

## 2. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

*Highest.*—English—Nesfield, Past and Present; Dalglish, Higher Grade English; Chaucer, Prologue; Shakespeare, Julius Caesar, Merchant of Venice; Milton, Shorter Poems; Gray, Poems; Johnson, Life of Swift; Goldsmith, Deserted Village; Landor, Pericles and Aspasia. Latin—Longman, Part III; Prose Exercises by Clement Bryans; Tutorial Selections from Ovid; Selections from Æneid; Horace, Book III; Tacitus, Germania; Cicero, In Verrem; Virgil, Georgics, Book II; Roman History and Antiquities; Stedman, Examination-papers. French—Siepmann's French Course, Part III; Wellington College French Grammar; Taine, Voyage aux Pyrénées; Corneille, Le Cid; Molière, L'Avare. Mathematics—Geometry, Hall and Stevens; trigonometry, Hall and Knight; algebra, Baker and Bourne, and Hall and Knight; arithmetic, miscellaneous. Science—Heat, Scarlett's School Course in Heat; mechanics, Tutorial Statics, Dynamics, and Hydrostatics. Geography—As for Junior University Scholarship. History—As for Junior University Scholarship.

*Lowest.*—English—Nesfield, Grammar and Composition; Scott, Lady of the Lake; Cook's Voyages; Extracts from English Classics. Latin—Longmans, Latin Course, Part I; Scalæ Primæ. French—Siepmann, French Course, Part I. Mathematics—Arithmetic, miscellaneous; algebra, Baker and Bourne, Part I; geometry, Hall and Stevens, Books I and II. Geography—Longmans, Book V; Political, no special text-book. History—Warner, Brief Survey of English History. Science—Elementary Physical Science; Furneaux, Elementary Human Physiology; Coleman, Lessons in Hygienic Physiology. Book-keeping—Thornton's First Lessons.

## MARLBOROUGH HIGH SCHOOL

## Staff.

Messrs. John Innes, M.A., LL.D.; John H. Goulding, M.A.; Henry Rands, M.A., B.Sc.; Misses Ellen M. Allen, M.A.; Harriette M. Jenkins, M.A.

## 1. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

I have the honour to report as follows on the work of the Marlborough High School for the year ending 31st December, 1914:—

The school roll for the past year has maintained its normal numbers. The number of new pupils enrolled was the same for girls and boys, but on the total roll there was a preponderance of boys. Miss Jenkins, M.A., a former pupil of the school, joined the staff at the beginning of the year, and Mr. Rands, M.A., B.Sc., at the close of the first term, the latter taking the place of Mr. Penlington.

Eleven pupils qualified for Matriculation, and two kept first-year terms under the regulations for exemption from attendance at University lectures.

In August the school was inspected by Mr. Gill and Mr. Cresswell.

The curriculum remains as in former years, but agriculture is now made an alternative subject to French, instead of to Latin as previously. In connection with the practical work in agriculture, we are indebted to the Department of Agriculture and to local merchants for donations of manures and seeds. The abnormally dry season, however, interfered seriously with the experiments. As in previous years, the school gave an exhibition of milk-testing at the annual Agricultural and Pastoral Association's show, and some of the boys acted as junior stewards in connection with the stock and produce exhibits.

During the first term the Cadets held a three-days camp, and were inspected by Colonel Smythe. In May they took part in the inspection parade before General Hamilton. At the end of November Captain Goulding, who had been in command of the corps for eight years, having offered his services to the Defence Department, was granted leave of absence and proceeded to Trentham.

J. J. W. WHITE, Chairman.

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*Lowest.*—English—Nesfield's Outline of English Grammar and Composition; analysis and parsing; Composition; Kingsley's Heroes; The Children's Tennyson. French—Dent's New First French Book; Aimard, Les Contrebandeers. Latin—Longmans' Latin Course, Part I; Scalæ Primæ. History—Tout's Britain, Book III to Henry VII. Geography—Lessons based on Arnold's Geographical Handbooks, IV and V, and Maclean-Carey's First Book of Physical Geography. Book-keeping—Jackson's Junior Book-keeping. Mathematics—Algebra, Baker and Bourne, Part I; geometry, Hall and Stevens; arithmetic, Pendlebury, New School Arithmetic, Part I. Botany—Elementary work, demonstration and observation; no text-book used. Agriculture—Newth's Elementary Practical Chemistry; Primrose McCounell, The Soil; Coleman and Addyman, Agricultural Chemistry. Hygiene—Lyster's First Stage Hygiene. Physical Science—As for Public Service Entrance Examination, Sections (a), Elementary Physical Measurements, and (d) Chemistry.