

On the whole good progress has been made by the pupils, and in the case of a few of the apter boys the results are very gratifying. It was, of course, inevitable that some of the boys, who eagerly joined the class for the sake of its novelty, should find the work it entailed become irksome; but, while that cannot be recognised as a valid excuse for giving it up, there is no doubt that it is for that reason that several have discontinued attending. The work done has been, of course, on the lines of the proposed programme, and has been carried out with the view of making the course as educational as possible. In addition to what may be called the most evident aspect of the subject—that is to say, the handling of tools and the elementary processes of woodworking—lessons have been given in drawing, on the construction of the tools, and on the growth and seasoning of timbers, so as to develop as far as possible powers of observation and reasoning. To impart a certain amount of practical knowledge that may be useful is an important part of the scheme, but to limit the efforts of the class to that alone is to leave out features which, if not so showy, are equally important. I am pleased to say that the boys have treated tools, &c., with great care, and that the whole of the equipment is in good order. Our thanks are due to Mr. W. Bartram for a number of specimens of New Zealand timbers. These, as soon as time allows, will be mounted, so as to be readily available for study.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31st December, 1907, in respect of Special Classes conducted at Lincoln.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
Capitation on special classes	34	17	9	Salaries of instructors	23	0	0
Buildings	68	10	0	Advertising and printing	0	10	0
Furniture, fittings, and apparatus	65	13	5	Rent	2	10	0
Subsidies on voluntary contributions	10	0	0	Contracts (new buildings, additions, &c.)	68	10	0
Fees	13	0	0	Furniture, fittings, and apparatus	66	9	6
Voluntary contributions	10	0	0	Balance at end of year	41	1	8
		<u>£202</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>			<u>£202</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>

CHARLES ALLARD, For Secretary.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31st December, 1907, in respect of Special Classes conducted at Southbridge.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
Balance at beginning of year	41	3	3	Salaries of instructors	30	10	0
Capitation on special classes	28	4	6	Advertising and printing	1	3	3
Fees	3	2	6	Rent	3	0	0
		<u>£72</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>	Bank charges	0	5	0
					Balance at end of year	37	12	0
							<u>£72</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>

CHARLES ALLARD, For Secretary.

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT ON THE SPECIAL CLASSES AT LEESTON AND DOYLESTON.

There were three terms of the woodwork classes, with an average attendance of eleven pupils, making a total attendance of 519. The ironwork class was carried on for one term, but as the attendance was low it was discontinued. The dressmaking and cutting classes were held for two terms. The attendance was good, and the work consisted of cutting out from patterns and making up of pupils' material, and instruction in the use of the sewing-machine.

The income during the year was £127 13s. 5d., and the expenditure £89 1s. 2d., leaving a balance of £38 12s. 3d.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31st December, 1907, in respect of Special Classes conducted at Leeston and Doyleston.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
Balance at beginning of year	42	17	2	Salaries of instructors	64	12	0
Capitation on special classes	34	12	3	Office expenses (including salaries, stationery, &c.)	3	0	0
Rent	2	0	0	Rent	4	0	0
Furniture, fittings, and apparatus	3	12	0	Material for class use	6	19	2
Subsidies on voluntary contributions	20	0	0	Voluntary contribution paid to Education Board (to be refunded)	10	0	0
Fees	0	14	6	Bank charge	0	10	0
Voluntary contributions	23	17	6	Balance at end of year	38	12	3
		<u>£127</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>5</u>			<u>£127</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>5</u>

H. C. LANE, Secretary.

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF CANTERBURY COLLEGE.

School of Engineering, Electricity, and Technical Science.

The number of individual students attending lectures was 191, an increase of 19 per cent. as compared with the 160 names on the books in 1906. Throughout the session twenty-eight lectures were given per week, and instruction in drawing, laboratory, and field-work occupied 138½ hours, the total instruction hours in each week being 166½.