

The increase in the number of teachers for the year is 86, and the average number of pupils for one teacher has fallen from 31·7 to 30·6. The pupil-teachers constitute nearly one-third of the whole staff. The women largely outnumber the men, but the difference (576) is all accounted for in the proportion obtaining between the sexes in the ranks of the pupil-teachers. The additions to the staff above the rank of pupil-teacher show that women are being preferred, the increments for the year in the number of men and women respectively being 9 and 59.

TABLE K.—SCHOOL STAFF, DECEMBER, 1893.

Education Districts.	Principal.		Head of School.		Head of Department.		Sole Teachers.		Assistant Teachers.		Pupil-teachers.		Total.			Average Attendance in Fourth Quarter.	Average Number of Pupils to One Teacher.	Sewing-mistresses
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	All.			
Auckland ..	..	..	116	16	..	..	72	90	25	117	71	193	234	416	700	19,649	28·07	47
Taranaki ..	1	..	17	1	..	1	13	17	3	7	3	26	37	52	89	2,471	27·76	23
Wanganui ..	..	..	42	4	..	..	35*	22*	11	26	21	50	109	102	211	6,449	30·56	..
Wellington ..	..	..	43	10	..	..	17	22	23	54	10	120	98	204	302	9,713	32·16	5
Hawke's Bay ..	2	..	23	7	..	2	7	17	12	27	11	65	55	118	173	5,349	30·91	..
Marlborough ..	1	..	7	1	..	2	14	23	2	10	2	9	26	45	71	1,542	21·71	3
Nelson ..	1	..	27	10	..	1	16	45	7	28	5	29	56	113	169	4,256	25·18	..
Grey ..	1	..	7	1	1	1	4	11	1	9	3	18	17	40	57	1,388	24·35	..
Westland ..	..	..	8	1	..	..	9	12	3	11	4	18	24	42	66	1,370	20·75	1
North Canterbury ..	28	..	80	4	1	32	37	30	38	126	57	134	241	326	567	17,802	30·51	50
South Canterbury ..	4	..	24	2	..	4	16	14	10	20	10	40	64	80	144	4,234	29·40	17
Otago ..	..	..	31	..	..	..	58	63	53	139	31	72	223	274	497	18,744	37·71	14
Southland ..	14	..	33	2	..	14	43	29	11	13	10	51	111	109	220	7,405	33·65	..
Totals for 1893	52	..	508	59	2	57	341	395	204	585	238	825	1,345	1,921	3,266	99,872	30·6	160
Totals for 1892	52	..	490	50	2	57	350	360	204	570	258	787	1,356	1,824	3,180	100,917	31·7	160
Difference ..	..	..	18	9	..	..	-9	35	..	15	-20	38	-11	97	86	-1,045	..	..

*Includes one vacancy.

Table L shows that the increase in the number of teachers lies almost wholly in those that receive the smallest salaries. The whole increase is 86, and the increase in the number of teachers receiving less than £100 a year each is 83. The average salary is declining. At the end of 1892 it was £94 8s. 10d.; at the end of 1893 it had fallen to £93 8s. 5d. The rates for eight years in succession are—£96 15s. 9d.; £96 9s. 1d.; £92 13s. 4d.; £96 10s. 11d.; £94 10s. 5d.; £94 2s. 6d.; £94 8s. 10d.; £93 8s. 5d.

TABLE L.—SALARIES OF TEACHERS, DECEMBER, 1893.

Education Districts.	Under £100.			£100 and under £200.	£200 and under £300.	£300 and under £400.	£400 and upwards. (Maximum, £480.)	Number of Teachers.	Total of Rates of Salary. December, 1893.
	Sewing-mistresses.	Pupil-teachers.	Other Teachers.						
Auckland ..	47	264	180	210	34	10	2	747	£ 63,131 0 0
Taranaki ..	23	29	31	28	1	..	..	112	7,446 10 0
Wanganui ..	..	71	41	80	19	..	..	211	21,542 2 6
Wellington ..	5	130	58	74	32	8	..	307	29,212 14 0
Hawke's Bay ..	..	76	24	53	16	3	1	173	17,115 15 5
Marlborough ..	3	11	41	16	2	1	..	74	5,296 8 4
Nelson ..	..	34	70	57	7	1	..	169	14,407 0 0
Grey ..	..	21	19	14	3	..	..	57	4,620 0 0
Westland ..	1	20	32	11	2	..	1	67	4,824 13 3
North Canterbury ..	50	191	144	186	33	11	2	617	55,928 1 0
South Canterbury ..	17	50	21	67	4	2	..	161	13,846 0 0
Otago ..	14	103	124	199	57	13	1	511	59,672 12 0
Southland ..	..	61	19	129	11	..	..	220	23,015 8 6
Totals for 1893	160	1,061	804	1,124	221	49	7	3,426	320,058 5 0
Totals for 1892	2,025 1,942			1,111	221	61	5	3,340	315,447 3 1
Difference ..	83			13	..	-12	2	86	4,611 1 11