

There are 25 Male, and 132 Female Teachers employed.

They hold Certificates as follows :

First Class Provincial.....	48
First Class County Board.....	17
Second Class Provincial.....	92

Miss Annie A. Gray, of Palace Street School, succeeded in obtaining a Professional First Class Certificate, Grade C., at the Examinations held last July.

SCHOOL ACCOMMODATION.

During the year 1881 Hope Street and Brant Street Schools were completed. Each of them contains six rooms. It was expected that Hope Street School would relieve the overcrowded state of Bathurst Street, Givins Street, and Niagara Street Schools. This result did not follow its opening, however. The population of the western portion of the city has increased so rapidly that although over four hundred pupils are in attendance at Hope Street School, intended for only three hundred, the attendance at the other schools named was not lessened.

In addition to the two new schools already named, the Borden and Elizabeth St. Schools were enlarged, two new rooms being opened in each.

It is to be hoped that during the present year, the power of the City Council to refuse to grant the money required by the Public School Board may be taken away by Parliament.

During the coming year it will be absolutely necessary (1) to enlarge Givins Street School ; (2) to relieve Wellesley, Church Street, and Winchester Street Schools by a School in the northern part of the city ; and (3) to provide accommodation in some way