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NEW ZEALAND.

EDUCATION: SUBSIDIES TO PUBLIC LIBRARIES

(PAPERS RELATING TO DISTRIBUTION OF).

[In continuation of E.—10, 1887.]

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

I.—EXTRACT from the *New Zealand Gazette*, 1st December, 1898.

Education Department, Wellington, 25th November, 1898.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sum of £2,000 has been voted by Parliament for distribution to public libraries.

The distribution will take place on the 8th February, 1899, and no claim shall be entitled to consideration that shall not have been sent in in due form and received by the Secretary for Education, Wellington, on or before the 31st January, 1899.

A library to be entitled to a subsidy must be public in the sense of belonging to the public, and of not being under the control of an association, society, or club, whose membership is composed of a section of the community only, and if within a borough it must be open to the public free of charge. The receipts for the year must not have been less than £2, exclusive of moneys received from endowments, or from Government, or from Borough or County Councils, or for special building purposes, or as rent, hire, or consideration for the use of any room, or building, or land belonging to the institution, in respect of none of which will subsidy be allowed. The *net* proceeds of concerts, lectures, or other entertainments on behalf of the current expenses of the library will be regarded as voluntary contributions. A subsidy will not be given to more than one library in the same town.

Application to share in the distribution must be by means of a statutory declaration by the Chairman, or Secretary, or Treasurer of the institution on behalf of which it is made, and must be accompanied by a statement of the receipts and expenditure of the institution for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 1898; and such declaration must be on the form provided for the purpose, which form shall be as follows:—

DECLARATION.

I, [Name], of [Place of abode], [Occupation], do solemnly and sincerely declare that I am Chairman [or Secretary or Treasurer] of the [Name of institution]; that during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 1898, the receipts of the aforesaid institution for the maintenance of the library only were as follows: From rates levied by a local governing body under "The Public Libraries Act, 1869," pounds shillings and pence; from the subscriptions of members, pounds shillings and pence; and from voluntary contributions other than members' subscriptions, pounds shillings and pence. And I do solemnly and sincerely declare that the information hereinafter furnished by me in the Appendix hereto is correct in every particular; that the abstract of accounts is a true statement of the receipts and expenditure of the institution for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 1898; and that by the rules of the institution admission to the reading-room is open to the public free of charge.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intituled "The Justices of the Peace Act, 1882."

(Signature.)

Declared at _____, this _____ day of _____, 1899, before me— _____ Justice of the Peace [or Solicitor, or Notary Public].

[Here affix and cancel a stamp at 2s. 6d.]

[NOTE.—The words relating to free admission may be struck out if the library is not in a borough. The words in brackets are not part of the form, but indicate matter to be inserted or substituted.]

Copies of the form of application may be obtained from the Secretary for Education, Wellington, and from the Secretary of any Education Board.

W. C. WALKER.

II. EXTRACT FROM TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

Previous to the vote of last session granting £2,000 for aid to public libraries, there had been no vote for that purpose since 1886, when the amount for distribution was £4,000. In the division of the vote for 1886 a nominal addition of £25 was made to the amount of the income of each library derived from subscriptions, donations, and rates, provided that the receipts for the year were not less than £2, and the vote was divided according to the amounts thus augmented. In the present instance, in order to secure a fair share to the smaller libraries, the total subsidy being smaller, the further limitation was made that no library should receive credit for a larger income than £75—that is, in no case should the augmented amount on which distribution was based exceed £100. In accordance with a *Gazette* notice of the 25th November, 1898, the day appointed for the distribution of the subsidy was the 8th February, 1899, and on that date the amount of the vote was divided among the 285 libraries from which applications, each accompanied by a statutory declaration on the proper form, had been received. The result was that a dividend of 3s. 3·3d. was given for each pound of the sum on which each library's share was calculated. The possible minimum was thus £4 8s. 5d., and the maximum amount paid to any library was £16 7s. 7d.

Some libraries supplied with the proper forms failed to send in formal claims by the 31st January, the date fixed by the *Gazette* notice, and did not therefore participate in the vote.

The number of libraries aided in February, 1887, was 361; those aided this year were 285 in number; possibly the cessation of the grant between 1887 and 1898 led to a loss of interest in the case of some of the smaller libraries, resulting in their extinction. The following table shows the distribution according to education districts:—

SUMMARY of DISTRIBUTION of PUBLIC LIBRARIES SUBSIDY.

Education Districts.	Number of Libraries.	Income on which Subsidy is calculated.	Amount of Subsidy.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland	70	1,887 1 11	453 1 1
Taranaki	7	227 11 7	55 14 2
Wanganui	15	1,192 17 9	133 18 11
Wellington	16	2,403 17 9	158 7 8
Hawke's Bay	22	453 0 0	163 1 5
Marlborough	4	128 5 9	37 7 11
Nelson	24	325 0 7	148 0 0
Grey	4	109 11 6	34 6 6
Westland	5	81 19 6	33 18 0
North Canterbury	49	1,544 13 7	321 7 3
South Canterbury	11	371 18 5	89 7 9
Otago	41	777 13 8	270 2 1
Southland	17	193 16 5	101 7 3
Totals	285	9,647 8 5	2,000 0 0

III.—LIST showing DISTRIBUTION of SUBSIDY in Detail.

[The word "Income" here means income from rates, subscriptions and donations, and net proceeds of lectures, entertainments, &c., for the year 1898.]

Library.	Income.	Subsidy.	Library.	Income.	Subsidy.
AUCKLAND.			AUCKLAND—continued.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Alexandra	13 4 11	6 5 3	Kaero	9 4 3	5 12 1
Aponga	10 11 0	5 16 5	Kaipara Flats	5 3 0	4 18 9
Arapohue	2 0 0	4 8 5	Kaitaia	8 0 0	5 8 1
Aratapu	16 17 9	6 17 3	Katikati	21 8 10	7 12 1
Auckland	794 5 4	16 7 7	Kaiwaka	2 0 0	4 8 5
Bombay	3 0 0	4 11 8	Kaukapakapa	5 5 0	4 19 1
Cambridge	63 15 10	14 10 11	Kawakawa	16 15 6	6 16 10
Dargaville	33 9 6	9 11 7	Kuaotunu	8 4 0	5 8 9
Gordon Settlement	16 15 0	6 16 9	Lichfield	6 7 0	5 2 8
Hamilton	14 15 0	6 10 3	Lucas Creek	2 3 6	4 9 0
Helensville	14 7 3	6 8 11	Mahurangi	24 3 3	8 1 0
Hikurangi	23 10 6	7 19 0	Mangapai	14 11 6	6 9 8
Hoteo North	8 18 0	5 11 1	Mareretu	5 0 0	4 18 3
Huntly	88 18 4	10 9 5	Matakana Lower	2 10 0	4 10 1

III.—LIST showing DISTRIBUTION of SUBSIDY in Detail—continued.

Library.	Income.	Subsidy.	Library	Income.	Subsidy.
AUCKLAND—continued.			WELLINGTON—continued.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Matakohe	4 15 9	4 17 7	Masterton	226 9 1	16 7 7
Maungakaramea	7 0 0	5 4 9	Nireaha	16 15 2	6 16 10
Maungatapere	3 0 0	4 11 8	Ohariu	9 14 0	5 8 18
Maungaturoto	7 7 6	5 6 1	Otaki	12 19 2	6 4 5
Mercury Bay	22 9 6	7 15 7	Pahiatua	25 6 0	8 4 9
Mangonui	4 7 6	4 16 3	Pahautanui	4 10 0	4 16 8
Morrinsville	4 0 0	4 15 0	Petone	8 16 0	5 10 9
Ngaruawahia	12 10 10	6 3 0	Uriti	7 15 0	5 7 3
Ohinemuri	21 8 6	7 12 1	Wellington	1,760 10 0	16 7 7
Omaha	5 3 6	4 18 10			
Opotiki	38 10 3	10 8 1	Total	2,403 17 9	158 7 8
Otahuhu	14 12 6	6 9 10			
Otorahanga	12 18 8	6 4 4	HAWKE'S BAY.		
Pakiri	2 19 0	4 11 7	Dannevirke	12 1 6	6 1 5
Paparoa	2 6 6	4 9 6	Eskdale	6 5 0	5 2 4
Parua	5 5 8	4 19 2	Fraserstown	8 10 0	5 9 9
Port Albert	12 0 0	6 1 2	Gisborne	65 6 0	14 15 10
Pukekohe East	2 17 6	4 11 4	Glenross	19 11 6	7 6 0
Rawene	4 10 0	4 16 8	Havelock North	38 8 0	10 7 8
Raglan	4 1 0	4 15 2	Hastings North	82 6 10	16 7 7
Rotorua	40 18 3	10 15 11	Maraekakaho	16 14 0	6 16 7
Ruatangata	4 8 0	4 16 4	Makotoku	9 9 6	5 12 11
Takapuna Lake	3 17 6	4 14 7	Mohaka	5 10 0	4 19 11
Tauranga	36 13 10	10 2 1	Ongaonga	8 16 4	5 10 9
Te Arai	2 0 0	4 8 5	Ormondville	13 3 1	6 5 0
Te Aroha	10 0 6	5 14 8	Porangahau	9 5 6	5 12 3
Te Awamutu	55 17 7	13 5 0	Takapau	17 0 2	6 17 7
Te Kopuru	23 5 1	7 18 1	Tamumu	3 7 6	4 13 0
Te Uku	3 15 0	4 14 2	Taradale	10 16 0	5 17 3
Thames	176 15 0	16 7 7	Waipawa	26 5 6	8 8 0
Tubikaramea	3 5 0	4 12 6	Wainui	12 3 0	6 1 8
Turua	25 3 6	8 4 4	Waimata Valley	8 12 9	5 10 2
Wainui	10 3 6	5 15 2	Waipukurau	18 12 0	7 2 10
Waipu	9 10 0	5 13 0	Wairoa	21 17 6	7 13 7
Whangaroa North	3 0 0	4 11 9	Woodville	38 18 4	10 9 4
Wairangi	4 19 8	4 18 3			
Wairoa	8 9 6	5 9 8	Total	453 0 0	163 1 5
Waiwera, Upper	7 3 6	5 5 5			
Whakapirau	4 10 0	4 16 8	MARLBOROUGH.		
Whakatane	7 10 0	5 6 6	Blenheim	74 11 0	16 6 1
Whangarei	16 6 6	6 15 5	Havelock	36 18 0	10 2 10
Whitford	2 1 7	4 8 8	Picton	14 15 6	6 10 4
Total	1,837 1 11	453 1 1	Mahakipawa	2 1 3	4 8 8
			Total	128 5 9	37 7 11
TARANAKI.			NELSON.		
Huirangi	2 2 6	4 8 11	Burnett's Face	10 0 6	5 14 8
Inglewood	29 4 6	8 17 7	Capleston	2 5 0	4 9 3
New Plymouth	137 8 9	16 7 7	Charleston	17 15 6	7 0 2
Oakura	3 10 0	4 13 4	Clifton Terrace	2 10 0	4 10 1
Puniho	4 13 4	4 17 2	Collingwood	5 7 0	4 19 5
Tikorangi	26 12 6	8 9 1	Denniston	73 9 3	16 2 7
Uruti	24 0 0	8 0 6	Dovedale	6 0 0	5 1 6
Total	227 11 7	55 14 2	Foxhill	4 10 0	4 16 8
			Hampden	3 9 6	4 13 3
WANGANUI.			Karamea	4 10 0	4 16 8
Awahuri	10 3 0	5 15 1	Motueka	19 4 4	7 4 10
Awatuna	2 2 0	4 8 9	Motupiko	3 10 0	4 13 4
Cheltenham	16 15 0	6 16 9	Motupipi	2 6 0	4 9 5
Clifton	36 4 0	10 0 6	Richmond	20 1 0	7 7 7
Eltham	10 1 6	5 14 10	Riwaka	11 7 0	5 19 1
Feilding	141 19 8	16 7 7	Sarau	3 8 3	4 13 1
Foxton	26 4 0	8 7 8	Seddonville	2 0 0	4 8 5
Hawera	92 12 2	16 7 7	Stanley Brook	4 5 0	4 15 10
Hunterville	18 11 0	6 6 3	Stoke	3 0 0	4 11 8
Kimbolton	18 2 6	7 1 3	Takaka, Lower	5 10 0	4 19 11
Marton	56 7 11	13 6 8	Takaka, East and Upper	4 9 3	4 16 6
Patea	11 0 0	5 17 11	Waimangaroa	16 14 6	6 16 8
Pohangina	7 0 6	5 4 10	Waima South	3 0 11	4 11 10
Turakina	10 6 6	5 15 8	Westport	96 7 7	16 7 7
Wanganui	740 8 0	16 7 7			
Total	1,192 17 9	133 18 11	Total	325 0 7	148 0 0
WELLINGTON.			GREY.		
Carterton	55 8 6	13 3 6	Blackball	39 1 6	10 9 11
Eketahuna	39 8 0	10 11 0	Dunganville	4 0 0	4 15 0
Featherston	67 17 1	15 4 2	Greynouth	59 0 0	13 15 2
Greytown	37 2 0	10 3 5	No Town	7 10 0	5 6 5
Hutt Mechanics' Institute	44 2 0	11 6 4			
Mangatainoka	49 6 3	12 3 5	Total	109 11 6	34 6 6
Martinborough	37 19 6	10 6 4			

III.—LIST showing DISTRIBUTION of SUBSIDY in Detail—*continued.*

Library.	Income.	Subsidy.	Library.	Income.	Subsidy.
WESTLAND.			SOUTH CANTERBURY— <i>continued.</i>		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Callaghan's	2 8 0	4 9 9	Timaru	176 4 6	16 7 7
Okuru	2 0 0	4 8 5	Waimate	58 4 6	13 12 8
Rimu	17 2 6	6 18 0	Winchester	19 1 0	7 4 4
Stafford	10 12 6	5 16 8			
Westland Institute	49 16 6	12 5 2	Total	371 18 5	89 7 9
Total	81 19 6	33 18 0	OTAGO.		
NORTH CANTERBURY.			Awamoko	7 8 6	5 6 3
Akaroa	26 10 0	8 8 9	Caversham	24 17 6	8 3 5
Ashburton	24 14 0	8 2 10	Clinton	5 3 6	4 18 10
Belfast	15 18 6	6 14 1	Cromwell	11 15 0	6 0 5
Burwood	6 18 0	5 4 6	Clyde	11 0 0	5 17 11
Canterbury Library	857 15 0	16 7 7	Dunedin, Walker Street	20 11 0	7 9 3
Chatham Islands	14 10 0	6 9 5	Enfield	6 8 0	5 2 10
Clarkville	8 17 11	5 11 1	Green Island	4 5 0	4 15 10
Courtenay	2 5 0	4 9 3	Highcliff	2 16 6	4 11 2
Cust	14 18 0	6 10 9	Kakanui	8 7 6	5 9 4
Ellesmere	4 12 6	4 17 1	Kaitangata	28 0 0	8 13 7
Eyreton	8 3 6	5 8 8	Kurov and Hakataramea	17 5 3	6 18 5
Eyreton West	9 3 6	5 11 11	Kyeburn	5 16 0	5 0 11
Greta Valley	5 5 6	4 19 2	Leith Valley	35 17 7	9 19 6
Halswell	10 7 3	5 15 10	Maheno	6 17 0	5 4 4
Herorata	7 14 8	5 7 3	Manuherikia	35 15 0	10 2 4
Kaipoi	27 9 0	8 11 10	Miller's Flat	2 12 6	4 10 6
Kaikoura	41 12 4	10 18 3	Mornington	18 0 0	7 0 10
Kowai North	21 3 0	7 11 2	Mosgiel	14 11 6	6 9 8
Lakeside	7 2 11	5 5 4	Naseby	27 0 0	8 10 4
Leeston	7 10 0	5 6 6	North Taieri	9 1 9	5 11 8
Leithfield	15 17 0	6 13 10	Ngapara	7 1 9	5 5 1
Little Akaloa	2 10 6	4 10 2	Oamaru	228 15 0	16 7 7
Little River	10 11 0	5 16 6	Otepopo	6 17 6	5 4 5
Loburn	6 10 3	5 3 3	Otiake	8 18 6	5 11 2
Loburn North	2 5 7	4 9 4	Outram	17 10 11	6 19 5
Lyttelton	41 12 6	10 18 3	Peninsula, Central South	2 5 0	4 9 3
Mayfield	7 11 5	5 6 9	Palmerston Athenæum	15 9 0	6 12 6
Melton West	7 5 6	5 5 9	Port Chalmers	38 7 6	10 7 8
Mount Somers	10 18 6	5 17 9	Portobello	5 10 0	4 19 11
Okain's Bay	9 18 6	5 14 5	Pukeuri	12 4 0	6 1 10
Oxford	18 0 9	7 1 0	Ravensbourne	6 17 8	5 4 6
Pigeon Bay	3 5 6	4 12 8	Roslyn	16 2 3	6 14 8
Papanui	15 0 0	6 11 0	Shag Point	12 19 6	6 4 5
Prebbleton	12 1 8	6 1 6	Stirling	38 19 0	10 9 7
Rakaia South	18 14 6	7 3 3	Waiareka	7 16 6	5 7 7
Rangiora	47 7 0	11 17 0	Waihemo	3 12 6	4 13 10
Saltwater Creek	5 9 9	4 19 11	Waihola	5 2 0	4 18 7
Southbridge	9 12 6	5 13 5	Waikouaiti	15 9 0	6 12 6
Southbrook	5 10 0	4 19 11	Waikoikoi	5 0 6	4 18 4
South Malvern	6 0 0	5 1 6	Waiwera	18 6 6	7 1 11
Springston	5 0 0	4 18 3	Total	777 13 8	270 2 1
Tai Tapu	5 2 6	4 18 8	SOUTHLAND.		
Waikari	6 18 0	5 4 6	Arrowtown	23 9 6	7 18 10
Waltham	13 12 6	6 6 7	Glenorchy	7 4 0	5 5 6
Wakanui	4 2 0	4 15 4	Heddon Bush	12 17 0	6 4 0
Waterton	2 6 0	4 9 5	Knappdale	8 7 3	5 9 4
Waiau	13 6 3	6 5 6	New River Valley	14 10 8	6 9 6
Woodend	15 12 0	6 13 0	Oteramika	8 2 6	5 8 6
Woolston	100 1 4	16 7 7	Limehills	6 8 6	5 2 11
Total	1,544 13 7	321 7 3	Orepuki	13 1 6	6 4 9
SOUTH CANTERBURY.			Otautau	9 10 0	5 13 0
Fairlie	14 15 0	6 10 3	Queenstown	8 9 8	5 9 8
Geraldine	12 3 0	6 1 8	Riversdale	15 16 0	6 13 8
Gleniti	8 2 6	5 8 6	Skippers	3 10 0	4 13 5
Hunter	5 10 0	4 19 11	The Neck	5 2 0	4 18 7
Pareora	9 17 10	5 14 4	Waianiwa	6 0 0	5 1 6
Pleasant Point	40 8 10	10 14 5	Waikaia	16 5 6	6 15 3
Rangitata	5 0 0	4 18 3	Wallacetown	2 17 6	4 11 4
Temuka	22 11 3	7 15 10	Wyndham	32 4 10	9 7 6
			Total	193 16 5	101 7 3

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