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No. 1.

EXTRACT FROM THE FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

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Number of Schools.

Special primary schools are maintained by the Government for the education particularly of Native children, the schools being under the direct control of the Education Department. Native schools are situated in country districts principally settled by Maoris, all excepting two being in the North Island. At the end of 1920 119 such schools were in operation, the same number as in the two previous years. The schools were graded as follows:—

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-Grade	1 (average attendance 9-20)		 		13
.,	${ m II}$ i (average attendance 21–25)		 		7
,,	II ii (average attendance 26-35)		 		16
,,	IIIa i (average attendance 36-50)	• •	 • •	• .•	30
,,	IIIa ii (average attendance 51-80)		 		31
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,,	IVA (average attendance 121-160)		 		

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