

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION FOR 1885.

TWENTY-THREE secondary schools have furnished reports, which will be printed in full in another paper (E.-9). Most of them are under a legal obligation to make an annual report, but this is not the case with Nelson College (affiliated to the University of New Zealand), Wanganui Endowed School, Wellington College, or Christ's College Grammar School. Whangarei High School has been closed for some time. "The New Zealand State Forests Act, 1885," gives power to utilise its resources for the purpose of a School of Forestry, and the matter is now under the consideration of the Government. Steps have not yet been taken under the several local Acts to establish high schools at Wanganui, Greymouth, Hokitika, and Gisborne.

Particulars as to staff, salaries, attendance, and fees are stated in the following table:—

TABLE Z.—STAFF, ATTENDANCE, FEES, AND SALARIES AT CERTAIN SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

SCHOOLS.	Staff.		Attendance for Last Term or Quarter of 1885.		Ages for Last Term or Quarter of 1885.					Number of Boarders.	Annual Rates of Fees.		Salaries paid in 1885.
	Regular.	Visiting.	Roll.	Average.	Under 10 Years.	10 to 15.	15 to 18.	Over 18 Years.	Total.		For Ordinary Day-school Course.	For Board, exclusive of Day-school Tuition.	
Auckland College and Grammar School	13	..	262	243	4	151	101	6	262	..	£ s. d. 8 8 0 10 10 0	£ s. d. ..	£ s. 3,950 0 0
Auckland Girls' High School ..	8	5	199	180	2	113	77	7	199	..	8 8 0 10 10 0	..	2,201 10 0
Thames High School ..	3	3	{ b. 31 g. 31 }	61	3	38	21	..	62	..	8, 7, 6, and 5 guineas	..	850 0 0
New Plymouth High School ..	3	..	{ b. 33 g. 24 }	51	..	35	18	4	57	..	5 0 0	..	715 0 0
Wanganui Endowed School ..	6	..	134	130	10	45	77	2	134	75	12 0 0 9 0 0 9 0 0	42 0 0	1,225 0 0
Wellington College ..	8	1	180	148	4	152	24	..	180	40	13 4 0 10 12 0	50 0 0	2,125 0 0
Wellington Girls' High School	7	1	126	104	2	64	54	6	126	..	13 4 0 10 12 0	..	1,150 0 0
Napier Boys' High School ..	4	1	84	80	6	27	47	4	84	26	9 11 6 8 10 6	40 0 0	905 0 0
Napier Girls' High School ..	5	3	57	54	5	24	27	1	57	14	9 9 0 8 8 0	40 0 0	851 0 0
Nelson College ..	5	5	86	79	1	36	37	12	86	28	8 10 0 12 10 0	50 0 0	1,550 0 0
Nelson College for Girls ..	5	8	91	73	2	44	39	6	91	11	12 12 0 8 8 0	50 0 0	775 0 0
Christ's College Grammar School	10	5	240	227	7	115	102	16	240	89	15 15 0 12 12 0	52 10 0 47 0 0	3,325 0 0
Christchurch Boys' High School	6	4	95	90	1	52	40	2	95	..	12 12 0 9 9 0	..	2,570 0 0
Christchurch Girls' High School	8	4	125	115	2	69	51	3	125	..	12 12 0 9 9 0	..	1,230 0 0
Rangiora High School ..	2	..	{ b. 16 g. 4 }	15	..	12	8	..	20	..	10 10 0 8 8 0	..	330 0 0
Akaroa High School ..	2	..	{ b. 8 g. 8 }	8	..	3	4	1	8	3	10 10 0 8 8 0	40 0 0	338 17 0
Ashburton High School ..	3	..	{ b. 27 g. 30 }	27	3	19	5	..	27	..	6 6 0	..	765 0 0
Timaru High School ..	9	..	{ b. 63 g. 60 }	60	5	34	22	2	63	..	8 8 0 6 6 0	..	1,840 0 0
Waitaki High School ..	3	2	58	54	..	26	32	..	58	17	10 10 0 8 8 0	..	970 0 0
Otago Boys' High School ..	11	1	247	233	6	163	75	3	247	30	8 0 0	40 0 0	3,897 0 0
Otago Girls' High School ..	10	3	181	174	2	84	83	7	181	12	8 0 0	40 0 0	2,275 0 0
Southland Boys' High School..	3	2	45	40	..	26	18	1	45	..	10 0 0 8 0 0	..	850 0 0
Southland Girls' High School..	3	1	33	28	..	13	18	2	33	..	10 0 0 8 0 0	..	625 0 0
Totals ..	137	49	2,578	2,363	74	1395	1020	89	2,578	345	35,530 7 0
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NOTE.—In the last column no notice has been taken of the fees paid to visiting masters, or of capitation allowances, and houses in the case of headmasters and others.

The income of the schools for 1885 (exclusive of Christ's College, which has not furnished accounts) was £62,373 8s., derived from several sources as follows: Current revenue from endowments, £19,650 12s. 3d.; parliamentary grants, £4,250; fees for tuition, £18,826 4s. 11d.; fees for board, £3,819 14s. 6d.; sundries, £2,077 4s. 10d.; sale of reserves, £13,749 11s. 6d.

The expenditure for the year amounted to £67,121 7s. 11d., including £6,283 13s. 5d. reinvested.

AUCKLAND COLLEGE AND GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

I. BOARD'S REPORT FOR 1885.

Constitution and Meetings of Board.—Eleven ordinary and thirteen special meetings were held during the year. The members of the Board of Governors at its close were as follows: Elected by the Senate of the University of New Zealand: the Hon. Colonel Haultain, the Rev. C. M. Nelson,