1903.

NEW ZEALAND.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

(REPORTS OF THE).

(MR. BAUME, CHAIRMAN.)

Presented o the House of Representatives, and ordered to be printed.

ORDER OF REFERENCE.

Extract from the Journals of the House of Representatives. FRIDAY, THE 31ST DAY OF JULY, 1903.

Ordered, "That a Committee be appointed for the purpose of inquiring and reporting,—(1) on primary education, and especially with regard to the curriculum now existing; (2) on secondary education, the subjects taught, the standard of proficiency, and the age-limit for admission; (3) on higher education, the working of universities generally, scholarship conditions, and the advisability or otherwise of each college devoting its attention to specialities; (4) on technical education and manual instruction, both the system now obtaining and as to extensions essential to improvement; (5) on training-schools as colleges for teachers; (6) on schools for the education of the Native race; and (7) on Bills affecting education, and schools, and such educational matters as may be referred to it: the Committee to have power to call for persons and papers, and to consist of Mr. J. Allen, Mr. Baume, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Buddo, Mr. Ell, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Fowlds, Mr. A. L. D. Fraser, Mr. Graham, Mr. Hall, Mr. Hanan, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Hogg, Mr. Lethbridge, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Major, Mr. Massey, Mr. T. Mackenzie, Mr. McNab, Sir W. R. Russell, Mr. Sidey, Hon. Sir W. J. Steward, Mr. J. C. Thomson, Mr. Wood, and the mover. Five to be a quorum."—(Rt. Hon. R. J. Seddon.)

REPORTS.

REGULATIONS FOR INSPECTION AND EXAMINATION OF SCHOOLS.

I am directed to report that the Education Committee, to whom was referred the regulations for inspection and examination of schools, have considered the same, and made amendments therein.

2nd October, 1903.

REGULATIONS FOR EXAMINATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF TEACHERS.

I am directed to report that the Education Committee, to whom was referred the regulations for examination and classification of teachers, have considered the same, and made amendments therein.

2nd October, 1903.

PROPOSED SECONDARY SCHOOLS BILL.

THE Education Committee, to whom was referred, under confidential cover, a draft Secondary Schools Bill, have the honour to report that it has considered the same, and recommend that it be allowed to proceed, with the amendments shown in the copy attached hereto.

19th October, 1903.

TRAINING-COLLEGES FOR TEACHERS.

THE Education Committee, to whom was referred for consideration the subject of training-colleges for teachers, have duly considered the same, and recommend that,—

(a.) A training-college for teachers be established in each of the four principal centres of the colony, viz.: Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin, being the University centres;