

AUCKLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

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1. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

The School.—The Board has thoroughly renovated and equipped with new benches and tools the school workshop, carpentry having formed a part of the school curriculum for the past twenty-two years. It has also erected at a cost of £165 two brick fives-courts. These additions to the school premises have been made with a view to provide greater opportunities for instruction and recreation which have been made necessary by the increased number of boys holding free places under the Regulations under "The Secondary Schools Act, 1903." At the end of the first term there were 269 Government and 233 paying pupils at the school. The amount of fees paid by the Government for the year at £8 10s. a head was £2,246 1s. 8d. The Board has widely made known the regulations of the Education Department as to the holding of free places by having such extensively advertised in the daily and weekly Press throughout the year.

Distinctions.—Two pupils of the school gained junior scholarships at the examination of December, 1904, and eight others passed "with credit." The scholars were W. G. Aldridge and Miss A. A. Welham. Twenty-eight passed matriculation and twenty-seven the Civil Service Junior Examination. Of former pupils out of the colony, M. A. Hunter has graduated D.Sc., London; P. S. Ardern, B.A., Oxford; P. Vickerman, M.B. and Ch.B., Edinburgh; Miss A. W. Whitelaw, M.A., Dublin; and K. F. Gordon has been admitted M.R.C.S.

The usual distribution of prizes was made by His Excellency the Governor and Lady Plunket, at the Choral Hall, on the 14th December, 1905. Ninety prizes were given, and their cost was about £50. Mr. P. M. Mackay, J.P., gave three laboratory prizes—two for boys for practical chemistry, and one for girls for best collection of New Zealand wild flowers.

G. MAURICE O'ROKKE, M.A., LL.D., Chairman.

2. GENERAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1905.

<i>Receipts.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>	£	s.	d.
Balance at beginning of year	1,078	0	2	Secretary's salary	135	0	0
Government capitation for free places	2,246	1	8	Office expenses	63	19	8
Current income from reserves	4,734	16	4	Commission, &c., to collector	315	12	1
Paid by School Commissioners	428	18	1	Teachers' salaries and allowances	4,499	13	2
School fees	2,068	6	6	Election expenses	2	2	4
Interest, Post-Office Savings-Bank	1	1	0	School requisites	146	15	7
Grant from Auckland Education Board under section 23 of "The Auckland Grammar School Act, 1899"	205	14	6	School library	3	1	6
				Prizes	89	9	4
				Printing, stationery, and advertising	98	19	4
				Cleaning, fuel, light, &c.	85	13	6
				Stationery allowance	143	2	0
				Fencing, repairs, &c.	1,313	14	3
				Rates and insurance	563	17	2
				Interest on loans	416	5	0
				New buildings	330	3	0
				Advance to Girls' High School	3	0	0
				Cricketer coach	10	0	0
				Swimming sports	5	0	0
				Girls' playground	2	0	0
				Athletic sports	20	0	0
				Cab, Mr. Udy's funeral	0	10	0
				Balance at end of year	2,565	0	4
	£10,762	18	3		£10,762	18	3

W. WALLACE KIDD, Secretary.

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

3. WORK OF THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST DIVISIONS.

Highest.—Nichol, Primer of English Composition; Nesfield, English Past and Present; Samson Agonistes; Shakespeare, The Tempest; Selections from Chaucer. Sargeant, Easy Passages for Latin Prose; Primer of Roman Antiquities; Smith's Smaller History of Rome; Livy, XXII; Virgil, Æneid XI; Horace, Odes, I. Wellington College French Grammar; Hamonet, Select Passages from French Authors; L'Abbé Daniel; Berthon, Specimens of Modern French Verse; Victor Hugo's Waterloo. Hall and Knight's Geometry and Trigonometry; Todhunter and Loney's Algebra; Ward's Exercises in Trigonometry. Science: Boys' Side—Roscoe and Harden, Inorganic Chemistry; Tilden's Practical Chemistry; Advanced Heat, R. W. Stewart. Girls' Side—Miss Aitken's Elementary Botany; Scott's Flowering Plants Jessop's Applied Mathematics.

Lowest.—Nesfield's Outlines of English Grammar; Temple Reader; Mill's Commercial Geography; Arabella Buckley's English History. Elementa Latina; Postgate's First Latin Primer; Scalæ Primæ. Macmillan's French Course, First-year; Janan, Elementary French Reader. Baker and Bourne's Geometry; Rivington's Junior School Algebra; School Arithmetic, Workman. Science—Boys, Turpin's Elementary Practical Chemistry; Girls, Botany.