

value of £40 are offered for competition, while in another the highest scholarship offered is of the value of £24. Further, four Boards do not give scholarships of a lower value than £10 per annum, whereas others offer scholarships of a value of £2.

The most common period of tenure is two years. By the provisions of the Education Act every Education Board scholarship is tenable at a secondary school, or its equivalent approved by the Board. With very few exceptions holders of Education Board scholarships are also holders of secondary free places.

(iii.) *Foundation (or Governors') Scholarships*.—These are of two kinds, those offered by the Governors of secondary schools not granting free places under the Act, and those offered as additional scholarships by the Governors of schools providing free places.

(iv.) *Private Scholarships*.—These are derived from funds provided by private donors at certain schools, by bequest or otherwise.

The number of foundation and private scholarships in the last term of 1911 was 171. Of the holders, forty-four were also Government free pupils under the regulations. The total value of the scholarships in cash was £898 3s. 4d. In addition, free tuition was given by the schools to holders of foundation and private scholarships to the value of £945 6s., the value of the Government free places already mentioned not being included in this amount.

STAFF.

(See also E.—6—Tables K4, L1, and L2.)

The staffing of the secondary schools was as follows:—

	1909.			1910.			1911.		
	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
Regular staff	131	93	224	140	107	247	148	111	259
Part-time teachers	44	33	77	48	31	79	48	33	81

The average number of pupils per teacher (excluding part-time teachers) was 20.9 in 1910 and 21.1 in 1911.

The head teacher of a school at which district high school classes are held generally takes some part in the secondary instruction, and receives from the Government the sum of £30 in addition to his salary as head teacher of the primary school. In 1910 there were 95 special assistants—45 men and 50 women. In 1911 there were 40 men and 47 women. Leaving out of consideration the head teachers of district high schools, the average number of pupils per teacher was 23 in 1910 and 21.7 in 1911.

SALARIES OF SECONDARY TEACHERS.

(See also E.—6—Tables K3, L1, and L2.)

The total amount paid as salaries to the regular staffs of secondary schools as at the rates paid at the end of the year was £61,082, as against £55,769 at the end of 1910. Full particulars will be found in Table K4 of the Secondary Schools Report. As might be expected, the salaries paid vary considerably; the following summary shows the average salary paid to principals and assistants:—

Average Salaries in Secondary Schools.

	1910.			1911.		
	M. £	F. £	All. £	M. £	F. £	All. £
Principals	490	368	450	493	401	464
Assistants	232	145	194	243	155	204
Whole staff	271	167	226	280	177	236

NOTE.—The salaries of part-time teachers are not taken into consideration in the above summary.

In the secondary departments of district high schools salaries are uniform, in accordance with the schedule to the Act. The average salaries actually paid