

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

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WM. B. HOWELL, Chairman.
A. BELL, Secretary.

Examined and found correct,—J. K. WARBURTON, Controller and Auditor-General.

WAIMATE HIGH SCHOOL.

1. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

The attendance, conduct, and progress of the High School pupils have been very satisfactory. Average attendance, 63·5. The headmaster, second master, and assistant teacher of the District High School have been subsidised by annual payment of £30 each by this Board, and one pupil-teacher's salary of £40 was paid to enable the headmaster to better attend to High School pupils.

The Board paid its scholarship-holders during the year—viz., 5 males and 5 females; and Matriculation Scholarship holders—2 males and 3 females: total, 15. At close of year 1907, examinations resulted in scholarship holders—9 males, and 5 females; Matriculation Scholarships, 1 male and 4 females: total, 19. Payments to these will be made in 1908.

Besides the payments of these scholarships, the Board pays half the cost of school-books for High School pupils.

The candidates for scholarships passed a very successful examination.

The Board paid a subsidy to the Technical Classes Association for the High School scholars.

Assistant Teacher Park was succeeded by Assistant Teacher C. Foweraker, and Additional Pupil-teacher Miss Waldie was succeeded by Miss Beckett.

The Board's office was changed from Waimate Courthouse, where the meetings of the Board were held from the establishment of the Board in 1883, to new office in Quinn's Arcade, Waimate, during last year. For this office the Board pays £10 a year rent, with cost of heating and lighting. The shifting of office and purchase of furniture caused an extra expenditure.

The Board suffered loss of one of its oldest and most attentive and efficient members by the death of the late Mr. George Manchester, who for many years sat as one of the representatives of Waimate County; Mr. N. M. Orbell was elected to fill the vacancy.

The members of the Board now are—Representatives of Waimate Borough, Rev. G. Barclay (Chairman), Mr. W. Coltman; Waimate County, Rev. A. S. Morrison, Mr. N. M. Orbell; South Canterbury Education Board, Dr. Barclay, Mr. W. B. Howell; Canterbury College Board of Governors, Mr. W. H. Beckett, Mr. J. Sinclair.

The income for the year 1907 was £525 5s. 5d., the expenditure £427 11s. 11d., as shown by the Audit certified statement for the year ended the 31st December, 1907. Board's assets, 31st December, 1907, £2,602 0s. 8d.; liabilities, £13 12s. 4d.