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EDUCATION:

MAORI SCHOOL-CHILDREN IN THE SOUTH ISLAND.

(MAORI CHILDREN ATTENDING SCHOOL IN THE SOUTH ISLAND AND STEWART ISLAND, AND THE NUMBER WHO PASSED THE SIXTH STANDARD IN 1903.)

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 5th October, 1904.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing (1) the total number of Maori and half-caste children, and children of more nearly Maori than European descent, who are at present attending Native, public. or other schools throughout the South Island and Stewart Island; and (2) the number of such children who passed the Sixth Standard last year."—(Mr. Parata.)

RETURN.

					Number of Maori and Half-caste Children and Children of more nearly Maori than European Descent.	Passed Standard VI.
Attending public schools Attending Native schools	•••	•••	•••		271 257	5 6
Totals		•••		•••	528	11

The Department has no information as to the number attending other schools.

E. O. GIBBES, Assistant-Secretary for Education.

Education Department, Wellington, 26th October, 1904.

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