

Antiquities; Smith's History of Rome. English—Mason's Larger English Grammar; Nichol's Primer of English Composition, with exercises on the same; Abbott and Seeley's English Lessons for English People; Skeat's Primer of English Etymology; Spenser, Faerie Queen, Book I.; Shakespeare, Hamlet; Chaucer, Man of Lawes Tale; Stopford Brooke's Primer of English Literature. French—Wellington College French Grammar; Fasnacht's Synthetic French Grammar; Chardenal's Advanced French Exercises; Brachet's Historical Grammar; About, Le Roi des Montagnes, and Contes Choisis; Turrell, Leçons Françaises, Prose et Vers. Mathematics—Arithmetic; Algebra, Hall and Knight; Jones and Cheyne's Algebraical Exercises; Euclid, Books I.—VI.; Hall and Knight's Trigonometry, and Ward's Trigonometry Exercises. Science—Silvanus Thompson's Electricity and Magnetism; Roscoe's Chemistry; Tilden's Practical Chemistry.

Carpentering is taught under the direction of Mr. J. G. Trevithick; and German is an optional subject on both sides.

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 Tennyson; Longmans' Historical Reader. Geography—Longmans' Shilling. English composition. Arithmetic—Longmans' Shilling, as far as vulgar fractions, inclusive.

Highest.—Girls: Up to standard required for Junior University Scholarships. In Latin, English, French, and mathematics the work undertaken is the same as on the boys' side. Science—Miss Aitken's Botany; Lock's Statics and Dynamics; Sanderson's Hydrostatics.

Lowest.—Girls: Same as boys, except that Latin is not taught.

Classes in practical cookery were held under the direction of Miss Millington during the winter term.

4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The College gave free education to twenty-two foundation scholars, seventeen holders of certificates of proficiency from the Education Board, four children of members of the teaching staff, and two Maori pupils. Seven Rawlings, four Williamson, and seventy-six Education Board scholarships were held at the College.

AUCKLAND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

GENERAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the Year ending 31st December, 1897.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Timber sold	4,711	16 7	By Rates on endowment for year ending 31st March, 1898	62	10 0
Other receipts, namely—			Balance	4,651	7 11
Sale of old materials	2	1 4			
	<u>£4,713</u>	<u>17 11</u>		<u>£4,713</u>	<u>17 11</u>

SAMUEL LUKE, Chairman.

VINCENT E. RICE, Secretary and Treasurer.

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

WHANGAREI HIGH SCHOOL.

1. GENERAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the Year ending 31st December, 1897.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance	80	3 11	By Office salary	5	0 0
Current income from reserve	61	14 2	Other office expenses	0	14 4
Paid by School Commissioners	175	0 0	Other expenses of management	5	7 6
School fees	190	8 0	Teacher's salary and allowances	233	14 0
			Prizes	2	18 0
			Printing, stationery, and advertising	3	0 0
			Site and buildings	150	0 0
			Fencing, repairs, &c.	10	16 3
			Rents, insurance, and taxes	6	8 5
			Furniture	6	2 0
			Balance	83	5 7
	<u>£507</u>	<u>6 1</u>		<u>£507</u>	<u>6 1</u>

J. M. KILLEN, Chairman.

J. McKINNON, Secretary.

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

2. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

Highest.—That required for Matriculation and Civil Service examinations.

Lowest.—Latin—Principia Latina, Part I. to XXXIX. French—Chardenal's First Course, to exercises 93. Euclid—I., 1 to 26. Algebra—Elementary rules. Arithmetic—Southern Cross Series, Standards IV and V. English grammar—Trotter. History—E. Thompson's, to 1485. Geography (general outlines)—Longmans'. Reading—Royal, IV. Composition, spelling, and drawing. Gymnastics—Whole school.

3. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Governors during the year have granted two free-tuition scholarships, tenable for three years at the discretion of the Board. The scholars are selected from the public schools by competitive examinations.