

the public revenue is not always made; and children admitted on the order of a Government relieving officer, on whose account a capitation payment is made by the Government.

Table R shows the number of committed and non-committed children belonging to the industrial schools and orphanages in 1884 who are maintained wholly or in part by the Government, and furnishes a variety of information concerning them:—

TABLE R.—SUMMARY OF ADMISSIONS, WITHDRAWALS, ETC., FOR 1884.

	Committed.			Non-committed.			Totals.		
	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
1. In the schools, 31st December, 1883	511	288	799	91	111	202	602	399	1,001
2. Boarded out, 31st December, 1883	95	111	206	1	3	4	96	114	210
3. Total number maintained, 31st December, 1883	606	399	1,005	92	114	206	698	513	1,211
4. At service, 31st December, 1883	62	38	100	..	..	..	62	38	100
5. With friends, 31st December, 1883	113	87	200	..	..	..	113	87	200
6. Absent without leave, 31st December, 1883	12	1	13	..	..	..	12	1	13
7. Total belonging to the schools, 31st December, 1883	793	525	1,318	92	114	206	885	639	1,524
8. Admitted during the year 1884	175	138	313	17	11	28	192	149	341
9. Transferred from other schools	1	1	2	..	..	..	1	1	2
10. To be accounted for, 31st December, 1884	969	664	1,633	109	125	234	1,078	789	1,867
11. Discharged and died during 1884	112	75	187	22	45	67	134	120	254
12. Total belonging to the schools, 31st December, 1884	857	589	1,446	87	80	167	944	669	1,613
13. Increase during the year 1884 (line 12, less line 7)	64	64	128	-5	-34	-39	59	30	89
14. Increase of number maintained (line 27, less line 3)	9	45	54	-5	-34	-39	4	11	15
Particulars of commitments and admissions—									
15. Destitute	95	100	195	17	11	28	112	111	123
16. Vagrant	9	2	11	..	..	..	9	2	11
17. Residing in brothel or other disreputable place	10	13	23	..	..	..	10	13	23
18. Uncontrollable	20	7	27	..	..	..	20	7	27
19. Guilty of punishable offence	33	4	37	..	..	..	33	4	37
20. Agreement to pay for maintenance	8	12	20	..	..	..	8	12	20
Totals as in line No. 8	175	138	313	17	11	28	192	149	341
Particulars of discharges—									
21. Discharged by warrant	107	68	175	..	..	..	107	68	175
22. Returned to friends, &c.	..	..	..	22	44	66	22	44	66
23. Transferred to other industrial schools	1	1	2	..	..	..	1	1	2
24. Died	4	6	10	..	1	1	4	7	11
Totals as in line No. 11	112	75	187	22	45	67	134	120	254
25. In the schools, 31st December, 1884	403	272	675	83	76	159	486	348	834
26. Boarded out, 31st December, 1884	212	172	384	4	4	8	216	176	392
27. Total number maintained, 31st December, 1884	615	444	1,059	87	80	167	702	524	1,226
28. At service, 31st December, 1884	121	80	201	..	..	..	121	80	201
29. With friends, 31st December, 1884	101	62	163	..	..	..	101	62	163
30. In hospital, 31st December, 1884	2	2	4	..	..	..	2	2	4
31. Absent without leave, 31st December, 1884	18	1	19	..	..	..	18	1	19
Totals as in line No. 12	857	589	1,446	87	80	167	944	669	1,613
Changes of status in 1884 of those still belonging to the schools—									
32. Returned from service	6	6	12	..	..	..	6	6	12
33. Returned from friends	4	1	5	..	..	..	4	1	5
34. Returned from boarding out	5	5	10	..	..	..	5	5	10
35. Returned from absence without leave	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1
36. Sent to service	71	46	117	..	..	..	71	46	117
37. Sent to friends	54	21	75	..	..	..	54	21	75
38. Sent to hospital	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	1
39. Boarded out	124	69	193	3	1	4	127	70	197
40. Absconded	11	..	11	..	..	..	11	..	11

The committed children belonging to industrial schools may be separated into two classes—(1) those who are maintained at the public cost, and (2) those who have ceased to be chargeable to the colony. Those of the former class are either resident in the schools or are boarded with foster-parents; the