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HE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the Town of Simcoe is gratified to be able to announce that the year 1886 has been the most successful in the annals of Simcoe High School, as regards both the number in attendance and the educational results.

The steady increase in the attendance during the last three years is shown by the following figures:—

Company of the second s	1884	1885	1886
Number enrolled	104	127	149
Average	59	73	88

The wide disparity between the number enrolled and the average in each year is accounted for by the fact that many pupils leave in July, and many begin their High School course in September.

The character of the work done is, it is believed, keeping pace with the increase in attendance, as the following table will show:—

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Matriculated in Arts or Law	2	8	1
Second Class Teachers' Certificates	4	7	12
Third " " "	7	11	20
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Totals	13	21	33

This gratifying increase has been made notwithstanding the raising of the standard of the Teachers' Examinations in 1885, and again in 1886.

Simcoe High School claims, in the results of the Second and Third Class Teachers' Examinations of 1886, the ELEVENTH PLACE among the hundred and six Schools of the Province, thirty-five of these having four or more Masters.