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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, 9th April, 1894.
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. Candidates were examined at Thames, Tauranga, Gisborne, Reefton, Westport, and Oamaru, as well as at the thirteen Education Board centres.

The fees received amount to £800 15s., and the expenses of the examinations (including prizes for drawing and elementary science) to £709 13s. 3d.

The number of candidates entered for examination was 1,112. The candidates for the teachers' examinations were 713: 220 for Class D, 148 "partial pass" candidates to complete the examination for Class D, 218 for Class E, and 127 "partial pass" candidates to complete the examination for Class E. Of these 713 candidates, 184 had already passed for Class E, and were seeking promotion to Class D. Of the remaining number—529—there were 133 teachers in the service of the Boards of Education or of the Department; 240 pupil-teachers; 60 normal-school students in training; 35 persons who had ceased to be connected with the public-school system as teachers, pupil-teachers, or normal-school students; and 61 who had not been in any such way connected with the system.

Of the whole number of 713 candidates, 403 have improved their status through this examination, two having passed for Class C, 105 for Class D, 136 for Class E, while 85 (including 11 of those who passed for Class E) obtained a "partial pass" for Class D, and 86 obtained a "partial pass" for Class E. 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 for E ...	184	41	...	...	35	...	76
Not passed before—							
Teachers ...	133	10	38	...	2	9	59
Pupil-teachers ...	240	14	67	3	18	66	168
Normal students ...	60	32*	5	6	10	1	54
Retired ...	35	4	7	1	1	5	18
Outside candidates ...	61	6	8	1	8	5	28
Totals ...	713	107	125	11	74	86	403

* Including two passes for Class C.

The examination has added 55 names to the list of "failed" candidates, and has removed 12 from the list, increasing the number from 620 to 663.