

GENERAL STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for the Year ending 31st December, 1900.

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>									
				£	s.	d.							
Balance—							Office staff—Salaries	864	0	0			
On Building Account..	514 5 3	Departmental contingencies .. ..	..	..	370	7	6				
On General Account	3,267 5 3	Inspectors' salaries .. ..	..	..	1,325	0	0				
Government grant for buildings	6,715 0 0	Inspectors' travelling-expenses, stationery, &c. .. ..	..	..	310	1	3				
Other receipts for buildings—				Truant Officers' salary and expenses .. ..	..	..	140	9	4			
Contributions towards buildings	56 15 0	Examination of pupil-teachers .. ..	..	..	58	18	4				
Sale of old material	22 1 3	Teachers' salaries and allowances (including rent, bonus, &c.) .. ..	..	..	52,320	2	11				
Contractors' deposits	292 7 9	Incidental expenses of schools .. ..	..	..	6,669	12	1				
Government statutory capitation	50,171 7 8	Training of teachers .. ..	..	..	1,847	15	10				
Scholarship grant	1,258 9 6	Scholarships—									
Inspection subsidy	500 0 0	Paid to scholars .. ..	..	..	1,162	3	10				
Grant for training of teachers	300 0 0	Examination expenses .. ..	..	..	104	1	2				
Grants for manual and technical instruction	79 13 9	School buildings—									
School Commissioners	12,835 11 7	New buildings .. ..	..	..	2,219	5	1				
Fees, &c., for manual and technical instruction	39 14 9	Improvements of buildings .. ..	..	..	3,670	4	5				
Rent of buildings	2 1 0	Furniture and appliances .. ..	..	..	260	4	3				
Rent of sites	9 2 6	Sites .. ..	..	..	678	1	8				
Rent of reserves	27 5 3	Plans, supervision, and fees .. ..	..	..	466	12	4				
Education Acts	0 5 0	Manual and technical instruction—									
Truancy office—S.M. Court fees	1 14 0	Salaries .. ..	..	..	58	12	6				
Gammack scholarships	200 0 0	Payments to Committees .. ..	..	..	49	11	3				
				Buildings, appliances, &c. .. ..	..	..	12	8	5			
				Incidentals .. ..	..	..	21	12	2			
				Contractors' deposits .. ..	..	..	207	9	6			
				Exchange on cheques .. ..	..	..	25	1	3			
				Gammack scholarships .. ..	..	..	184	16	8			
				Reserves 777 and 56, exchange .. ..	..	..	0	1	6			
				Balance—									
				On Building Account.. ..	..	..	98	12	0			
				On General Account .. ..	..	..	3,167	14	3			
				£76,292 19 6						£76,292 19 6			

THOS. S. WESTON, Chairman.

H. C. LANE, Secretary.

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

REPORT ON NORMAL SCHOOL.

Normal School, Christchurch, 27th February, 1901.

The Christchurch Normal School began the year 1900 with thirty-two new students, of whom seventeen were females and fifteen males. Later on, another female student, who had passed through her pupil-teacher course under the Westland Board of Education, was admitted, but without being granted maintenance allowance. Two students of the previous year, who had withdrawn temporarily through ill-health, had their scholarships renewed for 1900. Four female students were retained for a second year, and on the making up of the new Seventh Standards in the boys' and girls' schools, after the annual examination of the practising department in July, three other of the previous year's students were brought back. This gave a total of forty-two students, of whom, however, one had to withdraw later on through ill-health. Of the four who were retained as second-year students, one studied for the D certificate, one took up a course at Canterbury College and passed the first-year examination there, and the other two took up other lines of educational work—*e.g.*, cookery and School of Art work. Seven of the students entering at the beginning of the year had already passed the Matriculation Examination of the New Zealand University. Three of these had also secured their D certificate, and they accordingly carried on their studies entirely at Canterbury College, passed the first-year examination there, and also sat for the C certificate. Two others of them, who had received some exemptions towards the D Certificate, took our course of work at the Normal School in the subjects in which they had still to complete their D, and also attended Canterbury College and passed the first-year examination. One other student, though not matriculated, had already obtained his D certificate, and he too attended lectures at Canterbury College, and at the end of the year passed matriculation, and also sat for the C certificate. Of the three who thus sat for the C certificate, two passed. Twenty-two students sat for the Matriculation Examination of the University, of whom twenty passed, including the one one specially referred to above. Thirty-five students sat for the departmental examination in classes D or E, taking either all the papers, or those necessary to supplement other examinations. Of these, twenty-eight passed wholly or in part, and seven failed. The three prizes in science given by the Education Department for competition among the D candidates of the colony, were this year all taken by our students. The male students attended the teachers' classes for military drill on Saturdays. In the practising department we have had one change: Miss McHaffie gave up teaching, and Miss Glanville was appointed to succeed her. As in the previous year, the students went through a short course in the so-called "varied occupations" of kindergarten work, under Mrs. Bullock, the infant mistress, who showed much enthusiasm in this subject. And in consequence of our preparation for an exhibit in the kindergarten section of the Canterbury Jubilee Exhibition, more time than in former years was devoted to kindergarten in the infants' department, so that our students saw a good deal of what may be done in this line in an infant school. Still, to me it is a matter for regret that time does not allow of more being done in this direction; but, as