on the endowments would probably be double what it is at present; and, if this were the case, the Museum, School of Art, and Library could each be maintained in a state of efficiency.

## School of Agriculture.

Satisfactory progress has been made in this institution during the past year. The total number of students receiving instruction was 50. The number in residence last term was 32. Of these, 10 came from the District of Auckland, 4 from Nelson, 4 from Hawke's Bay, 3 from Otago, 2 from Southland, and 9 from Canterbury. The Board pays the passage to and fro once yearly for each student. At the last annual examination, held in December, three students—namely, W. V. Brown, H. A. Knight, and J. T. Partridge, passed their final examination, and have been granted certificates under the seal of the Board. Certificates of honour have been granted to the students who obtained the first place in each subject at the examination. Their names are: C. L. Cross, L. A. Cuff, H. Ellis, D. Murray, J. Partridge, E. H. Rogers, E. Whitcombe, and W. B. White. At the end of last year it was thought desirable by the Board to have a report made on the school by two practical farmers, and Messrs. J. W. Overton and J. Rennie undertook the duty. Extracts from their reports will show that the scholars are doing good work. "Our time was spent principally with those of the third year, whom we found to have a sound general knowledge of the various rotations of crops most suitable for different soils without exhausting the land." "We examined them in the management of stock, and find that they understand the breeding, feeding, raising," &c., &c. "We thoroughly approve of the method of teaching them the practical use of machinery and implements." Acting upon the suggestions contained in their report, the Board requested Messrs Overton and Rennie to inspect the farm three times a year—namely, at seed-time, shearing, and harvest, and to furnish a yearly report. As these gentlemen have agreed to perform this important service, the Board will, no doubt, in due time receive a valuable report, which can be made public for the information of those interested in the school and in agricultural pursuits. In accordance with an order of the House of Representatives, dated the 1st June, 1882, a return was made showing receipts and expenditure of the farm since the reserves were vested in the Board of Governors, the number of students in each year, and the results obtained from the different agricultural experiments made at the farm, &c., &c. This return was laid before Parliament and ordered to be printed. [See Paper E.-7A, 1882.] In March His Excellency the Governor visited the school, and appeared to be well satisfied with the arrangements. Mr. Bowron, an expert in dairy matters and a gentleman well and favourably known to agriculturists, at the request of the Board, gave his valuable services in selecting a skilled practical dairyman. Since his arrival at the farm in November last, 3\frac{3}{4} tons of cheese have been made, and readily sold at a good price. Want of sufficient room for cheese-drying necessitated the erection of a new store, which has been completed at a cost of £136 10s. It was deemed expedient to make additions to the cottage on the land purchased last year, so that suitable accommodation might be provided for the Lecturer on Chemistry. This addition will cost £351 8s. and will be finished in July. Some changes have been made in the teaching staff, to take effect from the commencement of the second term. Mr. Kirk having resigned, Dr. Von Lendenfeld has been temporarily appointed as Lecturer on Natural Science. Mr. Gray, who came out to the College as assistant to Professor Bickerton in 1874, has been appointed Lecturer on Chemistry, in place of Mr. Barkas.

## ACCOUNTS.

The accounts of the Board for the financial year ending the 31st December, 1882, have been audited and certified as being correct by Mr. Ollivier, who was appointed by Government for that purpose.

Abstract of Accounts of the Board of Governors of Canterbury College, for the Year ending 31st December, 1882.

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1.00	Receipts.			£	s.	d.	Expenditure. £		d.
7	lo Girls' High School—						By Balance brought forward 469	9	5
-	Grants			300	0	0	College—		
	Fees			1,089	7	6	Maintenance 5,216		
	Interest, loan			130	0	0	Buildings 4,341	. 10	0
	College-						Fees to professors 741		0
	Fees, rents			880	2	0	Text-books 7		
	Text-books			87	3	10.	Library 90	16	6
	Boys' High School, fees			1,438	10	0	Public Library—		
	Public library maintenance			522	5	4	Maintenance 1,140	) 6	5
	Laboratory			43	12	7	Reference 55	7	- 4
	School of Agriculture-						Museum—		
	Fees			1,197	3	4	Maintenance 1,433		0
	Sale of stock produce			1,363	7	9	Buildings 328		
	Interest from loans			3,495	9	11		5 16	
	Rents—						Girls' High School, maintenance 1,588		
	Classical Schools			2,324	3	11	Boys' High School, maintenance 3,296	5	<b>2</b>
3	Superior education			1,863	19	7	School of Agriculture—		
	Boys' High School			1,710	0	9	Buildings, permanent improvements,		
	Girls' High School			219	18	4	and plantations 4,32		-
	Technical Science			1,456	13	3		l 13	
	School of Agriculture			974	6	8	Implements 68		
	Land sales			3,851	1	9	Maintenance 6,156		_
	Repayment of loans	• •		19,350	0	0	School of Art 1,172		4
	Loans			12,500	0	0	School of Mines 107		
	Interest, Technical Science	1.37		1,470	14	8	Land purchase 2,250		-
	Interest, superior education			180		0	Loans 15,150		
	School of Art, fees			288	14	2	Refunds account, land sales, &c, 2,806		
	· ·						Deposits of contractors 349		_
							Interest		
							Balance at bankers 3,681	. 18	1.
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			4	256,736	15	4	£56,736	TĐ.	4