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EDUCATION:  
INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

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No. 1.

EXTRACT FROM THE TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

THE number of inmates on the books of the industrial schools increased from 1,559 to 1,588 during the year: 150 have been discharged, and 179 admitted. The increase in Government schools was 12; in private schools, 17. Of the whole number of 1,588 inmates, 589 though under the control of the institutions were not dependent on them for maintenance, 119 being licensed to reside with their friends, 439 placed at service, 3 in hospital, 3 in lunatic asylums, 1 in blind asylum, 2 on probation at the Costley Training Institution, 2 in prison, and 20 absent without leave (8 from places of service and 12 from the schools). Those who were dependent on the schools for maintenance number 999, divided as follows:—581 resident inmates of the schools, 396 boarded out, and 22 girls whose maintenance was paid for in several appropriate institutions. Of the resident inmates 199 were in Government and 382 in private schools; and of the children boarded out 385 were from Government schools and 11 from private schools.

Great care is taken to avoid an undue commingling of different classes of children in the Government schools, so that, although there are 1,099 nominal inmates of these schools, the number actually resident is only 199—only 18 per cent.; the rest are accounted for as follows:—385 are boarded out, 85 are living with their friends, 371 are in service, 41 in institutions better suited to their condition, and 18 absent without leave.

TABLE T.—INMATES, 1896 AND 1897.

	Boarded out.			In Residence.				At Service, &c.				Totals.				
	Dec., 1896.	Increase.	Decrease.	Dec., 1897.	Dec., 1896.	Increase.	Decrease.	Dec., 1897.	Dec., 1896.	Increase.	Decrease.	Dec., 1897.	D	Increase.	Decrease.	Dec., 1897.
Government Schools—																
Auckland .. ..	30	..	..	30	10	1	..	11	41	..	4	37	81	..	3	78
Burnham .. ..	176	..	11	165	105	..	5	100	243	21	..	264	524	5	..	529
Caversham .. ..	211	..	21	190	76	12	..	88	195	19	..	214	482	10	..	492
Private Schools—																
St. Mary's, Auckland ..	..	..	..	..	46	16	..	62	20	..	3	17	66	13	..	79
St. Joseph's, Wellington ..	4	..	..	4	66	..	4	62	10	2	..	12	80	..	2	78
St. Mary's, Nelson .. ..	7	..	..	7	253	5	..	258	66	1	..	67	326	6	..	332
Totals .. ..	428	..	32	396	556	34	9	581	575	43	7	611	1,559	34	5	1,588

Of the 150 discharged during the year, 125 were discharged by warrant, 16 attained the age of 21 years, 6 died, 2 were transferred to the Costley Training Institution, and one was married with the consent of the Manager, who

was her guardian. The causes of the 6 deaths are recorded as follows:—A young woman, aged 19, on the books of the Caversham School, died of tubercular meningitis; a young man of 18, licensed to service from the Caversham School, was drowned while bathing; a girl of 17 died in the Auckland Industrial School of sarcoma and wasting; a girl from Burnham, aged 12½, died in the hospital from chronic inflammation of the ear; a little girl of 10, belonging to St. Joseph's School, Wellington, died of abscess of the liver; and a very delicate boy, aged 1½, belonging to Caversham, died of enteritis and pneumonia.

The precedent condition of inmates admitted during 1897 may be stated as follows:—54 destitute, 20 vagrant, 33 living in disreputable places, 8 uncontrollable, 64 guilty of punishable offences. The number of new inmates belonging to the Church of England is 88; 53 are Roman Catholic; 27 are Presbyterian; 10 Methodist; and 1 Congregational. A list is here given of the several Stipendiary Magistrates' Courts from which the 179 new inmates were sent to the schools, and of the number sent in each case:—Auckland, 31; Thames, 2; Hamilton, 1; Ngaruawahia, 4; Hunterville, 5; New Plymouth, 2; Palmerston North, 3; Wanganui, 1; Pahiatua, 5; Marton, 1; Wellington, 44; Blenheim, 1; Nelson, 2; Reefton, 1; Greymouth, 2; Christchurch, 24; Lyttelton, 4; Ashburton, 1; Timaru, 4; Waimate, 3; Oamaru, 5; Dunedin, 24; Port Chalmers, 2; Invercargill, 6; Riverton, 1: total, 179. The information from which Table U is compiled is somewhat meagre, but probably the following results derived from it are not very far from being true:—In 72 cases the character of both parents appears to be satisfactory; in 12 cases there is not sufficient knowledge of this matter; in 31 cases the father is of bad character; in 34 cases the mother; and in 30 cases both.

TABLE U.—ADMISSIONS, CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO PARENTS' CIRCUMSTANCES AND CHARACTER, 1897.

Children of	Mothers described as					Total.	
	Dead.	Sick, Lunatic, Disabled, &c.	Of Good Character (or Poor).	Not known or not stated.	Of Bad Character.		Deserters.
Fathers described as—							
Dead .. .. .	9	1	18	..	2	..	30
Sick, lunatic, disabled, &c. .. .. .	..	..	3	..	..	..	3
Of good character (or poor) .. .. .	10	7	24	1	16	5	63
Not known or not stated .. .. .	2	2	4	3	11	..	22
Of bad character .. .. .	9	..	9	..	27	..	45
Deserters .. .. .	5	1	7	..	3	..	16
Totals .. .. .	35	11	65	4	59	5	179

The balance in the Post-Office Savings-Bank at the end of 1897 on account of wages of inmates belonging to the Government schools was £9,986 10s. 11d., and on account of inmates in private schools, £633 4s. 2d. The amount withdrawn during the year for inmates of Government schools was £1,617 19s. 7d., and for inmates of private schools, £74 12s. 4d.

Table W is the statement of the expenditure on the Government schools, and of the amount recovered from charitable institutions, from parents, from sale of farm produce, &c.

TABLE W.—COST OF GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS, 1897.

School.	Gross Cost of School.	Cost of boarding out. (Included in preceding Column.)	Recoveries.	Net Cost.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland .. .. .	1,119 9 9	493 2 0	242 19 9	876 10 0
Burnham .. .. .	7,524 7 4	2,847 15 9	2,642 18 2	4,881 9 2
Caversham .. .. .	7,115 3 1	3,505 11 5	3,948 13 5	3,166 9 8
Totals .. .. .	15,759 0 2	6,846 9 2	6,834 11 4	8,924 8 10
Salary and expenses of Visiting Officer .. .. .	..	..	..	398 8 10
Inmates maintained at other institutions .. .. .	..	..	..	346 4 3
Contingencies .. .. .	..	..	..	11 6 0
Total .. .. .	..	..	..	£9,680 7 11

The next table supplies similar information with regard to the private schools, except that the recoveries do not include contributions from Charitable Aid Boards, because the payments are made directly by the Boards to the managers of these schools.

TABLE X.—GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE ON PRIVATE SCHOOLS, 1897.

School.	Payments.	Recoveries.	Net Expenditure by Government.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
St. Mary's, Auckland .. .. .	548 2 0	24 5 4	523 16 8
St. Joseph's, Wellington .. .. .	495 1 9	55 13 0	439 8 9
St. Mary's, Nelson .. .. .	2,333 11 8	353 2 8	1,980 9 0
Totals .. .. .	3,376 15 5	433 1 0	2,943 14 5

## No. 2.

## ADDITIONAL STATISTICS.

"INMATES," 31ST DECEMBER, 1897.

Inmates.	Government Schools.						Private Schools.						All Schools.				
	Auckland.		Burnham.		Caversham.		St. Mary's, Auckland.		St. Joseph's, Wellington.	St. Mary's, Nelson.		Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Protestant.	Catholic.	
	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.		B.	G.						
In the schools .. .. .	11	73	27	44	44	20	42	62	183	75	320	261	581	189	392		
Boarded out .. .. .	14	16	90	75	97	93	..	..	4	3	4	204	192	396	370		
With friends .. .. .	2	1	42	17	15	8	2	4	4	21	3	82	37	119	82		
At service .. .. .	6	22	107	68	100	79	1	10	8	31	7	245	194	439	350		
In hospital .. .. .	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	3		
In Costley training institution .. .. .	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	2		
In lunatic asylum .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	..	3	1		
In Blind Asylum, Auckland .. .. .	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1		
In refuge or cognate institution .. .. .	..	2	..	12	..	7	..	..	..	1	..	22	..	22	18		
In gaol .. .. .	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	2		
Absent without leave .. .. .	..	..	13	..	5	..	..	..	..	2	..	20	..	20	18		
Totals .. .. .	26	52	330	199	261	231	23	56	78	242	90	882	706	1,588	1,036	552	
	78		529		492		79			332		1,588		1,588			

PRECEDENT CONDITION OF CHILDREN ADMITTED IN 1897.

Admitted	Government Schools.						Private Schools.						All Schools.		
	Auckland.		Burnham.		Caversham.		St. Mary's, Auckland.		St. Joseph's, Wellington.	St. Mary's, Nelson.		Boys.	Girls.	Total.	
	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.		B.	G.				
As destitute .. .. .	3	4	10	6	5	14	3	2	..	3	4	24	30	54	
As vagrant .. .. .	1	1	4	3	1	..	1	1	..	7	1	14	6	20	
As living in disreputable places .. .. .	..	..	7	11	1	1	3	5	1	3	1	14	19	33	
As uncontrollable .. .. .	..	..	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	3	7	
As guilty of punishable offences .. .. .	1	2	30	4	10	2	2	..	..	13	..	56	8	64	
By arrangement .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	
Totals .. .. .	5	7	55	27	17	17	9	8	1	27	6	113	66	179	
	12		82		34		17			33		179			

## DISCHARGES IN 1897.

Removed by	Government Schools.						Private Schools.					All Schools.		
	Auckland.		Burnham.		Caversham.		St. Mary's, Auckland.		St. Joseph's, Wellington.	St. Mary's, Nelson.		Boys.	Girls.	Total.
	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	B.	G.	G.	B.	G.			
Warrant of discharge .. ..	4	7	47	19	5	11	..	4	2	23	3	79	46	125
Death .. ..	..	1	..	1	2	1	..	..	1	..	..	2	4	6
Warrant of transfer to Costley Institute .. ..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2
Attaining age of 21 .. ..	..	1	..	8	..	6	..	..	..	..	1	..	16	16
Marriage .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Totals .. ..	6	9	47	28	7	19	..	4	3	23	4	83	67	150
	15		75		26		4			27		150		

## NUMBERS OF 1896 AND 1897 COMPARED.

Inmates.	1896.	1897.	Increase or Decrease.
In the schools .. ..	556	581	+ 25
Boarded out .. ..	428	396	- 32
With friends .. ..	94	119	+ 25
At service .. ..	434	439	+ 5
In hospital .. ..	5	3	- 2
In lunatic asylum .. ..	3	3	..
In gaol .. ..	..	2	+ 2
In Blind Asylum, Auckland .. ..	1	1	..
At Costley Institute .. ..	..	2	+ 2
In refuge or cognate institution .. ..	30	22	- 8
Absent without leave .. ..	8	20	+ 12
Totals .. ..	1,559	1,588	+ 29

## No. 3.

## MEDICAL OFFICERS' REPORTS.

## AUCKLAND.

SIR,—

Auckland, 24th April, 1898.

I have the pleasure of reporting that another year has passed without a death among the children of the Auckland Industrial School under my charge. The little cripple, Jessie W—, has been successfully operated on, and no longer requires crutches, but is able to walk to school without difficulty. She has free movement of the limb, but requires a raised shoe to make up for the reduced length. A little girl, returned to the school from the Bay of Islands district, suffering from long-continued lung-disease, has greatly improved in health. It is too soon as yet to speak with certainty as to the ultimate result. The drainage at the premises in Parnell is in a very unsatisfactory state, and needs immediate attention. I have reported on this matter already, and therefore need not refer to it more fully here.

I have again to call attention to the difficulty experienced in dealing with girls who have been sent to the school from homes where they have been exposed to most debasing influences, and still hope that some means may be found of effectually treating such cases.

I have, &amp;c.,

A. G. PURCHAS, M.R.C.S. Eng.

Medical Officer of the Auckland Industrial School.

The Secretary, Education Department, Wellington.

## OTAGO.

SIR,—

Dunedin, 4th April, 1898.

I have much pleasure in being able to give a satisfactory report regarding the health of the inmates of the Caversham School. It has always been our experience that it needs an epidemic in Dunedin to disturb our habitual immunity from sickness. I am happy to see that the game of cricket has taken hold of the boys, and I am sure that it has a good deal to do with the better carriage and franker disposition of the lads. It is gratifying to me to observe that a beginning has been made to the new buildings. The urgency of this step has long been harped upon in my reports, and I hope that nothing will occur to interfere with the completion of the plans as approved by yourself. For the year the health of the boarded-out children has been equally good.

I have, &amp;c.,

ROBERT BURNS, F.R.C.S. Ed.,

Medical Officer.

The Secretary for Education, Wellington.

## No. 4.

## EXAMINATION REPORTS.

ST. MARY'S INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, PONSONBY, AUCKLAND.—Examined 22nd December, 1897.

*Pass Subjects.*—Presented: Standard VI., 1; Standard V., 3; Standard IV., 12; Standard III., 8; Standard II., 4; Standard I., 9; Preparatory, 17. Examined in Standards: Standard VI., 1; Standard V., 3; Standard IV., 12; Standard III., 8; Standard II., 4; Standard I., 9. Passed: Standard V., 3; Standard IV., 8; Standard III., 7; Standard II., 4; Standard I., 9. Note on the passes in Standards I. and II.: Satisfactory.

*Class Subjects.*—Grammar, good in Standards III. and IV., moderate in Standards V. and VI.; history, geography (of Standard II.), and elementary science, object-lessons, &c., satisfactory; mental arithmetic, moderate.

*Additional Subjects.*—Repetition and recitation, satisfactory; drill and exercises, none; singing and needlework, satisfactory; comprehension of the language of reading-lessons, good.

*Preparatory Classes.*—The children are making satisfactory progress.

JOHN S. GOODWIN, Inspector.

ST. MARY'S INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, AUCKLAND (TAKAPUNA BRANCH).—Examined 21st December, 1897.

*Pass Subjects.*—Presented: Standard III., 2; Standard II., 6; Standard I., 6; Preparatory, 19. Examined in Standards: Standard III., 2; Standard II., 6; Standard I., 6. Passed: Standard II., 5; Standard I., 6. Notes on the passes in Standards I. and II.: Arithmetic was only fair; in other respects the pupils did satisfactory work in the "pass" subjects.

*Class Subjects.*—Grammar, moderate; history, not taught; geography (of Standard II.), moderate; elementary science, object-lessons, &c., not taught; mental arithmetic, moderate.

*Additional Subjects.*—Repetition and recitation, satisfactory; exercises, satisfactory; singing, good; needlework, not taught; comprehension of the language of reading-lessons, fair.

*Preparatory Classes.*—In most respects the instruction of the preparatory classes was satisfactory. Counting has not been well taught; more use must be made of the ball-frame. Order, behaviour, and attention were good.

JAS. C. DICKINSON, Inspector.

ST. JOSEPH'S INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, WELLINGTON.—Examined 3rd December, 1897.

*Pass Subjects.*—Presented: Standard VI., 1; Standard V., 3; Standard IV., 11; Standard III., 13; Standard II., 10; Standard I., 11; Preparatory, 26. Examined in Standards: Standard VI., 1; Standard V., 3; Standard IV., 11; Standard III., 13; Standard II., 10; Standard I., 10. Passed: Standard VI., 1; Standard V., 3; Standard IV., 10; Standard III., 12; Standard II., 9; Standard I., 9. Notes on passes in Standards I. and II.: Standard I., good; Standard II., very fair.

*Class Subjects.*—Grammar, satisfactory; history, no instruction given; geography, good (maps good); domestic economy, satisfactory book knowledge; mental arithmetic, fair (improved).

*Additional Subjects.*—Repetition and recitation, good (Standards III. and IV.), very fair (Standards V. and VI.); singing, very good (notation not taught); needlework, instruction in work-room; comprehension of the language of reading-lessons, satisfactory.

*Preparatory Classes.*—Good.

Improved and extended work has been done. The general management is commendable, the order being very good, the discipline excellent, and the tone very pleasant. Great pains is taken with all the work; and, considering the previously backward state of many of the pupils, very satisfactory results have been obtained, except in the arithmetic of the upper classes.

ROBERT LEE, } Inspectors.  
T. R. FLEMING, }

ST. MARY'S INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, STOKE, NELSON (Boys).—Examined, 15th, 16th, and 18th October, 1897.

*Pass Subjects.*—Presented: Standard VI., 4; Standard V., 8; Standard IV., 40; Standard III., 50; Standard II., 24; Standard I., 19; Preparatory, 18. Examined in Standards: Standard VI., 4; Standard V., 8; Standard IV., 40; Standard III., 50; Standard II., 24; Standard I., 19. Passed: Standard VI., 4; Standard V., 7; Standard IV., 35; Standard III., 34; Standard II., 23; Standard I., 17. Note on the passes in Standards I. and II.: Satisfactory. Twenty-two little boys are taught with the girls at Nelson.

*Class Subjects.*—Grammar, weak; history, good; geography (of Standard II.), very good; elementary science, object-lessons, &c., good; mental arithmetic, fairly good.

*Additional Subjects.*—Repetition and recitation, good; singing, very good; Comprehension of the language of reading-lessons, fair.

*Preparatory Classes.*—Satisfactory.

W. LADLEY, Inspector.

ST. MARY'S ORPHANAGE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, NELSON (Girls).—Examined 19th, 20th, and 21st October, 1897.

*Pass Subjects.*—Presented: Standard VI., 3; Standard V., 8; Standard IV., 13; Standard III., 16; Standard II., 13; Standard I., 7; Preparatory, 22. Examined in Standards: Standard VI., 3; Standard V., 8; Standard IV., 13; Standard III., 16; Standard II., 13; Standard I., 7. Passed: Standard VI., 3; Standard V., 5; Standard IV., 12; Standard III., 16; Standard II., 13; Standard I., 7. Note on the passes in Standards I. and II.: Satisfactory.

*Class Subjects.*—Grammar, fair; history, good; geography (of Standard II.), very good; elementary science, object lessons, &c., good; mental arithmetic, fairly good.

*Additional Subjects.*—Repetition and recitation, very good; drill and exercises, very good; singing, satisfactory (melodies only); needlework, very satisfactory; comprehension of the language of reading-lessons, rather weak.

*Preparatory Classes.*—Satisfactory.

With the single exception of the arithmetic of the fifth class the whole of the pass work in this school may be described as excellent. Special commendation is due to the writing and drawing, and to the neatness of the paper work. The drill and needlework were exceedingly well done.

W. LADLEY, Inspector.

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BURNHAM INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.—Examined 3rd September, 1897.

*Pass Subjects.*—Presented: Standard IV., 10; Standard III., 22; Standard II., 10; Standard I., 6; Preparatory, 3. Examined in Standards: Standard IV., 9; Standard III., 20; Standard II., 10; Standard I., 6. Passed: Standard IV., 6; Standard III., 15; Standard II., 8; Standard I., 6.

*Class Subjects.*—Grammar, 65 marks; history, 40 marks; geography (Standard II. only), 65 marks; elementary science, object lessons, &c., 35 marks; mental arithmetic, 30 marks.

*Additional Subjects.*—Repetition and recitation, commendable; drill and exercises, commendable; singing, Standard III. to Preparatory, fair; needlework, not inspected; comprehension of reading lessons, highly commendable.

*Remarks.*—The results of the present examination are very similar to those obtained in former years. The syllabus of "The Standards," as prescribed for Standards I.—IV., is undertaken in its entirety; and in cases where the pupils have been long enough in the school to enable them to reap the full benefit of the instruction, a very satisfactory degree of attainment is secured. Writing and drawing are very well done indeed, and in subjects of a less mechanical type, notably in reading, arithmetic, geography, and grammar, features of substantial merit are frequently presented.

L. B. WOOD, Inspector.

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CAVERSHAM INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.—Examined, 7th December, 1897.

*Pass Subjects.*—Presented: Standard IV., 18; Standard III., 19; Standard II., 9; Preparatory, 6. Examined in Standards: Standard IV., 18; Standard III., 19; Standard II., 9. Passed: Standard IV., 12; Standard III., 6; Standard II., 8. Note on the passes in Standards I. and II.: Justified by the results of my examination.

*Class Subjects.*—Grammar, good; history, very good; geography (of Standard II.), excellent; elementary science, object-lessons, &c., good; mental arithmetic, weak.

*Additional Subjects.*—Repetition and recitation, good; drill and exercises, excellent (boys only); singing, excellent; needlework, very good; comprehension of the language of reading-lessons, satisfactory.

*Preparatory Classes.*—Reading and writing, good; spelling and recitation, very good; object-lessons and counting, satisfactory; order, attention, and manners, very good.

W. S. FITZGERALD, Inspector.

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