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## NEW ZEALAND

# EDUCATION: HIGH SCHOOLS

(PARTICULARS RELATING TO).

*Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 16th July, 1895.*

*Ordered*, "That a return be laid before this House, and be printed, showing—(1) The number of high schools in the colony, (2) the number of persons engaged in giving instruction in the high schools; (3) the number of pupils attending the high schools; (4) the number of pupils attending the high schools who are unable to pass Standard VI.; (5) what arrangements have been made for the education of children who have passed Standard VI. and (6) the gross cost of the high schools."—(Mr. CARNELL.)

(1.) TWENTY-FOUR, as shown in E.-9, Appendix to Journals of the House of Representatives, 1895. The authorities of some of these schools object to the application of the term "high school" to their institutions.

(2.) One hundred and thirty-four, as shown in the paper, E.-9, page 4, with a correction required by the facts given in notes *m* and *n*.

(3.) Two thousand four-hundred and fifty-four, as shown in the same table.

(4.) Approximately, five hundred. From the nature of the case the precise number cannot be stated. The data from which the estimate is derived are contained in the accompanying letters from the authorities of the schools.

(5.) The accompanying letters supply the information required by the fifth section of the order.

(6.) The expenditure in 1894 was £48,390. This is ascertained by deducting from the total—which is £77,073 17s. 2d.—the following sums Dr balances, £9,025 14s. 11d., Cr balances, £11,575 15s. Boarding School Account, £3,667 10s. 3d., Mortgage Account, £4,413 8s. 10d. The accounts are published every year in the paper E.-9, where a short summary is given (page 1), a tabulated statement of the accounts of all the schools (pages 2 and 3), and the separate accounts of the several schools in connection with their reports (in subsequent pages)

### AUCKLAND COLLEGE AND GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

SIR,—

Secretary's Office, Auckland, 30th July, 1895.

In reply to your letter of the 24th instant, asking how many of the pupils of the school are unable to pass the Sixth Standard of the public schools, and what arrangements are made in the school for the inspection of children who have passed the Sixth Standard, I have the honour to report:—

That seventy-three pupils out of 363 would have difficulty in passing the Sixth Standard. Many of these attended the district schools, and came to the school after passing the Fourth Standard.

That at the beginning of each year a special form is made up on both boys' and girls' sides into which are placed all those who have come from the Sixth Standard. In these forms especial attention is given to Latin, French, and mathematics. Also, after the inspection of the city schools in August, special arrangements are made for those who come to the school from Standard VI. in the third term of the year. The special forms this year contain thirty-seven boys and forty-one girls.

I have, &amp;c.,

W WALLACE KIDD, Secretary

The Inspector-General, Education Department, Wellington.

### WHANGAREI HIGH SCHOOL.

DEAR SIR,—

In reply to your wire, the circular was sent on to the principal of the High School, who has mislaid the same, but the following may supply the information desired:—