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EDUCATION: TEACHERS' AND CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS.

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The INSPECTOR-GENERAL of SCHOOLS to the Hon. the MINISTER of EDUCATION.

SIR,—

Education Department, Wellington, 23rd February, 1893.

I have the honour to report that the annual examination of candidates for teachers' certificates took place in the month of January at the time prescribed by regulation, and that, as usual, the senior and junior examinations for the Civil Service were conducted under the same management and supervision.

The fees received amount to £738 10s. 6d., and the expenses of the examinations (including prizes for drawing and elementary science) to £680 18s. 5d.

The number of candidates entered for examination was 975. The candidates for the teachers' examinations were 675: 167 for Class D, 116 "partial pass" candidates to complete the examination for Class D, 264 for Class E, and 128 "partial pass" candidates to complete the examination for Class E. Of these 675 candidates, 162 had already passed for Class E, and were seeking promotion to Class D, and one other held a provisional certificate which she desired to exchange for a full certificate. Of the remaining number—512—there were 120 teachers in the service of the Boards of Education; 231 pupil-teachers; 52 normal-school students in training; 47 persons who had ceased to be connected with the public-school system as teachers, pupil-teachers, or normal school students; and 62 who had not been in any such way connected with the system.

Of the whole number of 675 candidates, 420 have improved their status through this examination, one having passed for Class C, 106 for Class D, and 132 for Class E, while 68 (including 5 of those who passed for Class E) obtained a "partial pass" for Class D, 117 obtained a "partial pass" for Class E, and one full certificate was obtained in exchange for a provisional one. I enclose a list of passes and "partial passes."

The following table exhibits at one view the facts already stated with respect to the success of the candidates at the examination for teachers' certificates:—

Status before Examination.	Number of Candidates.	Results of the Examinations.					
		Pass for D.	Pass for E.	Pass for E, and Partial Pass for D.	Partial Pass for D.	Partial Pass for E.	Total.
Passed before E ...	163	57	1†	...	28	...	86
Not passed before—							
Teachers ...	120	9*	29	...	1	15	54
Pupil-teachers ...	231	18	69	2	14	76	179
Normal students ...	52	13	14	2	11	6	46
Retired ...	47	8	8	1	2	6	25
Outside candidates ...	62	2	7	...	7	14	30
Totals ...	675	107	128	5	63	117	420

* Including one pass for Class C.

† Provisional certificate exchanged for a full one.

The examination has added 47 names to the list of "failed" candidates, and has removed 20 from the list, increasing the number from 594 to 621.

Four candidates availed themselves of the opportunity afforded to pupil-teachers to take up one branch of drawing in each year of their course, and satisfied the examiner.