THAMES HIGH SCHOOL.

1. Report of the Board.

It is satisfactory to be able to report that the Thames High School increased so much in numbers during the past year that during the last term an assistant master (Mr. B. H. Low, B.A., New Zealand University), was appointed.

A further increase in the number of pupils this year makes the total fifty-six, which is an

increase of twenty-one on the number reported last year.

At the public examinations this year two candidates from this school were placed in the third division at the University Junior Scholarship examination; one matriculated; one gained a Senior District Scholarship, and one passed the Junior Civil Service examination.

S. Carter, Secretary.

2. General Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1897.

	Receipts	3.		£	s.	d.	Expenditure.	£	8.	d.
To Balance				194	17	8	By Office salary	30	0	0
Current income fron	reserve:	g		312	8	11	Other office expenses	5	15	1
Paid by School Commissioners				175	0	0	Other expenses of management	9	15	4
School fees				377	8	0	Teachers' salaries and allowances	566	13	4
Goldfields revenue				324	4	11	Printing, stationery, and advertising	16	19	3
							Cleaning, fuel, light, &c	27	9	8
							Fencing, repairs, &c	191	18	9
							Rents, insurance, and taxes	10	2	0
							Repairs to furniture	2	14	6
							School requisites	23	0	3
							Legal expenses	6	8	6
							Balance	493	2	10
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			£1	,383	19	6	£1	.383	19	6
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S. Carter, Secretary.

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

3. Work of Highest and Lowest Classes.

Highest Form.—As for University Junior Scholarship Examination—Latin, French, English,

mathematics, science, chemistry, and mechanics.

Lowest Form.—Latin—Via Latina (Morris). French—Macmillan's Progressive French Course,
Part I. Mason's English Grammar. Abbott's "How to Write Clearly." Arithmetic—Fractions, Hamblin Smith. English History—The Royal History of England (Nelson).

NEW PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL.

1. General Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1897.

Receipts.	=	E s. d.	Expenditure.		£ s.	d.
To Balance	6	1 12 10	By Office salary		25 0	0
Current income from reserves .		9 12 6	Other office expenses		2 18	4
Paid by School Commissioners.		1 13 3	Teachers's alaries and allowances		766 17	11
School fees	28	7 14 0	Prizes		17 4	6
			Printing, stationery, and advertising	٠.	25 12	1
			Cleaning, fuel, light, &c		54 3	10
			Fencing, repairs, &c		202 11	6
		-	Rents, insurance, and taxes		18 7	6
			Hire of piano, chairs, &c		4 18	8
			Balance		92 18	3
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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—Via Latina, exercises 1-80; Cæsar, Book II., chapters 1-24. French—Chardenal's Advanced Course, exercises 26-50; De Fiva's Grammar, irregular nouns, adjectives, Chardenal's Advanced Course, exercises 20-50; De Fiva's Grammar, irregular nouns, adjectives, and verbs; About ("Modern Authors"), pages 1-36. Arithmetic—General work; matriculation. Algebra—Hall and Knight, pages 1-225. Euclid—Hall and Stevens, Books I., II., III., part of IV., and Deductions, pages 1-114. History—Ransome, period 1688-1837. Geography—Chisholm, pages 122-319, and physical. Grammar—Mason, pages 1-125; parsing and analysis. Literature—Coriolanus (Clarendon Press), Preface, and Acts I., II., III. Science—Part of Silvanus Thompson's Electricity.

Lowest.—Latin—Elementa Latina, pages 1–55. French—Déjardin, exercises 1–98. Arithmetic—Simple and compound rules, and vulgar fractions. Algebra—Hall and Knight, pages 1–38. Euclid—Hall and Stevens, Book I., propositions 1–26. History—Primary, period 1066–1603. Geography—Petrie, pages 50–124. Grammar—First Notions, pages 1–74; simple analysis and parsing. Literature—King John (Dalgleish) Science—Harrison's Mechanics.

Composition in all classes.

3. Scholarships.

The Board gave free tuition to one scholar. Seven Education Board scholarships were held at the school.