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EXTRACT FROM THE TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

In December, 1905, the number on the books of all the industrial schools was 1,953, or 35 more than at the close of the year 1904. On the books of the Government Industrial Schools there were 1,420, an increase of 33 over the corresponding number for 1904, on the books of the private (Roman Catholic) industrial schools there were 533, or 2 more than at the end of the previous year. The number in residence at Government schools was 317, and at private industrial schools 331, so that 648 was the total number of "inmates" actually in residence. The number boarded out on payment was 573, 5 being from private schools and the rest from Government schools. There were 9 girls maintained in various corrective institutions, 1 boy and 1 girl in convalescent homes, 3 boys at the School for Deafmutes, Sumner, and 11 boys at the Costley Training Institution, Auckland. The total number of inmates dependent on public funds for maintenance was therefore 1,246, or 74 more than the number at the end of 1904. The remaining 707, although still subject to control and supervision of the schools, were not dependent on them for maintenance. They may be classified as follows: Licensed to reside with friends, 189; at service, 437; boarded out without payment, 6; in hospital, 5; in mental hospitals, 4; under the control of the Costley Training Institution, Auckland, 5; in other institutions, 10; in gaol, 3; absent without leave, 48—namely, 23 from service, 23 from the schools, and 2 from friends.

There were seven Government industrial schools in existence in 1905, and the numbers of inmates on their books at the end of the year were as follows: Auckland (Mount Albert), 134; Boys' Training Farm, Weraroa (new school), 111; Receiving Home, Wellington, 235; Receiving Home, Christchurch, 245, Burnham, 232, Te Oranga Home, 59; Caversham, 404: total, 1,420. Those belonging to private industrial schools were distributed as follows: St. Mary's, Auckland, 141; St. Joseph's, Wellington, 58; St. Mary's, Nelson, 282; St. Vincent de Paul's, Dunedin, 52: total, 533.

TABLE J1.-Inmates, 1904 and 1905.

•	Boarded out.				In Residence.				At Service, &c.				Totals.			
	Dec. 1904.	Increase.	Decrease.	Dec. 1905.	Dec. 1904.	Increase.	Decrease.	Dec. 1905.	Dec. 1904.	Increase.	Decrease.	Dec. 1905.	Dec. 1904.	Increase.	Decrease.	Dec. 1905.
Government Schools— Auckland (Mount Albert) Boys' Training Farm, We- raroa	64		1	63	28	ıii	4	24 111	43	4		47	135	111	1	134 111
Receiving Home, Welling- ton	166	26	••	192	1 40	5		6	28 23	9		37 18	195 63	40		235
Te Oranga Home, Christ- church Receiving Home, Christ-	131	6		187	8	4		12	97		1	.96	236	9		245
church Burnham Caversham Private Schools—	1 178	2 1		3 179	99 123		2 97	97 26	131 226		27	132 199	231 527	1	123	232 404
St. Mary's, Auckland St. Joseph's, Wellington	 3	• • •	2	1	78 28 167	9 2 10		87 30 177	57 41 110		3 13 6	54 28 104	135 69 280	6	ii	141 58 282
St. Wary's, Nelson St. Vincent de Paul's, Dunedin	5		1	4	31	6		37	11			11	47	5	ļ	52
Totals	548	35	4	579	603	148	103	648	767	14	5 5	726	1,918	174	139	1,953