The Governors during the last year increased their contribution to the teaching staff from £75 per annum to £100, besides making a special grant to the same of £109.

The Board during the last year assisted in paying school fees for secondary subjects to the extent of £24 15s., and the public scholarships lately awarded (one senior and two junior) amounted to £40. The Board has also contributed towards annual prizes a sum of £3 3s.

The Governors, it will be seen, while holding in view the contingency of a separate institution by-and-by, are in the meantime giving effect to the spirit of the Waimate High School Act, and have, they submit, some reason to be congratulated on their efforts.

GEORGE BARCLAY, Chairman.

2. General Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1895.

| Receip | ts. | | £ | s. | d. | Expenditure. | £ | s. | d. |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------|----|--|-------|-----|----|
| To Balance | • • | 1, | 434 | 3 | 5 | By Management— | | | |
| Current income from reserv | ves | | 281 | 8 | 2 | Office salary | 12 | 12 | 0 |
| Interest on fixed deposit | | | 63 | 3 | 0 | Other office expenses | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Contractor's deposit | | | 2 | 0 | 0 | South Canterbury Education Board | 112 | 10 | 0 |
| • | | | | | | Examiners' fees | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| | | , | | | | Scholarships | 17 | 10 | 0 |
| | | | | | | Prizes | 3 | - 3 | 0 |
| | | | | | | Printing, stationery, and advertising | 3 | 15 | 0 |
| | | | | | | Interest on current account | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| | | | | | | Expended on site or buildings | 36 | 9 | 0 |
| | | | | | | Expenses of survey, sales, manage- | | | |
| | | | | | | ment, &c. | 8 | 8 | 0 |
| | | | | | | District High School pupils' fees paid | 24 | 15 | 0 |
| | | | | | | Member's travelling-expenses | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | | | Cheque-book, 2s. 6d.; exchange, 7s | 0 | 9 | 6 |
| | | | | | | Contractor's deposit | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | | | Balance | 1,553 | 12 | 1 |
| | | | | - | | | | | |
| | | £1, | 780 | 14 | 7 | £ | 1,780 | 14 | 7 |
| | | | | | _ | | | | _ |

Waimate, 16th March, 1896.

GEORGE BARCLAY, Chairman. G. H. Graham, Secretary.

Examined and found correct.—James Edward FitzGerald, Controller and Auditor-General.

WAITAKI HIGH SCHOOL.

1. Report of the Board.

The interior of the Boys' School has been thoroughly renovated, and the grounds of both schools have been much improved. A scholarship has been founded, named the Macandrew Memorial Scholarship. This was obtained chiefly through the exertions of the Hon. S. E. Shrimski, who collected the requisite funds, which have been placed in a separate trust account. The Rector of the Boys' School has also offered to reduce the boarding-fees to £30 per annum—first, to boys who have gained Otago scholarships; second, who have obtained 70 per cent. of the last scholarship winner's marks; and, third, who shall gain a similar percentage in an equivalent examination. The offer to extend to not more than four boys at one time, and the reduced rate to continue during their school course. A further sum of £100 has been paid off the mortgage, which now stands at £1 000 school course. A further sum of £100 has been paid off the mortgage, which now stands at £1,000. George Sumpter, Secretary.

2. General Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1895.

| Receipts. | | £ | s. | d. | Expenditure. | £ | s. | d. |
|------------------------------|---|--------|----|----|---|--------|----------|----------|
| To Balance | | 425 | 19 | 4 | By Management— | | | |
| Reserves sold | | 289 | 15 | 4 | Office salary | 60 | 0 | 0 |
| Current income from reserves | | 1,049 | 12 | 9 | Other office expenses | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Interest | | 52 | 9 | 11 | Teachers' salaries and allowances | 1,151 | 3 | 4 |
| Paid by School Commissioners | | 52 | 6 | 4 | Prizes | 16 | 0 | |
| School fees— | | | | | Printing, stationery, and advertising | 53 | 2 | |
| Boys | | 195 | | | Cleaning, fuel, light, &c | 98 | 0 | 2 |
| Girls | | 149 | | 0 | Book and stationery account and other | | | |
| Refund, cooking-class | | 5 | 0 | 7 | temporary advances | 14 | .2 | 8 |
| | | | | | Site and buildings— | | | |
| | | | | | Purchases and new works | | 3 | |
| | | | | | Insurance | 12 | | |
| | * | | | | $	ext{Taxes} \dots \dots \dots \dots$ | | 0 | |
| | | | | | Interest | 73 | 13 | 6 |
| | | | | | Endowment—Expenses of survey, sales, | | | |
| | | | | | management, &c | 37 | 15 | 6 |
| | | | | i | Incidentals | 5 | 1 | 7 |
| | | | | | Paid off mortgage | 100 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | | Cooking-class | 6 | 6 | .0 |
| | | | | | Balance | 427 | 17 | 10 |
| | | £2,220 | 0 | 3 | · | 2.220 | | 3 |
| | | ~2,220 | | | ٠ | 14,440 | <u> </u> | |

Donald Borrie, Chairman,

GEORGE SUMPTER, Secretary and Treasurer.

Oamaru, 10th April, 1896.

Examined and found correct.—James Edward FitzGerald, Controller and Auditor-General