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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.

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I have the honour to report upon the annual examinations of candidates for teachers' certificates, and for admission to or promotion in the Civil Service. The examinations were held in January, between the 8th and 18th days of the month, at the thirteen towns which are the seats of Education Boards, and also at Whangarei, Thames, Tauranga, Gisborne, Palmerston North, Masterton, Westport, Oamaru, Palmerston South, and Lawrence.

The number of candidates that entered was 1,204, made up as follows: For the Junior Civil Service Examination, 473; for the Senior Civil Service Examination, 99; for certificate examinations, 616; for drawing (pupil-teachers only), 16.

The expenses of the examinations amounted to £816 15s., and the fees paid by candidates to £951 10s. 6d. Printing and clerical work are not included in the account of expenses.

The results of the Civil Service Examination were made known on the 22nd February, and those of the teachers' examinations on the 26th of the same month.

Of the 99 Senior Civil Service candidates, 27 came up to complete examinations in which they had already been partially successful, and 1 sat for the examination in shorthand. In all, 33 passed the examination. (See Gazette, 28th February, 1901.)

The names of 251 of the Junior Civil Service candidates when the property of the content of the content

in the Gazette of the 28th February; and the remaining 222 failed to reach the minimum required, which is 40 per cent. of the possible total.

Of the 16 pupil-teachers who availed themselves of the regulation which allows them to come

up for one branch of drawing at a time, 12 satisfied the examiner.

At the teachers' examination, 3 were candidates for Class C (University status being taken into account), 173 were candidates for the whole examination for Class D, and 138, having been credited with "partial success" for Class D, came up to complete their examination; 211 were candidates for the whole examination for Class E, and 91 came up to complete the examination for that class. Among these 616 candidates were 155 candidates who had already passed for for that class. Among these 616 candidates were 155 candidates who had already passed for Class E, and were seeking promotion to Class D; and of the remainder—461 in number—99 were teachers in the service of the Boards, 238 were pupil-teachers, and 53 were normal-school students in training; while 25 were persons who had ceased to be teachers, pupil-teachers, or normal students, and 46 had never sustained any such relation to the public schools.

Of the whole number of 616 candidates, 187 have "passed" (116 for D, and 71 for E), and 155 have achieved "partial success" (82 for D, and 73 for E), while 274 have failed to improve their status. Of the candidates that have achieved "success" or "partial success," 21 had previously failed. As the result of the examination, 136 new certificates will be issued (65 for Class D, and 71 for Class E), and 51 certificates of Class E will be raised to Class D.

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