

TIMARU HIGH SCHOOL.

Staff.

Boys' School.—Mr. G. A. Simmers, M.A.; Mr. R. H. Rockel, M.A.; Mr. G. T. Palmer, M.A.; Mr. W. H. N. Amos; Sergeant-major T. Jones; Mr. F. Cameron.

Girls' School.—Miss B. M. Watt, M.A.; Miss J. Mulholland, M.A.; Miss C. M. Cruickshank, M.A., B.Sc.; Miss Emilie M. Reid; Sergeant-major T. Jones; Mr. F. Cameron; Miss E. K. O'Brien.

1. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

The *personnel* of the Board is the same as for the preceding year—viz., Messrs W. B. Howell (Chairman), R. H. Bowie, J. S. Gibson, Robert Gillingham, B. R. Macdonald, James McCahon, John Talbot, the Rev. George Barclay, Dr. H. C. Barclay, and the Ven. Archdeacon Harper. The Board held six meetings, the average attendance of members being six.

During the year the work of both schools has been carried on very satisfactorily, and that notwithstanding the absence of the headmaster during the first and second terms on a trip to the Old Country in search of health. The results of the various public examinations in which pupils took part at the end of the year indicate that the schools are fully maintaining their standard of efficiency.

In November Miss C. M. Cruickshank, M.A., B.Sc., resigned her position on the staff of the Girls' School in order to take up the position of Principal of the Invercargill Girls' High School. The Board regrets the loss of a popular and efficient teacher, and congratulates the Southland Board on its choice.

The publication of amended regulations for secondary schools opening still wider the doors of these schools to free pupils was received with satisfaction by the Board, and it is hoped that with little further amendment these regulations will enable all deserving pupils from the primary schools to gain free secondary education.

The Board again regrets that no provision has been made for the proper and systematic examination of secondary schools by officers of the Department.

2. GENERAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1905.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance at beginning of year ..	2,308	1 6	Office salary ..	66	14 0
Receipts from Government—			Other office expenses ..	22	10 2
For sites, building, furniture, &c. ..	44	10 2	Other expenses of management—		
Capitation for free places ..	925	1 8	Endowments ..	22	4 2
Capitation under Manual and Technical			Members' travelling expenses ..	12	11 6
Instruction Regulations ..	81	5 0	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	2,183	13 2
Current income from reserves ..	1,754	14 4	Scholarships ..	4	4 0
Interest on moneys invested and on unpaid			Prizes ..	35	12 0
purchase-money ..	97	10 0	Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	52	17 11
School fees ..	226	8 0	Cleaning, fuel, and light ..	100	16 10
Interest on current account—			Purchases and new works ..	6	3 3
Kingsbury's loan ..	10	0 0	Fencing, repairs, &c. ..	76	8 11
Post-office ..	5	9 3	Miscellaneous ..	22	8 1
Contributions to Uniform Fund ..	30	11 0	Refund of fees ..	3	0 0
Sale of trees ..	1	10 0	School Technical Classes—		
			Salaries ..	47	10 0
			Apparatus ..	4	14 6
			Material ..	16	14 5
			Balance at end of year ..	2,806	18 0
	£5,485	0 11		£5,485	0 11

WM. B. HOWELL, Chairman.

A. BELL, Secretary.

Examined and found correct, except that the amount of £144 7s. 3d., to which exception was taken in accounts of the year ended the 31st December, 1904, as spent without authority of law, has not been refunded to the Board Fund.—J. K. WARBURTON, Controller and Auditor-General.

3. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

Highest.—English—Nesfield's Historical English; Nesfield's Manual; Nichol's Questions and Exercises; Chaucer's Prologue; Milton's Samson Agonistes; George Eliot's Silas Marner; Stopford Brooke's Literature Primer. Latin—Hayes and Watt's Matriculation Selections; Livy, XXII; Kennedy's Grammar; Bradley's Aids to Latin Prose; North and Hillard's Latin Prose; Wilkin's Primer of Antiquities; Horton's Roman Antiquities; unseens. French—Waterloo; L'Avare; Half-hours with Modern French Authors; Tutorial French Composition; Wellington College Grammar; Selected Proses; unseens. German—Eve's Grammar; Buckheim's Prose Composition; Macmillan's Course, Part II; Selections from Heine; Goethe's Egmont. Mathematics—University Junior Scholarship work; Hall and Knight's Algebra; Hall and Steven's Geometry; Pendlebury's Trigonometry; Pendlebury's Arithmetic.

Lowest.—English—Great Authors, III, Julius Cæsar; Nesfield's Manual of Grammar and Composition, to page 117. Latin—Macmillan's Shorter Latin Course, I. French—Chardenal Part I; French without Tears, I and II. Algebra—Hall and Knight, to simultaneous equations. Geometry—Hall and Steven's Geometry, Book I. Arithmetic—Pendlebury. Book-keeping—Thornton's First Lessons in Book-keeping, to page 161. Shorthand—Pitman's Phonographic Teacher. Geography—Longmans' No. 2. Woodwork—First-year work. Drawing—Freehand and model; Advanced Standard work.