1898. NEW ZEALAND.

EDUCATION: SCHOOL-BUILDING

DETAILS OF ALLOCATIONS OF VOTE OF £25,000 AND FOR SCHOOLS IN NEWLY SETTLED DISTRICTS.

Returns to Orders of the House of Representatives dated the 18th and 19th October, 1898.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing the allocation between the several Education Boards of the colony of the sum of £25,000 specially voted last session for school-building purposes; such return to set forth the amount paid to each Board, the amount applied for, and the purposes in detail to which the Boards proposed that the money should be applied."—(Mr. Carson.)

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing the details of the amounts allocated for expenditure for schools in newly settled districts out of the vote for last year."—(Mr. Pirani.)*

The vote apparently referred to was a vote of £13,000. No part of this money was allocated to Education Boards.

But grants to Education Boards in aid of school-buildings in newly settled districts have been made and charged to this year's votes as follows: Auckland, £1,932; Taranaki, £520; Wanganui, £2,716; Wellington, £4,250; Hawke's Bay, £513; Nelson, £298; Grey, £420; Westland, £300; North Canterbury, £927; South Canterbury, £421; Otago, £1,555; Southland, £1,630: total, £15,482.*

The proposals made in detail by the Boards are as follows:—

Auckland.—Opuriao North, £167; Te Puke No. 2, £163; Kimihia, £197; Tangaihi, £133;
Opuriao South, £196; Kiripaka, £150; Manawaru, £200; Otara (Opotiki), £150; Ohaeawai, £155; Oruaiti, £139; Paemako, £160; Tairua Block, £130; Tatarariki, £110; Ohiwa, £160; Mangakura, £157; Te Puna Point, £100; Bridgewater, £125: total, £2,598.

Taranaki.—Denbigh Road, £340; Uruti, £480; Tongaporutu, £160; Huiroa, £160; Mangaere, £160; Toko, £180; fencing and repairs, £60: total, £1,540.

Wangamui.—Kawbatau. £202, 128: Raetihi, £222, 128: Ruahine, £222, 128; Anderson Road,

Wanganui.—Kawhatau, £202 12s.; Raetihi, £222 12s.; Ruahine, £222 12s.; Anderson Road, £207 12s.; Utiku, £431; Taihape, £431; Hautapu, £431; Fraser Road, £431; Anderson Road, £137; Makotuku, £431; Ohakune, £431; Mangaweka, £227 12s.; Umutoi, £401; Bluff Road, £333 4s.; Riverlea, £431; Punehu, £400; Table Flat, £400: total, £5,771 4s.

Wellington.—Eighteen schools at £250 (at Kakariki, Mount Wolff, Wereroa, Makairo, Makairo Village Settlement, Mangapakeha, Alfredton, Te Ore Ore, Mangatiti, Parkville, Mangamaire, Muratai, Wharau, Bideford, South Featherston, Nikau, Akatarawa, Hinemoa), £4,500.

Hawke's Ray — Whetukura and Elethorne, £862 15s.; Nubaka, £300; total, £1,163

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Marlborough.—Blind River, £283; Omaha, £230; Waitaria, £64; Tira Ora, £58: total, £635. Nelson.—Millerton, £298.

Grey.—Poerua, £100; Kotuku, £120; Kaiata, £250: total, £470.

Westland.—Jackson, £325; Kanieri, £100: total, £425.

North Canterbury.—Hinds, £170; Mackenzie, £657; Highbank, £425; Ellesmere, £250; Culverden, £50; Okute Valley, £50; Rabbit Island, £320; Domett, £340; Spottwood, £340; Port Robinson, £340: total, £2,942.

South Canterbury.—Te Ngawai, £216; Cricklewood, £205: total, £421.
Otago.—Ardgowan, £730; Clydevale, £125; Sutton, £300; Akatore Coast, £200; Momona, £400; Tokarahi, £400: total, £2,155.

Southland.—Waianiwa, £135; Merrivale, £170; Benio, £140; Ġlenham, £150; Te Oneroa, £200; Hamilton Burn, £160; Jack's Hill, £150; Progress Valley, £165; Arthur's Point, £165; Bound Hill, £150; Crown Terrace, £175; Kapuka, £150; Te Tua, £175; Waihaka Siding, £150; Ackers, £150: total, £2,385.

Total of applications, £26,080.

Education Department, 3rd November, 1898.

WM. JAS. HABENS, Secretary for Education.

* Note.—This information was laid on the table as a separate return, but is identical with a paragraph embodied herein. Last year's vote for schools in newly settled districts was not used.

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