

1898.  
NEW ZEALAND.

EDUCATION:  
REPORTS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

[In continuation of E.-9, Sess. II., 1897.]

*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.	
Auckland Girls' High School .. ..	1878, No. 55, Local ..	Under management of Education Board. Not in operation in 1897.
Thames High School .. ..	1878, No. 54, Local.	
Whangarei High School.. ..	1878, No. 63, Local ..	Act may be repealed by <i>Gazette</i> notice under Act of 1885, No. 30.
New Plymouth High School .. ..	1889, No. 2, Local.	
Wanganui Girls' College .. ..	1878, No. 42, Local ..	Board identical with Education Board.
Wanganui Collegiate School .. ..	[Nil] .. ..	Endowment, Reg. I., fol. 52. See also D.-16, 1866, p. 9.
Wellington College and Girls' High School	1887, No. 17, Local.	
Napier High Schools .. ..	1882, No. 11, Local.	
Gisborne High School .. ..	1885, No. 8, Local.	
Nelson College .. ..	1853, No. 38, and 1882, No. 15, Local	
Greymouth High School.. ..	1883, No. 21, Local ..	Not in operation in 1897.
Hokitika High School .. ..	1883, No. 7, Local ..	Not in operation in 1897.
Christ's College Grammar School ..	Canterbury Ordinance, 1855	A department of Christ's College, Canterbury.
Christchurch Boys' High School .. ..	1878, No. 30, Local ..	Under management of Canterbury College.
Christchurch Girls' High School .. ..	[Nil] .. ..	Under management of Canterbury College. Endowment, <i>Gazette</i> , 1878, Vol. 1, p. 131.
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 ..	Not in operation in 1897.
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 1897 FURNISHED BY THE  
GOVERNING BODIES OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
To Credit balances on 1st January, 1897 ..		11,965	9	9	By Liabilities on 1st January, 1897 ..		6,988	17	9
Endowment reserves sold ..		10,552	4	1	Office management and expenses ..		2,071	5	8
Rents of reserves ..		23,010	8	8	Teachers' salaries ..		31,598	6	0
Interest on investments ..		1,451	7	7	Boarding-school accounts ..		3,513	14	0
Reserves Commissioners ..		2,303	0	11	Examination fees and expenses ..		544	9	4
School fees ..		23,770	5	1	Scholarships and prizes ..		2,841	18	2
Boarding-school fees ..		3,882	3	8	Printing, stationery, and advertising ..		1,638	19	7
Books, &c., sold, and refunds ..		104	9	6	Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. ..		9,330	8	11
Sundries not classified ..		3,229	8	4	Buildings, furniture, rent, insurance, rates, &c. ..		1,472	8	7
Interest on Current Account ..		87	5	10	Interest ..		1,814	6	1
Debit balances, 31st December, 1897 ..		4,147	18	11	Sundries not classified ..		1,872	16	11
					Credit balances, 31st December, 1897 ..		20,816	4	4
		£84,503	15	4			£84,503	15	4

## INCOME OF CERTAIN SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR THE YEAR 1897.

Schools.	Cr. Balances on 1st Jan., 1897.	From Endowments.			School Fees.		Boarding- school Fees.	Stationery and Books sold, and Refunds.	Sundries unclassified.	Interest on Current Account.	Dr. Balances. 31st Dec., 1897.	Totals.
		Sales.	Rents.	Interest on Moneys invested.	Paid by School Commis- sioners.	School Fees.						
	£ 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	626 18 8	4,711 16 7	3,507 4 9	..	..	3,100 7 8	..	..	2 1 4	..	..	7,234 11 1
Auckland Girls' High School	194 17 8	..	636 13 10	..	175 0 0	377 8 0	..	..	..	..	..	4,713 17 11
Thames High School	80 3 11	..	61 14 2	..	175 0 0	190 8 0	..	..	..	..	..	1,383 19 6
Whangarei High School	61 12 10	..	489 12 6	..	371 13 3	287 14 0	..	..	..	..	..	507 6 1
New Plymouth High School	1,029 18 5	..	231 0 0	272 10 0	268 17 9	1,167 10 0	1,181 1 4	..	1 0 0	..	..	1,210 12 7
Wanganui Girls' College	222 1 10	126 0 0	835 14 6	..	..	..	..	3 13 3	..	..	134 6 2	4,151 17 6
Wanganui Collegiate School	..	..	1,942 17 4	..	59 9 0	4,275 17 10	..	1 7 6	33 17 9	..	1,813 9 6	1,321 15 9
Wellington College and Girls' High School	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8,126 18 11
Napier High Schools	188 18 0	2,100 0 0	1,185 13 0	..	18 15 0	1,213 5 4	265 16 0	93 5 9	..	..	..	5,065 13 1
Gisborne High School	509 9 2	..	80 0 0	97 11 3	223 19 8	..	..	..	..	4 11 6	..	915 11 7
Nelson College	..	..	995 19 7	490 13 11	225 0 0	2,658 12 4	2,049 16 0	..	2 0 0	..	..	6,432 1 10
Greymouth High School	383 19 7	..	8 18 0	29 2 6	60 0 0	..	..	..	25 0 0	..	..	507 0 1
Hokitika High School	962 19 0	57 0 0	63 15 0	35 0 0	60 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,178 14 0
Christchurch Boys' High School	..	..	3,179 11 9	..	..	2,034 7 6	..	..	61 19 1	5 18 9	16 4 10	5,298 1 11
Christchurch Girls' High School	1,154 15 7	..	313 13 10	224 4 1	..	1,517 15 6	..	..	24 12 8	35 14 6	..	3,270 16 2
Christ's College Grammar School	..	..	2,757 2 1	..	..	2,093 12 3	..	..	16 6 0	..	2,082 4 2	6,949 4 6
Rangiora High School	..	..	93 6 6	..	..	141 4 6	..	..	..	..	..	376 13 3
Akaroa High School	142 2 3	..	119 0 10	..	..	138 6 6	..	..	..	3 7 2	..	359 18 0
Ashburton High School	99 3 6	..	512 4 9	..	..	187 5 0	..	1 2 0	..	..	101 14 3	802 6 0
Timaru High School	1,230 12 7	..	1,438 16 3	74 15 9	..	556 3 0	..	5 1 0	*2,977 14 0	37 13 11	..	6,310 16 6
Waimate High School	1,480 6 0	..	209 5 1	50 18 0	..	425 5 10	..	..	50 0 0	..	..	1,740 9 1
Waitaki High School	800 7 5	..	1,212 2 2	22 8 0	59 7 8	2,843 12 10	385 10 4	..	..	..	..	2,569 11 1
Otago High Schools	..	3,557 7 6	2,348 7 5	56 7 6	425 15 4	2,843 12 10	..	..	..	..	..	9,617 0 11
Southland High Schools	2,806 16 4	..	787 15 4	97 16 7	180 3 3	561 9 0	..	..	34 17 6	..	..	4,468 18 0
Totals	11,965 2 9	10,552 4	123,010 8 8	1,451 7 7	2,903 0 11	23,770 5 1	3,882 3 8	104 9 6	3,229 8 4	87 5 10	4,147 18 11	84,503 15 4

\* Insurance

† The Nelson accounts show only the income and expenditure for the year.

## EXPENDITURE OF certain SECONDARY SCHOOLS for the Year 1897.

Schools.	Liabilities on 1st Jan., 1897.	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., 1897.	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	..	385 5 6	3,918 17 2	..	..	62 8 6	197 3 5	1,660 13 2	59 13 11	250 8 8	204 11 4	495 9 5	7,234 11 1
Auckland Girls' High School	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	62 10 0	..	..	..	4,651 7 11	4,713 17 11
Thames High School	..	45 10 5	566 13 4	..	..	..	16 19 3	234 4 0	27 9 8	..	..	493 2 10	1,883 19 6
Whangarei High School	..	11 1 10	233 14 0	..	..	2 18 0	3 0 0	173 6 8	..	..	..	83 5 7	507 6 1
New Plymouth High School	..	27 18 4	766 17 11	..	..	17 4 6	25 12 1	220 19 0	54 3 10	..	..	92 18 3	1,210 12 7
Wanganui Girls' College	..	90 15 1	1,135 12 11	1,173 18 0	..	..	55 5 3	187 16 11	47 14 0	..	..	1,460 15 4	4,151 17 6
Wanganui Collegiate School	..	84 10 4	..	..	..	..	..	1,118 12 9	..	118 12 8	..	..	1,821 15 9
Wellington College and Girls' High School	1,615 8 11	196 3 4	3,400 8 4	..	93 7 3	237 7 10	382 1 10	1,078 19 1	231 10 1	821 17 5	69 14 10	..	8,126 18 11
Napier High Schools	..	80 10 2	1,608 1 4	131 14 0	22 13 4	272 6 3	106 0 6	282 9 0	105 12 3	..	1 1 0	2,455 5 3	5,065 13 1
Gisborne High School	..	..	..	..	..	142 6 6	1 4 7	124 13 9	..	..	*513 14 6	133 12 3	915 11 7
Nelson College	..	249 8 6	2,321 7 6	1,693 14 10	131 12 6	686 18 10	141 14 1	252 14 1	126 0 8	110 0 0	109 2 3	599 8 7	6,422 1 10
Greymouth High School	..	11 6 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	162 16 6	432 17 7	507 0 1
Hokitika High School	..	5 7 0	72 10 0	..	..	..	0 6 0	4 18 6	..	0 10 0	..	1,095 2 6	1,178 14 0
Christchurch Boys' High School	33 6 6	90 0 0	4,001 17 6	..	89 6 9	52 18 10	182 17 8	447 2 9	55 7 4	250 0 0	95 4 7	..	5,298 1 11
Christchurch Girls' High School	..	60 0 0	1,497 17 0	..	66 15 0	271 17 3	63 1 3	949 7 9	17 14 11	..	60 18 5	283 4 7	3,370 16 2
Christ's College Grammar School	2,009 12 3	203 0 3	2,634 7 6	..	53 6 6	884 12 0	78 1 9	419 0 3	212 3 1	59 9 10	*395 11 1	..	6,949 4 6
Rangiora High School	..	1 0 9	222 2 0	..	9 2 0	1 5 0	5 19 1	32 9 9	13 13 9	..	4 10 0	86 10 11	376 13 3
Akaroa High School	..	..	200 0 0	..	..	2 13 0	0 14 6	36 15 0	9 3 4	0 2 0	..	110 10 2	359 18 0
Ashburton High School	52 13 8	36 11 4	602 12 8	..	..	9 14 6	16 18 6	50 0 10	31 12 6	..	2 2 0	..	802 6 0
Timaru High School	..	132 19 6	1,525 0 0	..	..	52 0 0	91 19 5	651 12 6	101 8 10	..	..	3,755 16 3	6,310 16 6
Waimate High School	..	26 5 0	150 0 0	..	8 8 0	33 16 0	11 2 8	500 10 6	1 0 0	0 7 0	62 13 6	946 6 5	1,740 9 1
Waitaki High School	..	105 2 4	1,273 16 10	..	..	2 2 0	76 9 3	281 2 1	93 16 1	-61 12 0	\$370 10 6	405 6 0	2,569 11 1
Otago High Schools	3,277 16 5	161 0 0	4,269 9 6	486 3 5	69 18 0	100 12 9	105 14 7	364 18 11	212 16 10	141 6 6	..	427 4 0	9,617 0 11
Southland High Schools	..	67 10 0	1,197 0 6	28 3 9	..	8 16 5	76 13 11	195 11 8	71 7 6	..	15 7 9	2,808 6 6	4,468 18 0
Totals ..	6,988 17 92,071 5	831,598 6	03,513 14 0	544 9 42,841 18	21,698 19 7	9,330 8 11	1,472 8 7	1,814 6 1	1,872 16 11	20,816 4	484,503 15 4	..	..

\* Includes £184 4s. 6d. paid to Education Board, and £325 loan.

† Includes £60, grant to Education Board.

‡ Includes £284 8s. 4d. transferred from Chapel Account.

\$ Includes £250 loan.

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

Schools.	Staff.		Attendance for Last Term or Quarter of 1897.							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.	
Auckland College and Grammar School	16	2	22	141	178	11	{ <sup>b</sup> 184 <sup>g</sup> 168}	332	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 10 10 0 <sup>s</sup> 8 8 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 3,695 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 110 0 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}		
Whangarei High School	2	..	2	16	8	1	{ <sup>b</sup> 15 <sup>g</sup> 12}	25	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 8 8 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 233 14 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	
Thames High School ..	3	..	7	22	20	2	{ <sup>b</sup> 29 <sup>g</sup> 22}	47	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 8 8 0 <sup>s</sup> 7 7 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	{ <sup>£</sup> *700 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	
New Plymouth High School	4	1	2	26	34	..	{ <sup>b</sup> 38 <sup>g</sup> 24}	58	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 6 6 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	{ <sup>£</sup> *775 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	Fees.	
Wanganui Collegiate School	9	..	6	58	108	10	182	179	142	{ <sup>£</sup> 12 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 9 0 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	45 0 0	{ <sup>£</sup> b1,625 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	
Wanganui (Girls') High School	5	3	7	25	44	4	80	73	30	{ <sup>£</sup> 10 10 0 <sup>s</sup> 8 8 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	40 0 0	{ <sup>£</sup> *730 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	{160 0 0 and fees.	
Wellington College ..	10	..	14	68	147	21	250	240	69	{ <sup>£</sup> 13 4 0 <sup>s</sup> 10 12 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	42 0 0	{ <sup>£</sup> 2,125 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	
Wellington Girls' High School	6	..	9	27	80	8	124	113	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 13 4 0 <sup>s</sup> 10 12 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 1,125 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	
Napier Boys' High School	4	..	4	14	37	1	56	54	20	{ <sup>£</sup> 9 9 0 <sup>s</sup> 8 8 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	40 0 0	{ <sup>£</sup> *790 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	
Napier Girls' High School	5	4	8	29	33	1	71	66	15	{ <sup>£</sup> 9 9 0 <sup>s</sup> 40 0 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	40 0 0	{ <sup>£</sup> *740 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	146 8 0	
Nelson College ..	5	4	7	16	57	9	89	86	20	{ <sup>£</sup> 12 12 0 <sup>s</sup> 40 0 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	40 0 0	{ <sup>£</sup> *1,230 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	
Nelson Girls' College ..	5	3	9	17	63	5	94	89	28	{ <sup>£</sup> 12 12 0 <sup>s</sup> 40 0 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	40 0 0	{ <sup>£</sup> *705 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	
Christ's College Gram- mar School	10	4	40	68	63	6	177	173	55	{ <sup>£</sup> 14 3 6 <sup>s</sup> 11 0 6 <sup>d</sup> 7 17 6}	{ <sup>£</sup> 52 10 0 <sup>s</sup> 42 0 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	{ <sup>£</sup> *2,590 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	226 7 6	
Christchurch Boys' High School	12	5	9	125	109	4	247	237	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 9 9 0 <sup>s</sup> 6 6 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 3,530 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	285 0 0	
Christchurch Girls' High School	7	6	10	50	69	4	133	115	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 12 12 0 <sup>s</sup> 9 9 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 1,100 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	217 16 0	
Rangiora High School ..	2	1	2	12	5	..	{ <sup>b</sup> 16 <sup>g</sup> 3}	18	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 9 9 0 <sup>s</sup> 40 0 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	40 0 0	{ <sup>£</sup> 220 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	No salary.	
Akaroa High School ..	1	..	..	7	9	2	{ <sup>b</sup> 11 <sup>g</sup> 7}	16	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 10 10 0 <sup>s</sup> 9 9 0 <sup>d</sup> 8 8 0}	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 215 15 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	
Ashburton High School..	3	..	..	20	22	..	{ <sup>b</sup> 28 <sup>g</sup> 14}	39	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 9 9 0 <sup>s</sup> 6 6 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 610 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	
Timaru High School ..	6	2	4	46	47	3	{ <sup>b</sup> 54 <sup>g</sup> 46}	96	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 10 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 8 0 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 1,483 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	56 0 0	
Waitaki High Schools— Boys' ..	3	1	..	22	20	1	43	40	7	{ <sup>£</sup> 10 10 0 <sup>s</sup> 8 8 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	43 10 0	{ <sup>£</sup> 740 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 12 0 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}		
Girls' ..	3	2	..	13	36	2	51	48	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 8 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 6 0 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 410 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 31 0 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}		
Otago Boys' High School	10	..	1	57	133	9	210	200	10	{ <sup>£</sup> 12 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 10 0 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	43 10 0	{ <sup>£</sup> 2,611 7 1 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	
Otago Girls' High School	9	3	3	43	78	20	144	137	11	{ <sup>£</sup> 12 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 10 0 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	40 0 0	{ <sup>£</sup> 1,625 6 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	Fees.	
Southland High School..	5	..	..	25	57	5	{ <sup>b</sup> 57 <sup>g</sup> 30}	84	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 10 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 1,175 0 0 <sup>s</sup> 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}	..	
Totals ..	143	41	166	957	1457	129	b1686 g1023	2,565	407	..	..	{ <sup>£</sup> 30,784 2 1 <sup>s</sup> 1244 11 0 <sup>d</sup> 0}		

<sup>a</sup> Headmaster has residence. <sup>b</sup> Headmaster receives no salary; seven masters reside at the school. <sup>c</sup> The principal has a house, and the teachers reside at the school. <sup>d</sup> Headmaster has house; assistant master has residence. <sup>e</sup> The headmistress has house. <sup>f</sup> Principal resides at school. <sup>g</sup> Headmaster and five others have houses. <sup>h</sup> £4 10s. for pupil of primary schools who have passed Standard IV. <sup>i</sup> Two masters teach in both schools.

## REPORTS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

## AUCKLAND COLLEGE AND GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

## 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

*Distinctions.*—The school gained one Junior University Scholarship at the examination held in December, 1896, while four other pupils passed the examination "with credit," and nineteen passed the matriculation examination. In the Civil Service examination, five passed the Senior examination, and twenty passed the Junior examination, of whom M. A. Hunter was first on the list.

*Renovations, and Extensions.*—During the year the quarters formerly occupied by the janitor have been converted into two new class-rooms. The whole of the interior has been cleaned, repaired, repainted, and several of the rooms relined, at a cost of £214 13s. 8d. The Board has imported from Messrs. Brucciani and Co. a new set of casts and plaster busts for the use of the Art classes on the girls' side.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ending 31st December, 1897.

W. WALLACE KIDD, Secretary.

*Highest.*—*Boys* : Up to standard required for Junior University Scholarships : Latin—Revised Latin Primer; Steadman's Latin Grammar Papers; Arnold's Latin Prose Composition; Sargeant's Passages for Latin Translation; Livy, Book XXI.; Horace, Odes, Book I.; Cicero, Pro Roscio Amerino; Cruttwell and Bauton's Specimens of Latin Literature; Wilkins's Primer of Roman

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.

## 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.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	194	17 8	By Office salary .. ..	30	0 0
Current income from reserves ..	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
	<u>£1,383</u>	<u>19 6</u>		<u>£1,383</u>	<u>19 6</u>

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.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	61	12 10	By Office salary .. ..	25	0 0
Current income from reserves ..	489	12 6	Other office expenses .. ..	2	18 4
Paid by School Commissioners ..	371	13 3	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	766	17 11
School fees .. ..	287	14 0	Prizes .. ..	17	4 6
			Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	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
	<u>£1,210</u>	<u>12 7</u>		<u>£1,210</u>	<u>12 7</u>

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, 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 (Dalglish) 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.

WANGANUI COLLEGIATE SCHOOL.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
To Balance .. ..	..	222	1	10	By Office salary .. ..	..	53	14	0
Current income from reserves ..	..	835	14	6	Other office expenses .. ..	..	16	6	4
Mr. Empson— <i>re</i> buildings .. ..	..	126	0	0	Other expenses of management ..	..	14	10	0
Insurances refunded .. ..	..	3	13	3	Site and buildings .. ..	..	933	13	5
Balance .. ..	..	134	6	2	Fencing, repairs, &c. .. ..	..	91	1	9
					Rents, insurance, and taxes ..	..	93	17	7
					Interest .. ..	..	118	12	8
		£1,321	15	9			£1,321	15	9

EDWARD N. LIFFITON, Secretary.

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

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

*Highest.*—Latin, Greek, French, English, mathematics, science—all up to junior scholarship standard; also divinity.

*Lowest*.—Latin, English, grammar, history, geography, arithmetic, drawing, divinity.

There is a large carpenter's shop, erected by the boys, where they receive instruction from one of the staff.

### 3. SCHOLARSHIPS.

Eight Education Board scholarships were held at the school. To the holders of three of these, and to twelve others, the head-master gave free tuition.

WANGANUI GIRLS' COLLEGE.

### 1. REVENUE ACCOUNT.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
To Balance from 1896 .. ..	.. ..	1,029	18	5	By Office staff—				
Interest on mortgages, £237 10s.; fixed deposit, £35 .. ..	.. ..	272	10	0	Secretary .. ..	£20	0	0	
Rents from endowments leased .. ..	.. ..	231	0	0	Clerk .. ..	20	0	0	
School Commissioners—									
Taranaki .. ..	£228 6 9								40 0 0
Wellington .. ..	40 11 0								50 15 1
		268	17	9	General expenses .. ..				1,135 12 11
School fees, tuition .. ..	.. ..	1,167	10	0	Teachers' salaries and fees .. ..				47 14 0
„ boarding .. ..	.. ..	1,181	1	4	Caretaker .. ..				55 5 3
Donation .. ..	.. ..	1	0	0	School-books and stationery .. ..				54 14 1
Contractor's deposit .. ..	.. ..	17	0	0	Furnishing Account .. ..				16 13 0
					Fire insurance .. ..				6 17 6
					School requisites .. ..				13 10 0
					Borough rates .. ..				1,173 18 0
					Boarding fees .. ..				12 7 8
					Building .. ..				6 0 0
					Telephone .. ..				38 14 10
					Repairs .. ..				11 17 6
					Site .. ..				25 8 0
					Tennis court .. ..				1 14 4
					Legal expenses .. ..				1,477 15 4
					Balance .. ..				
		£4,168	17	6					

### INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
Balance at 31st December, 1896 ..	..	3,650	0	0	Balance on mortgage, 31st December, 1897		3,650	0	0

A. W. BROWNE, Secretary.

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

## 2. WORK OF HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest*.—English, French, mathematics, mechanics—as prescribed for degree of B.A., University of New Zealand. Latin—Bradley's *Arnold*, 140 pages; Abbott's *Latin Prose* through English Idiom, pages 1–58, and 109–122; Virgil's *Æneid*, Books 4 and 5; Cicero, *De Amicitia*. Scripture—Life of Christ, and history of Bible translation.

*Lowest.*—English—Longmans' Fifth Reader; Mason's First Notions of English Grammar. Geography of Australasia. History—Tales from English History. Arithmetic—Weights and measures. French—Chardenal's First Course, seventy exercises. Scripture—Life of Christ.

*Arrangements for Manual and Technical Instruction.*—During the winter term practical lessons are given in cookery. Sewing is taught to all pupils not learning Latin. Most pupils receive instruction in drawing twice weekly.

### 3. SCHOLARSHIPS.

Three Education Board scholarships were held at the school. To the holder of one of these, and to three others, the Board gave free tuition.







A carpenter's shop was provided some years ago, and a competent instructor at a fee of 5s. a term, boys providing their own tools and materials. For the first two years after its establishment eight boys or thereabouts attended, with favourable results. Very little, if any, advantage of it has been taken for some years. Some parents objected to pay the cost of tools and materials, and it must also be added that the boys grew to look on it as irksome.

During school hours instruction is given in botany and agricultural science, freehand, geometrical and mechanical drawing, shorthand, and book-keeping. If desired, practical surveying may be taken out of school hours, and from time to time boys have availed themselves of the opportunity.

#### Girls.

*Highest.*—Arithmetic—Whole subject. Algebra, including theory of quadratics, ratio, proportion, and variation. Geometry—Books I. to VI. Trigonometry to solution of triangles. Latin—Livy, Hannibalian War; Kennedy's Grammar. French—Brachet, Grammar; L'ancien Régime et la Révolution; easy pieces into French. History—William III. to Victoria. Geography—General Grammar, to standard of junior scholarship; text-books, Morris and Mason's. Botany—Matriculation standard. Theory of Music—Matriculation standard.

*Lowest.*—Arithmetic—Compound rules, weights and measures, simple practice, bills of parcels, reduction. History—Gardiner, 1603 to 1670. Geography—New Zealand, Australia, England. Grammar—Parts of speech, easy parsing and analysis. Object lessons on plant-life chiefly; reading, spelling, drawing (freehand), needlework, and drill. Classes are held in drawing (freehand and model), botany, and needlework.

#### 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The schools gave free education to thirty holders of scholarships given by the School Commissioners and twenty given by the Education Board.

### GISBORNE HIGH SCHOOL.

#### 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

SIR,

Gisborne, 18th May, 1898.

I have the honour to transmit the accounts of the Gisborne High School Board of Governors.

Secondary education in the Gisborne and Poverty Bay District is still admirably supplied by the Gisborne District High School. As you are aware, the Education Board are guaranteed against loss in supplying secondary education in the upper standards of the school.

The Governors have much pleasure in reporting to you their entire satisfaction with the arrangement made.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Minister for Education, Wellington.

C. A. DE LAUTOUR, Hon. Sec.

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

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	509	9 9	By Scholarships .. ..	139	8 0
Current income from reserves .. ..	80	0 0	Prizes .. ..	2	18 6
Interest on investments .. ..	97	11 3	Printing, stationery, and advertising .. ..	1	4 7
Paid by School Commissioners .. ..	223	19 8	Fees paid for pupils' instruction in technical cookery .. ..	4	10 0
Interest on deposit account .. ..	4	11 6	Renewal portion of Grayson's loan received as insurance money .. ..	124	13 9
			Subsidy to Education Board .. ..	184	4 6
			Mortgage—J. Parker .. ..	325	0 0
			Balance .. ..	133	12 3
	<u>£915</u>	<u>11 7</u>		<u>£915</u>	<u>11 7</u>

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.

DURING the year the term of office of three members of the Council expired—namely, the Hon. Mr. Barnicoat, Mr. Sclanders, and Colonel Pitt. His Excellency the Governor has reappointed the former and latter, while Mr. T. H. Bannehr takes the place of Mr. Sclanders.

The annual reports of the Examiners again refer very highly to the work, as a whole, at both colleges.

#### *The Boys' College.*

The average number on the roll has continued satisfactory during the past year, while at the present time the number both of boarders and day pupils is largely increased.

Four boys passed their University Terms Examinations, and the present year shows a large increase in the number of students keeping terms at the college. Three boys entered for the University Junior Scholarship Examination, and, although they failed to obtain scholarships, all of them got into the "Pass with credit" list.

It is with pleasure that the Governors can again refer to the success achieved by an old college boy. Mr. E. Rutherford has obtained the "Coutts Trotter" Scholarship, value £250, for original investigation in electricity.

*The Staff.*—The following new appointments have been made: Mr. Frank Milner, M.A., to the mastership vacated by Mr. C. Broad, B.A., and the Rev. E. C. Isaac to the post of Drawing Master and Technical Instructor. (It is intended to carry on a more systematic study of technical work so soon as arrangements are completed.)

Some important improvements have been effected at the college. A handsome and commodious gymnasium has been erected, partly by subscriptions of the headmaster, Mr. Joynt, present and former pupils and private friends, supplemented by a grant from the Governors. The new gymnasium will doubtless add greatly to the pleasure and profit of the students in their health exercises. It certainly does so to the appearance to the college buildings. To the internal decorations a handsome addition has been made by the introduction of an Honours Board, designed by, and erected under the supervision of, the Rev. E. C. Isaac. The list of names of former students who have gained distinction in their several departments is a long one, and reflects credit alike on themselves and on the college where they received the foundation on which their present honourable position stands. The Principal is to be much congratulated on the success to his efforts in connection with these works.

#### *The Girls' College.*

It is satisfactory to record a considerable increase in the number of pupils, both boarders and day scholars. The capacity of the boarding part of the establishment has been used to its fullest extent.

The past year has been successful in examination honours. Four students have passed their First Year's Terms Examination. One passed the Third Year's, and sat for the final section of the B.A. degree, the result of which is not yet known. Five have passed the Matriculation Examination of 1897; one the Junior and one the Senior Civil Service Examination of the previous year.

A cookery class held during the winter term was well attended. A gas stove and other necessary appliances were erected in one of the large rooms of the college. Dancing and gymnasium classes were also well attended.

*The Staff.*—Miss E. H. Pearce, M.A., was appointed as an extra teacher, and has since succeeded to the post vacated by Miss Watt, M.A., Miss M. E. Lawrell, M.A., taking Miss Pearce's former post.

#### AVERAGE ATTENDANCES.

	1895.	1896.	1897.
Boys' College ... ..	90	95	95
Girls' College ... ..	83	87	99

## 2. STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for Year ending 31st December, 1897.

### *Endowment Account.*

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Rents .. .. .	995	19	7	By Law costs .. .. .	2	8	8
Interest .. .. .	490	13	11	Rates and taxes .. .. .	6	6	8
School Commissioners' subsidy .. .. .	225	0	0	Insurance .. .. .	5	15	6
Sundry .. .. .	2	0	0	Printing and advertising .. .. .	5	7	6
				Stationery .. .. .	8	4	9
				Repairs .. .. .	9	12	6
				Governors' fees, &c. .. .. .	33	6	6
				Office rent .. .. .	32	10	0
				Office cleaning and gas .. .. .	9	2	7
				Office furniture .. .. .	5	12	0
				Secretary .. .. .	50	0	0
				Interest on Girls' College mortgage .. .. .	110	0	0
				Petty cash—postages and sundries .. .. .	28	0	0

### *Boys' College.*

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Boarding-fees .. .. .	834	1	8	By Boarding expenses .. .. .	778	15	1
Tuition-fees .. .. .	1,196	7	2	Tuition expenses .. .. .	1,345	10	1
				Scholarships—			
				Foundation .. .. .	72	12	0
				Endowed .. .. .	116	12	0
				Free tuition .. .. .	138	12	0
				Governors', Examiners', and Auditors' fees .. .. .	66	17	3
				Stationery and prizes .. .. .	87	11	4
				Printing and advertising .. .. .	18	10	11
				Gas .. .. .	58	13	5
				Rents and taxes .. .. .	15	0	0
				Law costs .. .. .	1	5	9
				Insurance .. .. .	22	10	0
				Repairs .. .. .	2	13	6
				Furniture .. .. .	44	7	8
				Telephone .. .. .	6	0	0
				Subscriptions to sports and magazine .. .. .	23	3	0
				Gymnasium .. .. .	50	0	0
				Secretary .. .. .	50	0	0
				Sundries .. .. .	18	2	3

*Girls' College.*

To Boarding-fees .. .. .	1,215	14	4	By Boarding expenses .. .. .	914	19	9
Tuition-fees .. .. .	1,462	5	2	Tuition expenses .. .. .	975	17	5
				Scholarships—			
				Foundation .. .. .	60	4	0
				Endowed .. .. .	82	12	0
				Free tuition .. .. .	126	0	0
				Governors', Examiners', and Auditors' fees .. .. .	64	15	3
				Stationery and prizes .. .. .	93	2	4
				Printing and advertising .. .. .	19	4	1
				Gas .. .. .	58	4	8
				Rates and taxes .. .. .	15	0	0
				Law costs .. .. .	1	5	9
				Insurance .. .. .	28	3	9
				Repairs .. .. .	30	9	1
				Furniture .. .. .	61	15	3
				Secretary .. .. .	50	0	0
				Sundries .. .. .	17	15	0
					5,822	13	3
				Balance .. .. .	599	8	7
					£6,422	1	10

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.

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

## 3. WORK OF HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Boys.*

*Highest.*—Latin—Virgil, *Æneid*, Book IX.; Cicero, *Pro Milone*; sight translation from Horace, Virgil, Cicero, and Livy. Roman History—Horton. Grammar and composition—Miscellaneous. Greek—Plato, *Apologia Socratis*; Homer, *Odyssey*, Book IX. Mathematics—Euclid, I. to VI., with deductions, Hall and Stevens; algebra, to binomial theorem, Hall and Knight's *Higher Algebra*; trigonometry, Lock; dynamics, Lock; statics, Hamblin Smith; hydrostatics, Hamblin Smith. English—Grammar, Mason (the whole book); composition, Abbott's *How to Write Clearly*; Milton, *Paradise Lost*, Book II.; Burke, *Reflections on the French Revolution*; Chaucer, *Clerk's Tale*; Stopford Brooke, *Primer of English Literature*; Scott and Dalgleish, *Higher Grade English*. Science—Sound and light; Ganot's *Physics*; Chemistry, Jago's *Advanced*. French—De Tocqueville, *L'Ancien Régime et la Revolution*; Dumas, *Les Demoiselles de St. Cyr*; French literature, Saintsbury; Grammar and Composition, Eve and De Baudiss, Blouët.

*Lowest.*—Grammar—Hall's *Primary*. History—Gardiner's *Outlines*. Geography—Longmans' *Series I.*, British Isles and British possessions. Reading—Longmans' *Geographical Readers*. Object-lessons. Latin—Morris, *Elementa Latina*. French—Chardenal, *First French Course*, &c., Ex. 1 to 90. Arithmetic—As for third and fourth standards.

For manual work an instructor has been appointed and a workshop is in contemplation.

*Girls.*

*Highest.*—Mathematics—Todhunter's *Larger Algebra* to binomial theorem; Lock's *Trigonometry*; Hall and Stevens's *Euclid*, Books I. to IV.; Definitions of Books V. and VI. Latin—Grammar, Bradley's *Arnold's*; Abbott's *Latin Prose Composition*; Latin Prose at sight and prepared. Translation, Cicero, *Pro Milone*; Virgil, *Æneid*, Book IX.; *Georgics*, II. French—Grammar: Brachet's *Historical Grammar*; Wellington College Grammar; Bue's *Idioms*; Blouët's *French Prose*. Translation: De Tocqueville's *French Revolution*; Scribe's *Le Verre d'Eau*; Dumas's *Les Demoiselles de St. Cyr*. Science—Electricity, heat, and sound. English—Morris's *Historical Grammar*; Mason's *Grammar*; Abbott and Seeley's *English Lessons for the English People*; Abbott's *How to Write Clearly*; Anglo-Saxon *Primer*; First and Second Middle English *Primers*; Lectures on the Literature of Period; Readings from Authors of the Period; Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* and *Hamlet*. History—Lectures on Period. Political Economy—Walker and Jevons.

*Lowest.*—Arithmetic, Simple and compound rules. English—Reading; writing; spelling; composition; parts of speech; easy parsing; Phoebe's *Tales from Shakespeare*. Geography—The chief divisions of the world (Europe and New Zealand more particularly). Gardiner's *History*, Part I. Object-lessons and elementary botany.

Sewing is taught in the middle and lower school. A cooking class was held during the winter months. Freehand drawing is taught in all the forms. Model drawing is taught in the middle and upper school.

## 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; one at £6; one at £5; one at £4; one at £3.



were granted to four boys during the year, making a total of twenty-eight boys receiving free education at the school.

*Physical Education.*—The subject of physical education is not covered by the questions sent to the Governing Body by the Education Department, but deserves a brief mention. Continued attention has been paid during the year, with good results, to drill under Major W. V. Richards, and to gymnastics under Mr. C. Harling, assisted by Mr. A. E. Flower. Both of these subjects are compulsory. Swimming has been taught to the boys of the lower school by the Chief Master, Mr. G. H. Merton, in school hours; and Dr. W. P. Evans has kindly attended at the swimming-bath in the grounds at certain times outside school hours, to assist beginners from all parts of the school. The Cadet Corps, officered by boys, and instructed by Major Richards, has more than maintained its numbers and efficiency. In the third term it was inspected by His Excellency the Governor of the Colony, and by Colonel Pole Penton, who were pleased to express favourable opinions, thereby confirming the remarks made by Colonel Gordon, the officer commanding the district, at his quarterly inspections.

C. CHRISTCHURCH, Warden.

## 2. 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 higher 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 *Somes Scholarships* 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 year. The scholarships are tenable for two years, and cover the ordinary school fees for tuition.

*Somes Junior Scholarships.*—Five are to be offered, if funds permit, in each year. The scholarships are tenable for two years, and of the value of £18 per annum, with the addition of £15 per annum in the case of boarders in one of the school houses.

*Somes Senior Scholarships.*—Four are to be offered, if funds permit, in each year. The scholarships are tenable for one year, and of the value of £25, with the addition of £20 in the case of boarders in one of the school houses.

*Somes Scholarships for Music.*—Sixteen scholarships, covering the school fees for tuition, and eight of half the value, are given after examination. The boys elected become members of the Cathedral choir. Tenure depends upon the satisfactory performance of duty both in the school and in the choir.

The Junior and Senior Scholarships given by the Board of Education are tenable in the school, and may be held together with Entrance or *Somes Scholarships*.

*Buller and Reay Foundation.*—Exhibitions are given to the sons of clergy ministering in the Diocese of Christchurch and to others who may require assistance; also, six exhibitions of £2 are awarded at the end of each term to members of the chapel choir, and two of £12 a year for two years to specially deserving boys on leaving the Cathedral choir.

## 3. GENERAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the Year ending 15th May, 1897.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Current income from land ..	1,849	2 11	By Balance ..	2,009	12 3
Income from scholarship endowments ..	907	19 2	Management—Office salary ..	185	0 0
School fees ..	2,093	12 3	Other office expenses ..	18	0 3
Sundry incidental receipts not classified ..	16	6 0	Teachers salaries and allowances ..	2,634	7 6
Balance ..	2,082	4 2	Scholarships ..	828	1 10
			Examiners' fees and other expenses ..	53	6 6
			Prizes ..	56	10 2
			Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	78	1 9
			Cleaning, fuel, light, caretakers, &c. ..	212	3 1
			Fittings and school material ..	22	16 3
			Fencing, repairs, &c. ..	223	18 9
			Insurance ..	49	5 10
			Interest on current account ..	59	9 10
			Boys' Games Fund ..	111	2 9
			Expenses in connection with land estate ..	122	19 5
			Dr. balance transferred from Chapel Account ..	284	8 4
	£6,949	4 6		£6,949	4 6

C. CHRISTCHURCH, Warden.

W. G. BRITTAN, Bursar.

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

## 4. WORK OF HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest Form.*—Latin, French, English (for part of which one boy substituted Greek), mathematics, chemistry, heat, to standard of examination for Junior University Scholarships.

*Lowest Form* (of lower or preparatory department).—Reading and spelling—Ship Reader No. III. and Relfe's No. IV. to p. 60. Grammar and composition. History of England—Brief, to





## GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL, CHRISTCHURCH.

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

<i>Receipts..</i>			<i>Expenditure..</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	1,154	15 7	By Office salary .. ..	60	0 0
Current income from reserves..	313	13 10	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	1,497	17 0
Interest on moneys invested and on unpaid purchase-money .. ..	224	4 1	Examinations—Examiners' fees ..	55	7 0
School fees .. ..	1,517	15 6	Other expenses .. ..	11	8 0
Interest on current account .. ..	35	14 6	Scholarships .. ..	240	0 0
Proceeds from cooking class .. ..	24	12 8	Prizes .. ..	31	17 3
			Printing, stationery, advertising, stamps, and telegrams .. ..	63	1 3
			Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	17	14 11
			Site and buildings .. ..	19	18 6
			Fencing, repairs, &c... ..	14	10 0
			Insurance .. ..	9	19 3
			Inspecting reserves .. ..	5	0 0
			Expenses of cooking class .. ..	43	13 4
			Transfer to Investment Account ..	900	0 0
			Music .. ..	2	2 6
			Sundries .. ..	15	2 7
			Balance .. ..	283	4 7
	<u>£3,270</u>	<u>16 2</u>		<u>£3,270</u>	<u>16 2</u>

H. R. WEBB, Chairman.

A. CRACROFT WILSON, Registrar, Canterbury College.

## 2. WORK OF HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—Mathematics—Algebra, Euclid, trigonometry, as for Junior University Scholarship. Text Books—Algebra, Hamblin Smith, Hall and Knight; Euclid, Hall and Stevens; trigonometry, Loney, Part I. Latin, translation—Horace, Odes, Book IV.; Virgil, *Æneid*, Books I. and VI.; Cicero, Catiline Orations; Tacitus, *Agricola*. History, prose, &c.—Horton's Roman History; Bradley's Arnold; Simpson's Cæsarian Prose; Abbott's Latin Prose through English Idiom. English—Shakespeare, *Tempest*; Chaucer, *Knyghte's Tale*; Tennyson, *Selections*; Mason's Grammar; Stopford Brooke's *Primer of English Literature*. French—Chardenal's *Advanced French Course*. Translation, *Pour une Epingle*; *Le Gendre de M. Poirier*; *L'Abbé Constantin*. Science—Heat, as required for Junior University Scholarship; textbook, Glazebrook's *Heat*. Botany, as above; textbook, Dendy and Lucas.

*Lowest.*—English—Reading, Southern Cross Reader, No. 4; grammar, Longmans' School Grammar; history of literature, Stronach's *English Literature*; composition, on subjects from reading-books. French—Exercises from Chardenal's *First French Course*. Arithmetic—Elementary rules, without textbook. Geography—Knowledge of principal features of continents, and of the more important towns; textbook, Petrie's *Geography for Schools of N.Z.* History—Period from 1066 to 1485; textbook, Ransome's *Elementary History*. Botany—Elementary work, without textbook.

## 3. SCHOLARSHIPS.

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

## RANGIORA HIGH SCHOOL.

## 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

THE year opened and closed with nineteen pupils on the roll. Three received free education, being admitted as scholarship pupils from the Rangiora and Saltwater Creek State schools. Steady work was done during the year, and in December Mr. F. Wake, B.A., conducted an examination. In his report he stated that, on the whole, the results were satisfactory.

C. I. JENNINGS, Secretary.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ending 31st December, 1897.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	142	2 3	By Office expenses .. ..	1	0 9
Current income from reserves ..	93	6 6	Teacher's salary .. ..	222	2 0
School fees .. ..	141	4 6	Examiner's fee .. ..	9	2 0
			Prizes .. ..	1	5 0
			Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	5	19 1
			Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	13	13 9
			Fencing, repairs, &c... ..	26	1 0
			Rents, insurance, and taxes .. ..	3	18 9
			Expenses of surveys, sales, management, &c. .. ..	2	10 0
			Rail fares for scholars .. ..	4	10 0
			Balance .. ..	86	10 11
	<u>£376</u>	<u>13 3</u>		<u>£376</u>	<u>13 3</u>

E. R. GOOD, Chairman.

C. I. JENNINGS, Secretary.

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

## 3. WORK OF HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—Latin—Bradley's Arnold's Latin Prose; Abbott's Via Latina; Livy, Book I. Euclid—Hall and Stevens, Books I. to IV. Algebra—Hall and Knight, to simple equations. English—Longmans' Grammar; Goldsmith's Deserted Village; Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet; Longmans' Composition; Stopford Brooke's Primer of English Literature. Geography—Meiklejohn's New Geography, British Empire, Europe and Asia. History—Meiklejohn's, from William and Mary to Victoria. Arithmetic—Hamblin Smith's, whole subject. French—Henri Bue's First French Book. Art Needlework—Girls' division. Writing—Vere Foster's Civil Service series. Drawing—Blair's drawing books.

*Lowest.*—Latin—Morris's Elementa Latina. Geography—Zealandia. Grammar—Longmans' Junior. Arithmetic—Southern Cross. History—Royal School series; Brief History of England. English—Reading, Royal series Standard V. Reading Book and Round the Empire. Writing—Vere Foster's Civil Service series. Art Needlework—Girls' division. Drawing—The New Zealand drawing-book and Blair's drawing-book.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The school gave free education to three pupils.

## ASHBURTON 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 Current income from reserves..	512	4 9	By Balance ..	52	13 8
School fees ..	187	5 0	Office salary ..	20	0 0
Books, &c., sold and other refunds ..	1	2 0	Other office expenses..	4	19 6
Balance ..	101	14 3	Other expenses of management ..	11	11 10
			Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	602	12 8
			Prizes ..	9	14 6
			Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	16	18 6
			Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. ..	31	12 6
			Fencing, repairs, &c. ..	32	3 10
			Rents, insurance, and taxes ..	2	19 0
			Interest ..	5	19 0
			Inspecting properties ..	4	4 0
			Refund fees ..	2	2 0
			Trees ..	4	15 0
	<u>£802</u>	<u>6 0</u>		<u>£802</u>	<u>6 0</u>

ANDREW ORR, Chairman.

CHARLES BRADDELL, Secretary.

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

## 2. WORK OF HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—Latin, French, English—Matriculation work. Arithmetic, Euclid, algebra, trigonometry, statics, physics (sound and light)—University Junior Scholarship work. Botany—Huxley's Primer and notes. Roman History—Creighton's Rome and notes.

*Lowest.*—English—Royal Reader, No. VI.; Southern Cross Grammar, Standard V. History—Ransome's History, 1688 to 1837. Arithmetic—Southern Cross, Standard IV. Latin—Via Latina, to page 39. French—Chardenal's First French Course, to page 78. Algebra—Hall and Knight, to page 96. Euclid—Book I., to prop. 26.

## 3. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The school gave free education to twelve pupils. Four scholarships of the North Canterbury Education Board were held at the school.

## AKAROA HIGH SCHOOL.

## 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

SIR,—

Akaroa, 1st January, 1898.

The school has progressed most favourably during the year 1897, under the able management of Mr. J. B. Harrison, M.A. The attendance of pupils has exceeded that of former years, and several pupils have matriculated, the school having thus thoroughly fulfilled its mission as a link between the primary school and the University.

The Hon. the Minister for Education.

I have, &c.,

H. C. JACOBSON, Chairman.

## 2. WORK OF HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—Arithmetic—Algebra (for Matriculation); Euclid, Books I. to III. Latin—Abbott's Via Latina; Bradley's Latin Prose Composition, pp. 1-165; Cæsar. English—Hewitt and Beath's Manual; Longmans' School Composition; Shakespeare, Julius Cæsar. French—Macmillan's Course, Book II., Ex. 1 to 29. History—Ransome's; William III. to William IV. Geography—MacTurk's Physical Geography, and Nelson's, Book V.

*Lowest*.—Arithmetic—Elementary. Latin—Declensions. English—Various, and grammar. French—Macmillan's Course, Book I. History—Gardiner's Outlines. Geography—Nelson's Royal Reader, Book V. Reading; writing; dictation; elementary drawing, &c.

### 3. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The school gave free education to two pupils.

#### 4. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ending 31st December, 1897.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	99	3 6	By Stamps and cheque-book .. ..	0	7 6
Current income from reserves .. ..	119	0 10	Teacher's salary .. ..	200	0 0
School fees .. ..	138	6 6	Prizes .. ..	2	13 0
Interest on fixed deposit .. ..	2	3 9	Printing, stationery, and advertising .. ..	0	7 0
			Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	9	3 4
			Fencing, repairs, &c. . . .	1	2 6
			Rents, insurance, and taxes .. ..	35	12 6
			Interest .. ..	0	2 0
			Balance .. ..	109	6 9
	<u>£358</u>	<u>14 7</u>		<u>£358</u>	<u>14 7</u>

H. C. JACOBSON, Chairman and Secretary.

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

### TIMARU HIGH SCHOOL.

#### 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

FOUR pupils passed the matriculation examination held in December, 1897, two others passed for matriculation on the University Junior Scholarship examination, and in the latter examination one other pupil, Leonard Talbot, gained fourth place on the credit list. One boy passed the Junior Civil Service examination. Several former pupils also distinguished themselves in the College and University examinations: I may mention particularly Miss Maud Lawrell, M.A. degree with honours in Greek and French; Mr. Alexander Bell, M.A. degree, with first-class honours in mathematics; Mr. E. J. Parr, first section B.A. degree, Somes' studentship, Christ's College University department, and exhibition for experimental science, Canterbury College; Mr. J. S. Cooper, first section B.A. degree.

During the year a disastrous fire almost completely destroyed the school buildings and most of the furniture and apparatus. The Board has taken advantage of the opportunity thus given to separate the boys and girls. These are now quite distinct, and in the new buildings each sex will have its own staff and its own school premises. The separation of the two schools has rendered necessary a re-organisation of the staff. Mr. George Hogben, M.A., formerly headmaster of the combined school, has been made headmaster of the Boys' High School, with Mr. A. J. Mayne, M.A., and Mr. M. H. Browne (intermediate M.B., London University), as assistant masters. Miss Mary Jane McLean, M.A., has been appointed headmistress of the Girls' High School, with Miss B. Watt, M.A. (formerly of Nelson Girls' College), and Mrs. E. J. Pearson (certificate Victoria) as assistant mistresses. This arrangement has involved the displacement of one master, Mr. E. T. Norris, M.A., whose loss is much regretted, as he was captain of the cadet corps, and took a very active interest in all the out-door amusements of the boys. He has been appointed to a post in the Otago Boys' High School.

WM. B. HOWELL, Chairman.

#### 2. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ending 31st December, 1897.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	1,220	12 7	By Office salary .. ..	70	0 0
Current income from reserves .. ..	1,438	16 3	Other office expenses .. ..	10	11 10
Interest on moneys invested .. ..	74	15 9	Other expenses of management—		
School fees .. ..	556	8 0	Legal .. ..	23	9 8
Sale of tanks .. ..	5	0 0	Steward .. ..	10	10 0
Exchange .. ..	0	1 0	Travelling members .. ..	18	8 0
Insurance .. ..	2,977	14 0	Teachers' salaries and allowances .. ..	1,525	0 0
Interest .. ..	37	13 11	Scholarships .. ..	84	0 0
			Prizes .. ..	18	0 0
			Printing, stationery, and advertising .. ..	91	19 5
			Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	101	8 10
			Fencing, repairs, &c. . . .	51	9 7
			Rents, insurance, and taxes .. ..	32	7 0
			Endowments, architect's fees, and protective works .. ..	19	15 6
			Rebuilding and restoration .. ..	548	0 5
			Balance .. ..	3,755	16 3
	<u>£6,810</u>	<u>16 6</u>		<u>£6,810</u>	<u>16 6</u>

WM. B. HOWELL, 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's Richard II.; Lamb's Elia; Bacon's Essays; selections from Morris and Skeat's Specimens of Early English; Abbott and Seeley's Lessons for English People; Great Authors, Part I.; Peile's Philology. Latin—Ovid, selections from Fasti and Epistles; Sallust, Catilina; unseen translation, various, from Cæsar, Cicero, Virgil, Livy; Via Latina; Smith's Smaller Latin Grammar; Bryan's Prose Exercises on Cæsar; Horton's History of the Romans. French—Xavier de Maistre, Voyage autour de ma Chambre; About, Modern French Authors, I.; Fontaine, Fables; unseen, various; Brachet-Dussouchet, Grammaire Supérieure; Macmillan's Composition, I. and II.; Vecqueray's Composition Papers. Mathematics—Pendlebury's Arithmetic; Hall and Knight's Algebra to binomial theorem; Euclid, Hall and Stevens's, I. to VI.; Lock's Trigonometry, to solution of triangles. Science—Botany and electricity to Junior Scholarship Standard; text-books used, Thome and Bennett's Structural and Physiological Botany, Aitken's Botany. Geography—British Empire; astronomical geography, physical geography, and commercial geography. History—General sketch of the History of the British Constitution; Political and Social Progress in the Victorian Era; Gardiner's Student's History, Part III., especially 1689–1815. Commercial Class—Book-keeping; Pitman's shorthand; tots; correspondence and indexing of letters.

*Lowest.*—Longmans' Junior Composition; Gatty's Parables from Nature; Macaulay's Lays; Bowen's Simple British Poems, Part II.; Masterman Ready (Bell); Longmans' Historical Reader, No. V.; Longmans' Geographical Reader, VI.; Myall's Object-lessons from Nature; Southern Cross Arithmetics, IV. and V.

## 4. MANUAL AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION.

Besides the technical instruction referred to above (commercial classes), instruction was given in mensuration, drawing (freehand, geometrical, model, and mechanical), sloyd (cardboard), and carpentry. In regard to the latter, a new departure was made by placing the work under the direction of the drawing-master, Mr. M. H. Browne, and so securing better co-ordination between the mechanical drawing and the work done in the workshop. In all the practical work the object aimed at is the training of hand and eye, not the teaching of a trade. The instruction gives manual training, and bears only an indirect relation to what is more strictly called technical education.

The practical work done in physics and geography and in some other subjects bears in the same direction. All the work done in the practical physics class is individual work, and the geography includes elementary surveying and the drawing of plans and the construction of models.

The carpentry workshop has been built for eight years. It is fitted with a circular saw and lathe, with benches, tools, and cupboards. In the new buildings one room, available for both schools, is fitted up with tables, stools, sinks, balances, cupboards, drying-furnace, gas-burners, and other appliances necessary for a physical laboratory; two other rooms (one in the Girls' High School and one in the Boys' High School) are provided with tables, stools, and microscopes for practical work in botany.

The construction of cardboard models has a direct bearing on drawing to scale, and on the lessons in geometry, and an indirect influence on other parts of the school curriculum.

The charge for carpentry is 5s. per term. The articles made are the property of the school, but generally boys are allowed to take away at the end of the year any article of their own making, the cost of material, if appreciable, being paid. All the work is done in the ordinary school hours.

The number in attendance at the classes named above were, during 1897: Freehand drawing—Boys, 21; girls, 44: total, 65. Model drawing—Boys, 21; girls, 33: total, 54. Geometrical drawing—Boys, 14; girls, 9: total, 23. Mechanical drawing—Boys, 20. Sloyd (cardboard)—Boys, 16; girls, 21: total, 37. Carpentry—Boys, 20. Mensuration—Boys, 22; girls, 8: total, 30. Needlework and cutting-out—Girls, 23. Physiology and domestic economy—Girls, 19. Practical physics—Boys, 13; girls, 6: total, 19. Botany—Boys, 28; girls, 38: total, 66. Electricity and magnetism—Boys, 11; girls, 7: total, 18. Elementary physics—Boys, 18; girls, 9: total, 27. Book-keeping—Boys, 19; girls, 6: total, 25. Shorthand—Boys, 9; girls, 8: total, 17.

## 5. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Board gave free education to seventeen holders of Education Board's scholarships; nineteen holders of High School exhibitions, granted to those not gaining scholarships, though obtaining more than half marks at the scholarship examination; three holders of upper school exhibitions, awarded on the results of the Timaru High School annual examination; one junior scholar, who is paid £34 in addition to school fees.

## WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL.

## 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

THE number of pupils taking secondary education in Waimate District High School during last quarter of 1897, and whose fees for education were paid by this Board of Governors, was 18. Although this number is one less than the number returned for the same term in 1896, the Governors are well satisfied with the results of the work done in the District School during 1897; with plan of examination for free exhibitioners whose fees are to be paid by this Board, as commenced at close of year 1896; and also with the work done by the Headmaster and his assistant in secondary education.

The Governors have reason to expect a considerable increase in the number of pupils taking secondary education, and good progress by the pupils in the different subjects during the year 1898.

W. COLTMAN, Chairman.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ending 31st December, 1897.

Receipts.			Expenditure.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	1,480	6 0	By Office salary .. ..	15	15 0
Current income from reserves ..	209	5 1	Postages, &c. .. ..	2	2 0
Interest on moneys invested and on unpaid purchase-money .. ..	12	10 0	South Canterbury Education Board, for teachers' salaries .. ..	150	0 0
Interest on fixed deposits .. ..	38	8 0	Examinations—Examiners' fees ..	5	5 0
			Other expenses .. ..	3	3 0
			Scholarships .. ..	25	0 0
			Prizes .. ..	8	16 0
			Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	11	2 8
			Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	1	0 0
			Interest .. ..	0	7 0
			Endowments—Proceeds invested ..	500	0 0
			High School pupils' fees and railway passes paid by Board .. ..	62	10 0
			Members' travelling-expenses .. ..	8	10 0
			Solicitor .. ..	0	10 6
			Exchanges .. ..	0	3 6
			Balance .. ..	946	6 5
	<u>£1,740</u>	<u>9 1</u>		<u>£1,740</u>	<u>9 1</u>

W. COLTMAN, Chairman.

G. H. GRAHAM, Secretary.

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

## WAITAKI HIGH SCHOOL.

## 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

It is pleasing to note that the attendance at both schools shows a satisfactory increase.

There have been some changes in the teaching staff of the Boys' School. Mr. W. G. Grave was promoted to the position of first assistant *vice* Mr. D. A. Watt, who was appointed *pro tempore* in 1896. Mr. R. L. McIlroy, M.A., was chosen out of several applicants as second assistant. The Board decided to appoint a visiting sewing- and drawing-mistress at the Girls' School, and Miss McCaw was the successful applicant. Sergeant-major McPherson was also appointed drill-instructor.

The schools and outbuildings have undergone considerable repair. The gymnasium was fitted with additional appliances, and the floor covered with several loads of logwood. The grounds surrounding the schools have been carefully attended to, the gorse and plantations having been grubbed and thoroughly cleaned.

The Rector, with the assistance of the Governors, has during the past year fitted up a chemical laboratory at some considerable cost, and appliances for same were imported from England.

The swimming-baths were thoroughly cleaned, the bottom paved with shingle, and fresh water laid on from the Oamaru mains. A substantial fence was erected round them.

The Mayor and several citizens of Oamaru, with Mr. John Reid, of Elderslie, presented a set of meteorological instruments, including one maximum and two minimum wet- and dry-bulb hygrometers, a Tortin barometer, a Snowdon rain-gauge, and an anemometer. These have been placed in position at the Boys' School, and observations are taken by the scholars themselves, under Dr. Don's supervision, and monthly reports thereon supplied to the local newspapers for publication.

At the University examinations nine pupils of the school—five boys and four girls—qualified for matriculation, and one boy for the medical preliminary. Four boys passed the Junior Civil Service examination.

Two scholarships have been awarded, one to a boy and one to a girl, on the result of the last Junior Scholarship examinations.

The amount of £250 has been paid off the mortgage, which now stands at £750.

GEORGE R. HISLOP, Secretary.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ending 31st December, 1897.

Receipts.			Expenditure.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance .. ..	800	5 7	By Secretary .. ..	57	1 0
Current income from reserves ..	1,212	2 2	Valuator .. ..	19	19 6
Interest on moneys invested and on unpaid purchase-money .. ..	13	8 0	Incidentals .. ..	23	1 10
Paid by School Commissioners ..	59	7 8	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	1,273	16 10
School fees .. ..	425	5 10	Prizes .. ..	2	2 0
Donation, laboratory .. ..	50	0 0	Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	76	9 3
Interest, Macandrew Scholarship Fund ..	9	0 0	Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	93	16 1
			Site and buildings .. ..	171	18 6
			Fencing, repairs, &c. .. ..	44	13 9
			Rents, insurance, and taxes .. ..	26	2 6
			Interest .. ..	61	12 0
			Solicitors' fees .. ..	23	18 8
			Expenses of survey, sales, management, &c. .. ..	14	8 8
			Loan .. ..	250	0 0
			Petty cash .. ..	18	10 6
			Rent overpaid .. ..	2	0 0
			Balance .. ..	405	0 0
	<u>£2,569</u>	<u>11 1</u>		<u>£2,569</u>	<u>11 1</u>

DONALD BORRIE, Chairman.

GEORGE R. HISLOP, Secretary.

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

## 3. WORK OF HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Boys.*

*Highest.*—English—(Matriculation and Junior University Scholarship); Higher Grade English (Nelson and Sons); Chaucer, Prologue and Knight's Tale; Goyen's English composition; Shakespeare, Julius Cæsar, Tempest, Hamlet; Dr. William Smith's English Grammar; Professor Meiklejohn's Spelling-book. Arithmetic—The more difficult parts of the subject; Text-books—Goyen's Higher Arithmetic and Elementary Mensuration; Capel's Catch Questions in Arithmetic and Mensuration. Euclid—First four books with deductions: Text-book, Hall and Stevens's Euclid. Algebra—Equations, simple and quadratic; ratio; indices; arithmetical and geometrical progression, surds. Trigonometry, including use of logarithms and simpler cases of solution of triangles. Latin—Grammar; Allan's Latin Grammar, and Kennedy's Revised Latin Primer; Translation; Eutropius, Historia Romana; Heatley and Kingdon, Facilia Excerpta; Livy, Siege of Syracuse; Cæsar, De Bello Gallico, Book II. (Brown); Virgil, Æneid, Book V. Geology—Physical geology; elementary petrology and palæontology. Chemistry—The theory of chemical action; non-metallic elements. French—Chardenal's French Course, Books II. and III; Molière, Le Misanthrope.

*Lowest.*—English—Reading, Longmans' Ship Reader No. 6. Grammar—Dr. W. Smith's English Grammar. Composition—Longmans' School Composition. Spelling—The Word-Builder and Speller, by Yoxall. Latin—Dr. W. Smith's Principia Latina, to the end of the deponent verb. French—Chardenal's French Course, Book I. Arithmetic—Vulgar fractions; decimals; commercial rules; interest; discount; stocks. Euclid—Hall and Stevens's Euclid, Book I. to proposition 35. Algebra—To end of simple equations. Geography—Longmans' Geography, Part 2; The World, with details of Europe, Asia, and New Zealand. Book-keeping—Thornton's First Lessons in Book-keeping. Drawing—Freehand and geometrical.

All experiments in chemistry are conducted by the boys themselves. Geology is illustrated by a lantern and about 600 specially prepared slides.

*Girls.*

*Highest.*—English—Shakespeare, The Tempest; selections from Tennyson; Mason's Grammar; Composition, Nichol; Essays. History and Geography as for matriculation. Latin—Bradley's Arnold; Excerpta Facilia (at sight); Cæsar's Gallic War, Book I. (at sight); selections from prose and poetry; Cicero, De Senectute; Virgil, Æneid, Book IV. French—Wellington College Grammar; Oxford and Cambridge Reader; Advanced Chardenal; Le Conscrit; Voyages en Zigzag. Arithmetic—Whole subject. Algebra—Hall and Knight, whole except chapters 38 to 41. Euclid—Books I., II., III., IV., VI. Trigonometry—Lock, whole. Mechanics—Lock's Dynamics; Goodwin's Statics; Besant's Hydrostatics. Botany—Morphology and physiology of various botanical types. Physiology—Furneaux, whole. Scripture—The Books of Joshua, Judges, and 2nd Chronicles.

*Lowest.*—English—Ralfe's Reader, No. V.; Derivations; Grammar (Syntax, analysis of easy sentences); composition lessons and essay-writing; recitation of prose and poetry. History—Miss Buckley's English History, up to Edward I. Geography—Longmans' Junior School Geography, up to France. Latin—Principia Latina, Part I., up to Exercise 22. French—Chardenal's First French Course, up to 144. Arithmetic—Compound rules; practice; highest common factor; simple problems. Science—Paul Bert's Text-book; the sections on animals and plants. Scripture—Matthew's Gospel, up to chapter 13. Drawing—Model and freehand. Sewing—Plain and fancy work. Drill—Physical exercises with and without rods.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

Free education was given to two pupils.

## OTAGO BOYS' AND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

## 1. WORK OF HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Boys' School.*

*Highest.*—English—Authors: Chaucer, Shakespeare, Milton, Macaulay; selections from prose writers, 1490 to 1684; historical English grammar, composition, &c. Latin—Authors: Cicero, Virgil, Livy, Horace; prose composition, Roman history. French—Saintine's Picciola, composition, grammar, &c. Mathematics—Arithmetic, whole subject. Euclid—Six books. Algebra—Trigonometry. Science—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—1066 to 1547. Geography—British Isles and Continent of Europe; simple physical and mathematical geography. Latin—Grammar and easy translation. French—Grammar and easy translation. Mathematics—Arithmetic, Vulgar fractions, simple and compound proportion, simple interest, practice, &c. Euclid—Book I., 1 to 12, with exercises. Algebra—Simple rules. Book-keeping—Cash-book, day-book, invoice-book, &c. Drawing—Geometrical.

*Girls' School.*

*Highest.*—English—Chaucer, The Knyghte's Tale; Shakespeare, Hamlet; Spenser, Faerie Queene, Book I., Canto IV. to VI.; Tennyson, The Princess; Roman History, from B.C. 200 to Augustus; historical English grammar, composition, &c. Latin—Virgil, Æneid, Book X.; Livy, Book II., 25 chapters; Horace, Selected Odes, Book III. and Epistles; Cæsar, Gallic War, Book



*Examination.*—That good work has been done at the school is evidenced by the fact that at the examination held in December last one pupil (R. M. Erskine) won a University Junior Scholarship, and one gained "credit" in the same examination; fifteen pupils passed matriculation examination (being all but one of those from Invercargill who passed). Two passed the medical preliminary, eleven the Junior and five the Senior Civil Service Examination.

*Free Education Scholarships.*—Fifteen pupils from the primary schools were admitted at the beginning of the year, who received free education for two years, with the prospect that if exceptionally good progress be made the Board will grant an additional year.

*Boarding Establishment.*—After a fair trial for several years it has been found that the boarding establishment for boys did not result in an advantage to the school that was commensurate with the cost of maintaining the institution. It was therefore decided to close the establishment, which was done at the end of the first term of 1897. The Board has offered the property for sale, but a purchaser has not yet been found.

*Site for Boys' School.*—The Governors have kept before them the importance of obtaining a site for a boys' school, with the view of allowing the girls only to have the building at present used for boys and girls. A suitable site within the means of the Board has not yet been met with.

*Improvements of School Property.*—A substantial stone, concrete, and iron fence has been erected on the street lines of the boundary of the school grounds. The property in other ways also has been greatly improved during the past year.

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HARRY STOCKER, Chairman.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ending 31st December, 1897.

<i>Receipts.</i>			£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>			£	s.	d.
To Balance .. ..	..	..	2,806	16	4	By Management .. ..	..	..	67	10	0
Current income from reserves..	..	..	787	15	4	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	..	..	1,197	0	6
Interest on moneys invested and on unpaid purchase-money .. ..	..	..	97	16	7	Boarding-school account .. ..	..	..	28	3	9
Paid by School Commissioners ..	..	..	180	3	3	Prizes .. ..	..	..	8	16	5
School fees .. ..	..	..	561	9	0	Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	..	..	76	13	11
Sale of Furniture .. ..	..	..	34	17	6	Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	..	..	71	7	6
						Fencing, repairs, &c. .. ..	..	..	18	8	2
						Rents, insurance, and taxes .. ..	..	..	33	6	0
						Expended on site or buildings .. ..	..	..	143	17	6
						Chemicals, appliances, and sundries ..	..	..	15	7	9
						Balance .. ..	..	..	2,808	6	6
Total .. ..	..	..	£4,468	18	0	Total .. ..	..	..	£4,468	18	0

H. STOCKER, Chairman.

CHARLES ROUT, Secretary.

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

## 3. WORK OF HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—English—As You Like It; Henry V.; Chaucer, Prologue; Selections from Tennyson; Bowen's Studies in English; S. Brooke's Literature; English Lessons for English People; composition, &c. Latin—Virgil, Æneid VII.; Pliny's Letters (selections); Catullus, Tibullus, Propertius (selections); translation at sight; prose; history and antiquities. French—Gautier's Scenes of Travel; Blouët's Composition; Brachet's Grammar. Mathematics—Arithmetic; Algebra, to binomial theorem; Euclid, Books I. to IV., VI., with exercises; trigonometry, to solution of triangles. Applied Mathematics—Dynamics. Science—Electricity and magnetism.

*Lowest.*—English—The Lady of the Lake; Mason's Grammar; composition, &c.; geography; history. Latin—Principia; Gradatim. French—Principia; Macmillan's First Reader. Arithmetic—Algebra, to simple equations (without fractions); Euclid, Book I. to proposition 34, with exercises. Science—Physics (as in Primer); elements of chemistry (boys); physiology (girls). Shorthand. Drawing—Freehand (girls).

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