

GENERAL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE for the Year ending 31st December, 1909.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance at beginning of year ..	2,132	14 5	Staff salaries and clerical assistance ..	1,161	4 10
Grants from Government for—			Office contingencies ..	1,187	12 3
Teachers' and pupil-teachers' salaries, and allowances to pupil-teachers ..	22,958	5 8	Teachers' and pupil-teachers' salaries, and allowances to pupil-teachers ..	23,200	13 7
Reserves revenue for primary education ..	952	0 0	Relieving-teachers' salaries ..	148	0 3
Capitation at 6d. for relieving-teachers ..	124	6 8	Conveyance and board of school-children ..	77	13 4
Capitation at 11s. 3d. and grant of £250 ..	3,073	15 1	Special capitation to School Committees ..	182	11 0
Special capitation at 9d. for School Committees ..	182	11 0	Incidental expenses of schools ..	879	11 5
Conveyance and board of school-children ..	74	11 10	Free school-books ..	137	1 0
Free school-books ..	131	7 6	Allowance to scholarship-holders and expenses of examination—		
Receipts from other sources—Rents, £44 6s. 10d.; interest, £22 13s.; miscellaneous receipts, £27 7s. 6d. ..	94	7 4	Board scholarships ..	333	15 6
Grants from Government for—			National Scholarships ..	212	10 0
Scholarships—			Salaries of teachers and additions to salaries of head teachers on staffs of district high schools ..	975	19 2
Education Board ..	260	14 6	Refunds and minor expenses ..	13	7 6
National ..	157	10 0	Manual and technical—		
District high schools—Salaries of teachers ..	977	12 6	School classes ..	1,037	10 10
Receipts from other sources—District high school—			Special classes ..	1,514	4 1
Fees ..	8	0 0	Maintenance of school buildings—		
Voluntary contributions ..	11	17 0	Alterations, small additions, repairs, re-painting, &c. ..	2,369	13 3
Grants from Government for manual and technical instruction—			Rebuilding ..	1,366	8 1
Capitation—			Rent ..	41	7 0
On all classes ..	1,440	11 6	House allowances ..	700	3 9
Material for class-work ..	82	16 3	New school buildings, additional classrooms, furniture, sites, &c. ..	2,281	1 0
Subsidies on voluntary contributions ..	250	10 0	Buildings, class-rooms, furniture, &c., for manual and technical purposes—		
Receipts from other sources—Fees, £260 4s.; voluntary contributions, £185 3s.; rent, £32 10s. ..	477	17 0	School classes ..	266	11 9
Provided by other Boards towards Instructors' salaries ..	175	0 0	Special classes ..	1,571	5 2
Grants from Government for—			Purchase of sites ..	24	9 10
Maintenance of school buildings, rebuilding, rents, sites, &c. ..	757	12 0	Book-room department ..	218	11 5
House allowances ..	700	4 7			
New school buildings, additions, furniture, sites, &c. ..	2,171	0 0			
Technical school buildings, additions, furniture, fittings, apparatus, &c. ..	1,985	12 4			
Other receipts—					
Sale of sites ..	24	0 0			
Sale of school material ..	97	5 4			
Sale of old building ..	12	0 0			
Balance at end of year ..	590	3 0			
	£39,904	5 6		£39,904	5 6

A. T. MAGINITY, Chairman.
N. R. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

GREY.

SIR,—

Education Office, Greymouth, 13th May, 1910.

I have the honour to present the report of the Education Board of the District of Grey for the year ending 31st December, 1909.

BOARD.—At the beginning of the year the Board consisted of the following gentlemen: Messrs. James Kerr (chairman), W. R. Kettle (Treasurer), H. J. Bignell, S. R. Harris, J. Noble, Hon. James Marshall, M.L.C., J. McCarthy, J. Ryall, and F. White. At the annual election held in July Messrs. Noble and Bignell were returned unopposed for the Northern and Western Wards respectively. For the Eastern Ward, Mr. White retired, but his recandidature was opposed by Mr. John Flynn, a previous member of the Board. The election resulted in a tie, and on being determined by lot Mr. Flynn was duly elected. At the annual meeting following the election Mr. W. R. Kettle was elected Chairman, and Mr. H. J. Bignell Treasurer for the ensuing term.

SCHOOLS.—During the year thirty-six schools were in operation, as against thirty-five for the previous year, but of these No Town and Teremakau (Grade 0) Schools, owing to falling attendance, were temporarily closed. The schools in operation were graded as follows: Grade 0, 11; Grade I, 7; Grade II, 4; Grade III, 3; Grade IV, 6; Grade V, 1; Grade VI, 3; Grade IX, 1.

ATTENDANCE.—For the year the roll-number of pupils was 1,934, and the average attendance 1,694, as compared with 1,822 and 1,580 respectively, the corresponding totals for 1908. The average attendance was 87.5 per cent. of the total roll number, and, taking into consideration the severe climatic conditions and nature of the bush roads and tracks over which the majority of the children have to travel, the result compares most favourably with any other education district in the Dominion.

TEACHERS.—At the end of the year fifty-eight adult teachers, seven pupil-teachers, and four probationers were in the employ of the Board. Of the adult teachers, nine male and seventeen females are certificated, and four males and twenty-eight females uncertificated. The average number of pupils to each adult teacher was 29.21.

SCHOLARSHIPS.—A total of twenty-six candidates entered for the Junior National and Board Junior Scholarships, and of these, eight qualified under the Junior National Scholarship conditions.