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of education, is under the direction of an experienced teacher, and forms a part of the curriculum of the schools.

During the year the Board sold 1,092 acres in the Strath Taieri District, at an average price of £3 19s. 23d. per acre. The terms were 10 per cent. cash at sale, 15 per cent. in three months, and the balance extending over seven years, with interest at 6 per cent. per annum. Of the Strath Taieri Block 862 acres were leased under the perpetual-leasing system of "The Land Act, 1882," at an average annual rental of 5s.  $9\frac{1}{2}$ d. per acre.

Annexed hereto are reports from the Rector and from the Lady Principal, showing the work

done in the schools during the year.\*

No examinations other than by the teachers were held during the year, but various members of the Board paid frequent visits to the schools.

The audited statement of accounts was forwarded to the Education Department on the 28th I have, &c., D. M. STUART, D.D., instant.

The Hon, the Minister of Education.

Chairman.

2. Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31st December, 1884.

Receipts.	£	s.	đ.	Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
To Endowments—				By Overdraft 1st January, 1884	349	10	7
	6,046	19		Management—			
Current income from reserves		4	6	Office salaries	170		
Interest on moneys invested, and on				Other office expenses		19	
unpaid purchase-money	1,575	15	0	Legal expenses	11		
School fees—		_	_	Other expenses of management	115	3	10
Boys' school	1,493		0	Teachers' salaries and allowances—			
Girls' school	1,304			Boys' school £5,132 18 7			
Boarding-school fees	1,430	O	0	Girls' school 1,857 18 11			_
Books, &c., sold, and other refunds					6,990		
(amount from Education Board,				Boarding-school Account	1,067		
share of expenses, appointment of				Examiners' fees			
teachers)	39	3	7	Appointment of teachers		•	7
Amount paid to Board's credit by Re-		0		Prizes	54		
ceiver of Land Revenue, in error	25		6 9	Printing, stationery, and advertising	42		9
Balance, 1st January, 1885	1,262	10	9	Cleaning, fuel, light, &c	197		
				Rents, insurance, and taxes Interest on current account	67 6		4
					92		
				Discount on promissory notes Endowments—	92	Ð	T
				22 2 2 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	7,077	10	
				Expended on site or buildings Expenses of survey, sales, &c	260		
				Amount refunded to G. G. Russell Fund		13	
				Deposit, Gray Russell Fund	40		
				Doposio, Gray reasser rand	40	-	
;	£16,796	11	-8	£	16,796	11	8
			-		,		

I have compared this abstract with the Treasurer's books and vouchers, and I certify it to be correct.—H. Livingston, Auditor.

3. Gray Russell Scholarship Fund.

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
To Amounts advanced on mortgage	• •	1,000	0	0	By Capital	 	1,000	0	0-
Balance at Bank		97	6	3	Interest from mortgages	 	97	6	3
						•			
		£1,097	6	3			£1,697	6	3
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Correct by books; but £40 due to High Schools Board.—H. Livingston.

## 4. RICHARDSON CADET CORPS FUND.

To Bank of New Zealand shares Amount advanced on mortgage Balance in bank	 50	0	0	By Capital	£ 150 104	0
	£254	9	3		 254	 3.

Correct by books; but £33 15s. in hand (dividend warrants) should have been paid in.—H. LIVINGSTON.

D. M. Stuart, D.D., Chairman. C. Macandrew, Secretary.

## SOUTHLAND BOYS' AND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

## 1. Board's Report.

THE Board at the commencement of the year consisted of the following members: Messrs. Lumsden (Chairman) and F. W. Wade, appointed by the Government; T. Denniston and D. L. Matheson, elected by the Education Board of Southland; and W. S. Moir, Mayor of Invercargill. In September, Messrs. Lumsden and Wade's term of office having expired, Mr. Lumsden was reappointed, and Mr. Henry Wilson appointed by the Government in lieu of Mr. Wade. In December Mr. Froggatt, the newly-elected Mayor, became member in place of Mr. Moir, his predecessor. Mr. Lumsden was re-elected Chairman of the Board. The Board has held fifteen meetings, the