Evening classes in commerce, domestic science, applied science, art and handicrafts on lines similar to those of last year were carried on at this centre, and commercial classes at Runanga. The commercial classes attracted the majority of the free-place pupils—young girls desirous of gaining admittance to the Public Service being strongly represented. The evening classes were attended by twenty-five boys and fifty girls who were holders of free places, and by thirty-four boys and sixty-five girls who paid fees. Attendance and interest were well maintained. About the middle of the year classes in mechanical drawing and heat, steam, and mathematics were organized, and were well attended by apprentices to the engineering and allied trades.

Teachers' Saturday classes in physical science and the theory of vocal music were held throughout the school year. These classes had roll numbers of twenty-one and thirty-seven respectively. The usual winter classes for teachers were held during the midwinter recess, and were attended by seventy-eight individual teachers. Special courses of instruction were held in the following subjects: Physical

drill, reading and elocution, nature-study, and colour-work. Good results followed.

Manual training classes in cookery and woodwork were held in Greymouth during the year. Schools within easy reach of this centre attended during the first half of the year and the outlying schools during the second half. It was found necessary to give instruction to the pupils of these distant schools for five hours on one day per week, the train arrangements being unsuitable for shorter lessons to be given. The girls received instruction in cookery and dressmaking and the boys in wood- and inetal-work. Considering the long distances travelled by many of the children to and from this centre, the attendance and quality of the work done were alike excellent. Mr. E. C. Isaac, Inspector of Technical Schools, visited the classes towards the close of the year and expressed himself as pleased with the work then in progress.

In conclusion, I desire to extend to the officers of the Department my appreciation for their unfailing courtesy and advice, to the controlling authority for its ready help on all occasions, and to the teaching staff for the successful manner in which it has, collectively and individually, carried out the manifold and in many cases arduous duties required of it, and to those members of the general public and local bodies who have assisted in any way the furtherance of technical education in our midst.

P. F. Daniel, Acting-Director.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31st December, 1914, in respect of Classes conducted at Greymouth by the Grey Education Board.

	Receipts		£	s.	d.	Expenditure.		£	s.	d.
	Capitation on classes		725	2	11	Dr. balance at beginning of year		626	0	2
	Capitation on account of free places		433	4	8	Salaries of teaching staff		580	1	10
	Rent	• •	65	9	4	Material for class use		109	10	6
	Furniture, fittings, apparatus		152	1	11	Rent		85	9	4
	Material		9	16	10	Repairs		11	14	10
	Subsidies on voluntary contributions		46	0	0	Caretaker		37	18	4
	Fees and other class payments		16	1	0	Lighting and heating		45	1	0
	Sales of material		11	16	7	Office expenses (including salaries)		57	6	6
	From Nelson and Westland Education 1	3oards				Advertising and printing		69		0
	(part instructors' salaries)		75	0	0	Instructor's travelling-expenses	• •	27		0
	Dr. balance at end of year		388	1	11	Exhibition expenses		5	11	7
						Typewriters		57	4	0
						Furniture, fittings, and apparatus		209	14	1
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P. F. DANIEL, Secretary.

WESTLAND.

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE EDUCATION BOARD.

The following recognized classes have been in operation during the year: School classes—Handwork (twelve schools), elementary agriculture (three schools), elementary physical science (two schools), elementary home science (two schools), woodwork (two schools), cookery (two schools). Teachers' classes in drawing (model, instrumental, design, &c.). Special classes—Dressmaking (three classes for two quarters and one for one quarter, sixty-six pupils), English and arithmetic (two quarters). The classes in woodwork, cookery, and dressmaking were carried on by instructors whose services were obtained by arrangement with the Grey Education Board. An attempt to establish commercial and other classes under a similar arrangement failed, as a sufficient number of students was not forthcoming.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31st December, 1914, in respect of Classes conducted at Hokitika by the Westland Education Board.

Receipts.		£ s.	d.	Expenditure.	£	S.	đ,
Fees and other class payments	 	35 17	0	Dr. balance at beginning of year	0	11	3
Dr. balance at end of year	 	96 16	5	Salaries of teaching staff	59	12	0
				Rent	15	15	0
				Caretaker	7	10	0
				Lighting and heating			6
				Advertising and printing	15	18	5
				Expenses of instructors (board, &c.)	8	18	0
				Furniture, fittings, and apparatus	23	18	3
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CHAS. KIRK, Secretary.