

The expenditure for the year, £1,225 11s. 8d., is accounted for as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
Salaries of visiting nurses and local representatives	879	18	4
Travelling-expenses of District Agents, visiting nurses, and local representatives	209	10	10
Payments to foster-parents for board of infants	102	5	9
Medical attendance	11	9	0
Office expenses (including rent) and sundries	82	7	8
Less recoveries	59	19	11

The report of the Secretary for Education gives detailed information as regards various phases of the work.

SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.

Number of pupils who returned to the school in February, 1912, after the summer vacation	93
Receiving instruction at Government experimental farm	1
Number admitted during the school year	10
Absent throughout the year	1
Left during or at the end of the school year	12
Number remaining on the roll after the close of the school year	93

The expenditure on the school for the years 1911 and 1912 respectively was as follows :—

	1911.			1912.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salaries	3,380	6	7	3,404	12	0
Maintenance of pupils and sundry expenses	1,446	7	1	1,874	16	0
Maintenance of buildings and water-charges	276	19	10	335	10	9
Additional buildings				1,947	11	8
Less—						
Amount collected from parents by way of maintenance contributions	887	13	3	1,098	0	1
Amount collected from Charitable Aid Boards	563	8	7	1,103	15	11
Sundry other recoveries	1	7	0	0	11	2
Net expenditure	3,651	4	8*	5,360	3	3*

* Including for 1911 £235, and for 1912 £225 paid from national-endowment revenue.

The report of the Director gives particulars of the work of the school during the year.

JUBILEE INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND.

The amount paid by the Government towards the cost of training thirty-five pupils was £848 16s. 6d., and the amount refunded to the Government during the year by parents and Charitable Aid Boards was £855 1s. 3d., the Boards paying £502 6s. 10d. The sum payable by the Government as subsidy to the Board of Trustees under the provisions of the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act was £2,391 15s. 2d.

SPECIAL SCHOOL FOR THE FEEBLE-MINDED.

	1911.			1912.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salaries	1,985	3	11	2,111	16	2
Maintenance of pupils	1,750	3	2	1,954	17	0
Maintenance of buildings	418	13	3	258	2	4
Farm and stock	226	5	5	367	19	2
Additional buildings, furniture, &c.	2,983	15	6	597	15	0
Less—						
Amount collected from parents by way of maintenance contributions	559	5	1	798	19	4
Amount collected from Charitable Aid Boards	294	17	0	666	16	0
Sundry other recoveries	135	9	1	256	0	7
Net expenditure	6,374	10	1*	3,568	13	9*

* Including for 1911 £235, and for 1912 £225 paid from national-endowment revenue.

The power given to a Magistrate under the Education Amendment Act, 1910, to extend the period of control, if he is satisfied that upon a pupil's attaining his majority his mental state precludes his being able to manage his affairs with ordinary prudence, was exercised in respect of two boys and two girls, the extension being for one year for the boys and four years for the girls. When these periods are about to expire the cases will be reviewed again.

A report from the Principal dealing with the working of the school during the year, and with other matters relating to the education of the feeble-minded, is included in the report (see page 18).