

1900.  
NEW ZEALAND.

# EDUCATION: REPORTS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

[In continuation of E.—12, 1899.]

*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 Grammar School .. ..	1899, No. 11, Local.	
Auckland Girls' High School .. ..	1878, No. 55, Local ..	Under management of Education Board. Not in operation in 1899.
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	Act may be repealed by 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.	Not in operation in 1899.
Nelson College .. ..	1858, No. 38, and 1882, No. 15, Local.	
Greymouth High School .. ..	1883, No. 21, Local ..	Not in operation in 1899.
Hokitika High School .. ..	1883, No. 7, Local ..	Not in operation in 1899.
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 1899.
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 1899 FURNISHED BY THE GOVERNING BODIES OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

<i>Receipts.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>	£	s.	d.
Credit balances on 1st January, 1899 .. ..	20,538	10	9	Liabilities on 1st January, 1899 .. ..	3,549	18	3
Endowment reserves sold .. ..	3,900	16	11	Office management and expenses .. ..	2,255	5	1
Rents of reserves .. ..	20,930	17	0	Teachers' salaries .. ..	32,712	12	4
Interest on investments .. ..	1,628	2	3	Boarding-school accounts .. ..	4,192	14	11
Reserves Commissioners .. ..	3,016	12	8	Examination fees and expenses .. ..	587	4	11
School fees .. ..	24,713	6	1	Scholarships and prizes .. ..	2,663	18	0
Boarding-school fees .. ..	5,489	10	2	Printing, stationery, and advertising .. ..	1,438	15	5
Books, &c., sold, and refunds .. ..	84	16	5	Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	1,372	12	7
Sundries not classified .. ..	3,008	10	9	Buildings, furniture, rent, insurance, rates, &c. .. ..	16,493	17	0
Interest on Current Account .. ..	29	13	2	Interest .. ..	1,841	0	7
Debit balances, 31st December, 1899 .. ..	3,679	9	8	Sundries not classified .. ..	2,100	19	0
				Credit balances, 31st December, 1899 .. ..	17,811	7	9
	£87,020	5	10		£87,020	5	10

INCOME OF CERTAIN SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR THE YEAR 1899.

Schools.	Cr. Balances on 1st Jan., 1899.	From Endowments.				School Fees.	Boarding- school Fees.	Stationery and Books sold, and Refunds.	Sundries unclassified.	Interest on Current Account.	Dr. Balances, 31st Dec., 1899.	Totals.
		Sales.	Rents.	Interest on Moneys invested.	Paid by School Commis- sioners.							
	£ 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 Grammar School ..	618 7 6	2,394 6 4	1,509 5 0	10 0 0	80 0 0	2,916 17 0	..	..	*1,000 0 0	..	..	8,528 15 10
Auckland Girls' High School ..	5,867 18 4	1,198 10 7	..	274 0 0	..	..	..	..	27 7 6	..	..	7,340 8 11
Thames High School ..	886 6 8	..	304 15 1	13 13 0	80 0 0	317 2 0	..	..	..	..	..	1,579 4 3
Whangarei High School ..	137 19 6	..	49 7 8	..	80 0 0	184 2 0	..	0 10 0	..	..	..	451 19 2
New Plymouth High School ..	285 10 7	..	536 9 9	..	490 10 3	443 13 0	..	..	1 9 6	..	..	1,757 13 1
Wanganui Girls' College ..	..	..	295 10 0	217 15 6	505 17 9	1,874 12 2	2,184 14 4	2 7 0	+1,349 11 6	..	..	6,380 8 3
Wanganui Collegiate School ..	..	..	820 6 2	..	..	..	..	..	10 7 0	..	..	830 13 2
Wellington College and Girls' High School ..	..	..	2,377 7 6	..	323 6 4	*4,154 17 5	..	1 18 5	10 0 1	..	758 15 3	7,626 5 0
Napier High Schools ..	3,531 17 0	..	1,080 6 9	148 15 0	22 15 0	1,128 12 1	300 9 4	79 16 0	11 3 0	..	..	6,363 14 2
Gisborne High School ..	2,181 1 1	..	80 0 0	158 18 0	264 5 4	..	..	..	*500 0 0	3 0 0	..	3,187 4 5
Nelson College ..	..	..	951 2 6	319 9 4	150 0 0	2,815 7 6	2,594 7 8	..	51 3 3	..	1,552 1 7	8,433 11 10
Greymouth High School ..	507 10 4	..	7 8 0	29 13 2	200 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	..	744 11 6
Hokitika High School ..	1,195 15 6	..	39 5 0	34 10 0	200 0 0	..	..	..	3 18 5	..	..	1,469 10 6
Christchurch Boys' High School ..	11 11 1	..	3,068 7 4	..	..	1,842 15 0	..	..	23 2 7	..	49 13 3	4,976 5 1
Christchurch Girls' High School ..	228 19 7	..	288 7 2	131 19 7	..	1,458 19 6	..	..	5 1 2	..	..	2,181 8 5
Christ's College Grammar School ..	..	200 0 0	2,619 5 1	..	..	2,805 18 10	..	..	..	..	1,196 18 4	6,827 3 5
Rangiora High School ..	38 15 6	..	157 5 6	..	..	82 2 6	..	..	..	..	..	278 3 6
Akaroa High School ..	75 4 11	..	119 0 10	..	..	85 1 0	..	..	..	..	38 1 4	317 8 1
Ashburton High School ..	..	..	615 12 3	..	..	162 13 0	..	..	..	..	83 19 11	862 5 2
Timaru High School ..	1,025 4 4	..	1,404 1 6	67 10 0	..	672 15 10	..	..	14 5 9	26 13 2	..	3,210 10 7
Waimate High School ..	568 6 8	..	183 10 11	68 19 2	..	..	..	0 5 0	..	..	..	821 1 9
Waitaki High School ..	653 15 3	108 0 0	1,119 19 10	23 12 0	54 3 0	693 5 0	..	..	..	..	..	2,652 15 1
Otago High Schools ..	339 7 4	..	2,553 6 6	61 6 2	402 5 8	2,672 18 11	459 18 10	..	..	..	..	6,489 3 5
Southland High Schools ..	2,374 19 7	..	750 16 8	68 1 4	163 9 4	401 13 4	..	..	1 1 0	..	..	3,760 1 3
Totals ..	20,538 10 9	3,900 16 11	20,930 17 0	1,628 2 3	3,016 12 8	24,713 6 1	5,489 10 2	84 16 5	3,008 10 9	29 13 2	3,679 9 8	87,020 5 10

\*Repayment of loan. †Includes £1,300 repayment of loan.

## EXPENDITURE of certain SECONDARY SCHOOLS for the Year 1899.

Schools.	Liabilities on 1st Jan., 1899.	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. 1899.	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 Grammar School..	..	394 8 11	3,988 0 0	..	..	78 9 3	233 9 6	2,832 0 2	45 12 0	250 0 0	18 0 0	688 16 0	8,528 15 10
Auckland Girls' High School	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,017 16 8	..	274 0 0	..	2,048 12 3	7,340 8 11
Thames High School	..	57 12 6	700 0 0	..	4 4 0	..	5 10 0	185 10 8	31 11 2	..	0 5 0	116 5 9	1,579 4 3
Whangarei High School	..	13 8 11	280 0 0	..	..	4 18 4	1 8 3	31 17 11	4 0 0	..	..	..	451 19 2
New Plymouth High School	..	55 1 1	783 6 8	..	2 7 0	16 9 9	12 9 1	78 17 10	53 18 10	..	..	752 14 4	1,757 13 1
Wanganui Girls' College	442 12 3	88 16 7	1,409 9 7	2,044 1 0	34 6 1	..	67 8 11	911 7 5	48 9 0	6 1 6	62 7 6	1,265 8 5	6,380 8 3
Wanganui Collegiate School	81 0 8	73 0 0	..	..	78 13 0	..	8 10 3	449 4 7	..	75 2 1	22 14 0	42 8 7	830 13 2
Wellington College and Girls' High School	1,456 14 10	218 10 0	3,874 6 8	..	92 2 2	58 12 11	237 7 7	635 6 3	163 12 3	787 10 8	82 1 8	..	7,626 5 0
Napier High Schools	..	86 11 5	1,646 8 0	..	22 12 3	310 15 10	98 18 5	326 0 4	118 4 2	11 13 0	209 4 8	3,533 6 1	6,363 14 2
Gisborne High School	..	..	..	..	..	113 7 0	0 16 0	..	..	0 2 6	*115 18 5	2,957 0 6	3,187 4 5
Nelson College	..	214 6 6	2,441 2 5	1,752 0 1	126 13 0	768 10 9	186 17 7	2,753 2 5	97 9 9	..	87 9 4	..	8,433 11 10
Grey mouth High School	..	5 0 0	..	..	..	..	..	75 15 0	..	..	*150 0 0	513 16 6	744 11 6
Hokitika High School	..	5 10 0	..	..	..	..	..	11 0 6	..	..	*100 0 0	1,353 0 0	1,469 10 6
Christchurch Boys' High School	..	269 3 7	3,986 1 1	..	83 17 6	39 15 4	127 14 3	201 4 5	53 8 11	200 0 0	15 0 0	..	4,976 5 1
Christchurch Girls' High School	..	70 7 8	1,515 4 0	..	64 17 6	264 19 11	55 0 3	36 12 6	20 7 0	..	48 2 0	55 17 7	2,131 8 5
Christ's College Grammar School	1,414 12 9	204 19 11	2,846 12 10	..	73 15 10	821 1 10	65 16 7	1,019 1 3	195 19 1	39 18 7	145 4 9	..	6,827 3 5
Rangiora High School	..	1 10 5	174 19 2	..	..	..	5 4 4	10 17 4	13 12 7	..	0 13 0	71 6 8	278 3 6
Akaroa High School	..	1 5 0	200 0 0	..	..	1 10 0	3 1 6	35 13 4	7 15 0	1 2 6	167 0 9	..	317 8 1
Ashburton High School	154 17 9	29 8 4	586 13 4	..	..	9 16 7	15 9 9	19 16 2	30 4 6	11 9 6	4 9 3	..	862 5 2
Timaru High School	..	119 10 8	1,586 15 10	..	..	43 4 4	115 5 6	118 18 2	92 12 11	..	21 12 8	1,112 10 6	3,210 10 7
Waimate High School	..	19 7 0	..	..	..	83 15 6	9 14 10	..	0 7 6	0 1 6	*100 0 0	607 15 5	821 1 9
Waitaki High School	..	86 11 9	1,246 6 8	..	..	10 5 0	56 14 1	342 19 2	80 12 9	30 18 9	785 16 10	..	2,652 15 1
Otago High Schools	..	174 19 2	4,294 12 0	396 13 10	..	38 5 8	90 11 3	239 5 5	210 16 6	153 0 0	44 17 1	796 2 6	6,439 3 5
Southland High Schools	..	65 15 8	1,152 14 1	..	3 16 7	..	41 7 6	1,085 9 6	103 18 8	..	17 13 7	1,289 5 8	3,760 1 3
Totals ..	3,549 18	32,255 5	132,712 12 4	44,192 14 11	587 4 11	2,663 18 0	1,438 15 5	16,493 17 0	1,372 12 7	1,841 0 7	2,100 19 0	17,811 7	987,020 5 10

\* Grant to Education Board. + On fixed deposit.

## STAFF, ATTENDANCE, FEES, AND SALARIES

AT CERTAIN SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

Schools.	Staff.		Attendance for Last Term or Quarter of 1899.							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 Grammar School	16	2	15	135	166	12	{ b.192 g.136	315	12	{ £ 10 10 0 s. 8 8 0 d. 0	{ £ 40 0 0	£ 3,742 10 0	110 0 0	0	0	
Whangarei High School	3	..	..	13	20	..	{ b.20 g.13	31	..	{ 8 8 0	..	280 0 0	..	..	..	
Thames High School ..	3	..	4	12	32	..	{ b.31 g.17	46	..	{ 8 8 0 7 7 0	..	*700 0 0	0 0	..	..	
New Plymouth High School	3	..	3	16	31	..	{ b.33 g.17	44	..	{ 6 6 0	..	*795 0 0	0 0	..	..	
Wanganui Collegiate School	10	1	6	75	103	12	196	189	143	{ 12 0 0 9 0 0	{ 45 0 0	b1,850 0 0	300 0 0	0	0	
Wanganui (Girls') High School	7	6	9	53	61	7	130	126	51	{ 10 10 0 8 8 0	{ 40 0 0	*940 0 0	210 0 0	0	0	
Wellington College ..	11	..	17	79	176	10	282	259	70	{ 13 4 0 10 12 0	{ 42 0 0	*2,565 0 0	..	..	..	
Wellington Girls' High School	6	..	6	14	62	6	88	82	..	{ 13 4 0 10 12 0	..	1,125 0 0	..	..	..	
Napier Boys' High School	4	1	4	13	37	1	55	50	14	{ 9 9 0 8 8 0	{ 40 0 0	*835 0 0	30 0 0	0	0	
Napier Girls' High School	5	5	8	18	34	..	60	54	9	{ 10 4 0 8 17 6	{ 40 0 0	*780 0 0	18 18 0	and fees.	0	
Nelson College ..	6	4	6	43	56	7	112	105	40	{ 12 12 0 8 8 0	{ 40 0 0	*1,325 0 0	138 0 0	0	0	
Nelson Girls' College ..	5	4	9	24	49	9	91	76	28	{ 12 12 0 8 8 0	{ 40 0 0	*705 0 0	241 0 0	0	0	
Christ's College Grammar School	10	4	44	87	67	8	206	195	65	{ 14 3 6 11 0 6 7 17 6	{ 50 0 0 42 0 0	*2,725 0 0	243 15 0	0	0	
Christchurch Boys' High School	11	5	6	105	109	6	226	217	..	{ 9 9 0 6 6 0	..	3,500 0 0	285 0 0	0	0	
Christchurch Girls' High School	5	9	7	60	53	4	124	106	..	{ 12 12 0 9 9 0	..	1,030 0 0	380 4 0	0	0	
Rangiora High School ..	1	..	2	9	1	..	{ b. 8 g. 4	11	..	{ 9 9 0 6 6 0	..	150 0 0	..	..	..	
Akaroa High School ..	1	..	1	4	4	..	{ b. 3 g. 6	8	..	{ 10 10 0	..	*200 0 0	..	..	..	
Ashburton High School..	3	..	..	15	27	..	{ b.28 g.14	39	..	{ 9 9 0 6 6 0	..	570 0 0	..	..	..	
Timaru Boys' High School	3	1	1	20	19	3	43	41	..	{ 10 0 0 8 0 0	..	860 0 0	35 0 0	0	0	
Timaru Girls' High School	3	2	..	26	33	7	66	60	..	{ 10 0 0 8 0 0	..	625 0 0	50 0 0	0	0	
Waitaki High Schools—Boys' ..	4	1	4	37	40	2	83	79	29	{ 10 10 0 8 10 0 4 10 0	{ 43.10 0	*840 0 0	..	..	..	
Girls' ..	3	2	..	15	28	7	50	47	..	{ 8 0 0 6 0 0 4 10 0	..	405 0 0	31 0 0	0	0	
Otago Boys' High School	h 9	1	..	69	103	18	190	175	13	{ 12 0 0 10 0 0	{ 43 10 0	*2,579 14 0	20 0 0	0	0	
Otago Girls' High School	b 10	3	1	60	67	8	136	129	16	{ 12 0 0 10 0 0	{ 40 0 0	*1,685 6 0	30 0 0	and fees.	0	
Southland High School..	5	..	..	21	42	..	{ b.36 g.27	60	..	{ 10 0 0	..	1,150 0 0	..	..	..	
Totals ..	145	51	153	1023	1420	127	b1744 g. 979	2,544	490	..	..	31,962 10 0	2,122 17 0	0	0	

\* Headmaster has residence.    b Headmaster receives no salary; seven masters board at the school.    c The principal has a house, and five teachers reside at the school.    d Headmaster and first assistant-master have residences; one assistant-master resides at the school.    e The headmistress has house.    f Principal and three others reside at school.    g Headmaster and five others have houses.    h Two masters teach in both schools.    i The principal and two others reside at the school.

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

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

*Boys.*

*Highest*.—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; Virgil's *Æneid*, II.; Tacitus, *Agricola*; Sallust, *Jugurtha*; Horace, *Select Epistles and Satires*; Tod and Longworth's Latin Unseen Translation; Cruttwell and Banton's *Specimens of Latin Literature*; Wilkin's *Primer of Roman Antiquities*; Smith's *Smaller History of Rome*. English—Nesfield, *English Grammar, Past and Present*; Nichol's *Primer of English Composition, with exercises*; Shakespeare, *Julius Cæsar*; Chaucer's *Prologue and Knight's Tale*; Esmond. French—Wellington College French Grammar; Turrell, *Leçons Françaises, Prose et Vers*; Souvestre, *Un Philosophe Sous les Toits*; George Sand, *La Mare au Diable*. Mathematics—Arithmetic; Hall and Knight's *Algebra*; Jones and Cheyne's *Algebraical Exercises*; Euclid, *Books I.—VI.*; Hall and Knight's *Trigonometry*; Ward's *Trigonometrical Exercises*. Science—Silvanus Thompson's *Electricity and Magnetism*; Roscoe's *Chemistry*; Tilden's *Practical Chemistry*.

*Lowest*.—English—Mason's First Notions; Chambers's Fluent Readers; Blackwood's Geographical Readers; Blackwood's Historical Readers. Chardenal's First French Course. Longmans' Shilling Arithmetic, as far as vulgar fractions.

*Girls.*

*Highest.*—In Latin, English, French, and mathematics the work undertaken is the same as on the boys' side. Science—Miss Aitken's Botany; Jessop's Applied Mathematics.

*Lowest.*—The work is the same as that of the boys.

#### 4. ARRANGEMENTS FOR MANUAL, COMMERCIAL, AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION; GYMNASTICS, ETC.

*Modern Side.*—Book-keeping and commercial arithmetic, mensuration, and shorthand are among the optional subjects for boys, and special attention is given to mechanical drawing.

*Science.*—The school offers special advantages for the study of natural and technical science. The upper forms have the use of a well-furnished chemical laboratory. Science teaching is begun as early as possible; the subjects for the lowest forms are elementary chemistry and physics. In the highest forms on the boys' side the subjects taken are chemistry (including qualitative analysis), and electricity and magnetism; in the highest form on the girls' side botany and mechanics.

*Mechanical Drawing.*—The course in this subject includes plane and solid geometry, followed by working drawings from actual machinery.

*Freehand Drawing* includes outline from the flat and from model; shading ditto; drawing and shading from the antique, and (to advanced pupils) still life in oil and water colour.

*Workshop.*—Instruction and practice are given in carpentry, joinery, and turning, in the school workshop. The classes meet in the luncheon hour and after afternoon school. The only charge is the actual value of timber used.

*Drill and Gymnastics.*—The gymnasium is complete with all the latest improvements. On the girls' side drill is held during school hours, and is compulsory, except in the case of those specially exempted; gymnastic exercises are taught out of school hours, and are optional.

*Cadet Corps.*—There is a cadet corps, under the Defence Department, composed of boys attending the school. The corps musters forty-eight strong.

*Art Needlework.*—A class is held in the girls' side for one hour each week.

*Swimming*.—The Board of Governors grant the sum of £5 annually, which is divided between the swimming sports funds on each side of the school.

*Evening Classes.*—Evening classes, open to the public, are held at the school, Symonds Street, on the evening of all week-days in term, except Saturdays, provided that not less than eight names are entered for each class. The fees, which must be paid before a name is entered, are—For one subject, 15s. ; for a second subject, 7s. 6d. a term.

## 5. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The College gave free education to eighteen foundation scholars, twelve holders of certificates of proficiency from the Education Board, eight children of members of the staff, and one Maori pupil. There were three College scholars, four Rawlings scholars, and nine John Williamson scholars. Seventy-seven district scholarships awarded by the Auckland Education Board were held at the College.

AUCKLAND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

<i>Receipts.</i>				£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>				£	s.	d.
Balance	..	..	..	..	5,867	18	4	Loan to Grammar School	..	..	5,000	0	0
Timber sold	..	..	..	..	1,198	10	7	Paid Auckland Grammar School, interest	..	..	..	..	..
Interest	..	..	..	..	274	0	0	on loan	..	..	274	0	0
								Rates on endowment for year ending 31st					
								March, 1900..	..	..	17	9	2
								Bank charges, &c.	..	..	0	7	6
								Balance	..	..	2,048	12	3
					£7,340	8	11				£7,340	8	11

RICH'D. HOBBS, Chairman.

VINCENT E. RICE, Secretary and Treasurer.

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

## WHANGAREI HIGH SCHOOL.

## 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

The school has continued to be under the charge of Mr. R. Lupton, who has had an assistant during the whole year, and also a temporary junior assistant during the second and third terms of the year.

During the last term of the year the average attendance of pupils was thirty-one, being the highest ever reached. At the public examinations held during the year four pupils matriculated, one passed the Senior Civil Service examination, and five the Junior Civil Service, and one gained a District Senior Scholarship.

The Board of Governors grant annually two free tuition scholarships, tenable at the discretion of the Board for three years. The scholars are selected from the primary public schools by competitive examinations.

J. McKINNON, Secretary.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance .. ..	137	19 6	Office salary .. ..	11	19 9
Income from reserves .. ..	49	7 8	Other office expenses .. ..	1	9 2
Paid by School Commissioners .. ..	80	0 0	Teacher's salary and allowances .. ..	280	0 0
School fees .. ..	184	2 0	Prizes .. ..	4	18 4
Books, &c., sold, and other refunds .. ..	0	10 0	Printing, stationery, and advertising .. ..	1	8 3
			Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	4	0 0
			Purchases and new works .. ..	2	19 0
			Fencing, repairs, &c. .. ..	21	2 9
			Rents, insurance, and taxes .. ..	7	16 2
			Balance .. ..	116	5 9
	<u>£451</u>	<u>19 2</u>		<u>£451</u>	<u>19 2</u>

J. M. KILLEN, Chairman.

J. McKINNON, Secretary.

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

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

*Highest.*—To standard required for Senior Civil Service and Matriculation examinations: Latin—Tutorial Latin Grammar; Allcroft's Latin Composition; Via Latina; Cæsar; Virgil; Unseen (Matric.). French—Advanced Chardenal; Perini's Exercises; Grammaire des Grammaires; Contanseau's Extracts. English—Mason's Larger Grammar; Nichol's Primer of English Composition, with exercises on the same; Shakespeare's Julius Cæsar; Thackeray's Esmond; Stopford Brooke's Primer of English Literature. History—Lupton's. Mathematics—Arithmetic; Hall and Knight's Algebra, to permutations; Euclid, Hall and Stevens's, I.—IV.; Hall and Knight's Trigonometry. Science—Jago's Chemistry; Foster and Shore's Physiology.

*Lowest.*—Latin—Principia Latina, I., to exercise 39. French—Chardenal's First Course, to Verbs (Irreg.); easy translation. English—West's English Grammar; reading and repetition from Royal Reader VI.; English History, Brunswick Period (Buckley); geography, Europe; composition, drawing. Arithmetic—Southern Cross Series, Standard V. Algebra—Elementary rules. Euclid—Book I., 1–26.

## 4. ARRANGEMENTS FOR MANUAL, COMMERCIAL, AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION; GYMNASTICS, ETC.

The lower school take freehand drawing. Several pupils work through Thornton's Book-keeping under supervision of headmaster. Classes for shorthand are formed during the winter months. All the boys swim.

## 5. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Governors gave free tuition to six scholars. One Auckland Education Board District Scholarship was held at the school.

## THAMES BOYS' AND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

*Staff.*

Mr. James Adams, B.A.; Mr. Benjamin H. Low, B.A.; Miss Mary R. Foy.

## 1. GENERAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance .. ..	836	6 8	Office salary .. ..	30	0 0
Current income from reserves .. ..	178	18 0	Other office expenses .. ..	6	13 6
Paid by School Commissioners .. ..	80	0 0	Other expenses of management .. ..	20	19 0
School fees .. ..	317	2 0	Teachers' salaries and allowances .. ..	700	0 0
Goldfields revenue .. ..	125	17 1	Examiners' fees .. ..	4	4 0
Refund from reserve management .. ..	27	7 6	Printing, stationery, and advertising .. ..	5	10 0
Interest on fixed deposits .. ..	13	13 0	Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	31	11 2
			Purchases and new works .. ..	32	16 0
			Fencing, repairs, &c. .. ..	46	18 9
			Rents, insurance, and taxes .. ..	71	12 9
			Legal expenses .. ..	11	16 0
			Bank charge for keeping account .. ..	0	5 0
			School requisites .. ..	22	7 2
			Balance .. ..	594	10 11
	<u>£1,579</u>	<u>4 3</u>		<u>£1,579</u>	<u>4 3</u>

S. CARTER, Secretary and Treasurer.

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

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

*Highest.*—Up to standard of Junior University Scholarship examination : Latin—Smith's Latin Grammar ; Steadman's Latin Grammar Papers ; Abbott's Latin Prose ; Livy, Books I. and II. ; Horace, the Odes ; Cicero's Letters (Longmans') ; Virgil, *Æneid*, VI. ; Companion to School Classics (Gow) ; English Grammar (Nesfield) ; Nichol's Primer of English Composition, and Exercises ; Shakespeare, *Coriolanus* ; Chaucer, Prologue and Knight's Tale. French—Fasnacht's French Grammar ; Prose and Verse (Massé) ; Bourgeois Gentilhomme (Molière). Mathematics—Arithmetic (Lock) ; Hall and Knight's Algebra ; Jones and Cheyne's Algebraical Exercises ; Euclid, Books I.—VI., and exercises ; Lock's Trigonometry. Science—Silvanus Thompson's Electricity and Magnetism ; Roscoe's Chemistry ; Tilden's Practical Chemistry.

*Lowest*.—Macmillan's First French Course; Mason's English Grammar; Abbott's How to Write Clearly; Longmans' Shilling Geography; Abbott's Via Latina; Arithmetic (Lock's).

## NEW PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL.

*Staff.*

Mr. E. Pridham, M.A.; Miss K. Grant, M.A.; Mr. H. H. Ward; Miss G. Drew.

1. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
Balance .. ..	..	285	10	7	Office salary .. ..	..	41	15	0
Current income from reserves .. ..	..	536	9	9	Other office expenses .. ..	..	5	8	9
Paid by School Commissioners .. ..	..	490	10	3	Other expenses of management .. ..	..	7	17	4
School fees .. ..	..	443	13	0	Teachers' salaries and allowances .. ..	..	783	6	8
Refund <i>Otago Daily Times</i> .. ..	..	0	19	6	Examiners' fees .. ..	..	2	7	0
Consent-fee to transfer .. ..	..	0	10	0	Prizes .. ..	..	16	9	9
					Printing, stationery, and advertising .. ..	..	12	9	1
					Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	..	53	18	10
					Fencing, repairs, &c. .. ..	..	49	14	10
					Rents, insurance, and taxes .. ..	..	29	3	0
					Gymnasium expenses .. ..	..	2	8	6
					Balance .. ..	..	752	14	4
		£1,757	13	1			£1,757	13	1

J. B. Roy, Chairman.

J. S. McKELLAR, Secretary and Treasurer.

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

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

*Highest.*—Latin—Dr. Abbott's *Via Latina*, exercises 1-78; Cæsar, Book I., Chapters 1-25; Heatley and Kyngdon's *Gradatim*. French—Chardenal's *Advanced Course*, exercises 1-40; About, *Reader*, pages 1-35; Grammar, irregular nouns, adjectives, and verbs. Arithmetic—General. Algebra—Hall and Knight, to end of page 217. Euclid—Hall and Stevens, Books I.-IV., including deductions, pages 1-109 and 112-117. History—Ransome, period 1689-1837. Geography—Chisholm, *The World*. Grammar—Mason, pages 1-126. Literature—Shakespeare, Julius Cæsar. Science—Silvanus Thompson's *Electricity*, paragraphs 1-192 (with omissions); batteries of first class and some of second and third classes. Drawing—Gill's *Imperial Geometry Problems*, 1-77.

*Lowest.*—Latin—Dr. Abbott's *Via Latina*, exercises 1-20. French—Désjardin, exercises 1-98. Arithmetic—Hamblin Smith, pages 1-59 and 108-126. Algebra—Hall and Knight, exercises 1-xb. Euclid—Hall and Stevens, Book I, propositions 1-10. History—Primary, period 1066-1603. Geography—Petrie, pages 50-103. Grammar—Mason's *First Notions*, pages 1-74. Literature—Longfellow's *Evangeline*. Science—Grieve's *Mechanics*, Chapters 1-7 inclusive. Drawing—Problems 1-35 and 53, 56, 58.

3. ARRANGEMENTS FOR MANUAL, COMMERCIAL, AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION; FOR GYMNASTICS, DRILL, SWIMMING, ETC.

Geometrical drawing is taught in all the classes.

Gymnastics and drill are taught to the boys by the second assistant, and to the girls by the lady teachers, for two periods of forty-five minutes each a week.

#### 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

Eight free-tuition scholarships given by the Board of Governors, one with £25 added, are held at the school.

WANGANUI COLLEGIATE SCHOOL.

*Staff.*

Mr. W. Empson, B.A.; Mr. F. G. Shields, M.A.; Rev. T. M. Marshall, M.A.; Mr. J. R. Orford, M.A.  
Mr. H. B. Watson, M.A.; Mr. J. E. Bannister, M.A.; Mr. E. G. Atkinson, M.A.; Mr. E. W. Andrews  
Mr. J. Harold Mr. R. Dunn; Mr. N. G. Spackman.



## 1. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Current income from reserves ..	820	6 2	Balance ..	81	0 8
Lease-fees collected ..	2	7 0	Office salary ..	62	10 0
Fire insurance recovery ..	5	0 0	Other expenses of management ..	10	10 0
Insurances collected ..	3	0 0	Examiners' fees ..	78	13 0
			Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	8	10 3
			Site and buildings ..	331	8 8
			Fencing, repairs, &c. ..	76	12 7
			Rents, insurance, and taxes ..	41	3 4
			Interest ..	75	2 1
			Lease-fees ..	14	5 0
			Trustees' expenses ..	3	5 0
			Sundries ..	5	4 0
			Balance ..	42	8 7
	<u>£830</u>	<u>13 2</u>		<u>£830</u>	<u>13 2</u>

Examined and found correct.—A. C. RITCHIE, Auditor.—2nd January, 1900.

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

*Highest.*—The work is supposed to be up to the University Junior Scholarship standard in Latin, Greek, French, English, mathematics, and science.

*Lowest.*—The lowest division is taught Latin, English (grammar, history, geography), arithmetic, science, divinity, drawing.

## 3. ARRANGEMENTS FOR MANUAL, COMMERCIAL, AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION; FOR GYMNASTICS, DRILL, SWIMMING, ETC.

Drawing is regularly taught as a school subject up to the middle of the school. Shorthand is regularly taught throughout. Book-keeping is an extra subject. Gymnastics (Sandow system): All boys go through half an hour's course every day. Drill: There are two companies in the cadet corps. The whole school is drilled twice a week. Swimming: Boys who cannot swim are obliged to attend the bath (at the school) regularly, where they receive instruction. Carpentry: This is a voluntary subject taught in the school workshop. Many of the buildings have been erected by the boys.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

Eight Education Board scholarships were held at the school. The headmaster gave free tuition to twenty-four scholars.

## WANGANUI GIRLS' COLLEGE.

*Staff.*

Miss M. I. Fraser, M.A.; Miss J. B. Hudson; Miss A. C. Tendall, M.A.; Miss E. R. Broome, M.A.; Miss Jessie Knapp, B.A.; Miss J. R. Currie, M.A.; Miss C. Maling; Miss F. E. Black; Miss E. Huxtable; Mr. Charles Naylor; Mr. H. T. Spackman; Mr. David Hutton; Miss May Watt.

## 1. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Rates refund ..	0	5 0	Balance ..	442	12 3
Expenses ..	2	2 0	Office staff ..	40	0 0
Interest ..	217	15 6	General expenses ..	48	9 11
Rents from endowments ..	295	10 0	Legal expenses ..	0	6 8
School Commissioners—			Teachers' salaries and fees ..	1,409	9 7
Wellington ..	176	0 6	Boarding-fees ..	2,044	1 0
Taranaki ..	329	17 3	Caretaker ..	48	9 0
School fees—			School-books and stationery ..	67	8 11
Boarding ..	2,134	14 4	School requisites and furniture ..	88	17 10
Tuition ..	1,874	12 2	Furnishing Account ..	244	1 1
Mortgage Account—			Church-sittings ..	24	17 0
Mortgage discharged ..	1,300	0 0	Insurance ..	31	12 6
Church sittings ..	30	16 0	Borough rates ..	17	1 6
Rent ..	2	2 6	Telephone ..	6	0 0
Contractor's deposit ..	16	13 0	Examination expenses ..	34	6 1
			Tuition-fees refund ..	8	15 0
			Building ..	379	3 7
	<u>£6,380</u>	<u>8 3</u>	Improvements ..	109	5 11
			Repairs ..	29	0 0
			Site ..	6	5 0
			Bank interest ..	6	1 6
			Gymnasium ..	12	2 6
			Contractor's deposit ..	16	13 0
			Balance ..	1,265	8 5
				<u>£6,380</u>	<u>8 3</u>

GEO. S. BRIDGE, Chairman.

A. A. BROWNE, Secretary.

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



## 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.

At the University examinations ten pupils (four boys and six girls) passed the matriculation examination.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance .. ..	3,591	17 0	Office salary .. ..	60	0 0
Current income from reserves .. ..	369	8 0	Other office expenses .. ..	15	4 11
From property not a reserve .. ..	710	18 9	Other expenses of management—		
Interest .. ..	148	15 0	Legal .. ..	9	4 6
Examiner's fee .. ..	22	15 0	Auctioneer .. ..	2	2 0
School fees .. ..	1,128	12 1	Teachers' salaries and allowances .. ..	1,646	8 0
Board of scholarship children, rail and coach fares .. ..	300	9 4	Music fees .. ..	102	14 0
Books, &c., sold and other refunds .. ..	79	16 0	Examinations .. ..	22	12 3
Old piano sold .. ..	10	0 0	Board, rail and coach fare for school children .. ..	300	11 10
Wellington School Commissioners, from reserve .. ..	1	0 6	Prizes .. ..	10	4 0
Excess fees paid .. ..	0	2 0	Printing, stationery, and advertising .. ..	21	7 0
Excess on cheque .. ..	0	0 6	Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. (including caretaker's salary) .. ..	118	4 2
			Books and stationery for sale to pupils, and other temporary advances .. ..	77	11 5
			Site and buildings .. ..	167	0 8
			Fencing, repairs, &c. .. ..	67	11 1
			Rents, insurance, and taxes .. ..	91	8 7
			Interest on current account .. ..	11	13 0
			Excess fees returned .. ..	0	2 0
			New piano .. ..	89	5 0
			Chemicals .. ..	17	3 8
			Balance .. ..	3,533	6 1
	<u>£6,363</u>	<u>14 2</u>		<u>£6,363</u>	<u>14 2</u>

H. A. CORNFORD, Chairman.

DAVID SIDEX, Secretary.

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

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

### Boys.

*Highest.*—Mathematics—Euclid, Books I. to IV., with riders; algebra, quadratics, indices, surds, progressions; trigonometry to solution of triangles; arithmetic, general. English—Historical Grammar; composition, &c. English literature—Shakespeare's Julius Cæsar; period 1744–1800. History—England, Elizabeth to Victoria. Geography—Physical, mathematical, and general. French—Histoire de Charles XII.; general grammar (Wellington College); idioms and prose composition. Latin—Cæsar, Bell. Gall. II.; Horace, Odes, Book I.; Kennedy's Grammar; Latin Prose (Hamblin Smith, pp. 112–126). Science—Physiology or elementary chemistry and physics.

*Lowest.*—The Elementary Code, Standard III. (about), with very elementary Latin and oral French.

### Girls.

*Highest.*—Arithmetic, whole subject (Pendlebury, Guyon); algebra, to progressions and theory of quadratics inclusive (Hall and Knight); Euclid, Books I.–III. inclusive (Hall and Stevens); trigonometry, to solution of triangles (Pendlebury). Latin—To Matriculation standard: Text-books; Via Latina; Kennedy's Public School Primer; Cæsar, Book II.; Horace's Odes, Book I. French—To Matriculation standard: Text-books; Brachet's Grammar; Charles XII.; Extracts for Translation into English, II. (Chardenal). History—English, 1688–1837 (Ransome, Airy and others). Geography—General; special reference to Africa, China. Literature—Period 1744 to 1800; play, Julius Cæsar. Political economy—Victoria College first year's standard: Text-book; Economics of Industry (Marshall). Botany—Matriculation standard. Theory of Music—Trinity College intermediate.

*Lowest.*—Arithmetic—First four rules, simple practice, bills of parcels. French—Chardenal, Book I., to exercise 36; also words and phrases of everyday use. History—Richard II. to Henry VII. inclusive (Gardiner). Geography—Australia, New Zealand, England. Object-lessons on plants and common objects. Drawing—Blair's Colonial Drawing-book, Standard II. Writing—Jackson's vertical. Needlework; class-singing; drilling.

## 4. ARRANGEMENTS FOR MANUAL, COMMERCIAL, AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION; FOR GYMNASISTICS, DRILL, SWIMMING, ETC.

*Boys.*—Drawing: Model, freehand, geometrical, perspective, and mechanical. Visiting master (special) and ordinary staff. Models are being made by boys in carpenter's shop. Manual: There is a carpenter's shop, in which fourteen boys can work at once. The larger tools and materials are provided. Instruction is given in carpentry and carving, if required, by special visiting master, janitor, and headmaster. Commercial: Book-keeping and shorthand (Pitman's) are taught by members of the staff. Technical: Included in the above. Gymnastics: There is a good gymnasium, and instruction is given to the whole school during the winter (twice a week) and to the boarders in the evening by members of the staff. Drill: There is a cadet corps. Mr.

*Girls*.—Freehand and model-drawing are taken once a week. Needlework by all but V. (i.e., highest form) once a week in the highest forms, twice a week in lower forms. Class-singing is taken throughout school. Drilling by all classes two afternoons in the week; in school gymnasium during winter months.

The school gave free education to twenty-five holders of scholarships given by the School Commissioners and sixteen by the Education Board.

W. MORGAN, Chairman.

W. MORGAN, Chairman.  
C. A. DE LA TOUR, Secretary.

[NOTE.—This balance-sheet does not include £1,950 lent on mortgage.—SEC. EDUC.]

*Girls' College*.—Miss B. E. Gibson, M.A.; Miss E. Gribben, B.A.; Miss E. H. Pearce, M.A.; Miss E. Graham, B.A.; Miss M. N. Gellatly, M.A.; Mrs. E. F. W. Cooke; Miss Huddleston; Sergeant-Major Healy; the staff of the Nelson School of Music.

Seventeen candidates passed the University Matriculation examination, five of them taking the Junior Scholarship papers. Five undergraduates of the University have continued their studies at the College. The boys of the fifth and fourth forms took the drawing examination of the Wellington Technical School, and the results were extremely satisfactory. Mr. F. A. Pogson has been bracketed with another for the New Zealand University Senior Scholarship in Latin, a high distinction, and has at the same time completed his B.A. degree. Mr. E. H. Strong has taken his M.A. degree with second-class honours in Latin and English. Mr. E. Moore has passed his final examination for the LL.B. degree, and Mr. F. Milner, M.A., and Mr. A. C. Maginnity the second part of the three sections for the same degree. Mr. F. Stuckey and Mr. E. K. Mules have completed the first of the two sections of examinations for the B.A. degree.

*Girls' College.*

This year one of the pupils has been successful in winning a scholarship, taking the seventh place on the list. Another stands first on the credit list, and will probably be awarded a scholarship. The third girl sent in has a good place also on the credit list. Five passed the Matriculation examination. The results of the Junior and Senior Civil Service and of the teachers' examination are not yet known. The University students were less numerous than in previous years, because the number of Junior Scholarship candidates was increased. Maude Ellis passed the Second Year's Term Examination at Canterbury College, and sat for the first section of her B.A. degree; Janetta Hornsby passed the Third Year's Term Examination, and sat for the final section of the B.A. degree. The results of the degree examinations are not yet known. Since the publication of the last annual report, news has been received that Georgiana Cowles and Rose Avery passed the first section of the B.A. degree at the close of 1898.

## 2. STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

*Endowment Account.*

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
Rent .. .. .	..	951	2 6	Law-costs .. .. .	..	12	8 1
Interests .. .. .	..	319	9 4	Rates and taxes .. .. .	..	11	0 2
School Commissioners' subsidy ..	..	150	0 0	Insurance .. .. .	..	11	17 0
Sundries .. .. .	..	1	3 3	Printing and advertising ..	..	10	19 6
				Repairs .. .. .	..	11	0 0
				Governors' and auditors' fees ..	..	36	16 8
				Office rent, cleaning, and gas ..	..	27	9 10
				Secretary .. .. .	..	50	0 0
				Petty cash, postages, and sundries ..	..	30	11 3

*Boys' College.*

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
Boarding-fees .. .. .	..	1,530	3 8	Boarding-expenses .. .. .	..	971	9 3
Tuition-fees .. .. .	..	1,481	5 4	Tuition .. .. .	..	1,471	14 8
				Scholarships—			
				Foundation .. .. .	..	92	12 0
				Endowed .. .. .	..	116	12 0
				Free tuition .. .. .	..	214	4 0
				Governors', examiners', and auditors' fees ..	..	63	6 6
				Stationery and prizes .. .. .	..	79	6 6
				Printing and advertising .. .. .	..	45	18 10
				Gas .. .. .	..	49	6 10
				Rates and taxes .. .. .	..	7	10 0
				Insurance .. .. .	..	32	17 6
				Repairs .. .. .	..	120	4 6
				Furniture .. .. .	..	220	10 4
				Telephone .. .. .	..	6	0 0
				Subscriptions to sports and magazine ..	..	35	3 0
				Secretary .. .. .	..	50	0 0
				Sundries .. .. .	..	2	8 5

*Girls' College.*

Boarding-fees .. .. .	..	1,064	4 0	Boarding-expenses .. .. .	..	780	10 10
Tuition-fees .. .. .	..	1,334	2 2	Tuition-expenses .. .. .	..	969	7 9
				Scholarships—			
				Foundation .. .. .	..	60	4 0
				Endowed .. .. .	..	82	12 0
				Free tuition .. .. .	..	138	12 0
				Governors', examiners', and auditors' fees ..	..	63	6 6
				Stationery and prizes .. .. .	..	48	3 1
				Printing and advertising .. .. .	..	66	4 5
				Gas .. .. .	..	48	2 11
				Rates and taxes .. .. .	..	7	10 0
				Insurance .. .. .	..	32	5 0
				Repairs .. .. .	..	57	17 0
				Furniture .. .. .	..	76	16 6
				Secretary .. .. .	..	50	0 0
				Sundries .. .. .	..	8	9 5
				Telephone .. .. .	..	4	16 9

*Capital Account.*

Repayment account mortgage .. ..	..	50	0 0	Account mortgages .. .. .	..	1,050	0 0
				Payment o/a enlargement boys' college ..	..	640	0 0
				Payment o/a enlargement girls' college ..	..	213	8 4
				Purchase of land, girls' college ..	..	200	0 0
Balance .. .. .	..	1,552	1 7	Planting, &c., same .. .. .	..	53	18 6
		<u>£8,433</u>	<u>11 10</u>			<u>£8,433</u>	<u>11 10</u>

J. HOLLOWAY, Secretary.

I certify that I have examined the above accounts, and compared them with the several vouchers relating thereto, and have found them correct.

JOHN KING, Auditor.

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

*Boys' College.*

*Highest.*—English—Mason's Grammar; Scott and Dalgleish's Higher Grade; Stopford Brooke's English Literature; Thackeray, Esmond; Shakespeare, Merchant of Venice and Julius Cæsar; Chaucer, Prologue. Latin—Kennedy's Grammar; Bradley's Arnold; Ovid, Tristia, I.; Tacitus, Agricola and Germania. Roman History and Antiquities. French—Wellington College Grammar; Corneille, Cinna, Les Horaces; Molière, Le Misanthrope; Voltaire, Charles XII.; Macmillan's Third Course. Mathematics—Hall and Stevens's Euclid; Hall and Knight's Trigonometry; Todhunter and Loney's Algebra; Jones and Cheyne's Algebra Papers; Ward's Trigonometry Papers. Science—Jago's Advanced Chemistry; Loney's Statics; Loney's Dynamics; Smith's Hydrostatics.

*Lowest.*—English—Mason's First Notions; Treasury of English Song; Longmans' No. 3 Geography; Gardiner's Outlines of English History; Shorter Globe Reader, No. 4. Latin—Morris's Elementa Latina. French—Macmillan's Course, No. 1. Arithmetic—The Shilling Arithmetic (Pendlebury and Beard). Science—Object-lesson; Murché's Physiology.

*Girls' College.*

*Highest.*—English—Mason's Grammar; Morris's Historical Outlines; Abbott's How to Write Clearly; Abbott and Seeley's English Lessons for English People; Anglo-Saxon Primer; Middle English Primer, Parts I. and II.; literature as for B.A. examination, period 1744–1800; Gosse's Eighteenth Century Literature. The chief works of the more important authors of the period have been read. Julius Cæsar, Merchant of Venice, and Thackeray's Esmond. Latin—Junior Scholarship standard: Abbott's Latin Prose; Bradley's Arnold's Latin Prose Composition; Smith's Roman History; leading antiquities; sight translation, Æneid, Book II.; Ovid, selections; Virgil's Eclogues; prepared translation, Tacitus, Agricola, and Germania. French—Wellington College Grammar; Brachet's Public School Grammar; Henri Bué's First Steps in French Idioms; Corneille's Horace, Cinna; Molière's Misanthrope; Voltaire's Charles XII.; Primer of French Literature, by Warren. Science—Heat, sound, and light, Junior Scholarship standard. Mathematics—Junior Scholarship standard: Algebra, Todhunter's Larger Algebra; trigonometry (Lock); Euclid (Hall and Stevens).

*Lowest.*—English—Mrs. Overtheway's Remembrances; Macmillan's Reader, V. Elementary arithmetic—Southern Cross, Standard II. Geography—The world generally. Grammar—The parts of speech. Gardiner's History. Object-lessons. Simple botany.

## 4. ARRANGEMENTS FOR MANUAL, COMMERCIAL, AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION; FOR GYMNASTICS, DRILL, SWIMMING, ETC.

*Boys' College.*—Drawing is taught to all forms except the highest. The branches followed are scale, practical geometry, freehand, linear perspective, and model. Time, one hour a week. Manual, commercial, and technical instruction. Practical chemistry: The boys themselves performing the experiments (one hour a week). Mental and commercial arithmetic in all forms except the sixth (one hour a week). Gymnastics and drill taught to all boys (one hour a week). The rifle corps is sixty-five strong. Swimming: A competition is held once a year.

*Girls' College.*—Drawing is taught throughout the school; Mrs. E. F. W. Cooke (late of South Kensington School of Art, and pupil of Ludovici) teaches Forms V. and IV.; Miss Graham, Forms III., II., and I. Forms V. and IV. receive instruction in freehand, model-drawing, and perspective; Forms III., II., and I. are taught very elementary freehand. The drawing-lesson is held for one hour once a week, and is a school subject. Cookery was taught during the middle term; Miss Tendall, L.C.A., and Diplômée of the London School of Cookery, was the instructress. More than fifty girls attended the classes, which were held on Saturday morning and Monday afternoon, after school. Each class received two hours' instruction. Sewing is taught as a school subject in Forms I. to IV. Drill: Sergeant-Major Healy is drill instructor. The whole school is drilled in two divisions once a week. Indian-club exercises are taken every day during the cool months of the year. Swimming: Although there is no regular teacher of swimming, the girls are encouraged to go to the Maitai bathing-hole, in charge of a teacher. A shorthand class is held in the school twice a week, but shorthand is not a school subject.

## GREYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL.

## GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
Balance .. ..	..	507	10 4	Loan on mortgage .. ..	..	75	0 0
Interest .. ..	..	29	13 2	Fire insurance .. ..	..	0	10 0
Rent .. ..	..	7	8 0	Grant to Grey Education Board ..	..	150	0 0
School Commissioners ..	..	200	0 0	Bank commission .. ..	..	0	5 0
				Secretary, salary, 1899 ..	..	5	0 0
				Balance .. ..	..	513	16 6
		<u>£744</u>	<u>11 6</u>			<u>£744</u>	<u>11 6</u>

RICHARD NANCARROW, Chairman.

J. W. RIEMENSCHNEIDER, Secretary.

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

HOKITIKA HIGH SCHOOL.

GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

Receipts.			Expenditure.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance in bank at beginning of year ..	1,195	15 6	Office salary (secretary) ..	5	5 0
Interest on fixed deposits ..	34	10 0	Other office expenses ..	0	5 0
Paid by School Commissioners ..	200	0 0	Grant to Westland Education Board ..	100	0 0
Rent of house and grounds ..	39	5 0	Repairs to house ..	1	2 6
			Insurance of house ..	2	12 0
			Legal expenses ..	7	6 0
			Credit balance at end of year, viz.:—		
			Fixed deposits ..	1,150	0 0
			Current account ..	203	0 0
	£1,469	10 6		£1,469	10 6

JOHN MCWHIRTER, Chairman.  
CHAS. KIRK, Secretary.

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

CHRISTCHURCH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL.

Staff.

Mr. C. E. Bevan-Brown, M.A.; Mr. B. K. S. Lawrence, B.A.; Mr. W. Walton, B.A.; Mr. R. M. Laing, M.A., B.Sc.; Mr. R. Speight, M.A., B.Sc.; Mr. O. T. J. Alpers, M.A.; Mr. A. Merton; Mr. T. H. Jackson, B.A.; Mr. J. H. Smith, M.A.; Mr. T. W. Cane, M.A.; Mr. P. F. Rowland, B.A.; Mr. F. B. Sykes, B.A.; Mr. S. H. Seager; Major U. V. Richards; Mr. H. Wells; Mr. W. Garrard; Mr. K. C. Kent.

1. REPORT.

DURING the second term of the year the headmaster was absent, owing to illness, and was finally obliged to ask for leave of absence for a year, which was granted from the 1st September, 1899, Mr. B. K. S. Lawrence, B.A., the senior assistant-master, being appointed acting headmaster during Mr. Bevan-Brown's absence.

The honours gained during the year were as follows:—

Of four boys who entered, one took a Junior University Scholarship, being fourth on the list; one came third on the list, but being too young is unable to hold the scholarship; one passed with credit, and the other boy matriculated. An old boy was third on the credit list. Of fourteen boys who entered for matriculation, ten passed. Two passed the Medical Preliminary. Three won senior scholarships granted by the Board of Education. A. C. Sandstein, M.B., Edinburgh, won the Murchison Memorial Scholarship, open to graduates of Edinburgh and London. Twelve boys entered for the Junior Civil Service examination, the results of which are not yet known; four entered and all passed the Senior Civil Service examination.

2. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

Receipts.			Expenditure.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance ..	11	11 1	Office salary ..	100	0 0
Current income from reserves ..	3,068	7 4	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	3,986	1 1
School fees ..	1,842	15 0	Examinations—		
Interest ..	3	18 5	Examiners' fees ..	72	2 0
Balance ..	49	13 3	Other expenses ..	11	15 6
			Prizes ..	39	15 4
			Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	127	14 3
			Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. ..	53	8 11
			Repairs, renewals, fittings, &c. ..	87	19 6
			Insurance ..	30	11 1
			Annual grant to cadet corps ..	15	0 0
			Grant to Games Fund, including rent of		
			cricket-ground ..	45	0 0
			Chemicals and apparatus ..	27	6 5
			Inspecting reserves and advertising ..	134	2 3
			Interest on Loan Account (£5,000) ..	200	0 0
			Legal expenses ..	10	7 5
			General expenses ..	35	1 4
	£4,976	5 1		£4,976	5 1

H. R. WEBB, Chairman.  
A. CRACROFT WILSON, Registrar.

3. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—Mathematics—Euclid, Books I. to VI.; trigonometry, to solution of triangles; Ward's Examination Papers on Trigonometry; Loney's Trigonometry; algebra, to permutations (Hall and Knight's Algebra); Hall and Knight's Algebraical Exercises; arithmetic, general. Standard, Junior University Scholarship. Latin—Terence, Scenes from Andria; Virgil's *Æneid*, VI.; Livy, Book V.; History (Horton's History of the Romans); composition; Bradley's Arnold and Bradley's Aids to Latin Prose; grammar and antiquities. Standard, Junior University Scholarship. English—Macaulay's Essay on Boswell's Life of Johnson; Chaucer's Prologue; Scott's Rob Roy; Hale's Longer English Poems; Abbott's How to Write Clearly; Longmans' Handbook of English Literature; Morris's Historical English Grammar; miscellaneous



philological work as for Junior University Scholarship. French—La Fontaine's Fables; Sacs et Parchemins (Sandeau); Erckmann-Chatrian, *Le Conscrit*; Moriarty's French Grammar. Grammar, &c., as for Junior Scholarship. Science—Chemistry, Jago's *Morganic Chemistry* (advanced series); physics, Wright's *Heat*.

*Lowest*.—Arithmetic—First four rules, simple and compound. Latin—Shorter Latin Course (Macmillan). English—Dictation, reading, spelling, repetition; Royal Crown Reader (No. 5); Palgrave's *Children's Treasury*, Part II. History and Geography—Nelson's *Brief History*; Hill's *First Lessons in Geography*. Science—Elementary.

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

Manual and technical instruction: There is a suitable workshop, fitted with lathes, joiners' benches, and tools, in which instruction is given in carpentry, the use of tools, &c., out of school-hours. The fee is 2s. 6d. per term, and covers instruction for two hours a week. During part of the time boys do work that the instructor may require; during the rest of the time they are allowed to make articles for themselves. Mr. S. H. Seager supervises the workshop and carries out a regular course of instruction.

Modern Form: Boys who do not learn Latin learn sloyd and shorthand. There are thirty-seven boys in this class, which is divided into two divisions. Sloyd comprises the making of models in cardboard, wood, iron, &c., from drawings previously made to scale.

Shorthand is taught in the Modern Form and in the afternoon shorthand classes.

In the Remove physics work is all practical. It comprises measurement of length, area, capacity in metric and English units; use of balance; measurement of specific gravity, temperature, and weight of air, &c.

Science and drawing: During the first term of 1899, ninety-eight boys were taught model-drawing (mostly at the School of Art); thirty-four geometrical drawing; 190 chemistry; eighty-four physics and elementary science. During the last two terms forty-three boys attended a lecture on art (illustrated by lantern views) by Mr. Seager.

It will thus be seen that, with complete arrangements for drawing and science, boys obtain instruction in the main principles underlying technical instruction, and they have the essential elements of manual work in carpentry and sloyd. Elementary sloyd is taught to the youngest boys in place of French. For science teaching the school has two well-equipped laboratories, with sinks, sets of re-agents, furnace, &c. There is also a lecture-room, with properly equipped lecture-table, containing sink, gas, water-tap, &c. The room has raised benches, and can accommodate about sixty to write, and over a hundred for oral instruction.

Gymnastics: There is a well-equipped gymnasium, with horizontal and parallel bars, Roman rings, ladder, &c., where instruction is given four times a week in a course which includes the use of dumbbells and fencing-sticks, boxing, &c.

Swimming: There is a swimming-bath, where instruction is given every day by the swimming master.

Drill: In the cadet corps there are between fifty and sixty boys. They drill twice a week, under Major U. V. Richards. There are also drill classes of all other boys (except those specially exempted) twice a week.

Singing: A singing-class is held twice a week under Mr. H. Wells.

#### 5. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The school gave free education to thirty-eight scholars. Nineteen scholarships of the North Canterbury Education Board were held at the school.

### CHRISTCHURCH GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

#### Staff.

Miss M. V. Gibson, M.A.; Miss C. K. Henderson, B.A.; Miss A. E. Mills, M.A., B.Sc.; Miss E. Stevenson, M.A.; Miss H. Davy, B.A.; Miss F. Sheard, M.A.; Miss K. M. Gresson, M.A.; Mrs. Lane; Major U. V. Richards; Miss N. Gard'ner; Mrs. R. D. Harman; Miss E. Easterbrook; Miss H. Gibson; Mr. W. Garrard.]

#### 1. REPORT.

ALTOGETHER thirty-five scholars held scholarships or exhibitions which at least covered their school-fees; sixteen holding scholarships or exhibitions from the Board of Governors, sixteen scholarships from the North Canterbury Board of Education, one a scholarship from the South Canterbury Board of Education, one the Canterbury Caledonian Society's scholarship, and one received free education from the Board of Governors. The school did well at all the December public examinations. One pupil gained a Junior University Scholarship (ninth scholar) and also a Gammack Scholarship. Two other pupils who entered for this examination matriculated in the credit list. Three took the Medical Preliminary examination, and all passed; eleven the Matriculation, and ten passed. Board of Education senior scholarships were won by three pupils. Two pupils entered for the Senior Civil Service examination, and both passed, one being the only Canterbury candidate who was mentioned as passing "with distinction." Five pupils entered for the South Kensington freehand certificate examination, and all obtained first-class certificates.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

Receipts.			£	s.	d.	Expenditure.			£	s.	d.
Balance .. ..	..	..	228	19	7	Office salary .. ..	..	..	60	0	0
Current income from reserves .. ..	..	..	288	7	2	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	..	1,515	4	0	
Interest .. ..	..	..	131	19	7	Examinations—					
School fees .. ..	..	..	1,458	19	6	Examiners' fees .. ..	..	..	53	9	0
Proceeds from cooking-class .. ..	..	..	23	2	7	Other expenses .. ..	..	..	11	8	6
						Scholarships .. ..	..	..	240	0	0
						Prizes .. ..	..	..	24	19	11
						Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	..	..	55	0	3
						Cleaning and fuel .. ..	..	..	20	7	0
						Repairs .. ..	..	..	9	14	0
						Insurance .. ..	..	..	10	7	6
						Inspecting reserves .. ..	..	..	7	15	4
						Expenses of cooking-class .. ..	..	..	21	19	5
						New ventilators .. ..	..	..	11	1	0
						Microscope .. ..	..	..	5	10	0
						Legal expenses .. ..	..	..	2	12	4
						Sundries .. ..	..	..	26	2	7
						Balance in hand and in bank at end of year .. ..	..	..	55	17	7

H. R. WEBB, Chairman.  
A. CRACROFT WILSON, Registrar.

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

*Highest.*—All work up to the standard required for Junior University Scholarship candidates. English—Mason's Grammar; Morris's Historical English Grammar (elementary); Longmans' Literature, Part V.; Chosen English (Ellis); Shakespeare's Hamlet and Julius Cæsar. Mathematics—Arithmetic, without text-book; Hall and Knight's Algebra; Loney's Trigonometry, Part I.; Hall and Stevens's Euclid. Latin—Bradley's Arnold's Prose Composition; Abbott's Latin Prose through English Idiom; Stedman's Examination Papers in Miscellaneous Grammar and Idioms; Simpson's Cæsarian Prose; Horace, Odes, Book IV., and Carmen Sæculare; Cicero, De Lege Manilia; Livy, Hannibalian War; Virgil, Books III. and IX.; Cæsar, Book I. Science—Wright's Heat; Dendy and Lucas's Botany; Furneaux's Physiology. French—Chardenal's Third Course; miscellaneous prose translation; Pour la Couronne (François Coppée); L'homme à l'oreille cassée (Edmond About); L'Avare (Molière).

*Lowest.*—English—Longmans' Grammar; Blackie's Animal and Plant Life, Part II.; Class-book of English Poetry; Stronach's Literature; Stories for the Schoolroom, Part I. (Blackie). Mathematics—Arithmetic, without text-book; simple and compound rules. French—Chardenal's First Course. History—Ransome's Elementary History. Geography—Longmans' Geography, Book I. Science—Elementary botany, without text-book.

## 4. ARRANGEMENTS FOR TEACHING DRAWING, MANUAL, AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION, GYMNASTICS AND DRILL, AND SWIMMING.

Drawing is taught in the school by a specially appointed certificated visiting teacher, assisted by one of the teachers on the ordinary staff. All pupils desirous of attending the classes can do so, and during the last quarter 103 out of a roll of 124 learnt drawing. Instruction is given in freehand, model-drawing, original design, elementary light and shade in sepia, drawing from casts and natural objects, and elementary brush-work. Each class has at least one hour and twenty minutes instruction per week, and the work is examined annually by a duly appointed art master, who reports to the Board of Governors. Sewing is taught on two afternoons a week by mistresses on the regular staff. All pupils not specially exempted take this subject. Dress-cutting classes are held on Saturday morning by a specially appointed teacher. Theoretical dress-cutting by means of charts is taught, and practical making up of the garments. The numbers of pupils attending these classes are small. Cooking is taught by a specially appointed certificated teacher. A class-room, with two gas-stoves and a properly equipped scullery, is provided. Two-thirds of the lessons given are practical, the cooking being actually done by the pupils; one-third are demonstration lessons by the teacher. An examination, partly by means of written answers, partly practical, is held annually. Drill is taught by a specially appointed visiting drill instructor. All pupils not specially exempted attend these classes. Instruction is given to each class for two periods of half an hour each per week. Callisthenic exercises with poles are given, but no other form of gymnastics. Pupils desirous of learning swimming receive two lessons of half an hour per week during the summer months from a specially appointed instructor. The lessons are given at the bath at the Boys' High School.

## 5. SCHOLARSHIPS.

Altogether thirty-five pupils received free education for the year at the school: seventeen holding scholarships or exhibitions from the Board of Governors, sixteen holding scholarships from the North Canterbury Board of Education, and one scholarship from the Christchurch Caledonian Society.

*Staff.*

## 1. SCHOLARSHIPS AND EXHIBITIONS.

*Lowest.*—Divinity, St. Matthew's Gospel; the Catechism, to the end of "Duty to your Neighbour." History—Brief History of England, to the end of Richard III. Geography—Zealandia Geography, Parts I. and II. Reading—Royal Star Reader, No. 3, pages 1-147; Ship Literary Reader, No. 3, pages 1-104. Repetition—The Inchcape Bell, Battle of Blenheim, The Village Blacksmith, Casabianca, Boadicea, and Hohenlinden. Grammar and composition—The parts of speech; lessons on the structure of sentences; punctuation, &c.; letters and easy compositions on various subjects. Arithmetic—Numeration; notation; the simple rules up to and including long division. Writing.

## 3. ARRANGEMENTS FOR MANUAL AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION, ETC.

Drawing is taught to all boys in the lower school. In the upper school it is an optional subject, the classes being held in school hours for boys in the lower forms, and outside school hours for those in the highest four forms. Special attention is given to mechanical drawing, drawings of machinery, and working drawings for use in the workshop. Carpentry, joinery, and forge-work are optional, there being a small extra charge. The classes are held outside school hours. Boys are encouraged to work from drawings made in the drawing-classes (v. supra). There is a special class, in which the work is somewhat of the nature of sloyd, for small boys. Book-keeping is an optional subject for boys who are sufficiently advanced in arithmetic to study it with profit. It is one of the subjects which in certain forms and under certain conditions may be substituted for Latin in school hours. Boys who do not take it in this way have the option of attending a class outside school hours. The school has a large and well-appointed gymnasium, and an excellent swimming-bath. Gymnastics and drill are compulsory for all boys not exempted for special cause. A large proportion of the boys join the cadet corps. All boys in the lower school not specially exempted are taught swimming in school hours. The boys of the upper school, especially the boarders, are very ready to use the swimming-bath. At certain times a master attends for the sake of beginners.

## RANGIORA HIGH SCHOOL.

Mr. T. R. Cresswell, M.A., Master.

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

*Highest.*—Latin—To Matriculation standard: Abbott's *Via Latina*; Caesar's *Gallie War*. English.—To Matriculation standard: Nesfield's *Manual*. French—To Matriculation standard: Chardenal, Parts I and II. Arithmetic—To Matriculation standard: Goyen's *Advanced Text-book*. Algebra—To Matriculation: Hall and Knight's *Elementary Algebra*. Euclid—Books I. and II., with examples (Hall and Stevens). History of England, B.C. 52 to A.D. 1604 (Ransome's *History*). Geography—The *Empire*; Meiklejohn's *New Comparative Geography*; Arnold-Foster's *This World of Ours*. English Literature—Westward Ho! and As You Like it.

*Lowest.*—Latin—The declensions, &c.; *Elementa Latina*. English—Longmans' *Junior School Grammar*. French—Chardenal, Part I. Arithmetic.—The four rules; compound rules, &c.; Longmans' *Arithmetic*. History—Gill's *Historical Reader*, Part II. Geography—New Zealand and Australia.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
Balance .. ..	..	38	15 6	Office expenses .. ..	..	1	10 5
Current income from reserves ..	..	157	5 6	Teacher's salary and allowances ..	..	174	19 2
School fees .. ..	..	82	2 6	Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	..	5	4 4
				Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. ..	..	13	12 7
				Fencing, repairs, &c... ..	..	6	18 7
				Rent, insurance, and taxes ..	..	3	18 9
				Rail-fare for pupil .. ..	..	0	13 0
				Balance .. ..	..	71	6 8
		£278	3 6			£278	3 6

E. R. Good, Chairman.

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

## 3. ARRANGEMENTS AT THE SCHOOL FOR DRAWING; FOR MANUAL, COMMERCIAL, AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION; FOR GYMNASISTICS, DRILL, SWIMMING, ETC.

The ordinary staff teach book-keeping, shorthand, sewing, freehand, and geometrical drawing (scale), and physical drill.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The High School Board gave free education to three pupils.

## AKAROA HIGH SCHOOL.

Mr. J. B. Harrison, M.A., Master.

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

*Highest.*—Latin—*Via Latina*, 2nd Book; Caesar, *De Bello Gallico*. French—Macmillan's *French Course*, Treatise II. Arithmetic—Hamblin Smith. Algebra—Hall and Knight. Euclid—Book II. English Composition—Longmans' *Junior School Shakespeare*. Geography—Chisholm. English History—Gardiner.

*Lowest.*—Latin—*Via Latina*, 1st Book. French—Macmillan's *French Course*, Treatise I. Arithmetic—Hamblin Smith. English Composition—Longmans' *Junior School Shakespeare*. Geography—Chisholm. English History—Gardiner.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
Balance .. ..		75	4 11	Expenses of management .. ..		1	5 0
Current income from reserves .. ..		119	0 10	Teacher's salary and allowances .. ..		200	0 0
School fees .. ..		85	1 0	Prizes .. ..		1	10 0
Interest .. ..		2	0 3	Printing, stationery, and advertising .. ..		3	1 6
				Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. . . .		7	15 0
				Rents, insurances, and taxes .. ..		35	13 4
				Interest .. ..		1	2 6
				Balance on fixed deposit.. ..		30	19 8
		£281	7 0			£281	7 0

H. C. JACOBSON, Chairman and Secretary.

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

## 3. ARRANGEMENTS FOR MANUAL AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION, ETC.

Drawing taught twice a week in the whole school. Commercial instruction (book-keeping) to two elder boys.

## 4. SCHOLARSHIP.

The school gave free education to one pupil.

## ASHBURTON HIGH SCHOOL.

*Staff.*

Mr. J. S. Tennant, M.A., B.Sc.; Miss J. Mulholland, M.A.; Mr. C. F. Salmond, M.A.

## 1. REPORT FOR YEAR 1899.

During the year Mr. G. A. Summers, M.A., headmaster, was promoted to the headmastership of the Timaru Boys' High School, and Mr. J. S. Tennant, M.A., B.Sc., was appointed in his stead. Three of last year's pupils passed the Matriculation and the Junior Civil Service, and one obtained a North Canterbury Board Scholarship, being at the head of the list.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
Current income from reserves .. ..		615	12 3	Overdraft at beginning of year .. ..		154	17 9
School fees .. ..		162	13 0	Office salary .. ..		26	6 0
Balance .. ..		83	19 11	Other expenses, postages, &c. .. ..		3	2 4
				Teachers' salaries .. ..		570	0 0
				House-allowance to late headmaster .. ..		16	13 4
				Prizes .. ..		9	16 7
				Printing, stationery, and advertising .. ..		15	9 9
				Cleaning and fuel .. ..		30	4 6
				Repairs .. ..		8	8 10
				Insurance .. ..		3	5 0
				Interest on current account .. ..		11	9 6
				Science apparatus .. ..		5	13 0
				Breaking-up expenses .. ..		1	15 9
				Cab-hire .. ..		1	16 0
				Box for books, &c. .. ..		0	18 6
				Tuning piano .. ..		0	10 6
				Exchange on cheques .. ..		0	7 0
				Requisites .. ..		1	10 10
		£862	5 2			£862	5 2

ANDREW ORR, Chairman.

CHARLES BRADDELL, Secretary.

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

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

*Highest.*—English—Mason's English Grammar; Higher Grade English; English Literature Primer (Stopford Brooke); Selections from Chaucer (Sweet); Merchant of Venice and Samson Agonistes. Latin—Via Latina (Abbott); Arnold's Prose (Bradley); Gallic War, Books 4–6; Æneid, Book I. French—Chardenal's Advanced Exercises, to exercise 75; Brachet's French Grammar; Macmillan's Second French Reader; La Guerre (Erckmann-Chatrian); L'Avare (Molière). Euclid—Books III.–VI. (Hall and Stevens). Algebra—Hall and Knight, to Chapter 41. Trigonometry—Lock's Trigonometry. Arithmetic—Goyen's Higher Arithmetic. Geography—Europe, Asia, and Africa (Longmans). History—Creighton's Roman History Primer; Dr. Smith's Smaller Roman History, to Chapter X. Science—Loney's Mechanics, to page 181; Scott's Structural Botany, Part II.

*Lowest.*—English—Mason's Grammar; Treasure Island (Stevenson); L'Allegro and Il Penseroso. Latin—Smith's Principia, to page 77. French—Chardenal, Book I., to exercise 190. Euclid—Book I., to prop. 32 (Hall and Stevens). Algebra—Hamblin Smith's Algebra, to page 148. Arithmetic—Standard VI. syllabus. Geography—America, Africa, and Mill's Commercial Geography. History—1485 to 1714 (Ransome). Science—Chemistry (Jago), to page 216. Botany—Morphology of flowering plants. Book-keeping (Jackson). Writing, drawing, and sewing (girls).

4. ARRANGEMENTS FOR INSTRUCTION IN DRAWING, SEWING, BOOK-KEEPING, AND PHYSICAL DRILL ;  
MANUAL AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION, ETC.

Drawing, freehand, geometrical, and elementary perspective, two hours a week ; sewing (girls), one hour a week ; book-keeping, one hour and a half a week ; physical drill, one hour a week.

5. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The School gave free education to fifteen pupils. One scholarship of the North Canterbury Education Board was held at the School.

TIMARU HIGH SCHOOLS.

Staff.

Boys' School.—Mr. G. A. Summers, M.A. ; Mr. A. J. Mayne, M.A. ; Mr. M. H. Browne ; Sergeant-Major T. Jones.  
Girls' School.—Miss M. J. McLean ; Miss B. M. Watt ; Mrs. E. J. A. Pearson ; Mr. S. Wolf ; Mr. W. Greene.

1. REPORT.

During the last year the school has done very well. Amongst the girls, five pupils matriculated in the credit list, one in the fifth place. Three pupils gained High School exhibitions, two Education Board Scholarships. Three pupils passed the examination of the first year's terms in the Arts course, and one pupil was successful at the Junior Civil Service examination. Amongst the boys, one pupil gained a Junior University Scholarship, three pupils passed the Matriculation examination. Four pupils gained High School exhibitions. Three pupils gained Education Boards' scholarships, and one pupil gained Christchurch High School Entrance exhibition. One pupil passed the Junior Civil Service examination.  
J. H. BAMFIELD, Secretary.

2. ARRANGEMENTS AT THE SCHOOL FOR DRAWING ; FOR MANUAL, COMMERCIAL, AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION ; FOR GYMNASISTICS, DRILL, SWIMMING, ETC.

Boys.—Drawing : Drawing is taught to all but the pupils in the two highest forms. About two hours per week are given to the subject, divided, last year, between freehand and model drawing. Mr. H. Browne, a member of the regular staff, conducts the classes. Manual instruction : There is a carpentry-shop in connection with the school, with benches and tools to accommodate twelve pupils at a time. Two hours a week are given to the subject. The pupils who do not take carpentry receive instruction in cardboard-modelling. Mr. Browne takes the carpentry classes. Commercial and technical instruction : Commercial work alternates with Latin. Pupils who do not take Latin take commercial work, which includes instruction in shorthand, book-keeping, commercial arithmetic, and correspondence. Drill and gymnastics : The school has a large gymnasium, furnished with the usual gymnastic apparatus. Instruction is given by a visiting master, Sergt.-Major Jones, once a week each in drill and gymnastics. The gymnasium is open for practice at certain other times. There is a cadet corps in connection with the school, Mr. Browne, being commanding officer. Swimming : No swimming instruction is given, but the subject is encouraged by means of an annual swimming tournament held in connection with the school.

Girls.—Drawing : Freehand, model, and scale drawing taught to all forms but the Sixth. Drawing from flower and plant specimens is also taught, and, in place of scale-drawing, brush-work from copy and specimen. Instruction is given in sloyd-work. Sewing : Sewing is taught to all pupils in middle and lower school. Shorthand : Shorthand is taken by a few pupils. Cookery : A class of cookery, demonstration and practical, was conducted by Mr. Budd during the winter term. Dancing : The dancing-class was well attended. Gymnastics and calisthenics : Classes are held every week for gymnastics and calisthenics. These exercises are done with piano accompaniment.

3. GENERAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

Receipts.			Expenditure.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance .. ..	1,025	4 4	Office salary .. ..	80	10 0
Current income from reserves .. ..	1,404	1 6	Other office expenses .. ..	15	1 8
Interest on moneys invested and on unpaid purchase-money .. ..	67	10 0	Other expenses of management .. ..	23	19 0
School fees .. ..	672	15 10	Teachers' salaries and allowances .. ..	1,586	15 10
Refund drain-pipes .. ..	0	5 9	Hayter refund .. ..	1	13 4
Contribution to Scholarship Fund (Harkness) .. ..	14	0 0	Hire of St. Mary's, &c. .. ..	4	7 6
Interest on Captain Cain's bequest .. ..	1	11 2	Scholarships .. ..	39	14 4
Interest from P.O. Savings-Bank .. ..	25	2 0	Prizes .. ..	8	10 0
			Printing, stationery, and advertising .. ..	107	14 4
			Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	92	12 11
			Books and stationery for sale to pupils, and other temporary advances .. ..	7	11 2
			Site and buildings .. ..	20	0 0
			Fencing, repairs, &c. .. ..	70	19 0
			Rents, insurance, and taxes .. ..	27	19 2
			Bank charge .. ..	0	11 10
			Cooking-class .. ..	15	0 0
			Balance .. ..	1,112	10 6
	£3,210	10 7		£3,210	10 7

WM. B. HOWELL, Chairman.  
J. H. BAMFIELD, Secretary.

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

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

*Boys' School.*

*Highest.*—English—Merchant of Venice; Scott's Heart of Midlothian; Chaucer's Knight's Tale; Mason's Grammar; Great Authors, Third Period; Brooke's Primer of English Literature; Peile's Philology. Latin—Horace's Odes, Book I.; Virgil's Æneid, Books II. and III.; Cicero's Pro Milone; Bryan's Latin Prose Exercises; Horton's History of the Romans; Smith's Smaller Latin Grammar. French—La Fontaine's Select Fables; Sandeau's Mademoiselle de la Seiglière; Macmillan's French Composition, Second Course; Wellington College French Grammar. Mathematics—Hall and Knight's Algebra; Hall and Stevens's Euclid, Books I. to VI.; Lock's Elementary Trigonometry, Junior University Scholarship work. Electricity—Silvanus Thompson's Electricity and Magnetism. Botany—Thome and Bennett's Structural and Physiological Botany; Scott's Structural Botany; Thomson's Introductory Class-book of Botany; Dendy and Lucas's Botany; Aitken's Botany.

*Lowest.*—English—Schiller's William Tell (English translation); Longmans' Grammar and Composition. Latin—Macmillan's First Latin Course, to end of third declension. French—Hogben's Méthode Naturelle, to page 50; The Four Seasons, from Rossmann and Schmidt. Arithmetic—Pendlebury's Arithmetic (decimals, profit and loss, percentages). Euclid—Hall and Stevens's Euclid, Book I., to proposition 16. Algebra—Hall and Knight's Elementary Algebra, to simple equations. Geography—Longmans' Geographical Reader for Standard VI. (Asia, Africa, and America). History—Buckley's History (William III. to Victoria). Physiology—Furneaux's Physiology, to page 153. Shorthand—Pitman's Instructor, to Contractions. Book-keeping—Thornton's Exercises, to page 100.

The above is the work of the lowest division of the school. One boy took lower work than the above in some subjects, but, as the case is exceptional, he is not regarded as a "division."

*Girls' School.*—English—Morris's Historical Grammar; Low's English Language; Chaucer's Prologue and Knight's Tale; Morris and Skeat's Specimens of Early English; Stopford Brooke's Primer of English Literature; Abbott's How to Write Clearly; readings from period 1744 to 1800; Thackeray's Esmond; Shakespeare's Julius Cæsar and Merchant of Venice. Latin—Bryan's Latin Prose Exercises; Arnold's Latin Prose Composition; Tacitus, Agricola and Germania; Ovid, Tristia, Book I.; extracts from Cæsar for retranslation; Horton's History of the Romans; Wilkins's Primer of Roman Antiquities. French—Wellington College French Grammar; French Composition, Part II.; Corneille, Cinna and Horace; Molière, Le Misanthrope; Voltaire, Charles XII. Mathematics—Arithmetic (Pendlebury); algebra (Hall and Knight), to binomial theorem; trigonometry (Lock), to solution of triangles; Euclid (Hall and Stevens), Books III. to VI.; statics and dynamics (Loney); hydrostatics (Besant). Botany—Elementary Text-book of Botany (Aitken); Introduction to the Study of Botany (Dendy and Lucas).

*Lowest.*—English—Reading, Ship Reader, No. 6; Poems for Schoolroom and Scholar; Grammar in Parallel Grammar Series; English Examples and Exercises. French—Description of Seasons pictures, as in Rossmann and Schmidt. Arithmetic—Elementary rules. Geography—Longmans' Geographical Reader. History—Gardiner's Outlines. Botany—Youman's First Book of Botany; description from specimens of commonest garden flowers.

## 5. SCHOLARSHIPS.

*Boys' School.*—The Board gave free education to eight out of the eleven holders of Education Board scholarships; and twelve holders of High School exhibitions, granted to those not gaining scholarships, though obtaining more than half marks at the scholarship examinations.

*Girls' School.*—The Board gave free education to nine holders of Education Board scholarships, and to twelve other pupils.

## WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL.

## GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
Balance .. ..	..	568	6 8	Office salary .. ..	..	12	12 0
Current income from reserves .. ..	..	183	10 11	Paid South Canterbury Education Board ..	100	0 0	
Interest on moneys invested and on un-	..			Examinations (examiners' fees) .. ..	..	5	5 0
paid purchase-money .. ..	..	45	0 0	Scholarship candidate's expenses .. ..	..	1	4 0
Books, &c., sold .. ..	..	0	5 0	Prizes .. ..	..	7	6 6
Interest on fixed deposits .. ..	..	23	19 2	Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	..	9	14 10
				Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	..	0	7 6
				Interest .. ..	..	0	1 6
				Members' travelling-expenses .. ..	..	6	6 6
				Exhibitioners' fees .. ..	..	70	0 0
				Exchange and bank charge .. ..	..	0	8 6
				Balance .. ..	..	607	15 5
		£821	1 9			£821	1 9

G. BARCLAY, Chairman.

G. H. GRAHAM, Secretary.

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

WAITAKI HIGH SCHOOLS.

*Staff.*

*Boys' School.*—Dr. J. R. Don, D.Sc., M.A., F.S.C.; Mr. W. G. Grave, B.A.; Mr. R. L. Mollroy, M.A.; Mr. T. A. Hunter, M.A.; Sergeant-Major Macpherson.

*Girls' School.*—Miss C. Ferguson, M.A.; Miss E. Crosby, B.A.; Miss S. Gifford, M.A.; Miss M. McCaw; Sergeant-Major McPherson.

## 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

*Boys.*—I have much pleasure in reporting the great success attained by Dr. Don during the past year, and the likelihood of its continuance. During the last term there were eighty-two boys on the roll, of whom twenty-eight were boarders. Owing to the increase of pupils, the Board deemed it necessary to engage a fourth master, who also acts as house-master. On account of the increase in numbers, especially of boarders, considerable alterations had to be made to provide room. A large swimming-bath has also been erected. In the examination for the Education Board's senior scholarships for 1899, one of the boys of this school came out at the head of the list, one was ninth, and one twelfth.

*Girls.*—I am also pleased to report a decided improvement in attendance at the Girls' High School. Miss Ferguson had fifty pupils on the roll for the last term of 1899. This school labours under the disadvantage of having no boarding establishment attached to it, so that girls attending from a distance have to find lodgings with private families. In the Education Board's senior scholarship examinations the girls from this school took seventh and fifteenth places.

DONALD BORRIE, Chairman.

## 2. GENERAL STATEMENT of ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
Balance .. ..	..	653	15	3	Office salary, secretary .. ..	..	70	10	0
Endowments—					Other office expenses, valuator .. ..	..	11	1	0
Price of reserve sold .. ..	..	108	0	0	Expenses, incidental .. ..	..	5	0	9
Current income from reserves .. ..	..	1,119	19	10	Teachers' salaries—				
Interest on money invested and un-					Boys, £798 6s. 8d.; girls, £448 .. ..	..	1,246	6	8
paid purchase-money .. ..	..	16	14	6	Prizes .. ..	..	10	5	0
Paid by School Commissioners .. ..	..	54	3	0	Printing, stationery, and advertising .. ..	..	56	14	1
School fees—					Cleaning, light, fuel, &c. .. ..	..	80	12	9
Boys, £438 1s. 8d.; girls, £252 3s. 4d. .. ..	..	690	5	0	Site and building .. ..	..	304	8	6
Account, year 1900 .. ..	..	3	0	0	Insurance and taxes .. ..	..	33	12	6
Interest on fixed deposits .. ..	..	6	17	6	Interest .. ..	..	30	18	9
					Solicitors' fees .. ..	..	11	10	2
					Petty cash .. ..	..	23	0	0
					School appliances .. ..	..	4	18	2
					Fees refunded .. ..	..	1	6	8
					Balance of loan paid .. ..	..	750	0	0
					Balance .. ..	..	12	10	1
		£2,652	15	1			£2,652	15	1

DONALD BORRIE, Chairman.

GEORGE R. HISLOP, Secretary.

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

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

*Boys' School.*

*Highest.*—English—English Grammar (Dr. Smith); Longmans' School Composition; Higher Grade English (Nelson); Meiklejohn's Spelling-book; Shakespeare, Julius Cæsar, Tempest, Merchant of Venice; C. M. Yonge, The Dove in the Eagle's Nest; Chaucer, Prologue and Knight's Tale; Hales's Longer English Poems. Latin—Via Latina; Kennedy's Revised Primer; Cæsar, Book II.; Virgil, Æneid, Book VI.; Georgics, Book IV.; Tacitus, Germania. French—Chardenal, Book III.; Sans Famille (Malot); Le Misanthrope (Molière). Arithmetic—Catch Questions (Capel); Arithmetic and Elementary Mensuration (Goyen). Euclid—First Four Books (Hall and Stevens). Algebra—Hall and Knight's Elementary Algebra, to end of surds. Trigonometry—Hamblin Smith's Elementary Trigonometry. Chemistry—Jago's Inorganic and Dr. Tilden's Practical Chemistry. Geology—Elementary (Bird); Field Geology (no text-book used). Geography—Longmans' Geography, No. 3.

*Lowest.*—English—Royal Crown Reader, Book III.; Ship Readers (Longmans), Book III. Arithmetic—Southern Cross Arithmetic, Books II., III., IV. Geography—Southern Cross, No. 3. Grammar—Dunlop's English Grammar; Longmans' Junior School Grammar. Latin—Elementa Latina (Morris). French—Chardenal, Book I.



*Girls' School.*

*Highest.*—English—Literature, Macmillan's Reader, No. VI.; Hamlet (Shakespeare); grammar and composition, Mason's English Grammar; Professor Nichol's English Composition (weekly essay). Latin—Heatley's *Excerpta Facilia*; extracts from Cæsar; Cicero's *De Senectute*; Virgil's *Æneid*, Book IV. (200 lines); Arnold's Prose, up to exercise 45. Mathematics—Arithmetic, whole subject (Goyen); algebra (Hall and Knight), up to page 238; Euclid, to the end of Book IV.; trigonometry (Lock's), to the end of solution of triangles. Dynamics—(Lock). Science—Botany, Junior Scholarship work, except the lower orders; books used, Edmonds's, G. M. Thomson's. French—Advanced Chardenal (66 exercises); Wellington College Grammar; *Le Roi des Montagnes*, 135 pages; translation at sight. Scripture—The Acts of the Apostles, Chapters I. to XIX. Drawing—Model and freehand. History—Period for Matriculation (Ransome's History).

*Lowest.*—English—Longmans' Ship Literary Reader, V.; Tennyson, school edition, Part I. (selections); Standard V. Public School Grammar; parsing and analysis and weekly essay. Science—Lessons from Paul Bert's *First Year of Scientific Knowledge*; practical lessons in botany. History—Southern Cross History, Part II., No. 2, 136 pages. Geography—The Zealandia Geography, Standard IV. and part of Standard V. French—Chardenal's *First French Course*, to exercise 100. Arithmetic—Southern Cross, Standard V., up to simple interest. Scripture—St. Matthew's Gospel, Chapters XXV. to XXVIII.; the Acts of the Apostles, Chapters I. to VIII. Writing—Jackson's Vertical. Drawing—Model and freehand. Drill—Marching exercises with wands and dumbbells.

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

*Boys' School.*—Drawing—Freehand, geometrical, architectural, and machine drawing form part of regular work; two hours weekly given to drawing. Commercial and technical: Commercial arithmetic and practice in business forms, invoices, &c, four hours weekly to those who do not take Latin. Shorthand and type-writing are taught (five hours weekly) to boarders. Gymnastics: Whole school one hour weekly under two assistant masters (gold and silver medals given for proficiency). Drill: One hour weekly under Captain Grave; officers chosen from the school; Sergeant-Major Macpherson, Government instructor. Swimming: Swimming-bath 75 ft. by 40 ft.; constant supply of fresh water; regular instruction; Wednesday evenings given to junior boys during summer.

*Girls' School.*—A mistress for drawing visits the school daily for a lesson of forty minutes. A drill instructor attends one afternoon a week for forty-five minutes, when deportment, drill, and physical exercises are taught.

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#### 5 SCHOLARSHIPS.

Two free tuition and four Otago Education Board scholarships were held at the school.

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### OTAGO BOYS' AND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

#### *Staff.*

*Boys' School.*—Mr. A. Wilson, M.A.; Mr. D. Brent, M.A.; Mr. M. Watson, M.A.; Mr. G. M. Thomson, F.L.S.; Mr. T. D. Pearce, M.A.; Mr. J. MacPherson, F.E.I.S.; Mr. C. H. Broad, B.A.; Mr. F. H. Campbell, M.A.; Mr. J. Hanna; Mr. D. Sherriff.

*Girls' School.*—Miss M. E. A. Marchant, M.A.; Miss K. Browning; Miss F. M. Allan, M.A.; Miss H. Alexander, B.A.; Miss E. E. Little; Miss M. W. Alves; Miss F. M. Wimperis; Miss F. Campbell, M.A.; Mr. G. M. Thomson, F.L.S.; Mr. J. Hanna; Miss J. L. Buckland; Mr. W. E. Taylor, F.R.C.O.; Miss J. C. Longford.

#### 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

I am pleased to report a slight improvement in the attendance at both schools during the year, notwithstanding the fact that in the Boys' School there was a steady drain of boys for various mercantile employments.

The efficiency of the schools has been fully maintained during the year, and the health of the scholars has been generally good, although the epidemic of influenza seriously affected the attendance during the third term, especially in the Boys' School. The results of the various competitive examinations are satisfactory, and show that both schools are doing good work.

During the year twenty-four boys and nineteen girls received free education by virtue of having obtained 50 per cent. of the attainable marks in the Otago Education Board's Senior and Junior Scholarship examinations. As stated in my last report, the Board has decided to modify the grant of free education, so far as it applies to candidates for Junior Scholarship examinations, by limiting it to the ten candidates next following the successful candidates for Junior Scholarships, on condition that they obtain 60 per cent. of the attainable marks.

WM. BROWN, Chairman.



#### 4. ARRANGEMENTS FOR DRAWING ; FOR MANUAL, COMMERCIAL, AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION ; FOR GYMNASTICS, DRILL, SWIMMING, ETC.

*Boys' School.*—Drawing: Geometrical drawing taught by members of the staff to the five lower forms (Lower V.—III. inclusive) one hour a week. Mechanical drawing taught by a visiting master to such boys as desire it (one hour a week). No arrangement for instruction in drawing from the round. There are no arrangements for manual instruction. Gymnastics: A fully equipped gymnasium under a skilled master; Form III. two hours per week, the other forms one hour. A considerable amount of work under supervision of the master is done out of school hours. There are no arrangements for instruction in swimming. Drill: Cadet corps drilled every Monday afternoon, and at extra times. The rest of the school drilled on Wednesday afternoon by members of the staff, except in the depth of winter. Commercial instruction: Commercial arithmetic in all forms. Book-keeping in Forms Lower IV. Remove and III. Shorthand in Forms Upper IV.—III. inclusive. An hour a week to book-keeping. Short lesson twice a week in shorthand. Commercial geography in Forms Lower V.—III. inclusive. Technical instruction: In the sense of special preparation for particular trades there is no technical instruction. Instruction is given in science (chemistry, botany, physics) in a specially constructed science-room, fitted up with necessary appliances. Mechanical drawing is taught for such boys as require it.

*Girls' School.*—There are two studios, and drawing is taught to the whole school. Advanced pupils, on the payment of a fee, are admitted to a "life" class, for which models are engaged twice weekly. There is a full equipment of casts, cards for test-drawing, &c. Instruction is given in sewing, plain and fancy work, dress cutting and making. Cooking-classes are held during the winter term. Gymnastics and drill are compulsory for the whole school. The instructor, Mr. Hanna, gives a thorough training in all kinds of gymnastic work. Each class has two lessons weekly, except the two highest forms, which have one lesson weekly.

#### 5. SCHOLARSHIPS.

Free education was given to twenty-four pupils at the Boys' School, and to nineteen at the Girls' School.

### SOUTHLAND HIGH SCHOOL.

#### Staff.

Mr. H. L. Fowler, M.A.; Mr. J. E. Vernon, M.A., B.Sc.; Mr. F. Foote, M.A.; Miss J. E. Billing; Miss K. Isherwood, M.A.

#### 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD.

In the month of June Mr. C. George resigned his position as second assistant in the Boys' School, and Mr. Frank Foote, B.A., was appointed to fill the vacancy. During the year the subject of shorthand has been added to the branches already taught in the Boys' School. The Board has resolved to offer tuition at half-fees to all primary-school pupils who pass the Sixth Standard of the primary-school course, provided they are under fourteen years of age at the date of passing this standard. The Board anticipates that this concession will have the effect of materially increasing the attendance. Fifteen candidates from Invercargill passed the Matriculation examination; of these, ten—namely, five boys and five girls—were pupils at the High School. The boys made a first attempt at the University Scholarship examination; one of them "passed with credit," while the other two "qualified for matriculation" on their papers. The cadet corps is doing good work under the captaincy of Mr. Vernon, the first assistant in the Boys' School. The owners of the "Zealandia" hall have kindly placed that building at the disposal of the Board for purposes of drill. The main hall is well suited to the purpose.

In the last report reference was made to the desire of the Board to obtain a piece of ground adjoining the school for a lawn-tennis and playground for the girls. The land, containing half an acre, has been purchased and suitably laid off. This investment will not only provide a playground for the girls, but the rent obtained for a cottage on the property will return a revenue almost equal to the interest which would have been received had the money remained in the bank on fixed deposit at current rate.

HARRY STOCKER, Chairman.

#### 2. GENERAL STATEMENT of Accounts for the Year ended 31st December, 1899.

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance .. ..	2,374	19	7	Office salary .. ..	60	0	0
Current income from reserves ..	750	16	8	Other office expenses .. ..	5	15	8
Interest .. ..	68	1	4	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	1,152	14	1
Paid by School Commissioners ..	163	9	4	Examinations .. ..	3	16	7
School fees .. ..	401	13	4	Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	41	7	6
Prizes donation .. ..	1	1	0	Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. .. ..	103	18	8
				Fencing, repairs, &c. .. ..	5	4	9
				Rents, insurance, and taxes .. ..	19	3	10
				Expended on site or buildings .. ..	64	19	8
				Expended on purchase of other lands ..	996	1	3
				Chemicals .. ..	17	13	7
				Balance .. ..	1,289	5	8
	£3,760	1	3		£3,760	1	3

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

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

*Highest.*—Latin—Cicero, In Catilinam; Virgil, Eclogues, Georgic I., and selections; passages at sight; Bradley's Arnold; Bryan's Cæsarean Prose. English—Julius Cæsar; Chaucer's Prologue; Bowen's Studies in English; Bain's Rhetoric; English Lessons for English Readers. Grammar. French—Sainte Beuve, Causeries; Brachet's Grammar; Blouet's Composition. Mathematics—Arithmetic; algebra, to permutations and combinations; Euclid, Books I.—IV., VI.; trigonometry, to solution of triangles. Science—Chemistry; heat.

*Lowest.*—Latin—Principia; Gradatim. English—Lay of the Last Minstrel; Mason's Grammar; Longmans' Composition. History—English. Geography. French—Principia; Macmillan's First Reader. Mathematics—Arithmetic; algebra, to fractions; Euclid, Book I. Science—Chemistry and physics primers (boys); botany (girls). Book-keeping and shorthand (boys). Freehand drawing, sewing (girls).

## 4. ARRANGEMENTS FOR DRAWING; FOR MANUAL, COMMERCIAL, AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION; FOR GYMNASTICS, DRILL, SWIMMING, ETC.

*Boys' School.*—Boys are formed into a cadet corps, are regularly drilled, and are inspected by the Officer Commanding the District. Commercial—Book-keeping in the lowest class; after that, extra arithmetic and English; shorthand as an alternative to French.

*Girls' School.*—Gymnastics twice a week (callisthenics) directed by one of the mistresses. Swimming will be introduced in 1900. Sewing—Plain, regularly; fancy, optional. Drawing—Freehand, regularly once a week.

The boys have a cricket- and football-ground; the girls a tennis-lawn.

## 5. SCHOLARSHIPS.

Eighteen pupils held Education Board scholarships, and twenty-three received free education at the High School.

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