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school under a sole teacher; (ii) a junior school under one teacher with not more than 45 children of classes P to S2 on the roll; (iii) a class representing the secondary department of a district high school; (iv) a class for backward children; (v) a junior kindergarten. Provision is made for the staffing of classes for backward children and for public schools established as model schools, a class for backward children being in operation in Auckland in a specially designed modern building erected at the cost of a private donor.

Students receive their theoretical instruction from the training-college staff, and also attend University college classes to a considerable extent. A certain proportion of students attempt degree work in conjunction with their training-college work, although this double course is discouraged except in cases of specially suited

students.

Divisions A, B, and C students satisfactorily completing the prescribed course of work at the training college may, on the recommendation of the Principal, receive without further examination a trained teacher's certificate ranking with the Class C or Class D certificate, as may be determined. Of the students beginning a two-years course in 1917, 5 held Class C certificates, 84 Class D certificates, and 89 held partial successes towards teachers' certificates at the time of entry; and at the end of the course, out of 209 students, 9 held Class B certificates, 123 Class C certificates, and 55 Class D certificates, the remaining students having secured sectional passes.

The amounts paid to Education Boards in 1917–18 and 1918–19 for the training of teachers were as follows:—

I. Training colleg	ges					191718.		1918–19.	
Salaries of staffs (two-fifths charged to public-school					ıool	£		£	
salaries)	••	`		•		13,765		16,741	
War bonus	to staff (£261)	and stud	lents (£3	(903)		3,587		4,164	
Students' allowances and University fees						28,439		32,110	
Special instruction, libraries, and incidentals						1,750		1,437	
Buildings, sites, and equipment						358		140	
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II. Other training—									
Grants for special instruction in certificate subjects of									
						3,415		1,800	
Railway fares of teachers					4,398		3,529		
v							7,813		5,329
							£55,712	£	59,921
	Less recoverie	s	• •				325		••
	Totals						£55,387	£	59,921

PROVISION FOR UNCERTIFICATED TEACHERS.

Apart from the provision for training colleges, a grant of £2,875 was made last year to Education Boards for the maintenance of training classes for teachers, the amounts allotted to the various Boards ranging from £175 to £650. The purposes for which the grant was applied were:—

(1.) Central classes for the direct personal tuition of uncertificated teachers (exclusive of pupil-teachers and probationers) in subjects required for the D certificate.

(2.) Tuition and training in Class D subjects of uncertificated teachers (exclusive of pupil-teachers and probationers) by means of correspondence classes under the control of Education Boards, in cases in which it is found highly inconvenient to bring teachers to classes. Under this heading, however, no correspondence classes in science subjects are recognized unless the Board makes adequate provision for practical work.

(3.) Courses of practical work in physical and natural science, in subjects of manual instruction other than those usually taught by special

instructors, in vocal music, and in drawing.