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# EDUCATION:

## TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

[In continuation of E.-1, 1902.]

*Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.*

Office of the Department of Education,  
Wellington, 5th October, 1903.  
MY LORD,—  
I have the honour, in accordance with the provisions of "The Education Act, 1877," to submit to Your Excellency the following report upon the progress and condition of public education in New Zealand during the year ending the 31st day of December, 1902.  
I have, &c.,  
R. J. SEDDON.  
His Excellency the Right Hon. the Earl of Ranfurly,  
Governor of New Zealand.

## REPORT.

IN this Report and its proper Appendix, in the Inspector-General's Report (E.-1A) on the certificate examinations, the Reports of the Inspectors of Schools (E.-1B), a Return of School-buildings and Teachers' Residences (E.-1C), and the Report on the Organization of the Public-school Cadets (E.-1D), is contained all the information that is of public interest with respect to the administration of "The Education Act, 1877," and "The Education Reserves Act, 1877," and also all the principal statistics relating to matters which are more fully treated of in separate papers, as follows: E.-2, Native Schools; E.-3, Industrial Schools; E.-3A, Costley Training Institution; E.-4, School for Deaf-mutes; E.-5, Manual and Technical Instruction; E.-6, New Zealand University; E.-7, University of Otago; E.-8, Canterbury College; E.-9, Auckland University College; E.-10, Victoria College; E.-11, Canterbury Agricultural College; E.-12, Secondary Schools; E.-12A, Return of Pupils attending Secondary Schools; E.-12B, Return of the Pupils, Income, Staff, and Expenses of Secondary Schools; E.-12C, Return showing the Number of Free Places in Secondary Schools; E.-13, Public Libraries.