

which have not in all cases been regularly presented, the eleventh Section of the Bill requires a yearly inspection of the schools by persons appointed by the Governor. It appears, however, desirable that this inspection should be so managed as to become, as much as possible, a part of the regular internal machinery of the Educational system of each denomination, rather than an external interference on the part of the State. Ministers have always contemplated, (as appears by their Memorandum of 26th March, 1858) that the Educational Boards of the several bodies should at least exercise an influence in the nomination of Inspectors. Especially would Ministers deprecate the appointment of a paid Government Officer as Inspector of all the schools. They are convinced that no such appointment could be universally satisfactory.

IX.—New Financial Arrangements for the Native Services, and their bearing on Policy.

54. The general Financial effect of the "Native Schools Act, 1858," is, for seven years, to double the permanent provision for purely Native objects,—and to dispense with the necessity of proposing annual votes. Adequate provision is made for Native Education, whilst at the same time the sum of £7,000, reserved by the Constitution Act, is liberated, and becomes available for its other destined uses.

55. The new purposes to which it is proposed to devote this latter sum, are as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
Medical Treatment of Natives in Hospitals, and as out-patients ...	2,000	0	0
<i>Circuit and Resident Magistrate's Courts.</i>			
	£	s.	d.
Magistrates ...	1,200	0	0
Assessors ...	1,000	0	0
Court Houses ...	200	0	0
Travelling Expenses ...	300	0	0
Contingencies of Courts ...	200	0	0
	2,900	0	0
Maori Newspapers and other Publications ...	400	0	0
Pensions to Natives ...	200	0	0
<i>Pensions and gratuities under Waka Nene's Annuity Ordinance.</i>			
T. Walker Nene ...	100	0	0
Gratuities to Chiefs ...	100	0	0
	200	0	0
Presents and Entertainment of Natives ...	500	0	0
Southern Island, Native purposes ...	500	0	0
For Services not above specified ...	300	0	0
	£7,000	0	0

56. In addition to the £14,000 of permanent provision thus made up, a sum of £400 per annum for the salary of the chief permanent officer of the Native Department, is proposed to be charged against the annual sum of £4,800, reserved on the new Civil List for the establishment of the General Government. A further sum of £600 for the establishment of the Native Department, is provided for on the Annual Estimates. The total annual charge for Native purposes (exclusive of the salary of the Native Minister, whose labours may, however, it is hoped, not be wholly fruitless of good to the Aborigines,) is now £15,000.

57. This is not merely a more secure, but also a larger provision for special Native purposes than has before existed. In 1856 the total legal provision was £14,872. In addition to this, the House, in an address to His Excellency, presented during the Session of 1856, stated as follows :— "If, therefore, circumstances should arise involving the maintenance of peaceful relations between the "races, and your Excellency should in consequence feel it imperatively necessary before the next "Session of the Assembly to expend upon Native purposes a sum not exceeding £1,000, in addition "to the amount already granted,—this House respectfully begs to assure your Excellency that it will "make good the same in the supplies of the year 1857-58." The contingency contemplated by this Address did not however occur.

* 58. The above mentioned sum of £14,872 includes £1,400 for the salaries, and £882 for the establishments of eight Resident Magistrates. Only two of these Magistracies are now charged to Native Account. The estimate for the remaining six in 1856 was £1,700, 10s. The comparison between the two years, in point of amount, stands therefore as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
Provision for Native purposes in 1858...	15,000	0	0
Do. do. do. in 1856...	14,872	0	0
Deduct Services not charged to Native Account in 1858 as above ...	1,700	10	0
	13,171	10	0
Increase of provision in 1858, exclusive of the Native Minister's salary	£1,828	10	0

* Remarks by the Governor.—Par. 58.

The Colonial Treasurer, in his speech in the House of Representatives, 10th June, says: "Before I quit the subject