. 273.

[^1]:    ${ }^{1}$ Elements of the Laws, preface.

[^2]:    1 On page 3 infra may be found the rules followed in the preparation of these abstracts.
    ${ }^{2}$ Their use and value have been well expressed in the following sentences, which were written by an excellent and well known teacher after a careful study of the collection for the year 1877 in this Office: "It is impossible to read the various schnol reports of our country without being profoundly impressed with the watchful care and intelligent forethought of those to whom these interests are committcd. Especially is this the cffect of the reports from the larger citics, where, as the work is most concentrated and most completely organized, there is opportunity for the most perfcct supervision. While these reports indicate the fixed and enduring character of our graded school system, they show that its friends are not obstinately committed to precedents, but are ever on the alert to modify and expand the system according to the changing conditions of the communities to which it ministers. The reports of 1877 abound in evidences of this disposition. The attention given to industrial drawing, the introduction of German in the public schools of citics having large proportions of German population, the efforts made to familiarize pupils with the clements of the natural sciences, to cultivate a taste for literature while still maintaining the drill in that narrow round of studies which enter most constantly into the ordinary business by which they must live - all these are proofs of the flexibility of the American school system. These provisions for the intellectual wants of the young are not confined to the school room. In many cities public libraries exist in immediate relation to the educational department, and an important feature of their administration is their odaptation to the use and needs of students; thus, in Cincinnati, Cleveland, and St. Louis the public librarics are under the control of the board of education. The financial dopression of the year has necessitated great cconomy in the management of school finances. In considering possible retrenchments, Mr. W. T. Harris, superintendent of schools for St. Louis, is led to propose the introduction of half time schools in the two lowest grades. This plan, it is believed, involves noti economy only, but the mental and physical advantage of the pupils. It is generally admitted that from two and a half to four and a half hours' mental labor is all that should be allowed children under twelve years of age. It is also conceded that the alternation of study and work ias an excellent effect upon children, increasing their intercst in both and their capacity for close attention. It appears, then, that a combination of half time literary schools with industrial training would afford the bost possible conditions for elementary scholars."

[^3]:    a 177 eities, each containing 7,500 inhabitants or more, were reported in 1875; their aggregate popu ation was $8,804,654$.
    $b 193$ eities of 7,500 inhabitants or more were reported in 1876; their aggregate population was $9,128,955$. c 195 cities of 7,500 inhabitants or more are reported in 1877; their aggregate population is $9,099,025$.

[^4]:    $a$ The aggregate of the school funds as prepared from Table I of the appendix is $\$ 90,019,619$; this,

[^5]:    ${ }^{1}$ The number that had been trained in normal schools was, howerer, 618 greater; so that there was proportionately greater teaching skill, eveu with fewer teachers.

[^6]:    The statistics of public high schools for this State. will not bo found in their place in the abstract: They aro, as derived from the tables of Superintendent Tarbell's report for 1876-77, schools with at loast one class in high school studies, 85 ; pupils in such stadies, 5,852 . The studies include arithmetic, algebra, geometry, drawing, composition, grammar, general history, the uatural sciences, govermmont, rhetoric, Euglish literature, French or German, and in many cases Latin aud Greek. For statistics of commercial and business colleges, private academic schools, and preparatory departments of colleges in the State, see Tables IV, VI, and IX of the appendix following, and the summaries of them in this pari of the report.

[^7]:    ${ }^{1}$ The large increase here noted was based on a wxitten return made to this Office by the State superintendent. From the printod bienuial report, howerer, reccived since this matter was put in type, it would appear that the increase in average attendance is 4,113 instead of 28,716 .

[^8]:    ${ }^{1}$ The attitude of the struggle is well illustrated by the discussion between Hon. W. II. Ruffiner, superintcndent of public instruction for the State of Virginia, and Rev. Dr. R. L. Dabney, an eminent citizere of that State. Dr. Dabney having published an article against negro education and the school system generally in a Virginia newspaper, a discussion ensucd in the course of which Mr. Ruffncr maintained, first, that "Unless we propose to abolish education wholly we must cmploy the public system, because we are too poor to do without it;" secondly, Dr. Dabncy errs in holding that "If our civilization is to continue there must be at the bottom of the social fabric a class who must work and not read," since the history of prominent industrial nations points to a different conclusion; Virginia's greatest statesmen, moreover, have persistently urged the policy of widespread popular cducation; thirdly, admitting religious instruction to be nccessary to the proper development of the child and conceding that the State has no right to teach anything of a sectarian character, yet the State "may formally teach the recognized morality of the country;" fourthly, illiteracy is not so prevalent in countries having systems of popular education as in those without such a system; fifthly, ignorance and crime are closely related; sixthly, the hope of prosperity in the South is to be based on the negro's clevation and development and not on his extermination.

[^9]:    needful text books free of charge. These books are understood to be held by the chil-
    ${ }^{1}$ The report of the State Normal College at Nashville, Tenn., for the year ending September 1, 1877, shows that the second year has been much more successful than its most sanguine friends antieipated it would be-a result largely due to the amount appropriated by the Peabody edueation fund for its support, which was $\$ 9,000$ for 1877; the State contributed nothing. The first annual eommeneement was held May 30,1877 , and was very largely attended by prominent educators and eitizens. After an address by ex-Governor Neill S. Brown, the degree of licentiate of instruction was conferred upon the graduates.
    ${ }^{2}$ As bearing on this point, the opinion of an intelligent and elear-sighted foreigner may not be without interest: "The district is a territorial unit not only too narrow but too variable to scrve either as the basis for a wise distribution of school funds or for efficient supervision of the schools. Chanee, caprice, sometimes the interest of a single family, or an insignificant village rivalry, sometines, also, the prejudiees or earelessness of a single man, may determine the fate of a loeality, either burdening it with useless taxes, depriving it of any sehool whatever, or giving it a very poor one. The distriet syetem has been tried; it is not liberty, but ehaos. Those who are engaged in elementary instruction with one voice demand its repeal." (M. F. Buisson, Rapport sur l'instruction primaire à l'Exposition Universelle de Philadelphie.)

[^10]:    * From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876.
    $a$ Number between 5 and 16.
    bIncludes cost of supervision.
    c West division.

[^11]:    * From Report of the Commissioner of Education for' 1876. a Excludes duplicate enrolments.
    $b$ Assessed valuation.

[^12]:    * From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876.
    $a$ From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1875.
    u Assessed valuation.
    c Includes cost of supervision
    $d$ Census of 1875.

[^13]:    ${ }^{1}$ In the Now York Times of May 29, 1878, we find the following: "At the meeting of the board of health yesterday a report was presented by Dr. Janes and Sanitary Engineer Nealis in relation to the condition of grammar school No. 48, in West Twenty-eighth street, between Sixth and Seventhavenues. The report set forth that they found the gratings intended for supplying fresh air to the cellar tightly a leakage of racation. In gas from a defective pipe, and it was stated that the leakage had existed since the last inadequate, and its continued use for that purpose will tend to seriouslr impair the writing, the light is The ventilating shafts from the sinks in the yard terminate at the windows of the class room pupils. second floor, and discharge foul and deletcrious odors into the class rooms when the windows are open A copy of the report was ordered to be sent to the board of education."

[^14]:    ${ }^{1}$ Report of the Board of Health of Cincinnati, 1876, pp. 148-159.

[^15]:    a Exclusive of appropriations for permanent objects.
    b Also $\$ 4,000$ county appropriation.
    c County appropriation.
    $d$ City appropriation; also $\$ 10,000$ coanty appropriation.
    $e$ City appropriation.
    $f$ Includes $\$ 30,000$ for now building.
    $g$ Also $\$ 775$ city appropriation.

[^16]:    ${ }^{1}$ Prof. S. N. Fellows has recently published two articles on this subject in the Educational Weekly, Chicago, in which he briefly recapitulates as follows the reasons for establishing chairs of didactics in colleges and universities:

    1. It will greatly assist the graduates who, from their superior culture, will occupy chief places and become teachers of teachers.
    2. A reflex benefit will accrue to the colleges themselves, in the greater success of their graduates and in improved methods of their own work.
    3. Professional educational literature will be improved.
    4. The development of a true science of education will be promoted.
    5. It will be a deserved recognition by the highest educational authorities of the value and need of professional training for teachers of every grade.
    6. Teaching will more justly merit the title of a profession.
    7. Higher institutions will become more closely united with our public school system.
    8. It will increase and widen the knowledge of the ends and means of education among those who, though not teachers, will hold high official and social positions.
[^17]:    ${ }^{1}$ Message to the New York Legislature, 1877-78.

[^18]:    ${ }^{1}$ For example, Delaware had two Senators and one Representative in Congress; Delaware therefore received 90,000 acres (land scrip).

[^19]:    ${ }^{1}$ Admission to the bar is a matter entirely in the hands of the courts.
    ${ }^{2}$ Sometimes without any authority; sometimes by license of medical societics.

[^20]:    ${ }^{1}$ Illinois Agricultural College, Trvington, chartered in 1861 and organized in 1866, has been suspended because of a decree of court which gives its lands and buildings to the State. Originally meant to be an agricultural college in fact as well as in name, it received from the State a lamded endowment which yielded a fund of $\$ 56,000$. The treasurer of the institution wasted this fund in private speculations, and the State, faling to reover it from the college, obtained a decrec as above stated.

[^21]:    ${ }^{1}$ The following data from the Leipziger Catalog exhibit a classification according to subject of the books published in Germany during 1877: Independent works, 14,000, in over 20,000 volumes; number of different authors, excluding anonymons writers, 10,000 ; encyclopwdias, bibliography, and science of literature, 372 ; theology, 1,253 ; law, politics, and statistics, 1,329 ; medicine, 755 ; natural science, chemistry, and pharmacy, 740 ; philosophy, 163 ; school books and pedagogy, 1,629 ; books for the young, 485 ; classics, Oriental langnages, and antiquities, 520 ; modern languages, 445 ; history, 730 ; geography 311 ; mathematics and astronomy, 166 ; military works, 347 ; commerce and indnstry, 525 ; architecture, mining, engineering, and navigation, 378 ; shooting, hunting, fishing, and forestry, 103; agriculture and horticulture, 392 ; belles-lettres, 1,126 ; popular works, 540 ; masonry, 17 ; miscellaneous, 507 ; maps, 336. To each thousand inhabitants there are 103 subscribers for political newspapers in all Germany. The figure is much larger in the sonth, where it varies from 125 to 150 , than in the north, where it does not reach 100. Alsace-Lorraine is the least reading province in Germany, comnting only 35 suloscribers to every 1,000 inhabitants.

[^22]:    a Tho total enrolment, probably including duplicates and perhaps some beyond the school age, as well as those in private schools, is given as 140,468 in 1875-'76 and 142,658 in 1876-'77.
    $b$ The first grade here includes grammar and high schools; the second, intermediate schools; the third, primaries, in four divisiuns.
    c The suporintendent's figures are 2,485; perhaps excluding high schools.
    d In addition to these expenditures there appear elsewhere tor county institutes, county boards of examination, postage, stationery, \&.c. $\$ 17,429$ in 1875-76, and $\$ 19,179$ in 1876-7\%, making the absolate total expenditure for those years $\$ 2,876,030$ and $\$ 2,768,909$.

[^23]:    Hon. Joseph C. Shattuck, State superintendent, president
    Hon. William M. Clark, secretary of state.
    Hon. A. J. Sampson, attorney general.

[^24]:    ${ }^{1}$ These boards consist of 5 mombors, and are chosen for terms of 4 years, part being changed every second year. There are, howover, as to the number in the boards, exceptional cases whero city and county systems aro united.

[^25]:    $a$ Census of September, 1876.

[^26]:    $a$ This is exelusive of 33 normal pupils and 872 in evening sehools.
    6 Exclusive of 576 in average attendance on evening schools.
    c In a return from Superintendent Kummer the number of sehool age is put at 3,138.
    $d$ This is besides 17 in arerage attendance in an evening sehocl.

[^27]:    ${ }^{1}$ A summer school for instruction in drawing was held at tho university by the instructor in this department during the vacation of 1877, and many teachers in the public schools are understood to hive availed themselves of its advantages.

[^28]:    1 Any county with 2,000 or more inhabitants, choosing to have a county high schonl, mas also choose a board of 6 trustees of said school, one-third to be changed each year at the general olection.- (School law, 1876.)

[^29]:    I A later return to the Bureau of Education gives the number of normal students as 139; other students, 15. This is probably for the fall term.
    ${ }^{2}$ Liv the older law, apparently not repealed in this respect, $\$ .00$ from the State treasury are also available for sach institutes wherever the county superintendent can givo reasnable assurance that not less thau 20 teachery desire to assemble for institute instruction.- (Code of 1873.)

[^30]:    ${ }^{1}$ In another sear, however, statistics which have been in course of collection will be a vailable.

[^31]:    a The total curolment for 1876-'77 is probally to beobtained by including the colored eurolment, here giren separately, which would leave a decrease of 353 on the (estimated) enroluent of the year before.
    (From printed reports of Hon. Howard A. M. Henderson for 1875-76 and 1876-'77, with written returns to Burcau of Education for the sane school years. The financial statement is from the latter, the other statistics mainly from the former; but, as the returns from several counties and many districts have been wanting for both years, tho figures used by the superintendent are, in some cases, only the result of an effort to reach an estimate which may come near the truth. Some of the above statistics were published in the abstract portion of the Report of this Bureau for 1876 as for that year; they belonged properly to the school year ending June 30, 1877.)

[^32]:    ${ }^{1}$ In addition to the commissioner for the county of Jefferson, there is one tor the city of Louisville, elected biennially by the city council.

[^33]:    ${ }^{1}$ Graduates of the normal courses in this school have, by the charter, a right to teach in the common schools of the state for fire years without examination by citber the State or county boards. - (Circular of school, 1877.)

[^34]:    a This, in a written return, is $4,543$.
    6 These rates are exclusive of board, the average cost of which is $\$ 9.08$ a month.

[^35]:    In Bangor, of 5 members; in Lewiston, cf 14 ; in Portland, of 7 , ono fer each ward ; in Saco, of 3, with 3 agents.

[^36]:    ${ }^{1}$ To these a new normal school at Gorham, near Portland, is to be added in 1878, the legislature having nuthorized it on the offer of buildings and groands from the town of Gorham.
    ${ }^{2}$ This number is giren distinctly in the State report, and is said to be the largest nueaber ever gradaated in any year; in a written return it appears as 35.

[^37]:    ${ }^{1} \mathrm{Mr}$. Corthell having been appointed in the autumn of 1876 in place of Mr. Johnson, whose last 3 years' term had still some months to run, it is taken for granted that, making allowance for this unexpired time, his term extends to the spring of 1880.

[^38]:    a There is no provision for a State school census, and thoreforo the United States consus for each successive decennial period has to be depended on.
    $b$ The school law provides for colored schools in each olection district, to be free to all colored youth between 6 and 20 years of age and to be kept open as long as the other public schools of the county, provided the average attendance be not less than 15 scholars.

[^39]:    ${ }^{1}$ These numbers do not include the òvening schools for colored jouth in Baltimora.

[^40]:    $a$ For fuller information respecting high schools, see Secondary Instruction, further on.
    $b$ The income for school purposes here siven is only an approximation. The amount of local taxation is not roported by the secretary of the State board of education, but he states that all the towns and cities raised the $\$ 3$ per capita or their population of legal school age which entitled them to a share of the State school fund. The product thus derived has been included, but the actual total receipts are
    larger thau the figure here given, since many towns and cities exceeded the minimum fixed by law.

[^41]:    ${ }^{1}$ One of these, the Putnam Freo School, appears to be on adjunct of the city school system, without being entirely under its control.

[^42]:    ${ }^{1}$ The secretary of the board of education makes the whole number of graduates for the year, including 1 from the Normal Art School, 256 . The number above given, however, is from the summary of the visitors appointed by the board.

[^43]:    $\quad$ The paper of Judge Aldrich forms article $B$ in the appendix to the State report for $1876-77$, and is
    well worth perusal.

[^44]:    la correspondent of the Detroit Tribune says that in 1855 Dr. Jocelyn was made president of
    Whitewater College.

[^45]:    ${ }^{1}$ As this report is going to press, information is received that Hon. Horace $S$. Tarbell, whose first term extended from Jauuary, 1c77, tn January, 1879, and who had been neminated fir at second term, has resigned his position to take charge of the city schools of lndianapolis, Ind., and that the gentleman albove named bas been appointed by the governor tor fill the mexpired poition of Mr. Tarbell's term. He has been for some time superintendent of the schools of Saginaw.

[^46]:    ${ }^{1}$ The greatest rariation is shown in the two numbers given, except that in the county of Crow Wing the 2 school districts contain 240 sections cach.
    ${ }^{i}$ A strong plea for this system in preference to the petty district system is presented in a paper read by Professor ID. C. John, of tho Mankato Numal School, beforo the Stato 'Teachers' Association, and surnmarized by Mr. Burt in his report.

[^47]:    1 county is the ordinary school district in Mississippi; an incorporated city with more than 3,000 inhabitants forms a separato school district; townships or towns and cities with less thane 3,000 inhabitants appear to be the customary subdistricts. Formerly there was a boash of school dircetors for each county; but in 1873 this board appears to have been abolished, and its duty of looking after school lands and school fumds transferred, as raspects comnty districts, to county supertisors and county super intondents, and as respects town and city districts to tho major and aldermen of such districta.

[^48]:    In the autumn of 1877 the instruction in German was abolished, the tax levy authorized by the city. council being too small to warrant the continuance of a study that could be dispensed with. The teacher was, however, allowed the privilege of using a recitation room connccted with the schools for studies.

[^49]:    ${ }^{1}$ For the sale, lease, and management of school lands, and the investment of school funds.

[^50]:    ${ }^{1}$ The report says subsequently that while caring thus for the well being of the majority it should be clearly understood that ample attention will bo given to those who desire to prepare for college. The classical course, which includes Latin, Greck, and French, will continue to be under the charge of experienced instructors, able to qualify studonts for any college in New England.

[^51]:    ${ }^{1}$ The trustees of the school fund are the governor, the president of the senate, the speaker of the lower house, the attorney general, the secretary of state, and the comptroller.

[^52]:    Th The figures here given are from the tables of the State superintendent's report, as far as possible. the loeal school anthorities. The number of teachers is from the list of those eontinuously employed.
    $b$ The statistics for Kingston here, as in Table II in the appendis, inelude only the Kingston school district, which is a portion of the city. Those for the remaining part, furnished by Commissioner Edmund Ryer, make up a total of 6,958 youth of school age, 4,012 enrolled in public schools, and 2,203 in average attendance, under 60 teacher's.

[^53]:    (Report of Hon. Charles S. Smart, State school commissioner, for 1876-77, containing statistics for the preceding year.)

[^54]:    ${ }^{1}$ The effort here is to make an exact remort of the author, as other views are exactly reported else-
    where. See Secondary' Instruction in California, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, \&c.

[^55]:    1The annual State institnte must, by law, be held at the State capital. The places for holding the others are left discretionary.
    ${ }^{2}$ One called a State institute, probably a district institute, is said by a correspondent of the Pacifio School and Home Journal to have been held at Portland, August $2 \dot{8}-30,1877$, with good attendanco, excellent addresses, thorough harmony, and entire success.

[^56]:    ${ }^{1}$ The superintendent would have every county (or association of counties) reqnired to establish and support such a home for the reception, education, and industrial training of the children above referred to till they could be properly apprenticed. He would have them under the direction of the overseers of the poor, but away from the degrading associations of the almshouse. In several counties homes
    of this class have already been established.

[^57]:    To get rid of these rather cumbersome arrangements, Dr. Wickorsham recommends that provision be nade for a single school board in each city, to be elected by the people on a general case a superrespect to wards, and to be composed of few persons, be levied by the board, collected in its name, and paid out on its orders.
    ${ }_{2}$ Excent as to population, the figures of the table are from the report of State Superintendent Wiok. ersham for the year ending June 1, 1877. The number of schools (which appears to count each school room for study and recitation as a school) is given instead of school population, for taking a census of which there is no general provisiou in this State. The enrolment in some cases at least, perhaps gen. erally, appéars to cover duplicates.

[^58]:    ${ }^{1}$ The number 1,903 in the table, as mentioned in a note there, appears to refer to school rooms for both study and rocitation, each of these being counted a school. The enrolment in the table evidently in-
    cludes duplicates; total without these, 101,924 .

[^59]:    ${ }^{1}$ Two private schools, the Riverview Normal and Classical Institute, at Pittsburgh, and the Snyder County Normal Institute, at Selinsgrove, report 134 normal students additional to those above given.(Returns to Bureall of Education.)

    Normal instruction is also given at Monongahela, Mnhlenberg, Newcastle, and Waynesburg Colleges. In the first the normal course is simply a special drill for the last 6 weeks of the spring session in the studies necessary for a teacher's certificate, with instruction in the science of teaching. In the second, the normal department is a branch of the preparatory school, is arranged in 2 classes, and is said to have the same studies as the State normal schools. At Nowcastle the normal school has a summer session of 6 weeks each year for the special training of teachers; the course appears to be nearly the same as at Monongahela. At Waynesburg the normal training is an addition of school economy and method of instruction to the classical collegiate course, with some drill in common school branches. Of these, Newcastle alone reports the number of normal students, which was 128 in 1877.

[^60]:    'The Philadclphia Dental College, besides the regnlar 2 vears' course, has a second of 5 months for the instruction of graduates of medical colleges in dentistry. A third course is also amounced, in which, through arrangements with the Jefferson Medical College, students may obtain the two degrees of doctor of dental surgery and doctor of medicine in 3 years, by pursuing extra studics in surgery, practice of medicine, and obstetrics. - (Announcement for 1878-'79.)
    ${ }_{2}^{2}$ The Pharmacist states that the faculty has decided on a junior and senior conrse of study to go into effect in 1878, the juniors to be examined in all the branches studied before they can enter the senior class, and the instruction given the seniors to include a wider range of subjects than heretofore.

[^61]:    ${ }^{1}$ Engineering and architectural works, with others, will probably also be embraced
    ${ }_{2}$ This is a manual labor school for the proper education of way ward children whose parents and legal guardians cannot or will not manage them.

[^62]:    ${ }^{1}$ Providence and Newport are the only cities recognized in the State census of 1875, though such towns as Lincoln, with a population of 11,565; Pawtucket, with 18,464; Warwick, with 11,614 and Woonsocket, with 13,576 , might, from their size, be reckoned such.

[^63]:    ${ }^{1}$ The figures for these cities are from the city reports. Those for expenditare include evening as well as day schools.

[^64]:    ${ }^{1}$ In the Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876 the name of Mr. Thompson was erroneously printed S. R. Thompson.

[^65]:    ${ }^{1}$ This bill, later advices inform us, passed the legisliture and was approved March 22, 1878.

[^66]:    ${ }^{1}$ These school communities are voluntary organizations of parents, guardians, and next friends of children to be educated, associated for the purpose of securing for their neighborhood a share of the distributable State school fund proportioned in amount to the number of the children they may wish to educate. Thoy answer somewhat to districts elsewlere.

[^67]:    Since the creation of the county examining boards, an agitation for the abolition of
    intendency has begun, which may do away with the office before this report is printed.

[^68]:    $a$ In prirate elementary schools there was reported in 1875 an enrolment of 18,633 pupils; in higher schools, 4,652 ; teachers in private schools of all grades, $1,319$.
    $b$ According to a written return.

[^69]:    ${ }^{1}$ Roanoke College and Richmond College added materially to their collections in vataral history during the year.

[^70]:    ${ }^{1}$ Professor Searing, after having served most faithfully and usefully for four years as State superintendent, aecomplishng muen for the ming Greek at Milton College. President William C. Whitford, of his old position of professor of Latin and Greek at eollege, was ehosen to sueeed him as Stato superintendent from January, 1878.

[^71]:    ${ }^{1}$ No reports were received from Armstrong, Brûlé, Lawrence, and Stutsman Counties.

[^72]:    J. F. Thompson, president of the Cherokee board of education, Tahlequah.
    E. McCustain, superintendent of Choctaw public schools, Red Oak.

    William McComb, superintendent of Creek public schools, Eufaula.
    Joshua Hightower, superintendent of Chickasaw public schools, Oak Lodge.
    Johy Chupco, superintendent of Seminole public schools, Wewoka.

[^73]:    ${ }^{1}$ Mr. Ritch has acted in the capacity of ex officio superintendent of public instruction, and it is prosumed that he still does so.

[^74]:    ${ }^{1}$ Information received subsequent to the dato of the superintendent's report shows that these efforts to secure a revision of the law were successful. A statement of the more important changes made by it has already beon giren.
    ${ }^{2}$ Mr. Judson has held the office of territorial superintendent of public instruction since 1874, his second term reaching into $18 \mathrm{i}^{8}$; but whether he was reappointed or not does not appear from official information possessed by this Bureau at the time of going to press.

[^75]:    ${ }^{1}$ Governor Hoyt seems to have the schools of Laramie and Cheyenne in view in making these remarks and comparisons.

[^76]:    * From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876.
    $a$ Includes salaries of superintendents.
    6 Per capita of population between 5 and 17.
    c Items not all reported.
    $d$ Of this amount $\$ 1,336,727.98$ are deposited in the State treasury; the balance is the (estimated) amount unpaid on school lands already sold.
    e Includes $\$ 23,692$, debt previously incurred, paid in 1877
    $f$ Only a partial report.
    $g$ From the printed report for 1876-77; all other financial statistics are from a written return of mach later date.

[^77]:    $h$ Estimated.
    $i$ In a special return made by Superintendent Thompson this amoant appears as $\$ 1,027,192$; this possibly includes payments made during the year on account of past indebtedness.
    $j$ Including balanco on hand of \$1,184,669.
    $k$ Including balance on hand of $\$ 115,657$.
    $l$ Includes exponditure for orening schools.
    $m$ For current expenditure only.
    $n$ Includes an amount romaining on hand of $\$ 10,306$, and also $\$ 1,031$ paid on bonds and interest.

    - Two sections of land in each township.

[^78]:    $b$ Grammar and high schools in the same building.
    c These statistics are for white schools only.

[^79]:    $u$ Also 3 special teachers

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[^81]:    Tho report here given is for the eitr of Denter, of These are the maximum salaries.

[^82]:     a For German teacher.
    eIncludes fmontme.

[^83]:    

[^84]:    In schools of the city.

[^85]:    * From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876.

[^86]:    * From Report of the Commissioner of Edveaticn for 1876.

[^87]:    and supported by private endowment

[^88]:    * From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876.
    a Partly frce.
    b Board and tiitiou.

[^89]:    a Bromard and tuition.
    
    the General Governmont.

[^90]:    Grounds and buildings.

[^91]:    $b$ Board and tuition.

[^92]:    * From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876 a Average charge.

[^93]:    $l$ Has two eourscs, eollcge preparatory and English, $m$ Have access to public library and library of prin$g$ \$176 including Neat and light. $i$ Incidental fec, $\$ 3$. * From Report of the Commissioner of Edueation for 1876 tion. d Exclusive of farm.

[^94]:    $\times \times \times \times \times: \times \times \times \times \times \times \times \times \times \times \times \times: \times \times \times \times \times \times \times$

[^95]:    n Includes irregular studcnts.

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[^97]:    o Annual incidental fce. is identical with the amount of State appropriation
    reported with classical department (Table IX). reported with classical department (Table IX)
    Income from permanent State fund.

    16 are in the university. which has accrued from the
    The income of $\$ 50,000$, which has accrued fro
    national grant, at $\$ 100$ a scholarship annually.

    For the purchase of models and apparatus for the de-
    partments of natural philosophy, astronomy, chemis-
    try, and engineering.
    Entrance fees about \$300
    From preparatory dcpar
    4 at the academy, 2 at sea.
    $n$ From all fees.

    * From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876.
    
    6 Reported with classical department (sec Table IX).
    $c$ For a building for the mining and metallurgical departd From Report for 1875.

    9 The library is increased every year by means of a fee of
    the sum of $\$ 350$ was devoted to this purpose.

[^98]:    ${ }_{e}$ Includes 17 in an apprentice class. (see Table IX)
    
    $h$ There was an average attendance of about 100 at the drawing classes; there we of classes also in phonetic shorthand technical subjects.

    * From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876
    $b$ The place of this college is supplied by the Massachusetts Agricultural Collcge at Amherst. Each successful candidate is allowed on entering the college to matriculate also in Boston University, and at graduation him to the rclation and
    c A department for elective graduate stady only.

[^99]:    $d$ Reorganization．
    $f$ Charter of the university．

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     *From report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876 . a Also
    cLecture term, 4 months, tuition, $\$ 105$; spring term, 4 months, tuition,
    $f$ Valne of apparatns.
    $g$ The Washington University School of $f$ Valne of apparatias. $\quad g$ The Washington University School of M
    $h$ Two only demanded for graduation. $i$ Also 2,400 in the general libra

[^101]:    *From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876 . a Includes a summer course. b With 4 years in dispensary store. o $c$ Value of apparatus. $\quad a$ Reported with Table XIII.-Memoranda.
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[^102]:    $g$ This is "doctor of science."
    $\hbar$ These are M. Ph. (mistress of philosophy)
    $i$ Ad eundem degree.

[^103]:    a Doctor of ninwifery.
    cThesc are "pharmacal chemist."
    © Ineludes 2 honorary.
    dThese are "doctor of pharmacy."

[^104]:    * From Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1876.
    a See Table XVII
    $b$ For both departments.
    c Mechanical department suspended in consequence of fire; music only being taught.

[^105]:    $d$ Of this $\$ 30,000$ is a bequest
    $e$ Includes $\$ 90,000$ for buildings.
    $f$ Brush making is also taught.
    $g$ Knitting and basket making are also taught.
    $h$ The boys are taught to make brushos and the girls to make straw Hats.

[^106]:    $i$ Value of apparatus.
    $j$ Also mat making and knitting.
    $k$ Printing, and cabinet and shoe making are taught.
    $l$ This includes the amount appropriated for new buildings.

