

Certain conditions were imposed last year with the object of ensuring that the classes were attended only by teachers who were making conscientious use of the instruction afforded for the purpose of improving their status or teaching ability, and only half-fees were paid for tuition by correspondence except in special cases.

In the distribution of the grant the amounts allotted to the various Education Boards varied from £125 to £925.

There appears still to be considerable difficulty in some quarters in providing adequate assistance to inexperienced teachers who, especially during the present emergency, are filling positions in country schools. Further consideration of proposals, including suggestions for the establishment of model schools where such teachers could receive a short training, and also for the appointment of organizing teachers or Inspectors having special charge of groups of small country schools, is deferred only until the conclusion of peace.

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DETAILED TABLES.

TABLE P1.—THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN THE FOUR TRAINING COLLEGES DURING THE LAST QUARTER OF 1916.

(a) As classified by Divisions; (b) as classified by Years.

Training Colleges.			As classified by Divisions.								As classified by Years.				Totals.			
			Division A.		Division B.		Division C.		Division D.		First Year.		Second Year.					
			M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	Total.	
Auckland	..	..	23	77	3	4	..	1	3	3	22	54	7	31	29	85	114
Wellington	..	..	10	84	1	2	..	4	..	1	6	55	5	36	11	91	102
Christchurch	..	..	15	83	3	5	..	4	..	..	13	53	5	39	18	92	110
Dunedin	..	..	16	73	5	21	..	..	..	1	10	51	11	44	21	95	116
Totals, 1916			..	64	317	12	32	..	9	3	5	51	213	28	150	79	363	442
Totals, 1915			..	62	276	12	21	..	8	6	5	56	185	24	125	80	310	390

Division A.—Ex-pupil-teachers or ex-probationers. Division B.—Students other than ex-pupil-teachers or ex-probationers who have passed Matriculation or some higher University examination. Division C.—University graduates admitted for one year of training. Division D.—Short-period studentships.

NOTE.—Students on leave with the Expeditionary Forces are not included in the table; their names are printed in Appendix B to E.—1.