

the results of the present educational system. Classes from Malifa School attended the Apia Technical School until the end of the year for instruction in woodwork, plumbing, engineering, and wireless. Reports show satisfactory work having been done. Roll number, 96.

Ifi Ifi School (European).—Good work has been accomplished in all classes throughout the year. The cookery class was most successfully conducted. Its establishment was justified on account of the valuable service it renders pupils leaving school. Interest in school sports has been keen. Proficiency Examination: Candidates presented, 3. Results—Proficiency, 2; competency, 1. Junior National Scholarship Examination: Candidates presented, 2; candidates successful, 2. This is the first occasion on which the honour has been won by pupils of Ifi Ifi School. The holders of this certificate are entitled to £40 per annum and three years' free college education in New Zealand. Discipline good; roll number, 213.

TECHNICAL SCHOOL.

Evening classes were well attended at the commencement, but counter-attractions claimed many of the pupils during the year, leaving only a few ambitious students in each class. In the commercial and drawing classes a good average attendance was maintained throughout the year, and commendable progress observed in the examination results. The day classes were regularly attended by classes from the various schools. A keen interest in the practical side of the lessons was always displayed, and in the annual examination splendid results were achieved in this work.

EXAMINATIONS.

Examinations for the Post and Telegraph Department of New Zealand, Accountancy of New Zealand, Public Service Entrance, Junior National Scholarship, and New Zealand Proficiency were supervised by the Superintendent of Schools during the year.

REFRESHER COURSE FOR NATIVE TEACHERS.

Refresher courses for Native teachers in Government and Grade II mission schools were held for a period of two weeks in January last, at Malifa and Vaipouli Schools. A general programme of work was outlined for the year, and model lessons covering all subjects in the curriculum were taken daily by European and qualified Native teachers. The methods of teaching adopted by European instructors had direct bearing on the practical side of education, and wherever possible the subjects were correlated with tropical agriculture, or embraced village life. Plantation-managers delivered a series of ably demonstrated lectures on the production of rubber, cocoa, and copra. Professor A. Thomson, of the Apia Observatory, delivered an interesting lecture on the rainfall of Samoa, illustrating by means of graphs the amount of rainfall in various districts and the effect it had on the products of these islands. At the close of the course the Administrator visited the schools and addressed the teachers on the value of their work and the effect it will have in raising the standard of village life. Badges were awarded to those teachers who had qualified.

VISIT TO NEW ZEALAND OF NATIVE TEACHERS, TAUA'A AND KARENE.

In January last arrangements were made for two Native teachers, Taua'a and Karene, under the guidance of the Superintendent of Schools, to visit New Zealand for a month for the purpose of observing the modern methods of teaching practised in the larger schools and training colleges there. These teachers travelled throughout both Islands, and visited training colleges, technical schools, agricultural colleges, factories, and farms in the various provinces. Many new methods were observed, and a broad, general knowledge of the industries of New Zealand was acquired.

Since the return of these teachers several lectures and practical demonstrations on the methods of teaching observed in New Zealand have been given by them to Native teachers in local schools.

ROLL NUMBERS AND AVERAGE ATTENDANCES AT GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1928.

Date.	Ifi Ifi.		Malifa.		Malifa Training-school.		Valpoull.	Avele.	Total.		Grand Total.	
	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys only.	Boys only.	Boys.	Girls.		
Roll Numbers.												
30th June, 1927	..	101	106	70	3	127	95	65	85	448	204	652
30th September, 1927	..	98	106	70	3	55	52	65	85	373	161	534
31st December, 1927	..	98	103	70	3	84	86	65	75	392	192	584
31st March, 1928	..	113	100	95	1	146	102	86	72	512	203	715
Average Attendance.												
30th June, 1927	..	184		69		174		54	79	..		560
30th September, 1927	..	182		69		100		54	66	..		471
31st December, 1927	..	177		69		150		54	60	..		510
31st March, 1928	..	184		77		170		70	64	..		565