

discontinued at the end of the first term. At the request of the more enthusiastic students the shorthand class was carried on for a third term, and some of the students were able at the end of the year to write seventy, eighty, and a hundred words a minute, although they commenced only in March and had instruction for only two hours a week. Two classes in wool sorting and classing were started in September with an attendance of 24. The Managers were fortunate in securing an excellent instructor, and it was thought that a larger number would have attended from the surrounding farming district. The students made very good progress, and it is anticipated that next year the instruction will be taken advantage of by a larger number of students if a suitable room can be obtained for holding the classes.

The thanks of the Association are due to Messrs. Friedlander Bros., who generously gave the use of one of their grain-stores as a class-room.

The attendance at the evening classes fell off very materially during the second term, which commenced in midwinter, chiefly owing to the distance the school is from the centre of the town. Many, too, who would have attended a more centrally situated school did not enrol in either term from the same cause. With new and up-to-date buildings near the centre of the town the attendance at the classes would be very greatly increased.

The financial position of the Association is sound, the balance-sheet showing a credit of £149 1s. 11d. The thanks of the Association are due to the Ashburton County Council, Ashburton Borough Council, the A. and P. Association, the High School Board, the Borough and Hampstead School Committees, and private subscribers for very valuable financial assistance.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31st December, 1906, in respect of Associated Classes conducted by the Ashburton Technical Classes Association.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance at beginning of year	48	12 0	Salaries of instructors	204	13 4
Capitation on associated classes	146	19 6	Office expenses (including salaries, stationery, &c.)	41	14 5
Buildings	128	8 7	Advertising and printing	8	17 0
Rent	13	0 0	Lighting and heating	13	9 6
Furniture, fittings, apparatus	148	14 8	Insurance and repairs	10	4 0
Material	3	17 8	Rent	8	13 8
Subsidies on voluntary contributions	21	8 0	Material for class use	36	7 3
Fees	81	10 11	Carrying and railage	3	6 5
Voluntary contributions	85	17 0	Caretaker	13	0 0
Sales of material, &c.	12	2 9	Contracts (new buildings, additions, &c.)	117	1 7
			Furniture, fittings, apparatus	84	2 0
			Balance at end of year	149	1 11
	<u>£690</u>	<u>11 1</u>		<u>£690</u>	<u>11 1</u>

HENRY DAVIS, Chairman }
J. McLEOD, Secretary } of Managers.

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE MANAGERS OF THE LYTTELTON ASSOCIATED CLASSES.

Good work continues to be done in respect of the school classes for instruction in woodwork and cookery. The attendance at the technical class for instruction in dress-cutting and dress-making, which during the earlier part of 1905 had been well maintained, fell off at the end of that year, and it was found impossible to continue the class during 1906. There is, however, an indication that the class may be restarted again during the current year.

The pupils at the two school classes show considerable interest in their work, and it is evident that in each section excellent work is being done.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31st December, 1906, in respect of Associated Classes conducted at Lyttelton by the Lyttelton Technical Classes Association.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance at beginning of year	27	7 8	Salaries of instructors	21	5 0
Capitation on associated classes	31	13 0	Office expenses (including salaries, stationery, &c.)	1	16 0
Rent	40	0 0	Advertising and printing	3	15 6
Subsidies on voluntary contributions	10	0 0	Lighting and heating	3	0 3
Fees	7	15 6	Rent	40	0 0
Voluntary contributions	10	0 0	Material for class use	2	2 9
			Cleaning	4	11 0
			Balance at end of year	50	5 8
	<u>£126</u>	<u>16 2</u>		<u>£126</u>	<u>16 2</u>

S. H. WEBB, Chairman }
G. A. LEWIN, Hon. Secretary } of Managers.

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE MANAGERS OF THE RANGIORA ASSOCIATED CLASSES.

The Managers report that the classes are being well attended. A class for shorthand and typewriting has been established during the past year, with Miss Williams as instructor, and the results have been most satisfactory. The dressmaking classes under Miss Gillies continue to do good work, there being an average attendance of over thirty pupils. The cookery classes under Miss Rennie are doing good practical work. The want of a more suitable building in which to carry on a more extended programme is very much felt.