

## GREY.

## EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE EDUCATION BOARD.

*Manual and Technical Instruction.*—In August the authorised portion of the new Technical School building was completed, and for the remainder of the year two woodwork classes were held, with most gratifying results. This year advantage is being taken of the opportunities offered for the advancement of technical education, and teachers and school-children are deriving great benefits therefrom. In three of the principal schools hand and eye work received considerable attention.

*Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31st December, 1906, in respect of Special Classes conducted at Greymouth.*

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance at beginning of year .. ..	107	10 0	Material for class use .. ..	1	3 6
Capitation on special classes .. ..	7	17 6	Coach fares of teachers attending classes	11	6 0
Buildings .. ..	950	0 0	Contracts (new buildings, additions, &c.)	868	15 0
Special grant for instruction in agriculture	25	0 0	Architect, &c. .. ..	78	17 9
			Balance at end of year .. ..	130	5 3
	<u>£1,090</u>	<u>7 6</u>		<u>£1,090</u>	<u>7 6</u>

P. F. DANIEL, Secretary.

## WESTLAND.

## EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE EDUCATION BOARD.

*Manual and Technical Classes.*—(1.) A teachers' instruction class in nature-study was held during the year. Two terms, each with a special course, were occupied under the tuition of Miss Olliver, M.A., B.Sc., and proved very profitable to the teachers, the average roll-number being 24. (2.) Two special evening classes—one in woodwork and one in commercial subjects—were held under the instruction of Mr. H. G. Wake, B.A., headmaster of the District High School. The roll-numbers were respectively 27 and 28, and the attendance and interest were fully maintained. (3.) Two woodwork classes in connection with the Hokitika District High School and the Kumara School were continued during the year. (4.) Six school classes in handwork were in force in the larger schools, and in three schools under a male sole teacher capitation was received by extra instructors in needlework. In addition, handwork was included in the course of instruction in the junior classes of a number of other schools. The supply of the necessary apparatus for the science room of the Technical School has been completed, and, although the attempt to form an evening class in chemistry failed, the room is expected to prove of service during the present year in connection with special classes, including one for teachers. Owing to the failure, in conjunction with the Grey Board, to obtain a qualified teacher for cooking classes, none have been held during the year. At present arrangements are in train by which this useful branch of education will receive full attention in the immediate future. The Board has made arrangements, in conjunction with the Nelson, Marlborough, and Grey Education Boards, by which an instructor in agriculture will during the present year visit the district and establish instruction in this subject on a satisfactory basis.

## EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS.

*Hokitika School Woodwork Class.*—The woodwork class is attended by the older boys, and is carried on under the charge of the headmaster, Mr. H. G. Wake, whose high qualifications and keen enthusiasm specially fit him for the work. The pupils receive very sound instruction, and the results of the year's course are highly satisfactory. These results are greatly enhanced by the exercises in instrumental drawing that are connected with the woodwork.

The receipts in connection with the class amounted to £31 12s. 8d., including a credit balance of £12 3s. 8d.; fees, £8 5s. 6d.; capitation, £9 10s. The expenditure was £20 13s. 8d. for instructor's salary, leaving a balance of £10 19s.

*Kumara School Woodwork Class.*—The woodwork class, under the management of the Kumara School Committee, and instructed by Mr. G. A. Bell, consists of 23 pupils, 15 of whom are on the roll of the Kumara School. All the pupils are engaged on the first year's course, although a few are in their second year of attendance. An explanation of this should be entered on the records, which should contain a periodical statement of the work done by the class. The receipts were £103 3s. 3d., including £15 7s. 8d. balance from last year and £87 9s. 7d. capitation. The expenditure was £97 3s. 1d., leaving a credit balance of £6 0s. 2d.

*Special Woodwork Class.*—This was an evening class held in the workshop attached to the Hokitika School, and carried on under the direction of Mr. H. G. Wake, headmaster of the school. The roll-number was 27, and satisfactory work was done during the term (June to November).

Receipts in connection with the class amounted to £54 4s. 6d., made up of £22 2s. 6d., grant for fittings; £21 1s., fees and fines; and £11 1s., capitation. The expenditure consisted of £27 9s. 2d. for fittings and £20 for instructor's salary, leaving a balance on operations for the year of £6 15s. 4d.

*Special Commercial Class.*—Special evening classes in commercial subjects were held from May to October, under the direction of Mr. H. G. Wake, B.A., headmaster of the Hokitika District High School. The roll-number was 28, and the attendance and interest were fully maintained.

Receipts in connection with the class, including capitation, fees, and grant for fittings, amounted to £30 18s.; and the expenditure (fittings and instructor's salary) to £16 16s., leaving a credit balance of £14 2s.