the excess of the total amount payable under these regulations for that period by way of salaries and house allowances to full-time teachers employed by the Board over the total amount actually paid by the Board to such teachers by way of salary during the same period.

31. (1.) For the payment of part-time teachers holding positions approved by the Director there shall be paid as from the 1st day of January, 1921, to the Board of Governors of each school an annual grant at a rate not exceeding £1 per pupil on the roll as defined in clause 13 hereof.

(2.) Notwithstanding anything contained in clause 15 hereof, any special teacher of Agriculture, Domestic Science, Physical Instruction, or similar special subject may be deemed to be a part-time teacher.

Leave of Absence.

32. Subject to the limitations hereinafter provided, the Board of Governors may grant leave of absence to any teacher for the time being in its employment.

33. No leave of absence shall in any case be granted for a longer period than one year.

34. The Board of Governors may delegate to the Principal authority to grant leave of absence on account of sickness or accident for a period not exceeding three school days. The Principal shall forthwith report to the Board any leave so granted by him.

35. Any teacher desiring to obtain leave of absence on account of illness or accident for a period in excess of three school days shall make application therefor to the Board, and shall forward with such application a certificate from a duly qualified medical practitioner stating the nature of the illness or accident and the probable period of absence. The Board shall grant such leave as in its opinion is warranted by the circumstances, and it may at any time after a period of leave has been granted require the teacher to forward such further medical certificate or certificates as it may deem necessary:

Provided that in respect to any application for leave on account of illness or accident not exceeding two weeks the Board may dispense with the production of a medical certificate if such certificate cannot be obtained without undue hardship or unreasonable expense, but it shall require such other evidence to be produced in lieu thereof as it may deem necessary in the circumstances.

36. All medical certificates, or such other evidence in lieu thereof as may be obtained by the Board, shall at all reasonable times be available for inspection by an Inspector of Secondary Schools.

37. Any teacher who is a member of the University Senate, or the Council of Education, or of the Teachers' Superannuation Board, or of a Teachers' Grading Appeal Board, or who is invited by the Education Department to attend any conference on educational matters, or who is a candidate at any examination conducted by the Education Department for teachers' certificates, or by the University of New Zealand or a university college in subjects of arts, science, or agriculture, shall be granted such leave as may be necessary to attend a meeting of any of the aforesaid bodies, or any such conference or examination, as the case may be.

38. A teacher desiring to obtain leave of absence for reasons other than those above stated may be granted such leave as in the opinion of the Board is warranted by the circumstances.

39. (1.) Teachers granted leave of absence on account of illness or accident may be paid salary in accordance with the following schedule:—

Provided that in any special case of hardship the Minister may approve of payment of salary in whole or in part for longer periods than are herein specified.

(2.) Leave of absence, with payment of salary under this clause, may be granted to any teacher in one or more periods, but the aggregate period of