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## EDUCATION: INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS

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## No. 1.

EXTRACT from ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT of the MINISTER of EDUCATION. The number of children and young persons under the control of the industrial schools declined during the year from 1,609 to 1,523, the admissions being 224 and the discharges 310. During the same time the number maintained by the institutions has increased from 1,129 to 1,158, the inmates discharged being in most cases already at service or licensed to reside with their friends. As is shown in Table T 595 were maintained in the schools (the increase for the year being 12), and 563 boarded out (the increase being 17). Among the cases of discharge are reckoned 11 boys transferred to the Costley Institute in Auckland, 2 girls married, 5 children adopted, and 4 deaths. One little girl of five, who had been an inmate of S. Joseph's, Wellington, for a year, died of asthmatic croup. Two sisters, ill when they were admitted to S. Mary's, Nelson, in May, died of croup, one in June and the other in August, their ages being 7 and 5½. fourth case was that of a little girl, six years old, who died in October, of effusion of blood on the brain, brought on by whooping-cough, having been admitted to Burnham a month before and boarded out. Of the inmates maintained 12 are above the age of 15 and are supported not by the Government, but by the Roman Catholic schools in which they reside; last year the number of such inmates was eight. The five resident inmates at the Thames are maintained by the local authorities. This leaves 1,141 to be maintained by the Government or by the Charitable Aid Boards. In some cases the parents have to pay the whole or part of the cost of maintenance. The contributions received by Government from parents and from Charitable Aid Boards amount to nearly half of the expenditure on the Government schools. The "private" schools receive direct payment from Charitable Aid Boards for some children.

TABLE T .- CHILDREN MAINTAINED.

		Boarded out.				In Residence.			
	Dec., 1886.	Increase.	Decrease.	Dec., 1887.	Dec., 1886.	Increase.	Decrease.	Dec., 1887	
Government Schools—									
Want Chuant	. 76	2	3	78 37	49 5	7	••	56	
Dambam	220	10		230	107	**	13	9 94	
Caversham	. 208	10		218	121	5		126	
Local School—	1								
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Private Schools—S. Mary's, Ponsonby	·				51		4	417	
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Totals	. 546	22	5	563	583	35	23	595	