

GREYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL.

GENERAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1907.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.	
Balance, 31st December, 1906 ..	..	1,341	5	7	Management—	..	..	..	..
Westland School Commissioners	50	0	0	Office salary ..	..	..	20	0	0
Interest	63	8	5	Legal expenses ..	..	..	10	0	0
					Bank charges ..	..	..	0	10	0
					Balance, 31st December, 1907 ..	..	..	1,424	4	0
		£1,454	14	0				£1,454	14	0

W. R. KETTLE, Chairman.

R. F. DANIEL, Acting-Secretary.

Examined and found correct, subject to following remarks: The officer of the Audit Department appointed to examine the accounts reports: "I found that the Secretary had left the Board's service to take a position at Charleston, but there was not a single entry in his cash-book for the year. After searching the books and papers, and making up his accounts, I found that he had overdrawn his salary by £10 during the current year. The Board has decided to grant their former Secretary £10 for extra services for past years, obtain his acquittance, but retain the amount as a refund to meet the overpayment."—J. K. WARBURTON, Controller and Auditor-General.

HOKITIKA HIGH SCHOOL.

GENERAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1907.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
Balance at beginning of year	..	1,510	15	5	Management—				
Current income from reserves	..	24	15	0	Office salary	..	15	15	0
Interest on moneys invested and on unpaid purchase-money	..	59	5	0	Other office expenses	..	3	4	0
Paid by School Commissioners	..	100	0	0	Teachers' salaries and allowances (grant to Westland Education Board)	..	100	0	0
					Fencing, repairs, &c.	..	13	18	3
					Miscellaneous (rates, &c.)	..	16	10	2
					Balance at end of year	..	1,545	8	0
		£1,694	15	5			£1,694	15	5

H. L. MICHEL, Chairman.

CHAS. KIRK, Secretary.

Examined and found correct, subject to same remarks as made on balance-sheets of previous years, that the Hōkītika Borough debentures and the Kumara Borough debentures, in which school funds not set apart as a reserve fund are invested, are not securities in which the Governors are authorised by law to invest such school funds.—J. K. WARBURTON, Controller and Auditor-General.

RANGIORA HIGH SCHOOL.

Staff.

Mr. T. R. Cresswell, M.A.; Miss C. S. Howard, M.A.; Miss I. M. Keith, M.A.; Mr. J. Lash; Sergeant-major Thompson.

1. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

The work of the school has been carried on with gratifying success during the past year, and the Board has thanked the Principal and staff for the zeal and assiduity they have shown. The school has now an excellent reputation for thoroughness and efficiency, and attracts scholars from places as far distant as Oxford and Cheviot. Though very good work is being done in this school, it is being done under a decided handicap. The school buildings are unsatisfactory, and the revenue from endowment is exceedingly small, consequently both teachers and Board have been somewhat hampered. The Department has drawn attention to the need for a suitable building for teaching experimental science, but the Board is unable to do anything in this direction. The Board has, however, erected a new house for the headmaster, and thereby incurred a debt of £600.

That good work is being done in this school is proved by the Education Department's Inspector's report, which stated, "The work is performed with great interest by teachers and pupils