

SALARIES AND STATUS OF SECONDARY TEACHERS.

The total amount paid as salaries to the regular staffs of secondary schools as at the rates paid in December last was £71,992, as against £69,856 for the previous year. Full particulars will be found in Table K 4. The following summary shows the average salary paid to principals and assistants :—

AVERAGE SALARIES IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS.						
1913.			1914.			
M.	F.	All.	M.	F.	All.	
£	£	£	£	£	£	
Principals ...	531	391	484	524	397	482
Assistants ...	249	161	211	248	163	211
Whole staff ...	286	182	243	283	183	241

NOTE.—The salaries of part-time teachers are not taken into consideration in the above summary.

The average salary of all women was £183 4s. 7d., and the average salary of all men was £283 5s. 4d. Conditions have been made under the Act of 1914 ensuring certain minimum salaries better than the present average salaries, so that higher average salaries may be expected at the end of the current year.

In the secondary departments of district high schools salaries are uniform, in accordance with the schedule to the Act. The average salaries actually paid to secondary assistants, exclusive of the sums paid to head teachers by way of extra salary, were, in December, 1913 and 1914, as follows :—

			1913.			1914.		
			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Male assistants ...	...	...	193	0	0	209	19	5
Female assistants ...	...	...	164	7	9	182	8	7
All secondary assistants ...	...	...	174	8	9	194	12	9

(The scale of salaries is the same for men and women.)

The total amount paid in salaries to teachers in secondary departments of district high schools, including the special payments to head teachers, was £18,929 as against £17,295 for 1913.

The professional qualifications of the secondary-school teachers of the Dominion are as follows :—

STATUS OF SECONDARY TEACHERS (REGULAR STAFF ONLY), DECEMBER, 1914.

		Secondary Schools.	District High Schools (Secondary Departments).
Principals,—			
Graduates ...	...	32	20
Holding certificates or other qualifications (excluding graduates) ...	...	1	40
Assistants,—			
Graduates ...	...	217	54
Certificated (excluding graduates) ...	...	17	27
Uncertificated ...	...	32	7
Totals ...	...	299	148

FINANCES OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

The income of secondary schools is derived from the following sources :—

- (i.) Rents from the special reserves allocated to them by statute :
- (ii.) Statutory grants given in lieu of special reserves :
- (iii.) Interest upon moneys derived from the sale of reserves and invested in accordance with the Education Reserves Act :
- (iv.) Income from the secondary-school reserves controlled by the Land Boards, divided among the secondary schools in the several land districts in proportion to the number of pupils in average attendance, lower departments excluded :
- (v.) Government payments—(a) Statutory capitation upon free pupils under the Act ; (b) subsidies on voluntary contributions for the general purposes of the school :