



STATISTICS

RELATING TO THE

GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

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TABLE I.

Comparative Statement of the Pupils on the rolls and their daily attendance to School during the month of December 1878.

Schools				Average number			
				On rolls		Daily attendance	
				Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
MALTA	Valetta	...	...	534	525	460	455
	Do. Evening	...	...	80	—	59	—
	Do. Infant	...	...	50	70	37	60
	Do. Secondary	...	...	—	128	—	97
	Do. Str. San Patrizio	...	...	—	162	—	143
	Do. Infant do.	...	...	83	60	67	43
	Floriana	...	...	100	183	80	167
	Do. Evening	...	...	40	—	20	—
	Do. Infant	...	...	72	82	60	70
	Cospicua	...	...	150	137	141	104
	Do. Infant	...	...	86	120	66	102
	Vittoriosa	...	...	150	248	146	200
	Senglea	...	...	232	242	194	184
	Rabato	...	...	158	184	152	157
	Dingli	...	...	9	14	6	11
	Zebbug	...	...	116	160	99	142
	Do. Sunday	...	...	4	—	4	—
	Siggieui	...	...	65	88	57	56
	Do. Sunday	...	...	30	—	27	—
	Birchircara	...	...	165	166	154	151
	Sliema	...	...	140	147	131	117
	Lia	...	...	128	104	107	83
	Misida	...	...	80	79	78	73
	Samra	...	...	100	117	92	92
	Naxaro	...	...	46	70	44	59
	Do. Sunday	...	...	30	—	30	—
	Musta	...	...	67	100	66	94
	Gargur	...	...	22	31	21	24
	Melleha	...	...	29	36	26	30
	Curmi	...	...	200	160	185	142
	Luca	...	...	83	67	77	55
	Zurricco	...	...	67	70	58	66
	Do. Sunday	...	...	6	—	5	—
	Crendi	...	...	40	42	35	32
	Micabiba	...	...	30	70	28	61
	Do. Sunday	...	...	9	—	7	—
	Chircop	...	...	30	38	26	28
	Zeitun	...	...	180	186	161	150
	Do. Sunday	...	...	20	—	15	—
	Axiack	...	...	30	50	27	39
	Tarxien	...	...	82	100	68	94
	Zabbar	...	...	123	166	111	145
Do. Sunday	...	...	13	—	6	—	
Gudia	...	...	40	50	34	34	
Rabato	...	...	126	117	116	80	
Do. Secondary	...	...	34	—	29	—	
Nadur	...	...	73	59	68	42	
Garbo	...	...	26	30	21	22	
Xaghra	...	...	48	40	39	23	
Xeuchia	...	...	27	32	22	26	
Ghainsielem	...	...	26	42	26	37	
Zebbug	...	...	20	18	16	7	
Sannat	...	...	28	32	24	25	
Do. Sunday	...	...	8	—	2	—	
				4,135	4,622	3,630	3,822

TABLE II.

Distribution of Boys and Girls in the different classes of all the Primary Schools of Malta and Gozo.

Schools	Boys					Girls				
	Class IV.	Class III.	Class II.	Class I.	Total	Class IV.	Class III.	Class II.	Class I.	Total
MALTA.										
Valletta	32	36	53	413	534	67	67	155	282	571
Do. Str. S. Patrizio	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	25	137	162
Floriana	—	10	19	71	100	25	28	52	78	183
Cospicua	7	9	42	92	150	13	15	25	84	137
Vittoriosa	12	22	36	80	150	7	13	39	200	259
Senglea	13	22	110	87	232	12	19	25	186	242
Rabato	—	15	56	87	158	—	24	55	105	184
Dingli	—	—	—	9	9	—	—	7	7	14
Zebbug	11	12	51	42	116	16	26	53	65	160
Siggieui	—	12	12	41	65	—	19	21	48	88
Birchircara	—	11	26	129	166	—	20	52	94	166
Sliema	—	32	33	75	140	—	38	34	75	147
Lia	—	12	20	96	128	—	25	30	49	104
Misida	—	11	15	54	80	—	22	17	40	79
Samra	—	18	26	56	100	—	18	23	76	117
Naxaro	—	—	20	26	46	—	6	12	52	70
Musta	—	13	27	27	67	—	12	13	75	100
Gargur	—	7	9	6	22	—	—	6	25	31
Melleha	—	7	10	12	29	—	4	12	20	36
Curmi	—	30	60	110	200	—	10	42	108	160
Luca	—	18	18	47	83	—	6	15	46	67
Zurricco	—	7	8	52	67	—	6	20	44	70
Crendi	—	6	13	21	40	—	—	17	25	42
Micabiba	—	—	13	17	30	—	14	13	43	70
Chircop	—	8	6	16	30	—	3	8	27	38
Zeitun	25	27	30	98	180	—	20	71	95	186
Axiack	—	4	5	21	30	—	6	9	35	50
Tarxien	3	7	13	59	82	—	18	18	64	100
Zabbar	—	20	28	76	124	—	35	44	87	166
Gudia	—	6	13	21	40	—	—	10	40	50
Gozo.										
Rabato	—	10	28	88	126	—	23	17	77	117
Nadur	—	17	20	36	73	—	15	10	34	59
Garbo	—	6	5	15	26	—	—	5	25	30
Xaghra	—	6	10	32	48	—	—	9	31	40
Xeuchia	—	5	7	15	27	—	6	9	17	32
Ghainsielem	—	7	7	12	26	—	10	11	21	42
Zebbug	—	3	5	12	20	—	2	4	12	18
Sannat	—	—	9	19	28	—	—	8	24	32
	103	436	863	2170	3572	140	530	996	2553	4219

The ordinary time for instruction in the Schools is at least of five hours a day.

Boys and Girls are not admitted in the Primary Schools before they have attained the age of five years.

In such localities where an Infant School is attached to the Primary School, boys and girls are not admitted in the Primary School before the age of seven years.

TABLE III.

Distribution of Boys and Girls in the different divisions of the Infant Schools.

Schools	DIVISIONS					
	Boys			Girls		
	II.	I.	Total	II.	I.	Total
Valletta	21	29	50	39	31	70
Do. Str. S. Patrizio ...	—	83	83	—	60	60
Floriana	33	39	72	35	47	82
Cospicua	42	44	86	60	60	120
Total	96	195	291	134	198	332

Infants are not received in the School before the full age of three years, and at the age of seven years they are transferred to the Primary School.

In the Infant Schools lessons are given especially on the elements of

Religion,

Sacred History,

Natural History,

Mental Arithmetic,

Regular Forms,

Proprieties of the most common natural objects,

Principal parts of the human body.

TABLE IV.

Distribution of the Pupils in the different classes of the Female Secondary School, Valletta.

Class IV.	Class III.	Class II.	Class I.	Total
21	14	39	54	128

In this School instruction is given in Italian, English and French languages, Grammar, Arithmetic, Writing, Geography, some parts of History, Drawing, and Religion.

The School is in part supported by Government, and in part by the monthly contributions of the pupils.

Every pupil, pays monthly 5 shillings.

Two of the same family, pay 7 shillings and 6 pence.

Three, 10 shillings.

With the addition of 2 shillings and 6 pence for every other girl of the same family.

TABLE V.

Distribution of Pupils in the two classes of the Secondary School, Gozo.

Upper Class	11
Lower Class	23
Total... ..	34

The School is divided into the following four branches,
of Latin language and Rhetoric,
of Algebra and Trigonometry,
of Italian elocution and composition,
of English elocution and composition.

TABLE VI.

Distribution of Pupils in the two classes of the Evening Schools.

Schools	Class II.	Class I.	Total
Valletta	25	55	80
Floriana	20	20	40
Total... ..	45	75	120

Young men under the age of fifteen are ordinarily not admitted in the Evening Schools.

Instruction is given in the Evening Schools on
Italian Reading, and
English Reading, with the elements of Grammar,
Arithmetic,
Writing,
Religious Catechism, and
Elements of Lineal Drawing.

Evening Schools are in operation in every day of the week (except festival days) from the 1st of October to the 31st of May.

TABLE VII.

Distribution of Pupils in the two classes of the Sunday Schools.

Schools	Class II.	Class I.	Total
MALTA.			
Zebbug	2	2	4
Siggieui	15	15	30
Naxaro	—	30	30
Zurricco	—	6	6
Micabiba	5	4	9
Zeitun... ..	11	9	20
Zabbar... ..	9	4	13
Gozo.			
Sannat... ..	—	8	8
Total... ..	42	78	120

TABLE VIII.

Distribution of Pupils in the two classes of Lineal Drawing.

Schools	Boys			Girls		
	Class II.	Class I.	Total	Class II.	Class I.	Total
Valetta	23	35	58	32	38	70
Floriana	17	25	42	20	27	47
Cospicua	20	34	54	...	...	...
Vittoriosa	30	17	47	...	...	...
Senglea	21	21	42	...	...	...
Sliema	26	18	44	...	...	...
Rabato, Gozo	12	27	39	...	...	...
Total	149	177	326	52	65	117

TABLE IX.

Distribution of Pupils in the two classes of Singing.

Schools	Boys			Girls		
	Upper Class	Lower Class	Total	Upper Class	Lower Class	Total
Valetta	68	53	121	43	56	99
Floriana	28	20	48	35	7	42
Cospicua	40	21	61	...	...	...
Vittoriosa	20	30	50	...	...	...
Senglea	30	40	70	...	...	...
Total	186	164	350	78	63	141

Wilhelm's System, as introduced and practiced by Hullah in the Primary Schools of Great Britain, is followed in the instruction and exercises of our Primary Schools.

This sort of instruction is given in hours different from those assigned to the ordinary lessons of the School.

The Male and Female Singing Classes are divided into two or more sections, according to the degree of proficiency of the pupils.

TABLE X.

Boys attending the classes of Arts attached to the following Schools.

Schools	Work	Boys
Valetta	Wood Engraving	14
	Do. Carving... ..	6
	Printing	9
Floriana	Wood Carving... ..	6
Cottonera	Do. do.	15
Luca	Wood Clock work	14
Total		64

TABLE XI.

Proportion of the Pupils of the Primary Schools with regard to the number of Boys and Girls of School-age.

	Boys in the Schools		Total	Boys of School-age taken from the Census of 1871		Total	Girls in the Schools		Total	Girls of School-age taken from the Census of 1871		Total		
	5 and under 10	10 and under 15		5 and under 10	10 and under 15		5 and under 10	10 and under 15		5 and under 10	10 and under 15			
	MALTA.													
Valetta	323	211	} 667	1113	1264	2377	424	147	} 991	1113	1182	} 2295		
Do. Str. S. Patrizio ..	—	—		—	—	—	—	70		—	—		—	—
Do. Infant	50	—		—	—	—	—	60		—	—		—	—
Do. Str. S. Patrizio ..	83	—		—	—	—	—	69		59	—		—	—
Do. Secondary	—	—	—	—	—	—	69	59	—	—	—	—		
Floriana	87	13	} 172	400	431	831	112	71	} 265	387	440	} 827		
Do. Infant	72	—		—	—	—	—	82		—	—		—	—
Cospicua	115	35	} 236	653	601	1254	71	66	} 257	590	594	} 1184		
Do. Infant	86	—		—	—	—	—	120		—	—		—	—
Vittoriosa	100	50	150	378	347	725	222	37	259	290	354	644		
Senglea	182	50	232	360	416	776	206	36	242	354	387	741		
Rabato	128	30	158	301	339	640	145	39	184	293	329	622		
Dingli	9	—	9	25	34	59	8	6	14	31	21	52		
Zebbug	91	25	116	262	237	499	115	45	160	249	280	529		
Siggieui	46	19	65	104	130	234	69	19	88	130	137	267		
Birchircara	141	25	166	311	320	631	152	14	166	290	299	589		
Sliema	128	12	140	91	85	176	112	35	147	90	98	188		
Lia	110	18	128	73	77	150	92	12	104	63	60	123		
Misida	66	14	80	96	99	195	73	6	79	88	91	179		
Naxaro	40	6	46	125	155	280	56	14	70	131	134	265		
Musta	58	9	67	200	228	428	82	18	100	163	220	383		
Gargur	15	7	22	51	67	118	22	9	31	60	54	114		
Melleha	23	6	29	89	86	175	33	3	36	88	74	162		
Curmi	192	8	200	} 364	} 360	} 724	127	33	} 160	} 315	} 380	} 695		
Samra	94	6	100				—	—					—	95
Luca	64	19	83	87	77	164	62	5	67	86	86	172		
Zurricco	57	10	67	143	131	274	35	35	70	148	148	296		
Crendi	30	10	40	67	47	114	38	4	42	51	41	92		
Micabiba	27	3	30	57	54	111	61	9	70	29	48	77		
Chircop	25	5	30	26	23	49	30	8	38	25	18	43		
Zeitun	163	17	180	290	330	620	183	3	186	248	304	552		
Axiack	21	9	30	56	71	127	38	12	50	43	52	95		
Tarxien	66	16	82	94	96	190	78	22	100	58	96	154		
Zabbar	107	17	124	218	218	436	150	16	166	224	213	437		
Gudia	36	4	40	38	42	80	38	12	50	37	38	75		
Gozo.														
Rabato	105	21	126	208	327	535	86	31	117	215	230	445		
Nadur	55	18	73	171	205	376	56	3	59	189	187	376		
Garbo	21	5	26	62	79	141	26	4	30	73	66	139		
Xaghra	40	8	48	107	124	231	29	11	40	120	120	240		
Xeuchia	23	4	27	70	83	153	30	2	32	92	71	163		
Ghainsielem	19	7	26	50	39	89	35	7	42	43	52	95		
Zebbug	17	3	20	59	42	101	16	2	18	45	43	88		
Sannat	25	3	28	57	69	126	30	2	32	48	66	114		
Total	3140	723	3863	6856	7333	14189	3773	906	4679	6499	7013	13512		

In the above numbers are included,

In the Infant Schools	Boys	Girls	} under 5 years.
In the Primary Schools	123	151	
In the Primary Schools	247	414	
Total	370	565	

In the Primary Schools 37 — 55 above 15 years.

Total 407 — 620

TABLE XII.

Pupils attending the Evening, Sunday, and Secondary Schools not included in the preceding Table, being above the age of 15 years.

Schools.							Pupils
MALTA.							
Evening Schools							
	Valetta	...	...	...	...	...	80
	Floriana	...	...	...	...	...	40
Sunday Schools							
	Zebbug	...	...	...	...	...	4
	Siggieui	...	...	...	...	...	30
	Naxaro...	...	...	...	...	...	30
	Zurricco	...	...	...	...	...	6
	Micabiba	...	...	...	...	...	9
	Zeitun ...	...	...	...	...	...	20
	Zabbar ...	...	...	...	...	...	13
Gozo.							
	Sannat ...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Secondary Schools							
	Rabato ...	...	...	...	...	...	34
							274

TABLE XIII.

Progressive number of Schools and Pupils from 1850 to 1878.

	Schools							Total	Attendance		
	Primary		Infant	Evening	Secondary		Sunday		Boys	Girls	Total
	Boys	Girls	Boys and Girls	Boys	Boys	Girls	Boys				
1850	14	14	...	...	...	...	..	28	1619	1554	3173
1855	18	18	2	1	1	...	...	40	1904	2045	3949
1860	22	23	3	1	1	1	...	51	2533	3117	5650
1865	28	29	3	2	1	1	3	67	2900	3099	5999
1870	31	31	3	2	1	1	1	70	3420	3755	7175
1875	37	37	3	2	1	1	10	91	3759	4036	7795
1877	37	38	4	2	1	1	5	88	4173	4886	9059
1878	37	38	4	2	1	1	8	91	4135	4622	8757

TABLE XIV.

Expenses incurred by Government for all the Primary Schools in the year 1878.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Fixed Establishment	4,044	16	8			
Provisional and Temporary: Extra Assistants	774	1	0			
Remuneration to School-masters for imparting instruction on Sundays ...	13	6	0			
Temporary Teachers and Assistants for Evening Classes	41	15	0			
Temporary Teachers and Assistants for Mechanical Instruction	40	16	8			
Temporary assistance for instruction to Male and Female Pupil Teachers... ..	13	5	0			
For providing Roman Catholic religious instruction	53	2	10	4,981	3	2
Allowances ... ..	...	...	...	30	0	0
<i>Office Contingencies.</i>						
Stationery, bookbinding, lesson books, and other articles of use in the Schools ...	227	3	4			
Petty Expenses of the different Schools ...	252	10	11	479	14	3
<i>Exclusive of Establishments.</i>						
Purchase of books, maps, and other articles for the training of the Male and Female Pupil Teachers	21	19	2			
Cost of tools and materials for Mechanical Instruction	9	9	3			
Rent of School-rooms... ..	445	10	0	476	18	5
				5,967	15	10

TABLE XV.

Number of Pupils in the Primary Schools in the year 1878.

Year	Total	Boys		Girls		Total
		Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage	
1878	1231	610	49.5	621	50.5	1231
1877	1301	650	50.0	651	50.0	1301
1876	1387	693	50.0	694	50.0	1387
1875	1469	734	50.0	735	50.0	1469
1874	1550	775	50.0	775	50.0	1550
1873	1630	815	50.0	815	50.0	1630
1872	1710	855	50.0	855	50.0	1710
1871	1790	895	50.0	895	50.0	1790
1870	1870	935	50.0	935	50.0	1870