

was 32. The most conspicuous increase (as Table K shows) is in the number of mistresses in sole charge of schools. The number of boys acting as pupil-teachers is larger by 20 than the corresponding number for 1888; while the number of girls acting in the same capacity is 18 less than it was. The apparent increase in the number of sewing-mistresses is only apparent, the number in Taranaki having been overlooked in the making-up of the return for 1888.

TABLE K.—NUMBER OF TEACHERS, DECEMBER, 1889.

Education Districts.	Principal.		Head of School.		Head of Department.		Sole Teachers.		Assistant Teachers.		Pupil-teachers.		Total.			Average Attendance in Fourth Quarter.	Average Number of Pupils to one Teacher.	Sewing-mistresses
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	All.			
Auckland .. ..	..	..	101*	5	..	..	78	47	37	171	26	112	242	335	577	17,779	30·8	61
Taranaki	1	..	14	2	..	1	12	10	1	7	5	16	33	36	69	1,895	27·4	19
Wanganui .. ..	..	..	30	3	..	..	40†	11	9	18	12	41	91	73	164	5,510	33·6	..
Wellington .. ..	..	..	39†	6	..	..	13	17	19†	42	16	103	87	168	255	8,275	32·4	11
Hawke's Bay .. ..	..	..	26	..	..	..	10	11	9	32	11	53	56	96	152	4,850	32·0	..
Marlborough	1	..	8	1	1	1	16	10	1	9	2	7	29	28	57	1,412	24·8	..
Nelson	1	..	26	13	..	1	20	31	7	24	10	35	64	104	168	4,489	26·7	..
Grey	1	..	7	..	..	1	5	8	3	8	4	13	20	30	50	1,453	29·1	..
Westland .. ..	..	..	9†	1	..	..	7	10	2	9	10	15	28	35	63	1,420	22·5	3
North Canterbury	20	..	76	5	1	25	38§	22	28	120	61	125	224	297	521	17,131	32·9	41†
South Canterbury	4	..	19	2	..	5	16	10	8	22	10	28	57	67	124	3,850	31·0	12
Otago .. ..	..	..	78	..	..	..	63	49	53	115	63	88	257	252	509	19,542	38·4	15
Southland	13	..	25	..	..	13	48	16	8	13	9	40	103	82	185	6,702	36·2	2
Totals for 1889	41	..	458	38	2	47	366	252	185	590	239	676	1291	1603	2394	94,308	32·6	164
Totals for 1888	36	..	444	47	5	42	386†	214†	168	584	219	694	1258	1581	2339	90,849	32·0	155
Difference	5	..	14	-9	-3	5	-20	38	17	6	20	-18	33	22	55	3,459	0·6	9

* Includes three vacant posts.

† Includes one vacant post.

‡ Includes one on leave.

§ Includes two vacant posts.

The rate of salary and allowance to teachers at the end of the year was £295,237, divided between 3,058 persons, an average of £96 10s. 11d. The highest salary was £501 8s.; there were five of £400 and upwards, but less than £500; 59 others of £300 and upwards; 215 others of £200 and upwards; and 1,022 of £100, but less than £200: and 677 teachers (besides pupil-teachers and sewing-mistresses) receive less than £100 a year each. The distribution of these salaries according to districts is shown in Table L, and the names and salaries in detail are given in Table No. 8 (Appendix, pp. 9-52).

TABLE L.—SALARIES OF TEACHERS, DECEMBER, 1889.

Education Districts.	Under £100.			£100 and under £200.	£200 and under £300.	£300 and under £400.	£400 and upwards (maximum, £501 8s.).	Number of Teachers.	Total of Rates of Salary, December, 1889.	
	Sewing-mistresses.	Pupil-teachers.	Other Teachers.						£	s. d.
Auckland	61	138	199	197	31	10	2	638	55,651	0 0
Taranaki	19	21	29	18	1	..	..	88	10,542	3 0
Wanganui .. ..	..	53	29	65	16	1	..	164	17,257	11 3
Wellington	11	119	43	56	29	8	..	266	23,847	5 0
Hawke's Bay .. ..	..	64	27	45	10	5	1	152	15,014	13 3
Marlborough .. ..	..	9	30	15	2	1	..	57	4,278	10 0
Nelson .. ..	..	45	61	57	4	1	..	168	13,686	0 0
Grey .. ..	..	17	15	14	3	1	..	50	4,421	5 0
Westland	3	25	22	13	3	..	..	66	4,526	19 0
North Canterbury	41	186	119	172	32	11	1	562	50,984	15 0
South Canterbury	12	38	24	56	4	2	..	136	12,367	9 0
Otago	15	151	65	203	70	18	2	524	62,029	10 0
Southland	2	49	14	111	10	1	..	187	20,630	0 0
Totals for 1889	164	915	677	1,022	215	59	6	3,058	295,237	0 6
Totals for 1888 .. ..	..	1,756	..	975	219	46	7	2,994	277,754	2 10
Difference .. ..	..	9	..	47	-4	13	-1	64	17,482	17 8

The enumeration in Tables K and L includes 1,979 places above the rank of pupil-teacher, but, as some of these places were vacant, and as one or two relieving teachers were employed by the Boards, there is a slight difference between the