

4. STATEMENT of ASSETS and LIABILITIES at 31st December, 1884.

		<i>General Account.</i>					<i>Liabilities.</i>		
<i>Assets.</i>		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
Fees due .. ..	..	116	18	6	Bank overdraft .. ..	..	215	11	0
Government grant .. ..	..	350	0	0	Unpresented cheques .. ..	..	13	4	4
					Sundry accounts .. ..	..	17	11	1
		<u>£466</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>6</u>			<u>£246</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>

		<i>Building Account.</i>							
Balance in hand .. ..	..	145	6	8	Alterations, &c., account due .. ..	..	12	2	0
Wellington, 17th February, 1885.									

Examined and passed.—R. MACALISTER, Provincial District Auditor.

NAPIER HIGH SCHOOL.

1. REPORT of the GOVERNORS.

THE Governors of the Napier High School present the following report to the Minister of Education for the twelve months ending the 31st December, 1884:—

The Governors met twelve times during the year.

In accordance with the provisions of the Napier High School Act, the following Governors retired from the Board on the 31st March: J. D. Ormond, Esq., M.H.R., as representing the Education Board; Rev. De Berdt Hovell, as representing the Hawke's Bay County Council; A. Dillon, Esq., as representing the Waipawa County Council; M. R. Miller, Esq., as representing the Wairoa County Council; and James Anderson, Esq., as representing the Napier Municipal Council. J. D. Ormond, Esq., M.H.R., and A. Dillon, Esq., were re-elected to the Board of Governors by their former constituencies, and J. N. Williams, Esq., by the Hawke's Bay County Council, J. G. Kinross, Esq., by the Wairoa County Council, and J. W. Neal, Esq., by the Napier Municipal Council.

The Girls' High School was opened under Miss Hewett, Lady Principal, and two assistant mistresses at the beginning of the school-year in the new buildings erected by the Board, with about forty pupils. Steady work was maintained during the year and a favourable commencement made in what promises to be an institution of much value to the district. The Lady Principal's report is enclosed.

The Boys' High School was under the care of the Rev. John Campbell and two assistant masters. The number of pupils was larger than it had been in any previous year, and the work performed was much of the same character as formerly. Mr. Campbell's report is enclosed.

In the month of June the Rev. J. Campbell resigned the headmastership of the boys' school. After advertising in New Zealand and the Australian Colonies, the Governors elected Neil Heath, Esq., late Headmaster of the Girls' High School, Auckland, to the position of Headmaster of the Boys' High School. He entered on his duties on the 2nd February, 1885. As a dwellinghouse for the Headmaster, with provision for keeping boarders, was necessary for the success of the school, the Governors have entered upon a contract to provide one upon the same grounds on which the Boys' High School stands.

Suitable playgrounds were formed for each of the schools during the year.

Both schools were inspected by the Inspector-General of Schools in the month of December.

The Governors sold the Waihua endowment block of 10,000 acres, and invested £5,500 by mortgage on the lands sold.

A copy of the accounts, as audited by Mr. R. Macalister, Provincial Auditor, is enclosed.

J. D. ORMOND, Chairman Board of Governors.

Napier, 13th February, 1885.

DAVID SIDEX, Secretary.

2. GENERAL STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for the Year ending 31st December, 1884.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
To Price of reserves sold, £10,579, of which paid .. ..	..	3,585	17	3	By Overdraft, 1st January, 1884 .. ..	..	427	14	8
Current income from endowment reserves * .. ..	..	457	7	6	Management—office expenses .. ..	..	5	0	0
Paid by School Commissioners .. ..	..	350	0	0	Teachers' salaries and allowances .. ..	..	1,036	9	0
School fees .. ..	..	441	5	6	Prizes .. ..	..	5	0	0
Books, &c., sold, and other refunds .. ..	..	15	0	0	Printing, stationery, and advertising .. ..	..	53	10	0
Deposits, &c. .. ..	..	30	0	0	Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	..	43	12	6
Balance, 1st January, 1885 .. ..	..	947	16	9	Book and Stationery Account and other temporary advances .. ..	..	81	8	7
					Site and buildings—				
					Purchases and new works .. ..	..	2,770	19	1
					Fencing, repairs, &c. .. ..	..	3	5	0
					Rents, insurances, and taxes .. ..	..	99	1	3
					Interest on current account .. ..	..	231	19	0
					Endowments—				
					Proceeds invested (£4,532 additional, invested on 7th January, will appear next year) .. ..	..	968	6	8
					Expenses of survey, sales, management, &c. .. ..	..	60	0	0
					Deposits returned, and cablegram .. ..	..	41	1	3
		<u>£5,827</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>			<u>£5,827</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>

J. D. ORMOND, Chairman.

DAVID SIDEX, Hon. Secretary.

Examined and passed.—R. MACALISTER, Provincial District Auditor, 14th January, 1884.

* The sum of £305 15s. 6d. was rent received from an endowment not obtained from Government, but from the original trust.