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EDUCATION: INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

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EXTRACT FROM SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

The number of "inmates" of industrial schools was 1,492 at the beginning and 1,489 at the end of the year. The admissions were 225; the discharges were 228. The annual number of admissions, which fell from 340 in 1885 to 158 in 1890, has now been rising for two years. This rise has not augmented the number of children maintained by the schools; on the contrary, the number of resident inmates has declined in the two years from 544 to 527, and the number of boarded-out children from 427 to 419. The number of young people licensed to employers or friends has increased during the same period from 454 to 508. The principal changes in the numbers for 1892 appear in Table T.

TABLE T.-Inmates, 1891 and 1892.

	Boarded out.				In Residence.				At Service, &c.				Totals.			
	Dec., 1891.	Increase.	Decrease.	Dec., 1892.	Dec., 1891.	Increase.	Decrease.	Dec., 1892.	Dec., 1891.	Increase.	Decrease.	Dec., 1892.	Dec., 1891.	Increase.	Decrease.	Dec., 1892.
Auckland, Kohimarama Parnell Burnham Caversham Local School—	46 19 179 176	1 13	12 5	34 20 174 189	31 10 112 92	5	13 3 11	18 7 101 97	44 24 220 208	9	2 4 25	42 33 216 183	121 53 511 476	7	27 20 7	49
Thames Private Schools— St. Mary's, Auckland St. Joseph's, Wellington St. Mary's, Nelson	 1 1	••	••	 1 1	41 26 208	7 15	••	41 33 223	12 5 30	5 1 16		12 10 1 46	19 46 27 239	5 8 31		2
Totals	422	14	17	419	527	27	27	527	543	31	31	543	1,492	51	54	1,4

The number 543 ("at service, &c.") is made up as follows: 391 at service; 117 licensed to friends; 15 absent without leave; 5 at Costley Institute on probation; 3 in hospital; 3 in lunatic asylums; 2 in blind asylum; 6 in refuges; 1 in prison.