Descriptive Mineralogy.—Description of the chief varieties; mode of occurrence; distribution in New Zealand; value.

Blowpipe Determination.—Use of the blowpipe; oxidizing and reducing flames; examination of mineral samples.

Text-book.—Text-book of Mineralogy, Dana.

Mathematics.

Arithmetic.—The simple rules; weights and measures; vulgar fractions; decimals; proportion; problems; logarithms; mensuration.

Algebra.—The signs and symbols; simple rules; factors; symmetry; problems; quadratic equations; simultaneous equations; binomial theorem; use of mining formulæ.

Trigonometry.—Definition of an angle; trigonometrical ratios; easy problems; solution of triangles. Geometry.—Junior—Part I of Hall and Stevens's Geometry. Senior—Parts I, II, and III of Hall and Stevens's Geometry, or their equivalents in Workman's Tutorial Geometry.

Text-books.—Arithmetic, Brook Smith; Elementary Algebra, Hall and Knight; Trigonometry,

Lock; Geometry, Hall and Stevens, or Workman.

Drawing.

Geometrical Drawing.—Use of scales and instruments; plane geometrical figures; projection;

isometric drawing.

Mechanical Drawing.—Machine drawing to scale from copies, from rough sketches with dimensions, and from the machines, showing plan, elevation, and sections; shading; inking-in; figuring and lettering; preparation of working-drawings and tracings on paper and on cloth.

Practical Astronomy.

The ecliptic; equinoxes; meridians; longitude; latitude; altitude; declination; right ascension; azimuth; use of Nautical Almanac; polar distance; zenith distance; hour-angle; sidereal-time; mean time; solar time; parallax; refraction; retardation; acceleration; convergency of meridian; determination of meridian by star-and-sun observations, by single altitudes and greatest elongation of circumpolar stars; use of star-charts; calculation of hour-angle, azimuth, and altitude of celestial bodies for any time and place; determination of latitude by meridian altitudes; determination of time by star-transits and sun observations.

Text-books.—Navigation and Nautical Astronomy, Young; Practical Astronomy, Loomis.

Reference-books.—Nautical Almanac; The Southern Skies, Proctor.

Petrology.

Preparations of thin rock-sections; use of the polariscope; identification of minerals in thin sections; drawing and photographing of sections. Theory of light; ordinary and extraordinary ray; polarised light; positive and negative crystals; uniaxial and biaxial crystals; interference figures, Жc.

A grinding-plate and polarising microscope are provided by the school.

Text-books.—Petrology for Students, Harker; Text-book of Mineralogy, Dana.

Reference-books.—Tables for the Determination of the Rock-forming Minerals, Lœwinson-Lessing; Microscopical Physiography of Rock-forming Minerals, Rosenbusch-Iddings.

Physics.

Heat.—Change of volume, measures of temperature; change of state, latent heat, hygrometry, specific heat, calorimetry; sources of heat, the conservation and dissipation of energy; convection, conduction; reflection, refraction, transmission, and absorption of radiant energy. Use of thermometer, barometer, hygrometer; determination of the density of solids and liquids; calculation of the density of gases from observations of their temperature and pressure; calorimetry.

Sound.—The production and propagation of sound; the vibration of sounding bodies; the

elements of the physical theory of music.

Light.—Nature, production, and propagation of light; the laws of reflection and refraction at plane and spherical surfaces; prismatic dispersion and spectra; interference, double refraction, and plane polarisation; the principal optical instruments and vision. Use of goniometer, photometer, spectroscope, telescope, and microscope; determination of the curvature, focal length, and magnifying power of lenses; determination of the refractive index of solids and liquids.

Static Electricity.—Fundamental phenomena of attraction and repulsion, conduction, induction,

and distribution, electrostatic units; electrical machines; condensers.

Magnetism.—Fundamental phenomena of magnetic attraction, repulsion, and induction; magnetic units; terrestrial magnetism.

Current Electricity.—Voltaic batteries; galvanometers; electrolysis; Ohm's law; thermal effects of the electric current; electro-magnetic units; the interaction of magnets and currents, and the mutual action of currents upon one another; thermo electricity; induction of currents; magneto-electric and dynamo-electric machines. Use of electrometer, galvanometer, voltameter, Wheatstone's bridge, and resistance coils; determination of the resistance of conductors and batteries; determination of the electro-motive force of batteries, and of the strength of currents; measurement of magnetic forces.

Text-book.—The Tutorial Physics, Stewart and Catchpool.

Reference-book.—Natural Philosophy, Deschanel.