### AUCKLAND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ending 31st December, 1896.

Receipts. £ s. d. Expenditure. £ s. d. To Endowments, paid by School Commis-By Rates on endowments, for year ending sioners 41 13 4 31st March, 1897 41 13 4 £41 13 £41 13 4

James Muir, Chairman.

VINCENT E. RICE, Secretary and Treasurer.

Examined and found correct.—J. K. WARBURTON, Controller and Auditor-General.

## WHANGAREI HIGH SCHOOL.

# 1. Report of the Board.

Whangarei, 30th March, 1897. SIR.— I have the honour, by direction of the Whangarei High School Board, to submit to you the

following report for the year ended 31st December, 1896:-

During the year Mr. R. D. Duxfield, M.A., resigned the principalship, and Mr. Roger Lupton (London University) was appointed in his place. Mr. Lupton has succeeded admirably in building up the school, the number on the roll for last term was 22; average attendance, 18: under twelve, 3; between twelve and fifteen, 10; between fifteen and eighteen, 9. Mr. Duxfield received as salary £55 2s. for first term, and his successor £121 12s., for last two terms of the year. The annual fee for the ordinary course of instruction was £8 8s.

The work done in the highest form was that required for Matriculation and Civil Service Examinations. In the lowest form: Latin—Principia Latina, Part I. to XXXIX.; French—Chardenal's First Course, to exercise 93; Euclid—I., 1 to 26; algebra—elementary rules; arithmetic—simple and compound rules; English grammar—Trotter; history—Brief; geography (general)—Longmans'. Reading—Royal, IV; composition, spelling, and drawing. Whole school: gymnastics.

During the year the Board founded two scholarships, tenable for three years, at the discretion of the Board-which were won by Catherine Kinross Kerr, of Otonga public school, and John

Dunsmuir of Kamo public school.

Several parents residing in the country districts around have commenced to send to the High School their children who have passed through the primary schools, and there is a promise of the school's usefulness being increased and its stability secured.

The Hon. the Minister of Education.

I have, &c., J. McKinnon, Secretary.

2. General Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1896.

	Recei	pts.		£	s.	d.	Expenditure.	£	8.	d.
To Balance				117	17	3	By Management—			
Grant from vote of General Assembly			7	100	0	0	Office salary	5	0	0
Current income from reserves				55	4	6	Other office expenses	3	17	4
Paid by School Commissioners				150	0	0	Teachers' salaries and allowances	176	14	0
School fees				84	0	0	Prizes	2	13	6
Interest				0	12	6	Rents, insurance, and taxes	19	6	6
							Expended on site or buildings	200	0	0
							School appliances and furniture	19	19	0
							Balance	80	3	11
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				£507	14	3		£507	14	3
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J. M. KILLEN, Chairman. J. McKinnon, Secretary.

Examined and found correct.—J. K. WARBURTON, Controller and Auditor-General.

### THAMES HIGH SCHOOL.

#### 1. Report of the Board.

This term there is some increase in the number of pupils, Sixteen new pupils have been enrolled, and the number on the roll is now thirty-five, instead of twenty-eight as during the third term of 1896.

Out of this small number two passed the Matriculation examination; one gained a certificate at the District Senior Scholarship examination, and two passed the Junior Civil Service examina-

An assistant master is at present urgently needed, but the funds hitherto would not allow the additional expense. The governors are quite sensible of the difficulties of carrying on a High School with two teachers only, and better work could be done with the assistance of another competent teacher.

Thames, 23rd February, 1897.

S. Carter, Secretary.