

TABLE H.—NUMBER OF PUPILS INSTRUCTED IN EACH SUBJECT, DECEMBER, 1902—*continued.*

Education Districts.	Numbers belonging at end of Year.	History.	Elementary Science.	Object-lessons.	Domestic Economy.	Handwork.	Singing.	Needlework.	Drill.
Auckland	28,584	13,066	10,147	18,533	320	6,983	24,759	10,258	23,211
Taranaki	4,634	1,920	1,539	3,046	126	2,768	3,415	1,744	4,218
Wanganui	11,257	5,268	4,514	6,533	12	745	7,622	3,696	9,637
Wellington	14,895	9,084	13,973	6,094	1,038	3,697	2,264	5,975	13,946
Hawke's Bay	8,266	3,986	3,564	5,034	21	2,953	7,573	3,599	7,611
Marlborough	2,007	1,032	658	1,216	159	683	1,408	903	1,195
Nelson	5,657	2,958	2,220	3,580	83	1,228	3,550	2,212	3,721
Grey	1,602	599	335	1,009	5	..	1,054	601	822
Westland	1,121	531	382	649	35	470	582	411	759
North Canterbury	19,451	9,761	5,617	12,111	1,574	7,226	17,913	8,727	16,692
South Canterbury	5,128	2,719	2,113	2,998	..	1,297	4,595	1,974	5,091
Otago	20,047	9,779	7,537	11,742	398	2,232	19,627	8,875	7,556
Southland	9,613	4,448	3,198	5,946	743	3,177	8,886	3,413	5,798
Totals for 1902	133,262	65,151	55,847	78,491	4,514	33,459	103,248	52,388	100,280
Totals for 1901	131,351	63,812	47,498	81,890	4,418	21,292	113,863	54,228	94,116
Difference	911	1,339	8,349	-3,399	96	12,167	-10,615	-1,840	6,164

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The number of schools open at the end of 1902, if we count 92 half-time schools as equivalent to 46 full-time schools, was 1,708, or 31 more than were open in December, 1901.

In Table J the schools are classified, as for 1901, according to their average attendance for the year 1902, instead of, as formerly, according to the average attendance for the December quarter. The classification is in accordance with the grades in Part I. of Schedule I. to "The Public-school Teachers' Salaries Act, 1901."

TABLE J.—NUMBER OF SCHOOLS, DECEMBER, 1902.

Grade.	Yearly Average Attendance.	Auckland.	Taranaki.	Wanganui.	Wellington.	Hawke's Bay.	Marlborough.	Nelson.	Grey.	Westland.	North Canterbury.	South Canterbury.	Otago.	Southland.	Total Number of Schools.	Total Number in 1901.
0	1 to 8	6	2	5	11	1	28	21	6	11	5	1	5	6	108	85
1	9 " 20	98	13	31	33	16	12	33	13	12	47	11	53	19	391	401
2	1 " 30	95	16	29	29	9	6	25	2	2	48	22	28	46	357	338
3	31 " 40	45	11	22	12	7	3	10	2	2	14	9	33	29	197	221
4	41 " 50	35	11	13	13	4	2	11	4	2	25	10	18	7	155	139
5	51 " 70	27	4	20	11	14	3	7	1	1	14	7	25	13	147	146
6	71 " 90	13	3	8	10	5	..	6	2	1	13	3	11	8	83	86
7	91 " 120	14	5	8	6	4	2	1	1	..	13	1	5	7	67	60
8	121 " 150	8	2	6	4	4	3	2	..	..	3	..	6	3	41	47
9	151 " 200	9	..	..	5	4	..	2	1	..	5	..	4	3	36	33
10	201 " 250	8	1	6	1	2	..	2	..	2	4	..	4	2	32	33
11	251 " 280	..	..	1	3	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	3	1	11	7
12	281 " 330	4	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	3	1	13	10
13	331 " 390	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	..	8	12
14	391 " 420	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	7	4
15	421 " 480	1	1	2	2	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	2	..	15	14
16	481 " 510	2	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	5	7
17	511 " 570	5	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	14	14
18	571 " 600	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	2
19	601 " 660	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	6	7
20	661 " 690	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	5
21	691 " 750	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1
22	751 " 780	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	2
23	781 " 840	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
24	841 " 870	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
25	871 " 930	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
26	931 " 960	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..
27	961 " 1020	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Totals, 1902		376*	70†	154†	149	76†	60	122	31	33	206†	71	213†	147†	1,708	1,677
Totals, 1901		366	65	150	143	74	62	121	28	34	204	70	216	144	1,677	..
Difference		10	5	4	6	2	-2	1	3	-1	2	1	-3	3	31	..

* Including 76 half-time schools, reckoned as 38. † Including 2 half-time schools, reckoned as 1. ‡ Including 6 half-time schools, reckoned as 3. Total, 92 half-time schools, reckoned as 46.

The number of schools has increased slightly in all the districts except Marlborough, Westland, and Otago.