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No. 1.

EXTRACT FROM THE THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

NUMBER OF SCHOOLS.

Ar the end of the year 1909 there were ninety-four Native village schools in operation. During the year 1910 three new schools were opened-viz, Rakaunui, Kawhia; Port Waikato, near the mouth of the Waikato River; and Waimiha, King-country; and the schools at Pamoana, Wanganui River; and Te Kopua, Maniapoto country, were reopened. At the 31st December, 1910, there were, in addition to public schools giving instruction to Maori children, 114 schools in operation in New Zealand for the primary purpose of giving instruction to the Maori—

Native village schools		 	99
Mission schools subject to inspection by the Education I			6
Boarding-schools affording secondary education to Maori	8	 	9
Total			114

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ATTENDANCE. The average daily attendance, in actual numbers and as a percentage of the average weekly roll-number, for each quarter of the years 1909 and 1910 was as follows:—-

number, for each quarter	t of the years	1000 410	1010 %	no no 10.	10 40 .		
				Actual	Attendance.	Per Cent. of Roll.	
				1909.	1910.	1909. 1910.	
First quarter				3,664	3,659	85-0 85-5	
Second quarter				3.647	3,720	85-1 86-7	
Third quarter				3,519	3,686	85-1 85-5	
Fourth quarter				3,566	3,669	86-0 84-7	
The following are so year 1910, the correspon						tive village schools for comparison :—	the
					1909,	1910.	
Number on roll	s at end of y	ear			4,12	4,280	
Average weekly	roll-number				4,308	4,325	
Average yearly	attendance				3,680	3,714	

If to the Native village schools are added the Native mission schools and Native secondary schools, the following are the figures for 1909 and 1910 respectively :---

Number on rolls of Native village schoo ,, mission scho ,, secondary se	ols at ools at	end of yea end of ye	ar	$1909. \\ 4,121 \\ 231 \\ 360$	$ \begin{array}{r} 1910. \\ 4,280 \\ 221 \\ 378 \end{array} $
Combined rolls of Native schools Combined average weekly roll-number Combined average yearly attendance Percentage of regularity of attendance	 			4,712 4,898 4,213 86-0	4,879 4,923 4,259 86:5

Table H shows the mean average roll-number for every fifth year, from 1881 to 1896, and for each , of the last eleven years. The year 1881 is practically the first year of operation of the Native schools under this Department. The table gives also the total average attendance for each year, the average attendance as a percentage of the roll, and the number of teachers employed in the Native schools.

TABLE H .--- SCHOOLS, ATTENDANCE, AND TEACHERS.

		Number		Average	Average		Nun	ber of Tes	chers.	
	Year.	of Schools at End	Mean of Average Weekly Boll.	Attendance : Whole Year.	Attendance as Percentage	Teachers	in Charge.	Assistant	Teachers.	Sewing
		of Year.		rear.	of Weekly Roll.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Mistresse
1881		 60		1,406		54	6		4	48
886		69	2,343	2,020	86-2	60	9		26	30
891		66	2,395	1,837	76-7	591	8†	1	26	37
896		 74	2,874	2,220	77-3	641	11†		61	16
900		 84*	3,256	2,500	76.8	671	16†		70	8
901		 89*	3,257	2,592	79-6	70†	18†		69	15
902		 98*	3,650	3,005	82.3	77†	20†		83	11
903		97*	3,805	3,012	$79 \cdot 2$	761	20†		79	13
904		 95*	3,794	3,083	81.3	73†	21†		85	- 11
905		95	4,097	3,428	83.7	74+	22+		87	15
906		98	4,235	3,607	85.2	78†	21+	2	94	11
907		 99	4,321	3,561	82.4	82+	18†	2	105	3
908		 95	4,479	3,781	84.4	76	19	2	104	5
1909		 94	4,308	3,680	85-4	76	18	3	101	5
1910		 99	4,325	3,714	85.9	78	21	3	106	4

Includes two subbidized schools.
 † Includes two teachers jointly in charge of one school.
 ‡The mean of average weekly roll
 and the average stitestance are the totals of each school for the year, the roll and stiendance of each school being reckoned to the nearest
 whole number (see Table 182).

Table H1, in the appendix, gives in detail the staffs and salaries of ater school being record to the nearest Table H1, in the appendix, gives in detail the staffs and salaries of the various schools in order of their grades. Table H2 supplies detailed information in regard to the roll-number, average attendance, and grading of the schools. As will be seen from the above table, the percentage of regularity of attendance was higher last year than it has been for at least ten years, a result which must be considered highly satisfactory when it is remembered that all the Native schools are situated in rural districts having, in most cases, a sparse and widely scattered population. In many of the village schools, notably Te Kao in the far North, the attendance is remarkably good, the regularity in fully one-third of them reaching over 90 per cent. There were 381 Maori boys and girls receiving higher education, 378 of whom were attending the various secondary Native schools, while the remaining 3 boys were pupils of other secondary schools. Of these, 54 boys and 83 girls were holders of free places provided by the Government. Datailed information in respect to Maori pupils receiving higher education will be found in Table H2 and H3 of the appendix.



 The number of European children attending Native schools (set out in Table H4 of the appendix) shows a slight increase.
 Number attending at end of 1909
 391

 Number attending at end of 1910
 ...
 ...
 427

 In the preparatory and lower standards (up to Standard V)
 ...
 386

 In the higher standards (Vandards VI and VII)
 ...
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 41

 Number of certificates issued.
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 Proficiency
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As regards Maoris attending public schools, the following particulars are set out in Tables H5 and H5a. $\ensuremath{^{-1}}$

H5A.								
Number attending a	at end of	1909				 	4,434	
Number attending a						 	4,462	
In the preparatory	and lowe	er stand:	ards (up	to Stand:	ard V)	 	4,409	
In the higher stand			VI and V	/II)		 	53	
Number of certificat	tes issue	d						
Competency						 	1	
Proficiency						 	18	

Tables H6, H6A, and H6B give full information as regards the race of the 4,280 children on the rolls of the Native schools in December, 1910. As will be seen, 87-6 per cent. were Maoris speaking Maori in their homes, 2-4 were Maoris speaking English, and 10 per cent. were Europeans. The total number of children of Maori or of mixed race on the rolls of primary Native schools, public schools, Native mission schools, and secondary Native schools, together with such pupils as were receiving special technical training at the end of the year 1910, is shown in the schedule below. The numbers do not include Maori children attending public secondary schools or Maoris at schools not under Government inspection : of these no separate return is made.

•			Actual 1	ðumber.	Maori Popul	per 10,000 of ation at Census 5 (47,731).
I. Primary schools-						
(a.) Government Native	schools		4,280		896-6	
(b.) Mission schools			221		46.3	
(c.) Public schools			4,462		934-8	
				8,963	10.000	1,877.7
II. Secondary schools				378		79.1
III. Special technical training		 		14		2.9
Totals		 •••		9,355		1,959-7

CLASSIFICATION OF PUPILS.

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				Numb.r.	Per Cent. of the Roll.
Class P	 	 	·	2,018	47.1
Standard I	 	 		534	12.5
Standard II	 	 		460	10.8
Standard III	 	 		416	9.7
Standard IV	 	 		373	8.7.
Standard V	 	 		299	7-0
Standard VI	 	 		148	3.4
Standard VII	 	 			0.8

Detailed information in regard to the above table will be found in Table H7 of the appendix. See also Tables H6 μ and H8.

Results of Inspection.

 $T_{\rm a}{\rm ble}$ H9 of the appendix gives full information as to the results of the annual inspection.

STAFFS AND SALARIES.

As shown in Table H, the staffs of the village schools included 78 masters, 21 mistresses in charge, 109 assistants, and 4 sewing teachers. The total amount paid in salary during the year was £23,184, the average salary of the head teachers being £171—males £175, and females £156. The average salary of assistants was £60.



Three schools are in charge of teachers who are themselves members of the Maori race, and the Inspectors speak very highly of their efficiency. Several Maori girls who have completed their course in the secondary schools are employed as junior assistants, and are on the whole doing satisfactory work work

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wors. Comparison of the amount paid in salaries during the past year with that paid during the year 1906 will show an increase of £5,700. Part of this increase is due of course to the large increase in the attendance, but the greater portion of it is due to the effect of the revised scale of salaries introduced in 1907 in 1907

Expenditure

The total expenditure on Native schools during the year 1910 was £33,387 ls. 11d. Included in this amount is the sum of £4,305 paid from revenues from national endowments. New buildings and additions involved an expenditure of £2,844; maintenance and repairs, £1,269. Table H10 is a classified summary of expenditure.

No. 2.

The INSPECTORS OF NATIVE SCHOOLS to the INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF SCH

The INSPECTORS OF NATIVE SCHOOLS to the INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF SCHOOLS. SIR,— Wellington, 31st March, 1911. In accordance with instructions, we have the honour to place before you our report on the general condition of the Native schools and the work done by them during the year 1910. At the end of the year 1909 there were minety-four schools in operation. During the year three use schools were opened-wiz, Rakauwai (in the Kawhin district), Port Woikato (near the month of the Waikato River), and Waimika (in the King-country); and two were reopened-wiz, Pomoana (Wanganui River), and Te Kopua (King-country). This makes a total of ninety-nine schools open at the end of the year 1910. With regard to proposals for new schools, building operations are in hand at Orauta (near Kawakawa), Te Hurahi (Waihke Island); and the creation of schools at Taharoa (Kawhin dis-trict), Rangitahi (near Galatea), Horeera (East Cape), Fakiri (near Fraze-town), is in contem-plation. The establishment of schools at Waiomio (Bay of Islands), Mingatuna (East Coast), and Wakaki (Hawke's Bay) has also been decided upon, and arrangements for the formal acquisition of the land for the school-sites are now in hand. No action is to be taken at present in the case of Pukehima and Orauwharo; the claims of Gerre (Hotrouz), Manugatapu (Tauranga), and Te Iringa (Bay of Islands), Mingatuna (Laims or further attention. With regard to Takke (Hokinga), the Department was of opinion that the children might attend the nearest Board school. Other applications which require investigation are Puketui (near Thames), Moerangi (near Ragia), Matanika (Tabee country), Waihwehne (near Houhora), Wairahi (near Whannaki), and Toreohama (near Gilsborne). In connection with some of these applications we have to state that the number of scholdses available is somewhat less than thet executive the schedu barro.

Indigan, aromany function of these applications we have to state that the number of children available is somewhat less than that required by the regulations for the establishment of a fully equipped school. Thus in a Maori settlement with, say, only seventeen children a Native school cannot be established under present conditions. From the nature of the case aided or household schools with European teachers are not practicable, and Maori teachers are not available. The expense is too great to warrant the Department's creating a school and residence for so small a number of children; and until some inexpensive building can be designed we are afraid that this consideration will always prevent a small settlement from having a school.

GENERAL REMARKS.

With regard to the various subjects of the school course we offer the following remarks :-- *Reading*.--In the infant classes the reading continues to show steady improvement, and there is no reason to be dissatisfied with the attainments of the pupils in this subject except in a very few schools, in the case of which it is difficult for us to believe that constant teaching with system and there

few schools, in the case of which it is difficult for us to beneve that constant teaching with system-atic effort has been given. As a rule, the reading in the upper classes is relatively not so good. Generally we find want of expression, and complete disinclination to speak naturally so that the reading may be dis-tinctly heard. Thus we get the impression that the 'pupils' do not always understand what they read. We do not think it necessary or even desirable that each sentence shall be torn to pieces and every word analytically examined, but we are strongly of opinion that the work cannot be regarded as satisfactory unless the child can picture mentally the ideas contained in the passage read; and the teacher can secure this, only by first getting the children to express orally their mental views.

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 $c_{\rm s} = E_{\rm s} - 3$. One way by which wider reading can be secured is by the employment of "silent reading." Teachers in charge of several standard classes often find it a matter of some considerable difficulty to arrange their time-table in such a manner that all the classes are kept continuously employed. In most cases they resort to written work of one kind or other, which suffers from want of proper supervision, and is apt on that account to be of an unsatisfactory character. The time available in this way might well be set apart for independent reading, shert reading, or private study, which when properly directed will be of the highest ralue, especially when supported by home reading. The teacher must take precautions to prevent waste of time by the less serious pupils, and must not let the less intelligent children struggle vanily with difficulties which they may encounter. The first steps in the formation of the habit of silent reading will consist in the silent preparation by the chass of their reading-lesson; and this we recommend should be adopted by all teachers.

and must not let the less intelligent children struggle vanly with difficulties which they may encounter. The first steps in the formation of the babit of silent reading will consist in the silent preparation by the class of their reading-lesson; and this we recommend should be adopted by all reachers. The method of teaching reading in use in Native schools is that which is regarded by the highest educational authorities as being the most natural and scientific. The Conference on the Teaching of English in London Elementary Schools (Engliand), which sat between 1906 and 1908, expressed the opinion after a careful examination of the methods in use in the City of London schools that "the phonic method is probably the most scientific of all systems devised to make the art of reading easy. It lays a sure foundation for spelling, insures clear enumciation, excites to hand, eye, ear, and the whole vocal mechanism at a period in the child's life when the organs are growing rapidly and are increasingly responsive to training. Correct articulation and good pronunciation are more readily attained by this method than by any other, and these form the surest foundation upon which the eye and hand can build." We are convinced from the clear-ness of enunciation and articulation which are attained by its use, that the above method is uninently suitable for teaching our pupils to read. Strange to say, we find in several schools where European children are in attendance a decided objection on the part of their parents to this method of instruction, in favour of the alphabetic method by which they thenselves were taught years ago, and which, according to the authorities above referved to, is happly falling into disuse, and has onaly its historical interest to save it from oblivion. The fact that the child can read with fluences and just historical interest to save it they be A.B.C.' In several instances we have known of cases where the parents have set them-selves to readive they consider to be the defect in the teacher's instr

brain practice that is possible in the class at school. This has been tone in some of the school school with the same time it has been a source of much gratification to the parentis. Spelling.—On the whole there is little ground for complaint with regard to the spelling. In the infant classes it is generally well done, and now that the children throughout the schools have had some initial training in sounds and word-building we find that as far as the spelling of words in their own vocabulary is concerned the pupils of the higher classes show a greater degree of proficiency than formerly. We are sure that teachers will find that, if the children are taught to read scientifically, and the arrangement of the readers, especially those in the infant and lower classes, is carefully attended to, the difficulties in spelling will be greatly reduced. Writing.—It is true that most Maoris who have passed through the schools in their young days write very well indeed, but we look in vain in many schools for any testimony which would enable us to share in the opinion commonly held that Maori children are uaturally good writers. In many of the schools the writing is nothing short of bad, nor has the reintroduction of headline copybooks done much to improve it. The explanation seems to be that there is not no attention to the copy, and in many schools they sit in any position they may choose. Correct posture at handwriting-lessons is of the highest importance, and teachers should from the earliest stages take steps to train the pupils to sit properly—*i.e.*, upright, and square to the desk—and to hold the pen properly.



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junctly within the child's experience. It should take the forms of (a) simple hitters to friends, (b) narratives of domestic or school events, or stories couched in an autobiographical form (the instory of a doll, a plant which has been grown at school, a pet animal, and the like). (c) stories and prove that the subject specific or stories couched in an autobiographical form (the about pictures. These exercises should advance in difficulty as the child progresses, but they should be con-sistently set on such subjects as lie within the pupil's grasp. There is ample range in choice is they look no further than the subject growing out of school or of home life. Abstract sub-blexts and even proverbs and familiar sayings should be introduced with caution, and these subjects should be treated only through concrete instances. We notice, however, a distinct break in the quality of the work after the stimulus of the further classes. Tenchers complain that they find it hard to get a good list of suitable topics, and that the pupils cannot write more than a few sentences even when suitable topics are found. It should not be too difficult for a teacher to select at the most forty topics for a year's work is the children themselves will be able to suggest many, and their selections will probably be found you the fact that he is not sufficiently acquainted with the subject—in other words, he has not sent aught. The following remarks, addressed to teachers in public schools in England, may be made nother, provided his interest in and his knowledge of it are equal. The advance made should be in the mode of presenting the subject rather than in the subject. The structure of the sentences, their relation to each other, may become more highly organized, the use of illustration another, provided his inferest in and his knowledge of it are aquated. The advance made should metaristical, still less attempt to develop one, until he has noticed its occurrence in the oral discontinued. Composition, either oral or written, should form



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large number merely touched upon, and, if the pupils are to make personal acquaintance in each ease with what is being studied, they cannot be expected to deal with many subjects during the "With regard to the geography itself we find that there is yet a want of appreciation of the importance of teaching the children to observe natural phenomena and to acquire their knowledge by actual observation. Even yet the cardinal points are made to depend upon the pupil's right or left hand, whereas one or two lessons in the playground on the variation in the shadow cast by the sun at different times of the day would enable the children to ascertain them for themelves. *Hondroxk....(a.)* Seving: In nearly all schools we find that sewing continues to be very well taught. The work is no longer confined to mscless specimens: all kinds of useful articles are to make by the girls, whose interest in the work has thereby been much increased. The desire on the part of the child to construct something, even if it is only a small handkerchich, helps largely to maintain this interest, which will be further stimulated if she can feel that what she has done is of real use, and that in doing it she has done something, however, small, for herself and others, provide the material for garments. This difficulty, however, will disappear in time when the parents realize that there is a material benefit to themselves arising from the practical instruction given. It has been suggested that in the higher classes needlework may be more intimately correlated with arithmetic, by comparing the quantities and different prices of materials needed in the various kinds of needlework, and in estimating the experted to orne to school day after day untidy in dress. They should posses. Lessons of economy and thrift might also be illustrated in this fashion. There is another direction in which the teaching in needle-work may be made of practical application. Children cannot be expected to ornot school day after day untidy in dress. They should be encourag



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Dominion. <u>Swaging</u>—In a large number of schools singing is well taught, and very good work is done. In not a few schools it is excellent: songs are sung in two, three, and four parts, and the pupils have an intelligent grasp of the principles of the notation used. It is pleasing to find that the tests given — modulator-tests, time-tests, and ar-tests— are performed in a very satisfactory manner. Phrasing, production of good tone and clear enunciation of the works of the songs receive careful attention. In other schools, however, the pupils are taught songs but not singing, the songs being learned by ear, either from the teacher or from an instrument. As we pointed



9 E.-3. out last year, the singing in a school derives no benefit from the use of an instrument unless the instrument is used with great discretion, and except in the case of schools having a large infant department we are altogether opposed to the introduction of organs. The only instrument required is a tuning-fork or a pitch-pipe, and in some of the schools even these are wanting. *Physical Instruction*—On the whole, this subject may be regarded as satisfactory. In many schools it is excellent, while in some it is entirely perfunctory in character and without benefit. Streathing exercises form part of the daily routine in most of our schools, the exercises being done out-of-doors for a few minutes, generally at the time of assembly. One of the chief objects a simed at in breathing exercises for the desly routine in most of a correct habit of breathing; and the more frequent the exercise the better the results. We were much struck with the efficiency in drill exhibited in several of the schools where a selection from the '' Manual of Physical Instruction,'' recently supplied by the Department, formed the programme. The importance of organized games as an educational factor is now receiving recognition at the hands of various school suthorities, and we think that teachers would do well to give this matter their attention. '' There is no better work in the field of education than to inculcate a wholesome love for the games in he playground; for to do this means the creation of an sprit de corps, and a readiness to endure fatigue, to submit to discipline, and since they would afford the teacher the opportunity of getting into closer touch with his pupils, and since they would be carried on under his supervision, the discognaized rough-and-tumble that is sometimes complained of would be prevented. We see no creason why during the hot weather swinning should not be substituted at regular intervals for the ordinary physical drill, life-saving lessons being included in the instruction, as heas already been done a

SYLLABUS.

STLLABUE. The teachers are gradually accustoning themselves to the conditions of the new syllabus, and there does not appear to be much difficulty in its working. Schemes of work are better drawn up than they were last year, and the term examinations are organized on better lines. The records of the work done by the pupils show in many cases distinct progress, and in the best schools the work is surprisingly good. We have again, however, to remind teachers that the promotion of a whole class is not necessary, even though it may seem desirable. The teacher who always estimates the pupils' work at a high value may have too low a conception of the standard required, and we note with satisfaction that the best teachers are content to '' hasten slowly '' in the promotion of pupils whom they feel to be unworthy of it. The pamphilet containing ''Suggestions for the Consideration of Teachers and Others con-terned in the Work of Public Elementary Schools,'' which is published by the Board of Education in England, and from which we have quoted various passages, seems to us to contain so much valuable information on teaching and school management generally that we recommend that toopies be supplied to every Native school. We trust that when the panphilet comes to hand teachers will give their earnest consideration to the excellent precepts contained in it, and we teal sure that they will derive rever assistance from a study of it.

TEACHERS' CERTIFICATES.

TRACHERS' CERTIFICATES. After the end of the current year (1910) the salaries of uncertificated teachers in the Native-schools service will be subject to reduction in terms of the regulations under the Education Amend-ment Act, 1908. It is provided, however, that the salary of any teacher appointed before the end of the year 1910 shall not be reduced below what was payable to him on the 31st Desember, 1910. The number of certificated teachers is gradually increasing, and several of the younger members of the staff are now preparing themselves to qualify for certificates—a step which we consider very desirable both in their own interest and in that of the service. At the same time it must not be thought that the uncertificated Native-school teacher is *ipso facto* incompetent; indeed, this is very far from being the case. Many of our teachers, in spite of their being uncer-tificated, have proved conclusively by the able management of their schools that the absence of a certificate does not always mean lack of efficiency in teaching. And it is a matter of surprise to us that these teachers have not taken the trouble to obtain what is popularly regarded as the hall-mark of the teacher, seeing that they already possess so many of the essential qualifications for it.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

School Building and Grotnes. In connection with the organization and conduct of the schools we desire to make a few remarks also upon what is known in some parts as "environment." By this is understood the general appearance of the school premises as regards tidiness and attractiveness. Many of the schools are, we consider, remarkably dean, the interior of some that have been in constant use for over twenty years being even yet almost spotless. No funds are provided for the purpose of school cleaning, the work being done usually by the elder children under the supervision of the teacher. Desks defaced or stained by ink are matters of reproach to most of our pupils, whose provisions for keeping their desks clean are sometimes almost amusing. There remain still, however, many directions in which the "environment" may be considerably improved. The interior of the schools could be made far brighter and far more attractive by an orderly arrangement of the books and material, a clean freplace, a few pictures, and perhaps some flowers or ferns. These could be placed under the charge of groups of children, whose. The external appearance concerns the teacher more directly, and consists in his having the grounds and gardens next and tidy. The difference in the appearance of individual schools in $2-\mathrm{E}, 3$.

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attractiveness of his shool. In the future we propose in reporting upon the condition of the garden and grounds to look for evidence of improvement from one year to another in the direction above indicated, and full marks under this heading will be more difficult to obtain.

MISSION SCHOOLS.

MISSION SCHOOLS. The following mission schools engaged in the education of Maori children are inspected by officers of the Department: The Maori Mission School, Otaki; the Mission School, Putiki, Wanga-nui; the Convent School, Matta, Bay of Plenty; the Convent School, Tokanu; and the Mission School, Te Hauke, Hawke's Bay. The Mission School at Yongotaha, near Rotorua, was closed at the beginning of the year, and we understand that a Board school is to take its place. The number of children on the rolls of the mission schools at the 31st December, 1910, was 221, the average weekly roll-number being 212 and the percentage of attendance 83'9. All these schools are doing good work, and reach a very satisfactory standard of efficiency, though the attendance in some of them is not so high as it should be. The number of pupils at the 0taki Mission College has further increased since last year, and this institution is attracting boys of a very desirable class as boarders. Arrangements are in hand for the establishment of classes in agriculture and woodwork, and we hope that the authorities will see their way to offer every facility to the principal in carrying out his views in regard to industrial training.

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of the young Maori. In the various secondary schools for Maori girls much excellent work is done. The pro-gramme embraces the ordinary English subjects and arithmetic, together with all the branches of domestic training that are suited to the requirements and conditions of the Maori people-namely, the general management of a house, cookery, haudry, work, dressmaking, hygiene, and home nursing. So much are we impressed with the need for knowledge of this kind in Maori settlements that we are disposed to think that even greater prominence should be given to these subjects, and instead of having them treated, so to speak, as additional, we should be inclined to make them the principal subjects of the secondary-school course. No girl should be regarded



as having satisfactorily completed her course until she can cut out and make undergarments and dresses for herself, as well as clothes for infants and young children. In a similar way emphasis should be laid upon home nursing and the care of the sick and of infants. Already in ambulance work generally excellent results are being obtained. One cannot help being impressed when visiting any of the secondary schools with the splendicid appearance of the pupils, who are, on the whole, of striking physique, well-mannered, courteous, and obedient. The Hukarere School buildings, which have served girls of the Maori race for upwards of thirty years, were destroyed by fire towards the end of the year. It speaks well for the discipline of the school that the girls, numbering sixty-three in all, were got out of the burning building in a few minutes without accident of any kind. The authorities have lost no time in taking the necessary steps to provide new buildings, pending the erection of which the school is to be carried on in temporary premises.

SCHOLARSHIPS, ETC.

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held at the end of the year by scholars from Native-village schools, and three by scholars from various public schools. There were eight industrial scholarships or apprenticeships current, and one agricultural scholarship. In connection with the industrial scholarships the thanks of the Department are again due to the headmaster of St. Stephen's School, Auckland, for his active co-operation in securing suitable positions for apprentices. As far as information on the subject is available, the holders of these scholarships are giving cvery satisfaction to their employers, and in the case of one who completed his apprenticeship last year the Department received a capital report from his master. Towards the end of the year the first agricultural scholarship was awarded, and we have now a Maori boy apprenticed to a schear farmer.

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didates was very creditable indeed, and we feel that the results obtained were worthy of the object for which the scholarship was established. The scholarship was awarded to Heta Utiku, of Te Aute College, who gained 60 per cent. of the possible marks. Two other candidates obtained a higher number of marks, but they were disqualified owing to the fact that they were not of predominantly Maori Mood. It will be necessary in the future for intending candidates to furnish, with their application, proof of their age and of their race, as the terms of the trust preclude any candidates who are not predominantly Maori.

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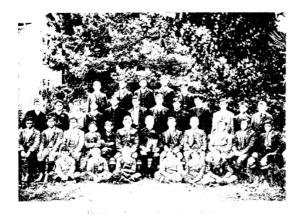
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