Chapter 7 – Section 1

The Expanse of Education

1. By 1900 most states had laws requiring children aged 8-14 to attend school. But, why did the majority of children not receive high school diplomas and only acquire basic skills?

- 2. What was the most important function of schools back then? Why?
- 3. What is assimilation and what role did school play in it?

4. How were students "Americanized"?

5. Why did some immigrant parents fear this?

6. What did contact between Americans and newer immigrants lead to?

7. How did schools for Mexican, Asian, African, and Native American children compare to white schools?

8. What 2 changes occurred in higher education?

9. What were 3 reasons parents feared sending their daughters to college?

10. Who was Booker T. Washington and what did he believe?

11. How was W.E.B. Dubois similar, yet different from Washington?

12. What was the Niagra Movement?

Homework essay

 Write a 150 - 200 word essay describing the state of America's schools in the late 1800's. Make sure to include both the advances that had been made and those that still needed to be strived for. You need to include at least 5 facts (underlined or numbered) from the section notes.