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FREE PUBLIC SCHOOL LIBRARIES, ONTARIO.

We present, in this number of the *Journal*, an annual statement of the operations of the Educational Depository during the year 1867. From the accompanying tables it will be seen that the number and value of the books sent out for libraries and prizes, as also the maps and apparatus, are quite in excess of any previous year, although the number of volumes sent out in 1866 were forty per cent. in advance of those of any previous year. This increase is most gratifying, and shows the growing popularity and importance of this branch of our educational operations.

TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER AND CLASSIFICATION OF PUBLIC LIBRARY AND PRIZE BOOKS, SENT OUT FROM THE DEPOSITORY OF THE ONTARIO EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT FROM 1853 TO 1867, INCLUSIVE.

Number of volumes sent out during the years:	Total Volumes of Library Books.	History.	Zoology and Physiology.	Botany.	Phenomena.	Physical Science.	Geology.	Natural Philosophy and Manufactures.	Chemistry.	Agricultural Chemistry.	Practical Agriculture.	Literature.	Voyages.	Biography.	Tales and Sketches. Practical Life.	Teacher's Library.	Prize Books.	Grand total Library and Prize Books.
1853.....	21,922	4,158	1,602	287	906	526	234	940	132	192	807	2,694	1,141	2,917	5,178	208	.....	21,922
1854.....	66,711	10,633	5,532	1,050	2,172	1,351	636	4,780	629	321	3,255	5,764	4,350	6,393	19,307	578	.....	66,711
1855.....	28,659	5,475	2,053	318	558	663	200	1,808	207	76	1,452	3,361	2,926	3,081	6,049	432	.....	28,659
1856.....	13,669	2,498	652	118	397	287	77	660	55	31	418	1,523	1,019	1,844	3,832	258	.....	13,669
1857.....	29,833	5,295	1,763	321	632	817	195	1,729	134	67	1,257	2,391	2,253	3,516	9,219	244	2,557	29,833
1858.....	7,587	1,537	503	86	152	98	61	276	27	2	186	713	843	744	2,245	84	8,045	7,587
1859.....	9,308	1,670	551	136	209	192	130	432	87	18	300	1,169	714	1,127	2,401	172	12,089	9,308
1860.....	9,072	1,561	475	144	223	200	100	526	61	17	339	851	797	1,115	2,520	142	20,194	9,072
1861.....	6,488	1,273	302	59	101	72	64	223	36	2	172	601	760	880	1,826	117	26,931	6,488
1862.....	5,599	927	244	45	99	43	75	211	45	24	165	412	661	830	1,706	112	29,760	5,599
1863.....	6,274	707	304	42	97	80	67	282	26	6	202	547	652	864	2,286	112	32,890	6,274
1864.....	3,361	552	140	11	47	38	28	134	7	.....	87	321	290	451	1,198	57	33,381	3,361
1865.....	3,832	611	168	20	62	53	26	131	8	.....	110	328	534	553	1,225	58	44,601	3,832
1866.....	6,856	1,144	217	56	125	81	55	282	26	19	291	632	776	784	2,200	148	58,871	6,856
1867.....	5,426	1,003	125	20	78	65	15	189	7	.....	118	524	595	650	1,971	66	64,163	5,426
Totals ...	224,647	39,074	14,631	2,693	5,858	4,566	1,963	12,603	1,482	775	9,139	21,852	18,311	25,749	63,163	2,788	33,342	558,060

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Grand total, Library and Prize Books despatched up to 31st December, 1867 566,175