

"Canada West 75 Grammar Schools, many of them of long standing and of great utility. Some of them are united with the Common Schools in their immediate locality, and although very limited in their means, they equal, and, in some cases, outnumber in pupils, this richly-endowed Toronto School (U. C. C.). Their total outlay during the last three years amounted to \$86,232, while, during the same time, this one School in Toronto, expended more, by \$25,172, than the whole 75 put together, or 96 times as much as the average allowance for a C. H. School." The Chief Superintendent of Education, when subsequently examined before a Select Committee of the Assembly, corroborated this statement in every particular. [246]

Equally striking is the comparison when we descend from general statements to particular items. Take, for example, the mere cost of management. We have, throughout the towns and cities of this Province, Boards of Trustees administering Union Schools, varying in attendance from three hundred to three thousand pupils, [247] and yet these men nobly devote themselves to their work without fee or reward. On the other hand, we see in Toronto a Union School with a paltry registered attendance of 244 pupils, [248] which, forsooth, requires for its "management" \$1,000 per annum. [249] Take again, for example, the salaries given in U. C. College, and those in the Grammar Schools. The Grammar School Masters have had always to complain, that, while the duties of their positions require more varied and more exact information than those of, perhaps, any other class of literary men in the community, the provision for their maintenance is of the scantiest character. As a consequence of this, many of their number, after a few years of teaching, become disheartened, and gravitate away towards the far more lucrative, and far less exhausting professions of Law and Medicine.

#### SALARIES IN U. C. COLLEGE. [250]

While the Grammar School Masters are thus living in the lack, not only of those important technical works, which men, occupying their positions, should be in a position to acquire, but many of the Masters in the lack of even the ordinary comforts of life, here are the salaries paid in U. C. College: PRINCIPAL: Salary at rate originally settled, (in 1830) \$2400; Proportion of Tuition Fees, \$183.87; Proportion of Board Dues, 336.34; [251] Free House, valued at \$300,—Total, \$3220.21. We are in doubt whether we have included, in the above, all the perquisites of the Principal. It is not improbable that he may be "interested" in each and every one of the following large, but vague items, which we find

246 Proceedings of University Select Committee, 1860.

247 The total registered attendance of the Hamilton Union School closely approaches 3,000.

248 Mr. Christie's Return p. 17.

249 Ibid, p. 8.

250 The salaries here mentioned are quoted from the Bursar's Statement for the year ending June 30, 1867—vide Mr. Christie's Return pp. 14 and 15.

\* \$450 per annum would not be an excessive estimate for the rental of the Principal's residence.

251 Mr. Christie's Return, p. 16.