hundred and fifty dollars grant for each teacher employed, and if opened for less time receives a proportionate amount. Each district also receives twenty dollars per month from the municipality, making a total of thirty-five dollars per month for each teacher employed.    If the salary exceeds thirty-five dollars per month, the difference is raised by special levy upon the rate-payers.

The following statistics are taken from the Journal of Legislative Assembly for 1892.    Highest salary paid, $1500 to $1600 ; average salary for the province in 1883 was $522, in 1891, $474.05.    Average in cities and towns from 1883 to 1891 ranges from $554 to $741.30 ; highest salary paid in rural schools from 1887-91, $800 to $900 ; average salary in rural schools, $425.10 to $463.70.

### SCHOOL POPULATION.

| Year | School Population | Pupils Regist'd |
|------|------|------|
| 1871 | ———— | 817 |
| 1881 | 7,000 | 4,919 |
| 1883 | 12,346 | 10,831 |
| 1891 | 28,678 | 23,871 |

### AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

| 1883 the average attendance | 5,064 |
|------|------|
| 1889  "      "      " | 11,242 |
| 1890  "      "      " | 11,627 |
| 1891  "      "      " | 12,433 |

### TEACHERS EMPLOYED.

| 1884 teachers employed | 359 |
|------|------|
| 1885    "         " | 476 |
| 1886 teachers employed | 525 |
| 1887    "         " | 581 |
| 1888    "         " | 675 |
| 1889    "         " | 668 |
| 1890    "         " | 840 |
| 1891    "         " | 866 |

### NORMAL SCHOOL.

The attendance of students at the

| | 5 Months' Session. | Short Session |
|------|------|------|
| 1883 | 16 | .. |
| 1884 | 35 | 89 |
| 1885 | 31 | 93 |
| 1886 | 38 | 83 |
| 1887 | 31 | 99 |
| 1888 | 42 | 108 |
| 1889 | 35 | 122 |
| 1890 | 28 | 59 |
| 1891 | 67 | 122 |

It will be seen from the above description and the statistics given that the schools of Manitoba have made wonderful progress since they first came into existence, and that the system is an efficient one.    Could not the two systems of separate schools have gone on as of old, and would not the progress have been as great ?    It is to be hoped that the time is near at hand when the Manitoba School difficulty will be settled in a manner compatible with principles of justice, that Canada will erase from her statute books a law which oppresses a number of her subjects.

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