## 1882. NEW ZEALAND.

## EDUCATION. EXAMINATION OF TEACHERS.

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Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

The Inspector-General of Schools to the Hon. the Minister of Education.

Sir, Wellington, 8th April, 1882.

I have the honour to report that the annual examination of candidates for teachers' certificates was held according to regulation in the last week of January. The last returns from examiners were received on the 29th March, and the list of successful candidates approved by you was published in the *Gazette* of the 30th March.

The examination was carried on at fifteen places simultaneously,—in all the towns in which Education Boards have offices, and at Gisborne, Grahamstown, and Whangarei. For Class D, 104 candidates entered, of whom 81 presented themselves; and, of these, 11 passed in full, 14 were "partially successful," 1 passed for Class E, and 9 completed their examination for Class E. For Class E, 313 entered and 282 attended; 18 were successful, and 69 "partially successful." Of 116 candidates proposing to complete former examinations, 98 were present, and 33 passed. Altogether there were 533 candidates, of whom 72 did not attend: of the 461 candidates present, 30 passed in full, 83 were "partially successful," 42 completed former examinations, and 306 failed to improve their position. The total failures thus amount to two-thirds of the whole number of candidates. lowest proportion of total failures is found in the Wellington District, where it is less than 31 per cent.; the next lowest in North Canterbury, less than 54 per cent.; in Otago and Marlborough the percentage is 60; and in other districts it varies from  $62\frac{1}{2}$  to 100. The highest proportion of full passes is in North Canterbury, where 16 pass in full out of 89 candidates: the other full passes are in Otago and Westland, where 1 out of 9 passes in full, and in Auckland, where about 4 per cent. pass in full. The following table affords more detailed information as to the number of the candidates, and the proportions of success and failure:—

	Auckland.	Taranaki,	Hawke's Bay.	Wanganui.	Wellington.	Marlborough.	Nelson.	Westland.	N. Canterbury.	S. Canterbury.	Otago.	Southland.	Totals.
Entered for Class D Of whom—Present at examination Passed for Class D Passed for Class E Completed former examination for Class E	12 9 1 1  2		1 1 	5 2  	3 2  	3 2  1 	2		28 25 7 5 	3 3   1	43 33 3 6 1 4	4 4  1	104 81 11 14 1
Entered for Class E  Of whom—Present at examination  Passed for Class E  Partially successful	108 96 3 11	3 3 	9 9	16 14  2	19 18  14	3 2 	4 3  1	10 9 1 2	66 64 9 21	4 4  2	59 48 5 13	12 12  2	313 282 18 69
Entered to complete former examination Of whom—Present	47 45 14	3 2 		7 4 1	7 6 4	1 1 	1 1 	2 2 	21 19 7	2 1 	20 14 6	40 3 1	116 98 33