

time schools; and so on. Including such reopened schools, the total number of schools opened during the year was 155. The following list shows the number of schools opened and closed in each of the various education districts:—

INCREASES AND DECREASES IN NUMBER OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

District.	Number of Schools closed.	Number of Schools opened.	Increase in Number of Schools.	Decrease in Number of Schools.
Auckland .. ..	41	70	29	..
Taranaki .. ..	3	5	2	..
Wanganui .. ..	2	7	5	..
Wellington .. ..	1	10	9	..
Hawke's Bay .. ..	6	11	5	..
Marlborough .. ..	6	11	5	..
Nelson .. ..	5	9	4	..
Grey .. ..	5	2	..	3
Westland .. ..	2	3	1	..
North Canterbury .. ..	3	9	6	..
South Canterbury .. ..	2	4	2	..
Otago .. ..	6	6	..	..
Southland .. ..	3	8	5	..
	85	155		
		85		
Increase (1911) ..	..	70		

The net increase in the number of schools open at the end of the year is thus 70.

The total number of public schools in each grade is shown in Table A, the corresponding figures for the previous year being shown for purposes of comparison.

TABLE A.—NUMBER OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN EACH GRADE, 1910 AND 1911.

Grade (as in Education Amendment Act, 1908).	Number of Schools.		Grade (as in Education Amendment Act, 1908).	Number of Schools.	
	1910.	1911.		1910.	1911.
0. (1-8) .. ..	155	162	9. { 9A. (451-500) .. ..	8	7
1. (9-15) .. ..	372	393		12	12
2. (16-25) .. ..	469	480		5	4
3. (26-35) .. ..	284	283		9	12
4. (36-80) .. ..	443	462	10. { 10A. (601-650) .. ..	8	5
5. (81-120) .. ..	126	127		2	6
6. { 6A. (121-160) .. ..	51	58		2	3
6. { 6B. (161-200) .. ..	37	33		4	2
7. { 7A. (201-250) .. ..	35	34		2	2
7. { 7B. (251-300) .. ..	24	27		..	..
8. { 8A. (301-350) .. ..	20	24		1	..
8. { 8B. (351-400) .. ..	15	13		..	1
8. { 8C. (401-450) .. ..	12	16			
			Totals .. ..	2,096	2,166

For the number of schools in each education district, classified in grades, reference should be made to Table A1, in the primary-education report, E.-2.

### Roll Number.

The average weekly roll number for 1911 showed an increase for each quarter over that for the corresponding quarter of 1910. The mean of the average weekly roll for the four quarters was—

Mean of average weekly roll, 1910 .. ..	154,756
„ „ 1911 .. ..	159,299
Increase in 1911 .. ..	4,543
Increase per cent in roll number, 1911 .. ..	2.9

The additions to the roll were again much more marked in the North Island, where settlement has of late years been more rapid than in the South; but, with the exception of Marlborough and Grey, every district showed at least some increase. As usual, the increase was most noticeable in the December quarter.

Number on roll at end of 1910 .. ..	156,324
„ 1911 .. ..	161,648
Increase in 1911 .. ..	5,324