Naseby.

The school has been open only a few months, and therefore we do not report on separate subjects. We may, however, say that it has made a quite satisfactory beginning.

Note. This district high school was established in May, and it was a month before the pupils could be properly equipped with books, supplies in Dunedin having run out.

Hampden.

English.—The literature work was well done; but the pupils proved very weak in grammar and composition. They had obviously come to Mr. Paterson very poorly equipped in these departments of English.

Latin.—Class I.: This pupil sent in an excellent paper. Class II.: Three papers were good, four satisfactory, and two were weak. Class III. : One paper was excellent, one very good, four were satisfactory, and two very weak.

Euclid.—Class I. : One paper was excellent, one was very good, one was good, two were satisfactory, four were fair, three were weak, and two were very weak. Class II _One paper was fair, two were weak, and two were very weak.

Algebra.—Class I.: Three papers were very good, seven satisfactory, and one was weak. Class II.: Two were very good, three were satisfactory, and three very weak. Arithmetic.—Class I.: Twelve papers were very good, three were fair, and one was very weak.

The class was sampled in this subject.

Book-keeping.-Class I.: The work of this class was satisfactory. Shorthand.-The senior pupil sent in a very good paper. The junior class has made a satisfactory beginning.

Palmerston.

English.-Nearly half the papers were of merit ranging from satisfactory to excellent; but most of the rest were of poor quality. Grammar and composition were in many cases inferior, and there was a good deal of inferior penmanship.

Latin. - Class I.: Three papers were good, and one was very good. Class II.: Both papers were of very good quality. Class III. : Three papers were excellent, one was very good, two were good, and two satisfactory.

Euclid.—Class I.: Four papers were excellent. Class II.: One paper was very good, one was good, one was satisfactory, and one was very weak. Class III.: One paper was very good, one was satisfactory, one was weak, and seven were very weak. Algebra.—Class I.: Three papers were good, and one was satisfactory. Class II.: One paper

was excellent, two were weak, and one was very weak. Class III. : One paper was very good, two were satisfactory, three weak, and three very weak. Book-keeping.—Class I.: Two papers were good, one was satisfactory, and one very weak.

Arithmetic.-Class I. : Two papers were excellent, ten very good, three satisfactory, and two weak.

Science.—The work has been conducted on sound lines.

Port Chalmers.

English.—A third of the papers were of fair merit, a third ranged from weak to very weak, and a third from satisfactory to excellent. Nearly half of the papers were either weak or very weak in grammar and composition.

Latin.-Class I.: Three papers were excellent, one was good, one satisfactory, three were fair, and one was weak.

French.—Class I.: One paper was very good, one fair, and one very weak. Class II.: One paper was excellent, one very good, four were good, two fair, and three weak. *Algebra.*—Class I.: One was excellent, two were very good, one was good, four were satis-

factory, one was fair, and seven were weak.

Euclid.—Class I.: One paper was very weak. Class II.: Two papers were excellent, one was very good, one good, two were satisfactory, one was fair, one weak, and six were very weak.

Shorthand.-Class I.: A satisfactory beginning was made in this subject.

Book-keeping.-Class I. : One paper was very good, two were good, and two weak.

Mosgiel.

English.—Nearly three-fourths of the papers ranged from good to excellent, and only three fell below fair. Composition was the weakest point.

Latin.—Class I. : The paper of this pupil was of excellent quality. Class II. : One paper was

excellent, and one was satisfactory. Class III.: One paper was excellent, and one very good. *Euclid.*—Class I.: One paper was excellent, two were very good, and one was weak. Class II.: Three papers were excellent, one was good, and one was fair.

Algebra.—Class I.: One paper was excellent, one good, and one satisfactory. Class II.: Both papers were weak. Class III.: One paper was excellent, one good, and two were fair. Class IV.: One paper was excellent, one satisfactory, one fair, and one weak.

Book-keeping.—Class I.: Two papers were excellent, and one was satisfactory. Arithmetic.—Class I.: Ten papers were excellent, two very good, one satisfactory, and one weak.

Lawrence.

English.—Five-sixths of the papers were of merit ranging from satisfactory to excellent, and of the rest three were fair, and three weak. In Classes II. and III. a good many marks were lost in grammar.