

The salaries of the teachers, pupil-teachers, and sewing-mistresses at the end of the year amount to £353,409. When this sum is divided by 3,706 the quotient is £95 7s. 3d. At the end of 1895 the average of the salaries was £94 14s. 8d.

TABLE L.—SALARIES OF TEACHERS, DECEMBER, 1896.

Education Districts.	Under £100.			£100 and under £200.	£200 and under £300.	£300 and under £400.	£400 and upwards (Maximum, £504).	Number of Teachers.	Total of Rates of Salary, December, 1896.
	Sewing-mistresses.	Pupil-teachers.	Other Teachers.						
Auckland	67	237	213	240	38	12	2	809	£ 69,012 0 0
Taranaki	26	26	30	41	3	..	..	126	9,455 2 0
Wanganui .. ..	..	100	42	97	21	2	..	262	27,240 5 0
Wellington	10	169	78	78*	39	9	..	383*	34,646 18 0
Hawke's Bay ..	..	79	24	67	16	5	1	192	19,914 12 6
Marlborough ..	2	13	53	18	3	..	..	89	5,820 10 8
Nelson .. ..	..	39	86	52	8	..	..	185	15,222 0 0
Grey .. ..	..	15	26	16	3	..	..	60	5,002 10 0
Westland .. ..	..	17	31	13	2	..	..	63	4,812 5 3
North Canterbury ..	96	145	150*	198	31	13	1	574*	57,760 16 0
South Canterbury ..	18	42	30	67	7	3	..	167	15,261 10 0
Otago	32	99	132*	216	59	15	2	555*	63,216 9 10
Southland .. ..	..	62	24	140	13	2	..	241	26,044 0 0
Totals for 1896	191	1,043	919†	1,243*	243	61	6	3,706‡	353,408 19 3
	2,153			1,223	222	62	5	3,576	338,774 7 9
Totals for 1895	2,064								
Difference ..	89			20	21	-1	1	130	14,634 11 6

* Includes one vacancy. † Includes two vacancies. ‡ Includes three vacancies.

Omitting pupil-teachers and sewing-mistresses, the number of teachers at the end of the year was 2,469. As is shown in Table M, 2,179 then held certificates, and 18 others had passed the certificate examination. The remaining 272 are accounted for as follows: 96 had obtained "partial pass," 42 had failed at examination, and 134 had not been examined by the department.

TABLE M.—TEACHERS CERTIFICATED AND UNCERTIFICATED, 31ST DECEMBER, 1896.
(Numbers in brackets represent licensed teachers included in other numbers.)

Education Districts.	Certificated Teachers.	Marks not yet assigned.	Required Service not yet completed.	Partial Pass.	Failed.	Never examined by Department.	Total.	Pupil-teachers having Certificates, not included in Column headed "Certificated Teachers."
Auckland ..	481	..	2	9	6	7 [1]	505	53
Taranaki ..	62	..	1	6 [3]	1 [1]	4 [2]	74	..
Wanganui ..	137	..	..	8 [1]	6 [1]	11	162	8
Wellington ..	173	..	2	6	3	19	203	27
Hawke's Bay ..	97	..	..	6	4 [1]	6 [1]	113	4
Marlborough ..	34	..	2	2	2	34	74	..
Nelson ..	95	..	4	12 [1]	14 [1]	21	146	3
Grey ..	26	..	..	7 [5]	2	10	45	2
Westland ..	29	..	..	4	1	12	46	..
North Canterbury ..	366	..	..	20	2	4 [1]	392	..
South Canterbury ..	101	..	..	6	..	..	107	2
Otago ..	419	..	3	1	..	..	423	..
Southland ..	159	1	3	9 [5]	1 [1]	6	179	7
Total for 1896	2,179	1	17	96 [15]	42 [5]	134 [5]	2,469	106
Total for 1895	2,084	5	24	90 [14]	36 [4]	127 [5]	2,366	..
Total for 1894	1,984	5	24	85	42	120	2,260	..
Total for 1893	1,914	4	22	88	48	125	2,201	..
Total for 1892	1,826	6	19	94	54	131	2,130	..
Total for 1891	1,753	7	17	107	58	132	2,074	..
Total for 1890	1,674	5	21	142	57	139	2,038	..

If the results of examination of January, 1897, were taken into account, it would be necessary to revise Table M, to make it show 2,241 qualified by examination, and 228 unqualified, as follows: "partial pass," 64; failed, 44; not examined, 120.

EDUCATION BOARDS.

The annual reports of the Boards will be found in the Appendix (pp. 62-95), as also an abstract of their accounts (pp. 4-5). Table N is a summary statement of the totals shown in the abstract of accounts.