

SESS. II.—1897.  
NEW ZEALAND.

# EDUCATION: REPORTS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

[In continuation of E.—9, 1896.]

*Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.*

## SECONDARY SCHOOLS INCORPORATED OR ENDOWED.

Name.	Act of Incorporation or Institution.	Remarks.
Auckland College and Grammar School ..	1877, No. 51, Local.	Under management of Education Board. Not in operation in 1896.
Auckland Girls' High School ..	1878, No. 55, Local ..	
Thames High School .. ..	1878, No. 54, Local.	Act may be repealed by <i>Gazette</i> notice under Act of 1885, No. 30.
Whangarei High School ..	1878, No. 63, Local ..	
New Plymouth High School ..	1889, No. 2, Local.	Board identical with Education Board. Endowment, Reg. I., fol. 52. See also D.—16, 1866, p. 9.
Wanganui Girls' High School ..	1878, No. 42, Local ..	
Wanganui Collegiate School ..	[Nil] ..	
Wellington College and Girls' High School	1887, No. 17, Local.	Not in operation in 1896. Not in operation in 1896. A department of Christ's College, Canterbury.
Napier High Schools .. ..	1882, No. 11, Local.	
Gisborne High School .. ..	1885, No. 8, Local.	
Nelson Colleges .. ..	1858, No. 38, and 1882, No. 15, Local	
Greymouth High School .. ..	1883, No. 21, Local ..	
Hokitika High School .. ..	1883, No. 7, Local ..	Under management of Canterbury College. Under management of Canterbury College. Endowment, <i>Gazette</i> , 1878, Vol. 1, p. 131.
Christ's College Grammar School	Canterbury Ordinance, 1855	
Christchurch Boys' High School ..	1878, No. 30, Local ..	Not in operation in 1896.
Christchurch Girls' High School ..	[Nil] ..	
Rangiora High School .. ..	1881, No. 15, Local.	
Akaroa High School .. ..	1881, No. 16, Local.	
Ashburton High School .. ..	1878, No. 49, Local.	
Timaru High School .. ..	1878, No. 26, Local.	
Waimate High School .. ..	1883, No. 19, Local ..	
Waitaki High School .. ..	1878, No. 18, Local.	
Otago Boys' and Girls' High Schools	1877, No. 52, Local.	
Southland Boys' and Girls' High Schools ..	1877, No. 82, Local.	

## SUMMARY OF THE ACCOUNTS OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR 1896 FURNISHED BY THE GOVERNING BODIES OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Credit balances on 1st January, 1896 ..	11,191	7 6	By Liabilities on 1st January, 1896 ..	8,646	14 11
Endowment reserves sold .. ..	1,829	7 2	Office management and expenses ..	2,505	14 4
Rents of reserves .. ..	22,275	3 9	Teachers' salaries .. ..	30,912	12 7
Interest on investments .. ..	1,898	17 3	Boarding-school accounts .. ..	3,460	2 7
Reserves Commissioners .. ..	2,760	13 1	Examination fees and expenses ..	435	6 0
School fees .. ..	22,450	18 5	Scholarships and prizes .. ..	2,401	11 10
Boarding-school fees .. ..	3,599	7 9	Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	1,518	3 1
Books, &c., sold, and refunds ..	377	18 10	Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	1,390	11 11
Sundries not classified .. ..	2,327	2 5	Buildings, furniture, rent, insurance, rates, &c. .. ..	7,431	11 8
Interest on Current Account ..	123	6 9	Interest .. ..	1,967	16 2
Debit balances, 31st December, 1896 ..	6,988	17 9	Sundries not classified .. ..	3,113	10 10
			Credit balances, 31st December, 1896 ..	12,039	4 9
	<u>£75,823</u>	<u>0 8</u>		<u>£75,823</u>	<u>0 8</u>

## INCOME OF CERTAIN SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR THE YEAR 1896.

Schools.	Cr. Balances on 1st Jan., 1896.	From Endowments.					School Fees.	Boarding- school Fees.	Stationery and Books sold, and Refunds.	Sundries unclassified.	Interest on Current Account.	Dr. Balances, 31st Dec., 1896.	Totals.
		Sales.	Rents.	Interest on Moneys invested.	Paid by School Commis- sioners.								
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland College and Grammar School	234 11 6	23 0 0	3,189 1 0	..	41 13 4	3,195 5 8	..	..	..	\$1,000 0 0	..	..	7,641 18 2
Auckland Girls' High School	..	..	..	..	150 0 0	239 10 4	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	41 13 4
Thames High School	..	..	..	..	248 6 8	354 14 0	..	..	..	*100 0 0	0 12 6	..	898 12 1
Whangarei High School	117 17 3	..	55 4 6	..	189 1 2	1,158 0 4	..	..	..	55 0 0	..	..	507 14 3
New Plymouth High School	113 9 8	..	449 16 1	303 14 6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,166 6 5
Wanganui (Girls') High School	775 13 1	..	248 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,959 5 9
Wanganui Collegiate School	51 14 0	..	836 9 8	162 0 0	62 12 2	4,198 11 2	..	..	30 9 9	..	..	..	918 13 5
Wellington College and Girls' High School	..	..	1,771 2 2	..	..	..	..	..	10 9 6	..	..	1,615 8 11	7,820 3 11
Napier High Schools	1,566 10 3	..	1,096 12 6	161 17 6	481 4 6	929 12 3	..	89 9 10	..	..	..	..	4,325 6 10
Gisborne High School	646 3 11	..	86 17 4	106 5 0	356 14 3	2 2 0	..	..	..	1124 13 9	11 7 5	..	1,334 3 8
Nelson College	..	40 0 0	1,178 7 6	481 14 3	300 0 0	2,014 12 11	1,912 18 1	..	..	..	..	..	5,927 12 9
Greyouth High School	168 5 10	..	..	34 0 0	60 0 0	..	..	195 0 0	..	..	..	..	457 5 10
Hokitika High School	992 9 0	..	45 0 0	37 0 0	60 0 0	..	..	..	0 7 9	..	10 0 0	..	1,144 9 0
Christchurch Boys' High School	32 13 9	..	3,084 5 2	269 16 5	..	2,058 10 6	..	..	49 12 0	..	12 11 8	33 6 6	5,221 15 4
Christchurch Girls' High School	1,167 14 11	..	304 13 4	..	..	1,517 5 0	..	..	..	..	86 7 2	..	8,395 8 10
Christ's College Grammar School	..	1,700 0 0	2,670 8 1	..	..	1,966 1 6	..	..	..	45 18 8	..	2,009 12 3	8,392 0 6
Rangiora High School	..	..	273 12 0	..	..	137 8 9	..	..	..	..	..	..	417 0 9
Akaroa High School	117 6 2	..	119 0 2	..	..	125 19 0	..	..	..	..	2 8 0	..	364 13 4
Ashburton High School	..	..	618 12 8	..	..	193 10 9	..	2 10 0	..	..	..	52 13 8	867 7 1
Timaru High School	405 15 9	..	1,296 2 10	115 14 4	..	582 15 4	..	..	..	1,000 0 0	..	..	3,400 8 3
Waimate High School	1,553 12 1	..	1,192 0 8	56 4 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,801 16 9
Waikato High School	427 17 10	66 7 2	1,851 12 1	30 4 9	58 6 8	311 8 8	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,245 17 2
Otago High Schools	..	..	2,187 2 1	73 8 6	434 5 5	2,803 3 7	457 3 0	..	..	1 5 0	..	3,277 16 5	9,234 4 0
Southland High Schools	2,819 12 6	..	705 17 2	66 18 0	168 8 11	578 6 8	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,389 3 3
Totals	11,191 7 6	1,829 7 2	22,275 3 9	1,898 17 3	2,760 13 1	22,450 18 5	3,599 7 9	377 18 10	2,927 2 5	123 6 9	6,988 17 9	75,823 0 8	

\* Parliamentary vote.

+ Received from insurance company.

+ Mortgage paid off.

\$ Loan.

\* Parliamentary vote.

† Received from insurance company.

‡ Mortgage paid off.

§ Loan.

## EXPENDITURE of certain SECONDARY SCHOOLS for the Year 1896.

Schools.	Liabilities on 1st Jan., 1896.	Expense of Boards Management: Office and Salaries.	School Salaries.	Boarding-school Account.	Examiners' Fees and Expenses.	Scholarships, Exhibitions, Prizes.	Printing, Stationery, Advertising, &c.	Land, Buildings, Furniture, Insurance, Rent, Rates.	Cleaning, Fuel, Light, &c.	Interest.	Sundries unclassified.	Cr. Balances, 31st Dec., 1896.	Totals.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Auckland College and Grammar School	..	364 15 7	3,890 15 10	..	..	64 18 8	231 15 10	1,682 6 0	67 9 0	242 10 0	470 8 7	626 18 8	7,641 18 2
Auckland Girls' High School	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	41 13 4	..	..	..	194 17 8	41 13 4
Thames High School	54 2 1	54 3 0	500 0 0	..	..	..	36 6 11	30 13 7	24 8 4	4 0 6	..	80 3 11	898 12 1
Whangarei High School	..	8 17 4	176 14 0	..	..	2 13 6	..	239 5 6	..	..	..	61 12 10	507 14 3
New Plymouth High School	..	26 10 3	778 3 0	..	39 18 0	20 9 6	25 16 10	133 0 5	56 2 1	..	24 13 6	1,029 18 5	1,166 6 5
Wanganui (Girls') High School	..	90 4 11	1,152 2 0	1,237 13 0	15 0 0	..	..	243 13 8	46 16 0	17 19 6	125 18 3	222 1 10	3,959 5 9
Wanganui Collegiate School	..	78 14 6	..	..	..	..	7 10 6	496 15 7	..	102 8 8	11 2 4	..	918 13 5
Wellington College and Girls' High School	1,720 0 10	195 0 0	3,274 2 6	..	89 12 0	182 16 11	223 14 3	1,181 4 0	156 9 5	794 8 0	2 16 0	..	7,820 3 11
Napier High Schools	..	79 0 11	1,762 7 0	..	18 15 0	242 11 4	103 0 5	703 17 11	124 16 3	0 4 0	11,101 16 0	188 18 0	4,325 6 10
Gisborne High School	..	..	..	..	..	144 0 6	..	255 14 0	..	..	425 0 0	509 9 2	1,334 3 8
Nelson College	..	588 3 7	2,042 4 2	1,663 6 0	63 6 0	384 12 0	239 1 4	553 7 11	99 6 11	110 0 0	110 2 10	74 2 0	5,927 12 9
Greyouth High School	..	5 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	8 6 3	..	..	160 0 0	383 19 7	457 5 10
Hokitika High School	..	5 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	103 13 6	..	0 1 6	128 1 1	..	1,144 9 0
Christchurch Boys' High School	..	255 0 10	3,885 0 0	..	88 17 0	78 19 6	163 11 6	306 16 5	65 9 0	250 0 0	128 1 1	..	5,221 15 4
Christchurch Girls' High School	..	70 9 2	1,546 9 4	..	60 13 11	266 6 0	92 17 8	109 18 11	28 4 5	..	65 13 10	1,154 15 7	3,395 8 10
Christ's College Grammar School	3,528 7 2	191 8 7	2,923 0 10	..	56 1 1	835 19 3	72 12 2	338 16 4	212 19 7	129 1 0	103 14 6	..	8,392 0 6
Rangiora High School	..	..	213 6 8	..	..	..	2 13 10	37 17 8	12 5 0	..	2 0 0	142 2 3	417 0 9
Akaroa High School	..	3 14 6	207 17 6	..	..	2 6 6	7 13 0	36 0 0	7 17 4	0 1 0	..	99 3 6	864 13 4
Ashburton High School	167 9 10	31 4 0	567 1 8	..	..	13 1 6	26 11 2	20 14 0	32 16 11	7 12 6	0 15 6	..	867 7 1
Timaru High School	..	135 1 5	1,576 3 4	..	..	52 0 0	70 11 9	224 7 11	99 14 0	..	21 17 3	1,220 12 7	3,400 8 3
Waimate High School	..	18 3 6	..	..	..	..	3 7 0	..	..	..	261 4 3	1,480 6 0	1,801 16 9
Waitaki High School	..	81 4 9	1,045 14 0	..	3 3 0	35 13 0	19 19 3	126 14 9	60 6 8	62 4 3	49 6 1	1,800 7 5	2,245 17 2
Otago High Schools	3,169 19 8	148 12 6	4,182 13 9	556 19 2	..	57 2 7	108 18 6	494 18 6	220 3 11	247 5 3	47 10 2	..	9,234 4 0
Southland High Schools	..	75 0 0	1,188 17 0	2 4 5	..	17 11 1	82 1 2	62 5 6	75 7 1	..	29 0 8	2,806 16 4	4,339 3 3
Totals ..	8,646 14 11	2,505 14 4	30,912 12 7	9,460 2 7	435 6 0	2,401 1 10	1,518 3 1	7,432 1 8	11,390 11 11	1,967 16 2	3,113 10 10	12,089 4	975,823 0 8

\* Including £106 12s. 6d. paid to Technical School.

† Includes £1,100 investment.

‡ Grant to Education Board.

§ Excluding money on loan.

|| To Education Board, £209 5s.; for pupils' fees, £51

## STAFF, ATTENDANCE, FEES, AND SALARIES AT SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

Schools.	Staff.		Attendance for Last Term or Quarter of 1896.							Number of Boarders.	Annual Rates of Fees.		Salaries at Rates paid at End of Year.						
	Regular.	Visiting.	Under 12 Years.	12 to 15.	15 to 18.	Over 18 Years.	Total (Roll).	Average Attendance.	For Ordinary Day-school Course.		For Board, exclusive of Day-school Tuition.	Regular Staff.		Visiting Teachers.					
											£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.				
Auckland College and Grammar School	15	3	21	155	198	7	{ <sup>b.208</sup> <sub>g.173</sub> }	361	..	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>10 10 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>8 8 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	..		3,581	0	0	140	0	0	
Whangarei High School	1	..	3	10	9	..	{ <sup>b.13</sup> <sub>g. 9</sub> }	18	..	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>8 8 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>8 8 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	..		176	14	0	..			
Thames High School ..	2	..	..	14	14	..	{ <sup>b.16</sup> <sub>g.12</sub> }	26	..	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>8 8 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>7 7 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	..		500	0	0	..			
New Plymouth High School	4	..	4	18	39	1	{ <sup>b.28</sup> <sub>g.34</sub> }	57	..	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>6 6 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>6 6 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	..		790	0	0	..			
Wanganui Endowed School	9	..	11	56	101	8	176	174	135	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>12 12 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>9 9 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	45	0	0	b1,600	0	0	..		
Wanganui (Girls') High School	4	7	8	19	42	8	77	73	30	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>10 10 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>8 8 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	40	0	0	c700	0	0	{225	0	0 and fees.
Wellington College ..	9	..	19	69	140	17	245	231	59	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>13 4 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>10 12 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	42	0	0	d2,025	0	0	..		
Wellington Girls' High School	7	..	8	20	94	5	127	116	..	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>13 4 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>10 12 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	..		1,175	0	0	..			
Napier Boys' High School	4	..	7	14	30	..	51	50	16	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>9 9 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>8 8 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	40	0	0	d800	0	0	..		
Napier Girls' High School	6	5	14	32	16	2	64	59	10	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>9 9 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>9 9 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	40	0	0	d740	0	0	156	0	0
Nelson College ..	5	4	6	20	59	6	91	89	25	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>12 12 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>40 0 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	40	0	0	e1,250	0	0	..		
Nelson Girls' College ..	4	4	5	21	50	9	85	71	23	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>12 12 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>40 0 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	40	0	0	e625	0	0	..		
Christ's College Grammar School	9	4	24	61	48	9	142	136	33	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>14 3 6</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>11 0 6</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>7 17 6</sub> }	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>52 10 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>42 0 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	..	e2,425	0	0	244	17	6	
Christchurch Boys' High School	11	5	17	119	110	13	259	251	..	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>9 9 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>6 6 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	..		3,425	0	0	285	0	0	
Christchurch Girls' High School	7	6	8	48	58	5	119	112	..	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>12 12 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>9 9 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	..		1,180	0	0	262	16	0	
Rangiora High School ..	2	..	4	15	3	..	{ <sup>b.17</sup> <sub>g. 5</sub> }	22	1	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>9 9 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>6 6 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	40	0	0	d213	6	8	..		
Akaroa High School ..	1	..	..	5	9	..	{ <sup>b.10</sup> <sub>g. 4</sub> }	13	..	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>9 9 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>8 8 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	..		200	0	0	..			
Ashburton High School..	1	2	1	25	16	1	{ <sup>b.28</sup> <sub>g.15</sub> }	41	..	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>9 9 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>7 7 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	..		550	0	0	..			
Timaru High School ..	6	2	2	44	40	3	{ <sup>b.43</sup> <sub>g.46</sub> }	87	..	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>10 0 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>8 0 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	..		1,526	0	0	50	0	0	
Waitaki High Schools—Boys' ..	3	1	..	4	31	..	35	34	5	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>10 10 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>8 8 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	..		d740	0	0	12	0	0	
Girls' ..	3	..	..	16	23	3	42	40	..	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>18 0 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>6 0 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	..		410	0	0	..			
Otago Boys' High School	7	3	1	62	135	6	204	191	12	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>10 0 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>or less</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>4 0 0</sub> }	43	10	0	a2,297	14	0	297	4	0
Otago Girls' High School	7	4	5	42	77	20	144	132	11	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>10 0 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>4 0 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>0</sub> }	40	0	0	a1,362	10	0	262	16	0
Southland High School..	5	1	..	31	55	6	{ <sup>b.57</sup> <sub>g.35</sub> }	89	3	{ <sup>£</sup> <sub>10 0 0</sub> <sup>s.</sup> <sub>35 0 0</sub> <sup>d.</sup> <sub>30 0 0</sub> }	d1,165	0	0	25	4	0			
Totals ..	132	49	168	920	1397	129	b1623 a 991	2,473	363	..	..		29,407	4	8	1960	17	6	

\* Residence for Head.    b Headmaster receives no salary; seven masters reside at the school.    c Principal resides at school.  
 d Headmaster (or mistress) has house and boarders.    e Headmaster and five others have houses.    f Two visiting masters teach in both schools.    g Headmistress and another reside at school.    h £4 10s. or £3 for public-school pupils above Standard V  
 i £4 10s. for public-school pupils above Standard IV.

## REPORTS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

## AUCKLAND COLLEGE AND GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

## 1.—REPORT OF THE BOARD.

*Distinctions.*—The school gained five of the fifteen junior scholarships offered by the University of New Zealand in 1895, and the other five candidates sent up for this examination passed with credit. Fifteen also passed the ordinary examination for matriculation, and one the medical preliminary. Three cadetships have been awarded to pupils of the girls' side on the result of the last Junior Civil Service Examination.

Of former pupils, Mr. W. J. Barclay gained the Vans Dunlop Scholarship at Edinburgh for anatomy and physiology; at Cambridge, Mr. W. S. LaTrobe was placed in the Mechanical Science Tripos, Part I.; Mr. B. N. Tebbs, in the first class of the Natural Science Tripos, Part II.; and Mr. R. C. Maclaurin, in the first class of the Mathematical Tripos, Part II.

*Staff.*—The following additions to the staff have been made during the year: Mr. P. Marshall, M.A., B.Sc., F.G.S., formerly senior scholar of the University of New Zealand, Science master; Mr. James Hight, M.A., formerly senior scholar of the University of New Zealand, French and German master; Miss W. Picken, M.A., formerly junior scholar of the University of New Zealand, assistant mistress; Mr. H. J. D. Mahon, B.A., of the University of New Zealand, English and commercial master; Mr. Thomas Dunn, B.A., formerly junior and senior Education Board scholar, and New Zealand University junior scholar, junior master.

Two valued members of the staff died during the year—viz., Mr. E. R. Watkins, who for twelve years held the office of French and German master, and Mr. Owen Ilbert, M.A., for three years and a half chief classical and English master.

*Roll.*—The number of pupils on the roll for the last term of 1896 was 381—viz., 208 boys and 173 girls.

*Endowments.*—The endowments which were set apart for the Auckland Girls' High School remain unutilised; and, at the same time, the wants of this school, caused by the opening of the girls' department, are urgent. When the Girls' High School was closed by the Board of Education and taken over by the Board of Governors of the Auckland College and Grammar School, a portion of this building and of the playground, which had been designed exclusively for boys, was appropriated to the school for girls; and this arrangement, which was intended to be temporary, has now been in operation for more than eight years. The present accommodation in both departments is barely adequate.

G. MAURICE O'RORKE, Chairman.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>			£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>			£	s.	d.
To Balance ..	..	..	234	11	6	By Management—	..	..	100	0	0
Ground-rents ..	..	..	1,947	12	6	Office salary ..	..	..	54	10	2
Weekly rents ..	..	..	1,241	8	6	Other office expenses ..	..	..	210	5	5
School fees ..	..	..	3,195	5	8	Commission, &c., to collector ..	..	..	3,890	15	10
Contractors' deposits ..	..	..	15	0	0	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	..	..	139	15	6
Sale of old buildings ..	..	..	23	0	0	School requisites ..	..	..	3	4	10
Loan from Diocesan Pension Board ..	..	..	1,000	0	0	Election expenses ..	..	..	35	8	9
						Legal expenses ..	..	..	9	10	0
						Scholarship expenses ..	..	..	55	8	8
						Prizes ..	..	..	106	6	6
						Printing and advertising ..	..	..			
						Cleaning, fuel, light, &c.—	..	..	46	15	3
						School ..	..	..	20	13	9
						Property ..	..	..			
						Book and stationery account, and other	..	..	125	9	4
						temporary advances ..	..	..			
						Fencing, repairs, &c.—	..	..	215	11	9
						School ..	..	..	572	1	10
						Property ..	..	..			
						Insurance and taxes—	..	..	37	12	0
						School ..	..	..	207	0	5
						Property ..	..	..	242	10	0
						Interest on loans ..	..	..	272	16	6
						Compensation ..	..	..	3	3	0
						Contribution to swimming sports ..	..	..	6	0	0
						domain wicket ..	..	..	10	0	0
						athletic sports ..	..	..	650	0	0
						New buildings ..	..	..	15	0	0
						Contractors' deposits refunded ..	..	..	626	18	8
						Balance at end of year ..	..	..			
									£7,656	18	2
									£7,656	18	2

W. WALLACE KIDD, Secretary.

Examined and found correct, with the following exceptions: (1) That the loan of £1,000 for the purpose of building cottages at Devonport has been raised without the authority of law; (2) that the payment of £84 to a member of the Board for his services as teacher under the Board is unlawful, and must be refunded.—J. K. WARBURTON, Controller and Auditor-General.

## 3. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—*Boys*: Latin, mathematics, English, French, chemistry, electricity, and magnetism, as for University Junior Scholarships. *Girls*: The same, with the substitution of heat and botany for chemistry and electricity, and with the addition of drawing and painting. German is taught on both sides as an optional extra subject.

*Lowest.*—*Boys*: Latin—Elementa Latina (Morris). French—Chardenal's First Course, English—Mason's First Notions of Grammar, with easy parsing and analysis; reading and repetition from Longmans' Fifth Reader and Evangeline; Longmans' Historical Reader. Geography—Longmans' Shilling. English composition. Arithmetic—Longmans' Shilling, as far as vulgar fractions, inclusive. *Girls*: Same as boys, except that Latin is not taught.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The College gave free education to twenty foundation scholars, twenty holders of certificates of proficiency from the Education Board, six children of members of the teaching staff, and one Maori scholar. Seven Rawlings, seven Williamson, and sixty-five Education Board scholarships were held at the College.

## AUCKLAND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
To	Endowments, paid by School Commissioners	..	..	By	Rates on endowments, for year ending 31st March, 1897	..	..
			£ s. d.				£ s. d.
			41 13 4				41 13 4
			<u>£41 13 4</u>				<u>£41 13 4</u>

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.

SIR,—

Whangarei, 30th March, 1897.

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.

I have, &amp;c.,

The Hon. the Minister of Education.

J. MCKINNON, Secretary.

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

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

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 examination.

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.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1896.

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Current income from reserves ..	255	8	2	By Balance ..	54	2	1
Paid by School Commissioners ..	150	0	0	Management—			
School fees ..	239	10	4	Office salary ..	30	0	0
Goldfields revenue ..	253	8	7	Other office expenses ..	7	18	6
Sundry ..	0	5	0	Other expenses of management ..	16	4	6
				Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	500	0	0
				Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	10	4	0
				Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. ..	24	8	4
				Book and stationery account, and other temporary advances ..	26	2	11
				Fencing, repairs, &c. ..	15	16	10
				Insurance and taxes ..	14	16	9
				Interest ..	4	0	6
				Balance ..	194	17	8
	£898	12	1		£898	12	1

## STATEMENT of ASSETS and LIABILITIES on 31st December, 1896.

<i>Assets.</i>				<i>Liabilities.</i>			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Uncollected rents ..	427	5	2	Nil.			
Uncollected school-fees ..	228	13	8				
Balance in bank ..	194	17	8				
	£850	16	6				

THOMAS RADFORD, Chairman.

S. CARTER, Secretary and Treasurer.

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

## 3. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—Same as for the Junior University Scholarship Examination, namely : Latin, French, English, mathematics, science (chemistry and electricity).

*Lowest.*—Latin—Via Latina (Abbott). French—Macmillan's Progressive French Course, Part I. English Grammar—Mason. English Composition—Abbott's How to Write Clearly. Arithmetic—Hamblin Smith. English History—Nelson's Royal English History. Chemistry and Physics—Science Primers.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Governors grant four free-tuition scholarships. The scholars are selected by competitive examination.

## NEW PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance ..	113	9	8	By Management—			
Current income from reserves ..	449	16	1	Office salary ..	25	0	0
Paid by School Commissioners ..	248	6	8	Other office expenses ..	1	10	3
School fees ..	354	14	0	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	778	3	0
				Examinations—Examiners' fees ..	36	15	0
				Other expenses ..	3	3	0
				Prizes ..	20	9	6
				Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	25	16	10
				Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. ..	56	2	1
				Site and buildings—			
				Purchases and new works ..	84	12	9
				Fencing, repairs, &c. ..	28	0	2
				Rents, insurance, and taxes ..	20	7	6
				Bush-felling, surveys, &c., on endowments ..	17	14	6
				Hire of piano, £2; shield, 15s. ..	2	15	0
				Refunds to scholars ..	4	4	0
				Balance ..	61	12	10
	£1,166	6	5		£1,166	6	5

J. M. ROY, Chairman.

E. VEALE, Secretary and Treasurer.

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

## 2. WORK OF HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—Latin—Cæsar, Book I.; Via Latina, exercises 49 to 82. French—Grammaire des Grammaires, pages 187 to 202, and even exercises 114 to 132; Chardenal's Advanced Course, exercises 1 to 14; Le Conserit; conjugation of irregular verbs. Arithmetic (general)—Algebra—Hall and Knight, pages 1 to 207, with omissions. Euclid (Hall and Stevens)—I. to IV., 10; exercises on Books I. and II. History—Ransome, matriculation period. Geography—Chisholm, except Asia; Zealandia Geography. Grammar—Mason, pages 1 to 125, omitting declension and conjugation of Saxon words. Literature—Tempest. Science—electricity and magnetism.

*Lowest.*—Latin—*Elementa Latina*, pages 1 to 25. French—*Déjardin*, exercises 1 to 45. Arithmetic—*Colenso*, to end of vulgar fractions, omitting areas and solids. Algebra—*Hall and Knight*, pages 1 to 33. Euclid (*Hall and Stevens*), I., 1 to 12. History—Primary, period 1216 to 1660. Geography—*Petrie*, pages 1 to 56. Grammar—*Mason's First Notions*, pages 1 to 74; simple parsing and analysis. Literature—*Lady of the Lake*. Dictation, composition, &c.

### 3. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Board gave free tuition to three scholars. Six scholarships of the Education Board were held at the school.

## WANGANUI COLLEGIATE SCHOOL.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
To Balance .. .. .	..	..	£ 51 14 0	By Management—			£ 40 0 0
Current income from reserves .. .. .	..	..	836 9 8	Office salary .. .. .	..	..	14 0 0
Refund, insurance .. .. .	..	..	3 7 3	Other office expenses .. .. .	..	..	24 14 6
Sale old building and firewood .. .. .	..	..	17 18 6	Other expenses of management .. .. .	..	..	7 10 6
Law charges .. .. .	..	..	7 1 0	Printing, stationery, and advertising .. .. .	..	..	
Rates, refund .. .. .	..	..	0 15 0	Site and buildings—			
Fencing .. .. .	..	..	1 8 0	Purchases and new works .. .. .	..	..	267 13 7
				Fencing, repairs, &c. .. .. .	..	..	95 2 3
				Rents, insurance, and taxes .. .. .	..	..	133 19 9
				Interest .. .. .	..	..	102 8 8
				Law charges .. .. .	..	..	11 2 4
				Balance .. .. .	..	..	222 1 10
			£918 13 5				£918 13 5

EDWARD N. LIFFITON, Secretary.

Examined and found correct—A. C. RITCHIE, Auditor.

## 2. WORK OF HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—Greek, Latin, French, English, science, mathematics, all up to Junior Scholarship standard, and divinity.

*Lowest*.—Latin, English (including history, geography, composition), arithmetic, science, drawing, and divinity.

Carpentering classes are conducted by Mr. Dunn, one of the staff. Under his supervision, three large buildings have been erected entirely by the boys—namely, the cricket pavilion; the new workshop, 40 ft. by 20 ft.; and a large building, measuring some 60 ft. by 20 ft., and containing a class-room, a laboratory, and a music-room. With the exception of the windows, and the brick-work of the chimneys, everything was done by Mr. Dunn and the boys, even to the gas-fittings.

### 3. SCHOLARSHIPS.

Seven scholarships of the Education Board were held at the school. The headmaster gave sixteen scholarships, varying in value from £12 to £57.

WANGANUI (GIRLS) HIGH SCHOOL.

### 1. REVENUE ACCOUNT, 1896.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance from 1895 .. ..	775	13	1	By Office Staff—			
Interest on mortgages .. ..	303	14	6	Secretary .. ..	20	0	0
Rents from endowments leased ..	248	10	0	Clerk .. ..	20	0	0
School Commissioners—				General expenses .. ..	50	4	11
Taranaki .. ..	151	13	4	Teachers' salaries and fees .. ..	1,152	2	0
Wellington .. ..	37	7	10	Caretaker .. ..	46	16	0
School fees—				School books and stationery .. ..	49	10	3
Tuition .. ..	1,158	0	4	Examination fee .. ..	15	0	0
Boarding .. ..	1,229	6	8	Furnishing Account .. ..	23	14	10
Insurance .. ..	50	0	0	Fire insurance .. ..	17	17	6
Contractor's deposit .. ..	5	0	0	School requisites .. ..	65	8	0
				Borough rates .. ..	19	14	0
				Bank interest .. ..	17	19	6
				Insurance, refund for improvements ..	50	0	0
				Boarding fees .. ..	1,237	13	0
				Telephone .. ..	6	0	0
				Building .. ..	86	13	0
				Contractors' deposits .. ..	5	0	0
				Plans and supervision .. ..	5	5	0
				Repairs .. ..	34	6	9
				Site .. ..	6	2	7
				Balance .. ..	1,029	18	5
	£3,959	5	9		£3,959	5	9

A. A. BROWNE, Secretary.

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







## 3. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Boys.*

*Highest.*—Mathematics—Euclid, Books I. to VI., with riders; algebra, to permutations and combinations; trigonometry, to solution of triangles; arithmetic, general. Latin—Virgil, *Æneid*, Books I. and II.; Cicero, *de Senectute*; Bradley's *Prose and Grammar*. French—X. de Maistre, *Voyage autour de ma chambre*; sight-readings, conversation, and composition. English language and literature—History of language, general grammar, and composition; Chaucer's *Prologue*; Dramatists of the Elizabethan period. History—England, 1688 to 1837. Geography, physical and general. Science—Physiology and agricultural chemistry.

*Lowest.*—About Standard III., with elementary Latin.

A carpenter's shop with an efficient instructor has been provided, but very little advantage is now taken of it.

*Girls.*

*Highest.*—English history, 1688 to 1837. English literature—Elizabethan authors; Chaucer's *Prologue*. Grammar—Mason (general); Morris (historical). Composition. Geography, general, physical and political. Arithmetic—whole subject. Algebra, including quadratics, surds, progression, ratio, and proportion. Euclid, Books I. to IV. Trigonometry—Lock, to solution of triangles. Latin—Kennedy's *Primer*; Church's *Exercises*, Part II.; Virgil, *Æneid*, Book V.; Cicero, *De Senectute* (part); unseen translation. French—Chardenal, Part II.; Brachet; *Voyage aux Pyrénées*; composition. Botany, to matriculation standard. Theory of Music, to matriculation standard.

*Lowest.*—History—Gardiner, William I. to Edward IV. Geography—New Zealand, Australia, and outlines of Europe; easy definitions in physical geography. Grammar—Parts of speech; elementary analysis and parsing, letter-writing and easy composition. Arithmetic—Simple and compound rules; reduction; bills of parcels. French—Chiefly conversation on Gouin System; Illustrated French Grammar by Goly and Goujon. Object-lessons on plants. Needlework. Class-singing. Drilling.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The school gave free education to twenty-three holders of scholarships given by the School Commissioners, and nineteen given by the Education Board.

## GISBORNE HIGH SCHOOL.

## 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

SIR,—

Gisborne, 24th March, 1897.

I have to report that under arrangements made with the Education Board of Hawke's Bay, which were reported to you last year, secondary education in the District of Poverty Bay has been carried on during 1896 in the Gisborne District High School.

The Governors have been favoured with reports of work done in the secondary classes of the District High School, and are satisfied that the instruction given has been efficient and thorough.

As in former years, the Governors have granted scholarships for one and two years to children in attendance at the State schools in the district, which are tenable at the Gisborne District High School. It has been found that in most cases scholars so aided have made considerable progress.

I am, &c.,

The Hon. the Minister of Education.

W. MORGAN, Chairman.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. .. .	646	3 11	By Scholarships.. .. .	141	18 0
Current income from reserves .. .. .	86	17 4	Prizes .. .. .	2	2 6
Interest on moneys invested and on unpaid purchase-money .. .. .	106	5 0	Site and buildings .. .. .	249	14 0
Paid by School Commissioners .. .. .	356	14 3	Furniture .. .. .	6	0 0
School fees .. .. .	2	2 0	Subsidy, Hawke's Bay Education Board	25	0 0
Interest accrued on deposit in Savings-Bank .. .. .	10	15 9	Mortgages—		
Fixed deposit, Bank of New Zealand .. .. .	0	11 8	De Lautour .. .. .	150	0 0
Insurance on house .. .. .	124	13 9	Mrs. Hair .. .. .	250	0 0
			Balance .. .. .	509	9 2
	£1,334	3 8		£1,334	3 8

W. MORGAN, Chairman.

C. A. DE LAUTOUR, Secretary.

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

## NELSON COLLEGES.

## 1. REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS.

THE Examiners' reports have dealt very fully with the work of the Colleges, and are, on the whole, exceedingly favourable. They show that the work throughout has been thorough and complete, and the results must be as gratifying to the parents of the pupils as they are to the staffs and the Governors.

*The Boys' College.*

The number of pupils on the rolls has shown an increase on those of the previous year.

The College continues to preserve its very satisfactory record, having again obtained two

University Junior Scholarships. The number of scholarships secured by our students for years past has, in proportion to the number of pupils, largely exceeded that obtained by any other College.

The number of University students keeping terms still keeps up. The work of the Sixth Form is adapted to suit their requirements without being allowed to interfere with those of other pupils.

As usual, a large number of boys have successfully passed the Civil Service examinations, one boy securing the position of second for the whole colony.

It is very satisfactory to note the number of former pupils of the College who are securing distinctions in their several professions; amongst whom special reference must be made to E. Rutherford, who has gained a prominent and honourable position in the scientific world in Europe, and has recently been called upon to read a paper before the British Association.

The College building has undergone considerable renovation, and is now in every way suitably fitted for high and complete educational purposes. The rooms and passages throughout the building are hung with artistic and instructive pictures, purchased in England and elsewhere by the Principal during his recent travels.

#### *The Girls' College.*

The number on the rolls continues to show an increase, especially amongst the boarders.

Three students have passed the second years' terms examination, and also the first section of the B.A. examination. Twelve pupils have passed the Matriculation examination of 1896, and it is worthy of note that all who entered for the recent Civil Service examination passed, one having taken the second position amongst the seniors for the whole colony.

The College building has undergone considerable improvement to fit it for the increasing number of pupils entering.

### 2. STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for the Year ending 31st December, 1896.

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
To Interest .. ..	..	481	14 3	By Governors' fees .. ..	..	99	19 10
Rents .. ..	..	1,178	7 6	Auditors' fees .. ..	..	10	10 0
School Commissioners' subsidy ..	..	300	0 0	Law costs .. ..	..	36	10 4
Sale of land .. ..	..	40	0 0	Rates and taxes on properties ..	..	27	17 3
				Insurances .. ..	..	11	8 3
				Printing and advertising .. ..	..	14	13 6
				Commission .. ..	..	10	1 4
				Repairs .. ..	..	17	10 0
				Stationery .. ..	..	12	8 10
				Office rent .. ..	..	13	15 0
				Office furniture .. ..	..	34	11 10
				Office cleaning, postages, gas, &c. ..	..	44	5 7
				Secretary .. ..	..	125	0 0
				Interest on Girls' College mortgage ..	..	110	0 0

#### *Boys' College.*

To Boarding-fees .. ..	..	1,020	6 1	By Boarding expenses .. ..	..	908	3 8
Tuition-fees .. ..	..	1,102	14 1	Tuition expenses .. ..	..	1,356	5 2
				Scholarships—			
				Foundation .. ..	..	60	0 0
				Endowed .. ..	..	181	16 0
				Stationery and prizes .. ..	..	81	16 6
				Printing and advertisements .. ..	..	30	5 0
				Subscription to sports and magazine ..	..	23	3 0
				Examiners' fees .. ..	..	31	13 0
				Gas .. ..	..	57	4 2
				Law costs .. ..	..	19	16 6
				Rates and taxes .. ..	..	43	14 9
				Fire insurances .. ..	..	22	10 0
				Repairs .. ..	..	130	8 2
				Furniture .. ..	..	65	2 5
				Telephone .. ..	..	6	0 0
				Secretary .. ..	..	125	0 0
				Sundries .. ..	..	3	12 0

#### *Girls' College.*

To Boarding-fees .. ..	..	892	12 0	By Boarding expenses .. ..	..	755	2 4
Tuition-fees .. ..	..	911	18 10	Tuition expenses .. ..	..	685	19 0
				Scholarships—			
				Foundation .. ..	..	60	4 0
				Endowed .. ..	..	52	12 0
				Governors' fees .. ..	..	30	0 0
				Stationery and prizes .. ..	..	77	17 0
				Printing and advertising .. ..	..	22	0 6
				Examiners' fees .. ..	..	31	13 0
				Gas .. ..	..	42	2 9
				Law costs .. ..	..	19	16 6
				Rates and taxes .. ..	..	46	17 9
				Fire insurances .. ..	..	21	0 0
				Repairs .. ..	..	52	19 4
				Furniture .. ..	..	114	0 0
				Sundries .. ..	..	1	4 6
				Secretary .. ..	..	125	0 0
				Balance .. ..	..	74	2 0

£5,927 12 9

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J. HOLLOWAY, Secretary.

We certify that we have examined the above accounts, and compared them with the several vouchers relating thereto, and have found them correct.

A. A. SCAIFE, }  
JOHN KING, } Auditors.

## 3. WORK IN HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Boys' College.*

*Highest.*—English—Shakespeare, *Tempest* and *King Lear*; Addison, selections from *Spectator* (Airey); Chaucer, *Prologue to Canterbury Tales*; Stopford Brooke, *Primer of English Literature*; Mason's *English Grammar*; Abbott, *How to Write Clearly*; Scott and Dalgleish, *Higher Grade English*. Latin—Virgil, *Georgics*, Book II.; Livy, Book VIII., chapters 1 to 30; Cæsar, Book I.; sight translations from Livy, Virgil, Horace, Cæsar. Roman History—Horton. Grammar, &c.—*Via Latina*; Bradley's *Arnold*; Champneys and Rundall. French—Racine, *Athalie*; Lacombe, *Petite histoire du peuple français*; composition (Blouet), and re-translation; grammar, *Eve and De Baudiss*, and *Chardenal II.*; sight translation from various authors. Mathematics—Euclid, I. to VI. (Hall and Stevens); algebra, to binomial theorem (Hall and Knight, and Jones and Cheyne); trigonometry (Lock and Ward); applied statics (Smith and Lock); applied hydrostatics (Smith); applied dynamics (Lock). Science—Sound and light (Deschanel); Examples in Physics (Jones).

*Lowest.*—English grammar—Hall's *Primary*. History—Gardiner's *Outlines*. Geography—Petrie's *First*. Physical geography—Geikie's *Primer*. Oral teaching in English—object-lessons, &c. Latin—*Elementa Latina*. French—Chardenal I., early portion. Arithmetic, to practice (*Southern Cross Series*). Reading and writing daily.

*Girls' College.*

*Highest.*—Mathematics—Algebra (Todhunter), to binomial theorem; Euclid, I. to IV., and VI.; trigonometry (Lock), to end. Latin—Abbott's *Latin Prose*; Bradley's *Arnold's Latin Prose*; antiquities and Roman history; Virgil, *Georgics*, Book II.; Livy, Book VIII. English—Morris's *Historical Grammar*; Abbott and Seeley's *English Lessons for the English People*; Abbott's *How to Write Clearly*; Anglo-Saxon and Middle English Primers; Romola; *The Tempest*; *King Lear*; Morley's *Literature* (chapters on Elizabethan literature). French—Brachet's *Historical Grammar*; Wellington College Grammar; Saintsbury's *Literature* (chapters on 17th century); *Athalie*; Bossuet, *Oraisons Funèbres*; Andromaque; Bué's *Idioms*. Science—Heat, sound, and light.

*Lowest.*—Arithmetic—Simple and compound rules. English—Reading; spelling; Mrs. Gatty's *Parables from Nature*. French—Chardenal's *First French Course*. Geography—General sketch. History—Gardiner. Sewing. Club exercises.

Class drawing is taught throughout the school. The girls have been encouraged to attend cooking lectures, but no class is regularly held.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

*Boys' College.*

Endowed: Tinline, £52 12s.; Newcome, £24; Richmond, £24; Stafford, £20; Fell, £16. College: One at £32 12s.; one at £16; one at £14; one at £12 12s.; one at £12; one at £6; one at £5; one at £4; one at £3.

*Girls' College.*

Tinline: £52 12s. Governors' Fees: Two at £15. College: Two at £15; two at £12 12s.; one at £5. School Commissioners: Seven at £12 12s.

Thirteen scholarships of the Nelson Education Board and one of the Marlborough Education Board were held at the Boys' College; and eleven of the Nelson Education Board and two of the Marlborough Education Board were held at the Girls' College.

## GREYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance, National Bank—			By Fire insurance .. ..	0	10 0
Current Account .. ..	18	5 10	Rates .. ..	7	16 3
Fixed deposits .. ..	150	0 0	Salary, secretary .. ..	5	0 0
Loans repaid .. ..	195	0 0	Grant, Grey Education Board ..	60	0 0
Interest .. ..	34	0 0	Balance, National Bank—		
Grant, Westland School Commissioners	60	0 0	Current Account .. ..	8	19 7
			Fixed deposits .. ..	375	0 0
	£457	5 10		£457	5 10

RICHARD NANCARROW, Chairman.

F. W. RIEMENSCHNEIDER, Secretary.

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

## HOKITIKA HIGH SCHOOL.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	992	9 0	By Management .. ..	5	5 0
Interest on moneys invested .. ..	37	0 0	Teachers' salaries (grant to Westland Education Board .. ..	72	10 0
Paid by School Commissioners .. ..	60	0 0	Fencing, repairs, &c. .. ..	101	1 6
Rent of dwelling-house and grounds .. ..	45	0 0	Insurance .. ..	2	12 0
Deposit on tender .. ..	10	0 0	Interest .. ..	0	1 6
			Balance .. ..	962	19 0
	<u>£1,144</u>	<u>9 0</u>		<u>£1,144</u>	<u>9 0</u>

JOHN McWHIRTER, Chairman.

CHARLES KIRK, Secretary.

Audited and found correct—J. K. Warburton, Controller and Auditor-General.

## CHRIST'S COLLEGE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ending 15th May, 1896.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Endowments—			By Balance .. ..	3,528	7 2
Price of land sold .. ..	1,700	0 0	Management—Office salary .. ..	175	0 0
Current income from land .. ..	1,795	14 3	Other office expenses .. ..	16	8 7
Income from Scholarships endowments .. ..	874	13 10	Teachers' salaries and allowances (including £300 to widow of late teacher) .. ..	2,923	0 10
School fees .. ..	1,966	1 6	Examinations—		
Insurance on building damaged by fire .. ..	30	0 0	Examiners' fees for scholarships, &c. .. ..	44	2 0
Sundry incidental receipts not classified .. ..	15	18 8	Other expenses .. ..	11	19 1
Balance .. ..	2,009	12 3	Scholarships .. ..	808	10 4
			Prizes .. ..	27	8 11
			Printing, stationery, and advertising .. ..	72	12 2
			Cleaning, fuel, light, caretaker, &c. .. ..	212	19 7
			Fencing, repairs, &c. .. ..	106	1 2
			Insurance .. ..	29	10 3
			Interest on current account .. ..	129	1 0
			Endowments Account—		
			Expended on buildings .. ..	120	0 0
			Repairs to building damaged by fire .. ..	30	0 0
			Grant to Boys' Games Fund .. ..	103	14 6
			Expenses in connection with land estate, viz., rates, repairs, insurance, and law-costs .. ..	53	4 11
	<u>£8,392</u>	<u>0 6</u>		<u>£8,392</u>	<u>0 6</u>

C., CHRISTCHURCH, Warden.

W. G. BRITTAIN, Bursar.

Accounts (from which the above are extracts) were audited by Mr. A. A. M. McKellar.

## 2. WORK DONE DURING THE YEAR 1896.

*Highest.*—Latin, French, English, mathematics, and, as alternatives, Greek and science (chemistry and heat) to standard of Junior University Scholarships; divinity.

*Lowest* (Preparatory Department).—Relfe's Reader, No. 4, to page 212. Repetition. Brief History of England, to page 88. Geography—Zealandia, Part 1, and a considerable portion of Part 2. Grammar—parts of speech and simple parsing; construction of sentences. Composition—Reproduction of descriptive narratives; letter-writing. Arithmetic—addition, subtraction, multiplication, division (simple and compound), with easy problems.

Drawing is taught as an optional subject, without extra fee and in school hours; carpentry and joinery, wood-turning and forge-work, outside school hours, at a fee of 5s. per term.

## 3. SCHOLARSHIPS AND EXHIBITIONS.

There are many scholarships, so arranged that, taken in succession, they cover the whole period of school life from an early age until the limit of age for Junior University Scholarships has been reached. The Entrance Scholarships are open to all boys who have not already entered the school; the others both to boys already attending it and to those from other schools. For Some Scholarships a preference is to be given *ceteris paribus* to the kin of the foundress, Mrs. Maria Some, or of her husband, the late Joseph Some, Esq.; and candidates must be members of the Church of England, or of some church in communion with it. This restriction does not apply to Entrance Scholarships, or to the special grants of free education sometimes made by the governing body to meet special cases.

*Entrance Scholarships.*—Six are to be offered, if funds permit, in each yearly, namely: (a) Two to boys under the age of thirteen years on the first day of December in that year; (b) two to boys under the age of twelve years on the same day; and (c) two to the most deserving boys of either age. The subjects of the examination, which is to be held in the month of December, are English (composition, grammar, &c.), arithmetic, geography (general), and history. The scholarships are tenable for two years, and cover the ordinary school fees for tuition.

*Some Junior Scholarships.*—Five are to be offered, if funds permit, in each year, namely: (a) Three to boys under the age of sixteen years on the first day of December in that year; and (b) two to boys under the age of fourteen years on the same day. Candidates, to be eligible, must pass



## 3. WORK DONE IN THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST FORMS.

*Highest.*—English—Abbott's How to Write Clearly; Longmans' Handbook of English Literature, Part II.; Milton's Paradise Lost, Book I.; Shakespeare's Henry IV., Part I.; Macaulay's Essays on Pitt and the Earl of Chatham; Morris's Historical English Grammar. Latin—Horace, Odes, Book III.; Cicero, Select Letters; Livy, Book XXI.; Smith's Smaller History of Rome; Bradley's Arnold; Bradley's Aids to Latin Prose; Simpson's Cæsarian Latin Prose; Kennedy's Revised Latin Primer. French—Molière, Le Médecin Malgré Lui; About, Le Roi des Montagnes; Third French Reader and Writer; Moriarty's French Grammar. Mathematics—Work up to Junior Scholarship standard. Science—Jago's Inorganic Chemistry; Wright's Heat.

*Lowest.*—English—Longmans' Reader, No. 4; Children's Treasury of English Songs, II.; Brief History; Longmans' Junior School Grammar; Spelling; reading; composition; dictation; parsing; transcription. Latin—Macmillan's Shorter Latin Course. Mathematics—Nelson's Royal Arithmetic, No. 4 B. Geography—Hill's First Lessons.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The school gave free education to thirty-one scholars. Eighteen scholarships of the Education Board were held at the school.

## GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL, CHRISTCHURCH.

## 1. REPORT FOR 1896.

DURING the year one of the senior teachers of the school, Miss Margaret Lorimer, was promoted to the headship of the Mount Cook Girls' School, Wellington. The work done formerly by Miss Lorimer has been distributed among the remaining members of the staff, and the school will be conducted during the coming year on the new basis. The appointment of a janitress at the beginning of the year has proved most successful. The effect on the discipline of the school has been altogether a beneficial one. A set of apparatus for the practical teaching of physics has been obtained from England at some considerable cost, which has made the teaching of science much more interesting as well as more real than heretofore.

The school has been very successful in winning scholarships and other honours of the kind. Two of the pupils, Ethel Gibson and Ethel Jacobson, won Junior University Scholarships, and a third, Elsie Sinclair, took a very good place on the credit list, coming within a few marks of the winners. Nine girls passed the University Matriculation Examination, one the Medical Preliminary, and one the Senior Civil Service Examination; and two of the five senior scholarships given by the North Canterbury Board of Education were won by pupils of the school.

The buildings and grounds of the school are well adapted in every way to their purposes; the class-rooms are lofty, well ventilated, and thoroughly warmed by hot-air pipes in winter. The playground is pleasant, well shaded by lofty trees, and quite secluded from public view. There is also a comfortable well warmed luncheon-room for the girls who remain at school during the mid-day interval.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	1,167	14 11	By Office salary .. ..	60	0 0
Current income from reserves .. ..	304	13 4	Teachers' salaries and allowances .. ..	1,546	9 4
Interest on moneys invested and on unpaid purchase-money .. ..	269	16 5	Examinations—		
School-fees .. ..	1,517	5 0	Examiners' fees .. ..	51	16 0
Interest on current account and investment .. ..	86	7 2	Other expenses .. ..	8	17 11
Proceeds from cooking class .. ..	32	17 0	Scholarships .. ..	240	0 0
Sale of pianette .. ..	16	0 0	Prizes .. ..	26	6 0
Refund of examination-fee .. ..	0	15 0	Printing, stationery, advertising, stamps, and telegrams .. ..	92	17 8
			Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	28	4 5
			Sites and buildings—		
			Purchases and new works .. ..	12	9 6
			Fencing, repairs, &c. .. ..	24	11 6
			Rent and insurance .. ..	55	2 0
			Physical apparatus .. ..	17	15 11
			Music .. ..	1	19 9
			Inspecting reserves .. ..	10	9 2
			Expenses of cooking class .. ..	54	5 4
			Sundries .. ..	9	8 9
			Balance .. ..	1,154	15 7
	<u>£3,395</u>	<u>8 10</u>		<u>£3,395</u>	<u>8 10</u>

H. R. WEBB, Chairman.

A. CRACROFT WILSON, Registrar.

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



## 3. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—(Work to Junior Scholarship standard)—English—Shakespeare's *Coriolanus*; selections from Wordsworth; *Paradise Lost*, Book I.; Mason's Grammar; Morris's Elementary Historical Grammar; Stopford Brooke's Primer of English Literature; Abbott's *How to Write Clearly*; Abbott and Seeley's English Lessons; Sweet's Anglo-Saxon Primer. Mathematics—Arithmetic (without text-book); Hamblin Smith's Algebra, and Todhunter's Larger Algebra; Lock's Elementary Trigonometry; Euclid (Hall and Stevens), to Junior Scholarship standard. Latin—Horace, Satires and Epistles (selections); Livy, Book XVIII.; Virgil, *Æneid*, Books II. and IX.; Cicero, Catiline Orations, I. and part of II.; Pliny's Letters, Books I. and II.; Catullus, Tibullus, Propertius, selections; Cicero, *De Officiis*, Book III.; Simpson's Cæsarian Prose; Bradley's Arnold's Latin Prose Composition; Abbott's Latin Prose through English Idioms. Science—Wright's Heat; Dendy and Lucas's Botany. French—Theuriet, *Les enchantements de la forêt*; Feuillet, *Roman d'un jeune homme pauvre*; Daudet, *Le petit Chose*; Chardenal's Third or Advanced Course.

*Lowest.*—Royal Star Reader No. V.; Longmans' Junior Grammar; composition from reading-book; Ransome's Elementary English History; Petrie's Geography; elementary botany without text-book; elementary arithmetic.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The school gave free education to seventeen pupils. Nine scholarships of the Education Board were held at the school.

## RANGIORA HIGH SCHOOL.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>			£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>			£	s.	d.
To Current income from reserves..	..	..	279	12	0	By Dr. balance at beginning of year	..	..	6	15	4
School fees ..	..	..	137	8	9	Teachers' salaries and allowances	..	..	213	6	8
						Rail fares allowed pupils	..	..	2	0	0
						Printing, stationery, and advertising	..	..	2	13	10
						Cleaning, fuel, light, &c.	..	..	12	5	0
						Site and buildings—					
						Fencing, repairs, and painting	..	..	32	16	10
						Insurance ..	..	..	4	4	4
						Interest ..	..	..	0	16	6
						Balance ..	..	£218	15	7	
						Less unrepresented cheques	..	76	13	4	
									142	2	3
									£417	0	9
									£417	0	9

E. R. GOOD, Chairman and Secretary.

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

## 2. WORK OF HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—Bradley's Arnold's Latin Prose; Livy, Book I.; Euclid—(Hall and Stevens); Hall and Knight's Algebra; Shakspeare, *Tempest* and *King Lear*; Hughes's Geography; Mason's Grammar; Hamlin Smith's Arithmetic.

*Lowest.*—Star Reader, IV.; Round the Empire; Southern Cross Arithmetic; Longmans' Junior Grammar.

## 3. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The school gave free education to three pupils.

## ASHBURTON HIGH SCHOOL.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>			£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>			£	s.	d.
To Current income from reserves ..	..	..	618	12	8	By Dr. balance at beginning of year	..	..	167	9	10
School fees ..	..	..	193	10	9	Office salary or salaries	..	..	20	0	0
Books, &c., sold, and other refunds	..	..	2	10	0	Other office expenses ..	..	..	7	6	6
Balance ..	..	..	52	13	8	Other expenses of management	..	..	3	17	6
						Teachers' salaries and allowances	..	..	527	1	8
						Teachers' house allowance	..	..	40	0	0
						Prizes ..	..	..	13	1	6
						Printing, stationery, and advertising	..	..	26	11	2
						Cleaning, fuel, light, &c.	..	..	32	16	11
						Site and buildings—					
						Fencing, repairs, &c.	..	..	16	15	0
						Insurance ..	..	..	2	19	0
						Interest ..	..	..	7	12	6
						Clock ..	..	..	1	0	0
						Exchange ..	..	..	0	15	6
									£867	7	1
									£867	7	1

ANDREW ORR, Chairman.

CHARLES BRADDELL, Secretary.

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

2. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—English—Mason’s Grammar; English grammar and composition to matriculation standard. Latin—Via Latina; Principia Latina, Part II., pages 63 to 87; Cæsar, Gallic War, Books II. and III. French—Chardenal’s Second French Course; grammar to matriculation standard. Arithmetic—whole subject. Euclid—to end of Book IV. Algebra—Hall and Knight, to page 177. Geography—Longmans’ School Geography, Europe, Africa, Asia. History—Ransome’s History of England, William III. to Victoria.

*Lowest.*—English—Standard V. grammar and composition. Latin—Via Latina, to page 43. Arithmetic—Standard V. work. Euclid, Book I., to proposition 26. Algebra—Hall and Knight, to page 69. Geography—Gill’s Imperial Geography, British Isles, Europe. History—Ransome’s History of England, Charles II. and James II.

3. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The school gave free education to fourteen pupils.

AKAROA HIGH SCHOOL.

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

Receipts.				Expenditure.			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	..	117	6 2	By Office expenses .. ..	..	1	12 6
Current income from reserves ..	..	119	0 2	Teachers’ salaries and allowances ..	..	207	17 6
School-fees .. ..	..	125	19 0	Prizes .. ..	..	2	6 6
Interest, fixed deposit .. ..	..	2	8 0	Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	..	7	13 0
				Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. ..	..	7	17 4
				Site and buildings .. ..	..	0	7 6
				Rents, insurance, and taxes .. ..	..	35	12 6
				Interest .. ..	..	0	1 0
				Inspection of reserve .. ..	..	2	2 0
				Balance .. ..	..	99	3 6
		£364	13 4			£364	13 4

H. C. JACOBSON,  
Chairman, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

2. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—Arithmetic; Algebra, to simple equations and problems. Euclid, Books I. to III. and part of Book IV. Latin—Abbott’s Via Latina; Cæsar. English—Hewitt and Beach’s Manual; Merchant of Venice; Longmans’ School Composition, part of Part II. French—Macmillan’s Course, Book II., exercises 1 to 25. History—Gardiner’s Outlines, Parts I. and II. Geography—Macturk’s Physical Geography.

*Lowest.*—Arithmetic, elementary. Latin—Declensions, &c. English—Lady of the Lake. French—Macmillan’s Course, Book I. History—Gardiner’s Outlines, Parts I. and II. Geography—Nelson’s Royal Reader, No. 4, Europe. Reading, writing, dictation, elementary drawing, &c.

3. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The school gave free education to two pupils.

TIMARU HIGH SCHOOL.

1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

EIGHT pupils passed the Matriculation Examination held in December, 1896; one boy passed the Preliminary Medical, and one girl, Mary Olive Cunninghame, was awarded a junior scholarship. Two girls passed the Junior Civil Service examination, and another girl, Ethel Hooper, passed the examination for the teachers’ E certificate with special mention in domestic economy and freehand drawing. Several former pupils also distinguished themselves in College and University examinations. We may mention particularly Miss Maud Lawrell, B.A. degree, and senior scholarship for Greek; Mr. Alexander Bell, B.A. degree, and senior scholarship for mathematics; Mr. J. S. Cooper, first-class mathematical honours, Canterbury College. Of the rest, two others also gained their B.A. degree.

During the year Mr. E. T. Norris, M.A., was appointed a master of the school, to fill the vacancy left by Mr. A. S. M. Polson’s removal to Napier.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	405	15 9	By Management—		
Endowments—			Office salary .. ..	70	0 0
Current income from reserves ..	1,296	2 10	Other office expenses .. ..	15	6 5
Interest on moneys invested and on			Other expenses of management ..	27	14 0
unpaid purchase-money .. ..	115	14 4	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	1,576	3 4
School fees .. ..	582	15 4	Scholarships .. ..	34	0 0
Refund, mortgage, S. McCullough ..	1,000	0 0	Prizes .. ..	18	0 0
			Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	70	11 9
			Cleaning, fuel, lights, &c. .. ..	99	14 0
			Book and stationery account, and other		
			temporary advances .. ..	21	17 3
			Site and buildings—		
			Fencing, repairs, &c. .. ..	42	12 8
			Rents, insurance, and taxes .. ..	29	17 9
			Endowments—		
			Protective works .. ..	119	17 6
			Expenses of management, &c. .. ..	22	1 0
			Erection of stables .. ..	32	0 0
			Balance .. ..	1,220	12 7
	<u>£3,400</u>	<u>8 3</u>		<u>£3,400</u>	<u>8 3</u>

HENRY W. HARPER, Chairman.

J. H. BAMFIELD, Secretary.

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

## 3. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—English—Mason's Grammar; Morris's Historical Outlines; Shakespeare, Merchant of Venice; Milton, Samson Agonistes; Scott, Guy Mannering; Chaucer, Prologue; Selections from Morris and Skeat's Specimens of Early English; Abbott and Seeley's English Lessons for English People; Stopford Brooke's Primer of English Literature; Peile's Philology. Latin—Cicero, Pro Milone; Horace, selections from the Satires and Epistles; Horton's History of the Romans; Smith's Latin Grammar; Via Latina. French—Molière, Bourgeois gentilhomme; Racine, Athalie; About, Contes Choisis; Macmillan's Composition, I.; Brachet and Dussouchet's Grammaire, Cours supérieure; Vecqueray's Examination-papers. Mathematics—Pendlebury's Arithmetic; Hall and Knight's Algebra; Euclid, Hall and Stevens; Lock's Trigonometry. Science—Botany, electricity, and heat, to Junior Scholarship standard; text-books used, Thome and Bennett's Structural and Physiological Botany; Sylvanus Thomson's Electricity and Magnetism; Wright's Elementary Physics; Jones's Heat. Geography—British Empire; physical and commercial geography. History—General sketch of the world's history; history of the British Empire, with especial attention to the last hundred years.

*Commercial Class.*—Book-keeping; Pitman's Shorthand; tots; correspondence; and indexing of letters. Drawing—Freehand, model, geometrical, and mechanical.

*Lowest.*—Cook's First Latin Course (Macmillan). French—Hogben's Natural Method. Tennyson for the Young; Gatty's Parables from Nature; Longmans' History Reader No. 4; Southern Cross copybooks and arithmetics; Colonial drawing-books; Grimm's German Tales; Longmans' Junior Composition; Masterman Ready (Bell's Readers); Macaulay's Lays of Ancient Rome; Miall's Object-lessons from Nature.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Board gave free education to twenty-three holders of Education Board Scholarships, and to others who obtained more than half marks at the Scholarship Examination; to nine holders of Exhibitions at the High School, and to one junior scholar, who is paid £34 in addition to the school fees.

## WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL.

## 1. REPORT OF GOVERNORS.

THE Governors are pleased to be able to report another year of considerable progress in the work and results of the secondary department of Waimate District High School during 1896. The additional room erected in 1895 for pupils taking secondary education is of barely sufficient size for convenient accommodation of the increased number of pupils. The increase in the number of pupils is no doubt largely attributable to the care and attention of the headmaster and his assistant, and to their efficiency in the performance of their duties. Near the close of year 1896 the Governors made a change in the application of the means at their disposal. Heretofore, for some years, they have been paying the school-fees of such pupils taking secondary subjects as were successful in obtaining 60 per cent. of marks at annual examination. This was altered during the year under review, and now the Governors pay the school-fees and railway-fares of all pupils who pass a certain examination each year under the supervision of locally appointed examiners. The result of the new plan appears to be highly successful. There are now nineteen exhibitioners whose fees amounting to £19, and railway-passes amounting to £1 10s. per quarter, are paid by the Board. There is one scholarship holder who is paid £5 per quarter for this year, 1897.

The number of pupils attending for secondary subjects on commencement of the plan in 1897 was forty-one, which is an increase of eleven from the close of 1896, when the number attending was thirty; and the Governors consider the increase is in some degree caused by the new system of paying the fees. The subjects taken were algebra, Euclid, Latin, French, English, science, and higher arithmetic; the favourite subjects with pupils being algebra, Euclid, Latin, and English. The average percentage as result of last annual examination was 81.8: thirty pupils, five subjects. As shown in the general statement of income and expenditure for 1896, there was paid by the



## 3. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Boys.*

*Highest.*—Latin—Cæsar, Book I.; Horace, Odes, Book III., 1, 2, 3; Public School Latin Primer; exercises in Shorter Latin Primer; Simpson's Cæsarian Prose; Bradley's Arnold, to exercise 35. French—Macmillan's Second Reader, pages 1 to 60; Second French Course, exercises 1 to 60; Chardenal's Second Course. Arithmetic—whole subject. Algebra—Hall and Knight, to quadratics. Euclid (Hall and Stevens), to end of Book III., with deductions. English—Smith's Grammar; Mason's Grammar; Longmans' School Composition; Brown's English Literature (selections). Shorthand—Pitman's Instructor. Singing, drawing, and drill. Science—Sound, light, and heat (Chambers's Text-book); Murché's Lectures on Physiology.

*Lowest.*—Arithmetic—To decimals; general questions on the whole subject. Algebra (Hall and Stevens), to page 50; general questions up to quadratic equations. Euclid (Hall and Stevens), Book I., and questions up to proposition 26. French—Chardenal's First Course. English—Relfe, VI. Reader; Longmans' Composition; Zealandia Composition. Longmans' Geography. Gardiner's History. Latin—Abbott's Via Latina, exercises 1 to 35. Music—Sight-singing Manual. Drawing from flat. Writing—Jackson's Civil Service Manual. Science—Murché's Physiology.

*Girls.*

*Highest.*—English—Selections from Macmillan's VI. Reader; Shakespeare's Richard II.; Spencer's Faerie Queene, Book I.; Milton's Paradise Lost, Book I.; Morris's Grammar; lessons from Abbott and Seeley's English Lessons for English People; essay-writing and other English exercises. History and Geography as for matriculation. Latin—Bradley's Arnold; Principia Latina, Part II. (the history); Cæsar's Gallic Wars (sight translation); selections for reading from various authors. French—Wellington College Grammar; Oxford and Cambridge Reader; Au Coin de Feu. Arithmetic—whole subject. Algebra—including quadratic equations, theory of indices, logarithms, progression. Euclid—Books I., II., and III. Physiology—Murché, with supplementary lessons. Botany—Morphology and Physiology of various botanical types. Scripture—The Books of Genesis and Exodus.

*Lowest.*—English—Chambers's VI. Reader; parsing in full; analysis of simple and complex sentences; composition lessons and essay-writing. Arithmetic—Simple and compound rules; practice; vulgar and decimal fractions; easy problems. History—The Citizen Reader, and lessons from Miss Buckley's History. Geography—Asia, Africa, North and South America. French—Chardenal, Part I., 136 exercises. Science—Paul Bert's First Year of Scientific Knowledge: animals; plants; heat. Latin—Principia Latina, Part I., up to the passive voice. Scripture—The Books of Genesis and Exodus. Drawing—Freehand and model; shading. Drill—Exercises with rods and dumb-bells. Singing—Easy songs.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

Free education was given to two pupils.

## OTAGO BOYS' AND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOLS.

## 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

SIR,—

Dunedin, 13th April, 1897.

I have the honour to forward herewith Report of the Board of Governors of the Otago Boys' and Girls' High Schools for the year ending 31st December, 1896.

I am pleased to say that the attendance at the Boys' School, though not so good as might be desired, showed a slight increase over the previous year; that of the Girls' School, however, is still below what it should be, a fact that is mainly due to the competition of private schools for girls which have been established in Dunedin.

During the year twenty-nine boys and seventeen girls received free education by reason of their having obtained 50 per cent. of the attainable marks in the Otago Education Boards' Senior and Junior Scholarship Examinations. This concession is undoubtedly a great boon to deserving children; but it is a severe tax on the Board's finances, which are greatly diminished by the falling-off in revenue through the enforced reduction of pastoral rents. It was only by the exercise of the strictest economy that the Board was enabled to keep its expenditure within reasonable distance of its income during the last year, and any further loss of revenue from the reduction of rents of the endowments will seriously embarrass its finances, and will render the efficient management of the schools a matter of extreme difficulty.

It is gratifying to note that the work of the schools during the year, as evidenced by the results of recent examinations, has been efficiently carried out, and that the health of the scholars has been good.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Minister of Education.

JOHN F. M. FRASER, Chairman.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Endowments—			By <i>Dr. balance at beginning of year</i>	3,169	19 8
Rents from endowments .. ..	2,187	2 1	Management—		
Interest on moneys invested and on unpaid purchase-money .. ..	73	8 6	Office salary .. ..	130	0 0
Paid by School Commissioners .. ..	434	5 5	Other office expenses .. ..	18	12 6
School fees (boys) .. ..	2,803	3 7	Teachers' salaries and allowances—		
Boarding-school fees (girls) .. ..	457	3 0	Boys' school .. ..	2,527	3 9
Price of fencing material sold .. ..	1	5 0	Girls' school .. ..	1,655	10 0
Balance at end of year .. ..	3 277	16 5	Boarding-school Account—		
			Boys' school .. ..	51	17 3
			Girls' school .. ..	505	1 11
			Sundries and incidentals .. ..	47	10 2
			Scholarships .. ..	40	0 0
			Prizes .. ..	17	2 7
			Printing and stationery .. ..	66	9 0
			Cleaning, fuel, light, &c., including wages of two janitors .. ..	220	3 11
			Advertising .. ..	42	9 6
			Laboratory requisites .. ..	11	12 8
			Fencing, repairs, and furnishing—		
			Boys' school .. ..	54	5 1
			Girls' school .. ..	319	9 8
			Insurance .. ..	47	6 6
			Rates .. ..	62	5 0
			Interest .. ..	247	5 8
	£9,234	4 0		£9,234	4 0

JOHN F. M. FRASER, Chairman.  
C. MACANDREW, Secretary.

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

*Balance Account, 1896.*

	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
1896.			1896.		
Jan. 1. Balance brought forward, Bank of New Zealand .. ..	3,169	19 8	Jan. 1. Balances brought forward—		
Dec. 31. Amount due by Dr. Belcher, written off .. ..	0	0 5	Amount due by Rector, Boys' School .. ..	0	0 5
Amount of balance of Robson's loan, written off, security taken over .. ..	162	18 1	Uncompleted purchases .. ..	1,591	5 5
Amount of W. Dowling's interest over-debited .. ..	1	15 0	Dec. 31. Ordinary revenue .. ..	5,882	19 1
Ordinary expenditure .. ..	6,064	4 4	Interest due on personal accounts .. ..	73	9 5
Balance carried down, Uncompleted purchases .. ..	1,426	13 3	Balance carried down, Bank of New Zealand .. ..	3,277	16 5
	£10,825	10 9		£10,825	10 9
1897.			1897.		
Jan. 1. Balance brought down—Bank of New Zealand .. ..	£3,277	16 5	Jan. 1. Balance Brought down—Uncompleted purchases .. ..	£1,426	13 8

*Assets and Liabilities on 31st December, 1896.*

<i>Assets.</i>			<i>Liabilities.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Rents overdue .. ..	618	8 0	Tradesmen's accounts unpaid .. ..	80	16 8
School fees overdue .. ..	45	5 4	Bank overdraft .. ..	3,277	16 5
Board fees overdue .. ..	13	7 8			
Amounts due on mortgage (land instalments, including interest) .. ..	1,426	13 3			

JOHN F. M. FRASER, Chairman.  
C. MACANDREW, Secretary.

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

3. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Boys.*

*Highest.*—English—Chaucer; Shakespeare; Milton; selections from prose writers, 1490 to 1684; Historical English Grammar; composition, &c. Latin—Cicero; Virgil; Livy; Horace; prose composition; Roman history. French—Saintine, Picciola; composition, grammar, &c. Mathematics—Arithmetic, whole subject; Euclid, six Books; algebra; trigonometry. Botany—the Morphology and Physiology of Botanical Types. Chemistry—the metallic elements, revision of non-metallic elements.

*Lowest.*—English—Longmans' Sixth Reader; composition, grammar, &c. English History—William I. to Henry VIII. Geography—British Isles and Continent of Europe; simple physical and mathematical geography. Latin—grammar and easy translation. French—grammar and easy translation. Arithmetic—vulgar fractions, simple and compound proportion, simple interest, practice, &c. Euclid, Book I., 1 to 24. Algebra—simple rules. Book-keeping. Drawing, geometrical.

*Girls.*

*Highest.*—English—Chaucer, Prologue, and the Nonne Preestes Tale; Shakespeare, As You Like It; Spencer, Faerie Queene, Cantos I. to IV.; Wordsworth, The Excursion, Book I.; Selections from Prose Writers, 1490 to 1684; Historical English Grammar; composition, &c. Latin—Virgil, Æneid, Book IX.; Livy, Book XXII., chapters 41 to 61, and Book I., chapters 1 to 26; Horace, Selected Odes and Epistles; Cæsar, Gallic War, Book VI.; Reid's Translation at Sight, selections; composition, grammar, &c. Roman History, to end of Punic Wars. French—Chardenal's Advanced Exercises; Erckmann-Chatrian, Waterloo; Boiëlle, poetry; grammar, composition, &c.; Scribe, Le verre d'eau. German: Homann, Maerchen; Macmillan, Part II.; Poetry, selected. Mathematics—arithmetic, the whole subject; algebra, to permutations and combinations, inclusive; Euclid, Books I., II., III., IV., VI.; Lock's Trigonometry. Botany—The Morphology and Physiology of the Botanical types specified in the Junior Scholarship schedule. Chemistry—the metallic elements; revision of the non-metallic elements. The Senior Division have revised the whole of inorganic chemistry.

*Lowest.*—English—Longmans' Royal Star Reader No. V. History—Blackwood's Short Stories; Geography—Macdonald's Zealandia Geography, Parts I. and II. Physical Geography—explanation of geographical terms. Grammar—simple analysis and parsing. French—vocabulary and part of Chardenal's First French Course. Arithmetic—simple and compound rules in money, simple problems, mental arithmetic. Science—Object-lessons in the elements of botany.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Gray Russell Scholarship of £40 per annum, tenable for three years, is attached to the school.

Free education was given to forty-six pupils, who made 50 per cent. of the total attainable marks at the scholarships examinations.

## SOUTHLAND BOYS' AND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOLS.

## 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

THE only change in the permanent teaching staff was the resignation, towards the end of the year, of Mr. William Macalister, the second assistant in the boys' school. Mr. Charles George, M.A., of Aberdeen, was chosen out of sixty-one applicants as Mr. Macalister's successor. Sergeant Blackmore, visiting drill-instructor, resigned his position in the High School in February, and his duties were undertaken by Mr. Vernon, the first assistant. A cadet corps has been formed, and sixty pupils were enrolled. At an inspection, held in the month of November, evidence was given of good progress made in drill.

During the year, shorthand has been taught by a competent visiting master, Mr. A. W. Nicol. It is intended to retain this subject in the school syllabus.

Each year a satisfactory number of pupils attending the High School pass the Matriculation and Junior University Scholarship examinations. At the examinations in 1896, one pupil gained a junior scholarship, two passed the same examination with credit, two qualified for matriculation, fourteen passed the Matriculation examination, one the Medical Preliminary, and one the Junior Civil Service examination.

During the last few years the average scholastic attainment of the pupils attending the schools has steadily risen. The Board has now resolved not to admit any pupil who has not passed the sixth standard of the primary school course, or an examination equivalent to that standard.

In order that it might be in a position to deal more satisfactorily with its tenants, the Board has been proclaimed under the provisions of "The Public Bodies' Powers Act, 1887." Several leases have matured during the year, and the properties were re-let, resulting in a slight increase of revenue from this source.

HARRY STOCKER, Chairman.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	542	17 7	By Management—Office salary ..	75	0 0
Fixed deposit (grant from vote of the General Assembly) ..	2,276	14 11	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	1,188	17 0
Endowments—			Boarding-school Account ..	2	4 5
(a) Current income from reserves ..	705	17 2	Prizes ..	17	11 1
(b) Interest on moneys invested, and on unpaid purchase-money ..	66	18 0	Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	82	1 2
(c) Paid by School Commissioners ..	168	8 11	Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. ..	75	7 1
School fees .. ..	578	6 8	Site and buildings—		
			Fencing, repairs, &c. ..	32	18 6
			Rents, insurance, and taxes ..	29	7 0
			Chemicals, appliances, and sundries ..	29	0 8
			Balance .. ..	2,806	16 4
	<u>£4,339</u>	<u>3 3</u>		<u>£4,339</u>	<u>3 3</u>

HARRY STOCKER, Chairman.

CHARLES ROUT, Secretary and Treasurer.

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

## 3. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST FORMS.

*Highest.*—English—Hamlet; Chaucer, Prologue; Tennyson, selections; Bowen's Studies in English (part); French's English Past and Present (part); S. Brooke's Literature, Reign of Elizabeth; essays. Latin—Horace, Epistles and Ars Poetica; Tacitus, Annals, I.; Cicero, Pro Sestio (part); composition (Bradley's Arnold), History and antiquities. French—Selections from Dumas, Impressions de voyage; Macmillan's Second Reader (part); Blouet's Composition; Brachet's Grammar. Mathematics—arithmetic; algebra, to binomial theorem; Euclid, Books I. to IV., and VI.; trigonometry, to solution of triangles; mechanics, to scholarship standard. Chemistry—Metals and non-metals; analysis of common salts.

*Lowest.*—English—Childe Harold (selections); Chambers's Sixth Reader; recitation; composition; Mason's Grammar; analysis. Geography. History, 1066 to 1534. Latin—Principia; Gradatim. French—Principia; Macmillan's First Reader. Arithmetic—interest; discount; profit and loss. Elementary mensuration (*Boys only*). Algebra, to simple equations. Euclid, Book I. Science—Primers of chemistry and physics. Shorthand.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

Thirty-eight pupils are receiving education free of charge under system of free education instituted by the Board. Entrance under this provision is gained by competitive examinations of primary-school pupils under certain conditions.

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