

GENERAL REVIEW.

Public Schools.

The annual report of James Denman, Superintendent of Public Instruction, is an elaborated compilation of facts and figures that ought to be read by every head of a family, as well as those who are interested in the rising generation. The report informs us that from a feeble beginning of two teachers and less than one hundred pupils, the department has swelled its numbers to over three hundred teachers and nearly twenty thousand scholars. This is unparalleled in the history of civilization, and should cause every citizen to feel a just pride in these evidences of our prosperity and future greatness. The Board of Education has the entire control of the school department. It is composed of twelve Directors, one-half of whom are elected annually, to serve two years. They receive no compensation. The Superintendent is *ex officio* advisory member of the Board. He is elected by the Board of Education and Board of Supervisors conjointly, and receives for his services \$4,000 per annum. He is very earnest to make the school department of San Francisco second to none in the United States. The following is a comparative statement of the daily attendance of all the public schools from 1852 to 1869, being a period of seventeen years: 1852, 445; 1853, 703; 1854, 1,011; 1855, 1,484; 1856, 2,516; 1857, 2,155; 1858, 2,521; 1859, 2,829; 1860, 2,837; 1861, 3,377; 1862, 3,794; 1863, 4,389; 1864, 5,470; 1865, 6,718; 1866, 8,131; 1867, 10,177; 1868, 11,871; 1869, 13,113. Subjoined is a statement of the yearly expenditures of the department since 1852 to the present time:—1852, \$23,125; 1853, \$35,040; 1854, \$159,249; 1855, \$136,580; 1856, \$125,064; 1857, \$92,955; 1858, \$104,808; 1859, \$134,731; 1860, \$156,407; 1861, \$158,855; 1862, \$134,567; 1863, \$178,929; 1864, \$228,411; 1865, \$346,862; 1866, \$361,668; 1867, \$507,822; 1868, \$376,392; 1869, \$400,842, making a total expenditure, in seventeen years, of \$3,662,307 freely given by our enlightened citizens, as an offering on the altar of learning; and it is pleasing, from the Superintendent's present report, to learn that the munificence of our people has been duly appreciated, and their efforts in the cause of education crowned with success. The Superintendent says, in his report: "At no time in the history of our public schools has the instruction of the Grammar department been more practical and thorough than during the year which has just closed. The pupils acquitted themselves well in all the different studies and reflected great credit on their efficient instructors." This is, indeed, a pleasing report.

LOCATION OF SCHOOLS.

Names of Teachers, Number of Pupils Enrolled, the Average Attendance, and the Monthly Expense of Tuition, based upon the Teachers' and Janitors' Salaries of School Year ending June 30, 1869.

BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL (location east side of Powell Street near Clay).—Pupils registered, 134; average attendance, 113.7; percentage of attendance, .990; number to each teacher, 22 7-10; monthly tuition of each pupil, \$6.54.

Teachers.—Theo. Bradley, Principal; A. T. Winn, J. M. Sibley, A. L. Mann, and Mrs. C. L. Atwood, Assistants.

GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL (location southeast corner of Bush and Stockton streets).—Pupils registered, 138; average attendance, 118.8; percentage of attendance, .976; number to each teacher, 23 4-5; monthly tuition of each pupil, \$5.42.

Teachers.—Ellis H. Holmes, Principal; Mrs. C. R. Beals, Miss E. A. Cleveland, and Miss S. A. Barr, Assistants; Mad. V. G. Brisac, Teacher of French.

NORMAL TRAINING SCHOOL (location south side of Market Street near Fifth).—Pupils registered, 217; average attendance, 188.7; percentage of attendance, .941; monthly tuition of each pupil, \$1.12.

Teachers.—Mrs. C. H. Stout, Principal; Mrs. E. Jones, Assistant.

CITY TRAINING SCHOOL (location east side of Stockton Street near Bush).—Pupils registered, 314; average attendance, 264; percentage of attendance, .936; monthly tuition of each pupil, \$1.15.

Teachers.—Mrs. A. E. Dubois, Principal; Miss Annie L. Gray, Miss Annie B. Earle, and Miss Susie H. Earle, Assistants.

LINCOLN GRAMMAR SCHOOL (location east side of Fifth Street near Market).—Pupils registered, 1,279; average attendance, 1,011.2; percentage of attendance, .943; number to each teacher, 49 3-20; monthly tuition of each pupil, \$1.84.

Teachers.—Bernard Marks, Principal; J. Phelps, W. N. Robertson, and L. W. Reed, Sub-masters; Mrs. M. J. Sanky, Miss L. B. Jewett, Mrs. C. L. James, Mrs. B. F. Moore, Mrs. E. F. Pearson, Mrs. M. W. Kincaid, Miss M. T. Kimball, Miss L. S. Swain, Miss C. L. Smith, Miss S. A. Field, Miss Mary Pascoe, Miss Eliza P. Barnes, Miss Grace Chalmers, Miss M. E. Harrington, Miss M. A. Salisbury, Mrs. Emma Hunt, Miss Jennie A. Forbes, and Miss M. M. Guinness, Assistants.

DENMAN GRAMMAR SCHOOL (location northwest corner of Bush and Taylor streets).—Pupils registered, 727; average attendance, 664.3; percentage of attendance, .944; number to each teacher, 41 7-10; monthly tuition of each pupil, \$1.89.

Teachers.—John Swett, Principal; Mrs. E. M. Baumgardner, Head Assistant; Miss C. M. Pattee, Miss N. A. Doud, Miss Jessie Smith, Miss Alice Kenney, Miss A. C. Bowen, Mrs. E. P. Bradley, Miss M. J. Little, Miss A. T. Flint, Miss C. C. Bowen, Miss Jennie Armstrong, Miss L. L. Gummer, Miss Lottie McKean, and Miss M. F. George, Assistants.

RINCON GRAMMAR SCHOOL (location Vassar Place, leading from Harrison Street between Second and

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