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EDUCATION: TEACHERS' AND CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS.

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Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by command of His Excellency

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

SIR,—

Education Department, Wellington, 26th April, 1895.

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 Whangarei, Thames, Opotiki, Gisborne, Westport, Kumara, Oamaru, and Cromwell, as well as at the thirteen Education Board centres.

The fees received amount to £953 8s. 6d., and the expenses of the examinations (including prizes for drawing and elementary science) to £756 14s. 8d.

The number of candidates entered for examination was 1,230. The candidates for the teachers' examinations were 690 191 for Class D, 152 "partial pass" candidates to complete the examination for Class D, 226 for Class E, and 121 "partial pass" candidates to complete the examination for Class E. Of these 690 candidates, 182 had already passed for Class E, and were seeking promotion to Class D. Of the remaining number—508—there were 91 teachers in the service of the Boards of Education or of the Department 254 pupil-teachers, 70 normal-school students in training, 40 persons who had ceased to be connected with the public-school system as teachers, pupil-teachers, or normal-school students, and 53 who had not been in any such way connected with the system.

Of the whole number of 690 candidates, 460 have improved their status through this examination, two having passed for Class C, 185 for Class D, 114 for Class E, while 70 (including 13 of those who passed for Class E) obtained a "partial pass" for Class D, and 91 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	182	90*			22		112
Not passed before—							
Teachers	91	12	21	2	5	13	53
Pupil-teachers	254	28	73	7	13	65	186
Normal-students	70	42†	3	4	13	2	64
Retired	40	6	13		1	5	25
Outside candidates	53	7	4		3	6	20
Totals	690	185	114	13	57	91	460

* Including one pass for Class C.

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The examination has added 52 names to the list of "failed" candidates, and has removed 34 from the list, increasing the number from 660 to 678.