There is a well-fitted carpenter's shop, with six benches, that accommodate four boys each. The building is thoroughly lighted from both sides, and supplied with a number of gas-jets. Lessons are given twice a week by Mr. W. H. Barrett, an instructor of the Technical School, for one hour on Mondays and for two hours on Fridays. The boys all work to scale, making their own drawings of the work before it is undertaken. Some of them are taking up wood-carving with

### Girls' School.

Highest.—Latin, mathematics, French, heat, and botany, as for junior scholarship examination.

Lowest.—Grammar, parsing, analysis of simple sentences, Longmans' Grammar, to page 60; geography, Europe; history, Gardiner's Outlines (part); composition; dictation and spelling; reading and poetry; arithmetic, four simple and four compound rules.

## 4. Scholarships.

#### College.

College scholarships: Free education, five. Nine scholarships arising from funds given by private benefactors, and ten Education Board scholarships, were held at the College.

#### Girls' School.

College scholarships: Free education, eight. Izard scholarship, £25, one. Nine Education Board scholarships were held at the Girls' School.

#### NAPIER HIGH SCHOOL.

#### 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

THE schools were examined by Mr. T. W. Rowe, M.A., who sums up his detailed report as follows: "It will be seen that the examination has been on the whole most satisfactory, and it has confirmed me in the good opinion of the work done at the schools which my examination last year led me to form.

Twelve pupils from the schools passed the Matriculation and Civil Service Examinations. H. A. Cornford, Chairman. DAVID SIDEY, Secretary.

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

$\it Receipts.$		d.	Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
To Balance		0	By Office salary	60	0	0
Mortgages repaid			Other office expenses	12	12	2
Current income from reserves	346 15	6	Other expenses of management	7	18	0
From property not a reserve	683 15	0	Teachers' salaries and allowances	1,608	1	4
Interest on moneys invested and on un-			Boarding-school account	131	14	0
paid purchase-money	155 2	6	Examinations—Examiners' fees		0	Ō
Paid by School Commissioners—			" Other expenses		13	4
Examiner's fee	18 15	0	Scholarships	267	1	9
School fees	1,213 5	4	Prizes	5	4	6
Board of scholarship children, rail and			Printing, stationery, and advertising	26		4
coach fares	005 10	0	Cleaning, fuel, light, &c	105		3
Books, &c., sold and other refunds	81 13	9	Books and stationery for sale to pupils,			-
Refund cadet corps	10 0	0	and other temporary advances	79	14	2
" gas, gymnasium	0 10	0	Site and buildings-Purchases and new			
Excess of school fee paid	1 1	. 0	works	70	19	2
Excess of cheque	0 1	0	Diúto—Fencing, repairs, &c	128		9
Amount lent on mortgage, as shown in			" Rents, insurance, and taxes	82		1
previous year's expenditure	900 0	0	Returned fee	1	1	0
• •			Mortgages	1,350	Õ	0
			Deposit	1,500	Ò	0
			Cash in bank	505	5	3
	£5,965 13	1		£5,965	13	1

H. A. Cornford, Chairman. DAVID SIDEY, Secretary.

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

#### 3. Work of Highest and Lowest Classes.

#### Boys.

Highest - Mathematics - Geometry, Euclid, Books I. to VI., with exercises; algebra, to permutations and combinations; trigonometry, to solution of triangles; arithmetic, general. English—Shakespeare's Hamlet; Macaulay's Essays on Walpole and Warren Hastings; grammar and history of language and composition. Latin—Livy, Hannibalian War; Virgil, Æneid V.; grammar and composition. Greek—Smith's Initia (Part I.). French—La Verre d'Eau, Scribe; grammar and continuous prose. Science—Elementary physiology and botany.

Lowest.—The syllabus of Standard III., Elementary Code. Latin—To the regular verbs.

Science—Elementary chemistry.