

Elementary Latin Grammar; Matriculation Selections from Latin Authors; Longmans' Latin Course, III; Creighton, History Primer (Rome); Wilkins, Primer of Roman Antiquities. Mathematics—Workman, School Arithmetic; Baker and Bourne, Elementary Algebra; Hall and Stevens, School Geometry; Borchardt and Perrott, Trigonometry; Hall and Knight, Algebra. Botany—Lowson's Second Course; F. Caver, Botany for Matriculation.

Lowest.—English—R. S. Wood, Word-builder and Speller, VI; Nesfield, Oral Exercises in English Composition; Nesfield, Outlines of English Grammar; Selections from English Literature by Elizabeth Lee; Golden Numbers; Longmans, Geography, Book II; Townsend Warner, Brief Survey of British History. French—Siepmann, Primary French Course, Part I. Latin—Longman, Latin Course I. Mathematics—New Southern Cross, Standard VI; Blackie, Elementary Modern Algebra; Hall and Stevens, School Geometry. Botany—First Book of Botany; Science in Common Life. Dressmaking—Cutting-out by the Short system.

WAITAKI BOYS' AND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOLS.

Staff.

Boys' School.—Messrs. F. Milner, M.A.; M. K. McCulloch, M.A.; D. S. Chisholm, M.A.; H. H. Allan, M.A.; L. S. Jennings, B.A., M.Sc.; W. M. Uttley, M.A.; J. Thompson, M.A.; H. D. Tait; A. K. Anderson; Miss M. McCaw; Mr. F. C. Burry.

Girls' School.—Misses C. Ferguson, M.A.; A. M. Budd, M.A.; M. Samuel, M.Sc.; R. Sutherland; M. McCaw.

1. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

I beg to report that the year just closed has been one of steady progress in regard to both schools under the administration of the Board. A notable change in the personnel of the staff has been the departure for the front on active service of Messrs. L. S. Jennings, M.Sc. (science master), and J. Thompson, M.A. (French master). Their places have been filled by the appointment of Mr. H. Rands, M.A., M.Sc., and the promotion of Mr. A. K. Anderson, B.A.

The equipment of both schools for the teaching of experimental science has been further amplified during the year, and the playing-grounds at the Boys' School have been considerably improved.

DUNCAN SUTHERLAND, Chairman.

2. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

Boys' School.

Highest.—Latin—Bradley's Arnold's Latin Prose Composition; Bryan's Caesar Prose Composition; Kennedy's Latin Primer; Ramsay's Elementary Roman Antiquities; Horton's History of the Romans; Res Romanæ; Horace, Odes, III; Virgil's Æneid, X and XI; Cicero's Letters (selections). English—Nesfield's English Grammar; Skeat's Primer of Etymology; Shakespeare, Julius Caesar, Hamlet; Hawthorne, Scarlet Letter; Thackeray, Henry Esmond; selections from Keats, Wordsworth, Gray, Burns, &c.; Tutorial History of English Literature. French—Eve and Baudiss Grammar; Abbé Daniel (Blackie); Berthon's Modern French Prose; Berthon's Modern French Verse; Wéekey's French Prose Composition; Spiers's French Vocabulary; Bué's French Idioms; Heath's French Unscens; Pelissier's French Unscens. Mathematics—Baker and Bourne's Algebra, I and II; Hall and Stevens's Geometry, I VI; Hall and Knight's Elementary Trigonometry; Ward's Examination-papers; Barnard and Child's New School Algebra. Science—Heat, Draper; Metals and Non-metals, Bailey.

Lowest.—English—Passages for dictation; Word and Sentence Building; Call of the Homeland; Dunlop's Grammar; Westward Ho!; Historical Ballads; Empire Day Reciter. History and Geography—Short Studies in English History, R. Gillies; Our Empire Overseas; Wallis's First Geography; Kerr, Growth of the British Empire. Mathematics—Hall and Stevens's Algebra; Hall and Stevens's Geometry; Hall and Stevens's Arithmetic. French—Longmans' First French Course; French without Tears, Bell. Latin—Hillard and Botting's Elementary Latin Exercises; Kennedy's First Latin Primer. Physics—Bausor, First Course of Chemistry; Horton and Mathias, Introductory Course of Mechanics and Physics.

Girls' School.

Highest.—English—Milton, Hymn on Nativity; L'Allegro; Il Penseroso; Lycidas; Shakespeare, Henry V; Morell's English Literature; Williams's Grammar and Composition. Latin—Horace, Odes, Book III; Cicero, In Catilinam, I and II; Livy, History, Book XXI; Cicero, Letters (selected); Watt and Hayes's Selections, pp. 157–200; Bryan's Caesar; Arnold's Exercises (finished); Roman History (Merivale). French—L'Avare; Stedman's papers; Boiëlle's Poetry, to p. 160; Berthon's French Poetry; Renault, to p. 72; Bué, to p. 91; Athalie; Half-hours with French Authors; Wellington College Grammar; phonetics; proses. Botany, Heat, Mathematics—As prescribed for Junior University Scholarship.

Lowest.—English—Laureata; The Discovery of New Worlds; Nesfield's Manual; Kenny's Exercises in Composition. History—Warner's Survey of British History. Geography—Longmans', II, pp. 52–165. Latin—Longmans' Latin Course, to p. 165. French—Dent's, Part I. Botany—As prescribed for Public Service (first year). Hygiene—Coleman's Physiology; Practical Work in First Aid. Arithmetic—Pendlebury. Algebra—Baker and Bourne. Geometry—Baker and Bourne. Scripture—St. Matthew's Gospel. Drawing—Model, freehand, and brush. Physical drill daily.