

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

*College.*

*Highest.*—Latin—Virgil's *Æneid*, Book VI.; Livy, Book I.; Bradley's *Arnold's Prose Composition*; Bryan's *Cæsarian Prose*; grammar; Shochburgh's *History of Rome for Beginners*; sight translation. English—Shakespeare's *King Lear*; Chaucer's *Prologue*; Hales's *Longer English Poems*; Morris's *Elementary Historical Grammar*; composition; essays. Mathematics—Euclid, Books I. to VI., with riders on all; Hall and Stevens's *Algebra*, to permutations and combinations; Hall and Knight's *Trigonometry*, to solution of triangles; Lock's *Elementary Arithmetic*; general (Pendlebury). French—Voltaire's *Charles XII.*; Molière's *Bourgeois Gentilhomme*; Vecqueray's *Examination Papers*; Eve and de Baudiss's *Accidence*; Macmillan's *Third French Course*. Science—Physics, heat (Wright's *Advanced*); Chemistry, Jago's *Advanced Chemistry*; *Elementary Practical Chemistry*.

*Lowest.*—History—Southern Cross, No. 1. Grammar—Picking out parts of speech; easy analysis. Literature—Royal Star Reader; Alice in Wonderland; Through the Looking-glass. Object-lessons; essay of letter-writing; punctuation. Arithmetic—Southern Cross Arithmetic, Standard III. Geography—Southern Cross, Standards III. and IV.

*Girls' High School.*

*Highest.*—Latin, mathematics, English, French, heat, and botany, as for the Junior Scholarship examination of the New Zealand University.

*Lowest.*—Grammar—Elementary parsing and analysis. Geography—Europe, Asia, Africa, North America, New Zealand. History—Gardiner's *Outline of English History*, to the end of the reign of Edward III. Composition on short stories read to the class. Arithmetic—Four simple and compound rules. Reading—From New Crown Reader, V. Dictation and spelling—From New Crown Reader, V.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

Free education: At the College, four; at the Girls' School, eleven. Scholarships: Four Turnbull, two Rhodes, and one Moore scholarships were held at the College. Twenty-two Education Board scholarships were held at the College, and sixteen at the Girls' School.

## 5. ARRANGEMENTS FOR MANUAL, COMMERCIAL, AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION; FOR GYMNASICS, DRILL, SWIMMING, ETC.

*College.*—Drawing: Mr. Bastings, of the Technical School, attends twice a week. Those boys who take the subject pay an extra fee of 15s. a term. Manual instruction: Mr. Barrett, of the Technical School, attends twice a week for carpentry lessons. Those boys who take the work pay an extra fee of 10s. a term. Commercial instruction: All boys who wish to do so attend the book-keeping classes held every day (without any extra fee). Gymnastics: Classes are held daily under a competent instructor; no fee. Drill: There are two cadet companies. Every boy in the school, unless forbidden, drills twice a week; no fee. Swimming: The school has in its own grounds a magnificent swimming-bath, which is open twice daily for the summer term. The cricket- and football-ground is kept in excellent condition. The boys are drafted into sections, and the games are supervised by the masters.

*Girls' High School.*—Drawing: Lower School, taught by a teacher on the regular staff, having South Kensington certificates and full second-grade local certificate. Upper School (an extra), taught by qualified visiting teacher, under approval of the Director of the Wellington School of Design. Plain needlework, darning, and knitting taught by regular staff. Shorthand (an extra), taught by a visiting teacher. Indian clubs, dumbbell, and wand exercises and extension movements, with musical accompaniment. Marching. A room in the school-building is fitted up as a gymnasium with the usual apparatus. Outside sports include tennis, played on a concrete court, and croquet. The playground comprises nearly 3 acres, and is laid down for the most part in grass. There are public saltwater swimming-baths in the neighbourhood, which pupils are encouraged to use. Competitive swimming sports are held annually. Permission is given to approved teachers to use the main hall for teaching dancing after school hours.

## NAPIER HIGH SCHOOL.

*Staff.*

*Boys' School.*—Mr. W. Wood, A.C.P.; Mr. A. S. M. Polson, B.A.; Mr. J. P. Dakin, B.A.; Mr. A. W. Thomson; Mr. R. N. Anderson.

*Girls' School.*—Miss R. M. Matthews, LL.A.; Miss A. E. J. Spencer, B.A.; Miss C. R. Kirk, B.A.; Miss E. Low, M.A.; Miss R. M. McHarg; Miss J. E. Page; Mr. T. W. Sharp; Mrs. Macfarlane; Miss Le Mercier; Mrs. Clarke.

## 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

THE Governors of Napier High School have the honour to report that both Boys' and Girls' Schools have well sustained their position. In the last report of the Examiner, Mr. T. W. Rowe, M.A., that gentleman says, "I consider the examination as a whole highly satisfactory in the case of both schools."

During the last year the Governors have fitted up a chemical laboratory and provided appliances from England. They have also erected a carpenter's shop, and placed it under the direction of a trained technical master.