

It is necessary now to combine in one table the joint results proved by Table D (which deals with the progressive increase in the number of children in attendance at the public schools from 1877, the date of the coming into operation of the Education Act, to 1887) and Table F (which shows the sums paid annually to the Education Boards for building purposes from 1877 to 1888); and it has again to be explained that, in order to bring together in one table the numerical increase and the money grants for building purposes, the education districts [provincial districts] are shown as they existed previous to the creation of the new education districts in 1882. For the purpose of this table the question of boundaries is unimportant. Whether a pupil is on one or the other side of a boundary is immaterial. It is sufficient to show that he is accounted for, and that the colony has made sufficient monetary provision for his school accommodation. The table does this in the most conclusive and convincing manner. It needs no further introduction:—

**Table G.**

	Greatest Number of Children (5 to 15) in Attendance at Public Schools in any Year.	Amount required to provide School-buildings erected in Wood, £ per Pupil being taken as the Standard Amount required.	Gross Amount paid to Boards—1877 to 1888, inclusive—for School-buildings, Residences, and Sites.	Amount spent by Boards upon Erection of School-buildings exclusively.		Excess over Standard Estimate for School-buildings in Wood.		Amount required to provide School-buildings erected in Stone or Brick, £5 per Pupil being taken as the Standard Amount required.	Excess over Standard Estimate of Requirement for School-buildings in Brick or Stone.				
				Total.	Per Pupil.	£	s. d.		£	s. d.	Total Excess.	£	s. d.
Auckland	1887.	85,528	175,700	151,495	7 1 8	65,967	3 1 8	128,292	23,203	1 1 8			
Taranaki	..	14,016	19,546	16,079	4 11 9	2,063	0 11 9	21,024	4,945*	1 8 3*			
Wellington-Wanganui	..	59,440	123,377	107,102	7 4 2	47,662	3 4 2	89,160	17,942	1 4 2			
Hawke's Bay	..	17,744	45,436	38,026	8 11 5	20,282	4 11 5	26,616	11,410	2 11 5			
Marlborough	..	7,628	15,301	12,855	6 14 10	5,227	2 14 10	11,442	1,413	0 14 10			
Nelson	..	23,780	37,316	33,403	5 12 4	9,623	1 12 4	35,670	2,267*	0 7 8*			
Westland-Grey	..	11,244	53,101	46,364	16 9 11	35,120	12 9 11	16,866	29,498	10 9 11			
Canterbury, North and South..	..	95,716	187,624	169,273	7 1 6	73,557	3 1 6	143,574	25,699	1 1 6			
Otago-Southland	..	118,816	195,377	168,000	5 13 1	49,184	1 13 1	178,224	10,224*	0 6 11*			
Totals	..	£433,912	£852,778	£742,597	..	£308,685	..	£650,868	£91,729	..			

\* Deficiency.

NOTE.—1. The amount stated in the table as the standard cost of wood buildings is in excess of the amounts given by the architect of the Otago Education Board and the architect of the Auckland Education Board as the required amount of cost. The amount stated as the standard cost of brick or stone buildings is given on the authority of the architect of the Otago Education Board.

2. It will be seen that from the total classed as expenditure upon school-buildings (£852,778—Table F) has been deducted £66,400 spent since December, 1878, upon the erection of 332 teachers' residences (average cost, £200), and £43,781 spent from the year 1878 to the end of the year 1887 upon the purchase of school sites, these two sums making a total of £110,181. (See Appendix C for information regarding expenditure upon teachers' residences and school sites.)