GENERAL STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for the Year ending 31st December, 1909.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Balance at beginning of year	913	4	2
Grants from Government for—			
Teachers' and pupil-teachers' salaries, and allowances to pupil-teachers.. ..	4,948	0	0
Capitation at 6d. for relieving-teachers ..	24	8	0
Capitation at 11s. 3d., and grant of £250	798	8	9
Special capitation at 9d. for School Committees	34	14	6
Inspection of private schools	12	2	0
Receipts from other sources, viz.—			
Voluntary contributions	9	7	6
Rents	20	4	6
Minor receipts	7	15	0
Grants from Government for—			
Scholarships—			
Education Board	67	0	0
National	32	10	0
District high schools—Salaries of teachers	365	0	0
Receipts from other sources for district high schools—			
High School Board	200	0	0
Grants from Government for manual and technical instruction—			
Capitation on all classes	103	3	2
Receipts from other sources—			
Fees	14	15	0
Grants from Government for—			
Maintenance of school buildings, rebuilding, rents, sites, &c.	708	4	0
House allowances	116	13	4
Other receipts—			
Sale of old buildings	11	0	0
Refund	0	14	0
Rent	1	17	0
Minor receipts	1	15	0
Balance at end of year	322	11	1
	£8,713	7	0

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Staff salaries and clerical assistance ..	435	0	0
Office contingencies	236	4	7
Teachers' and pupil-teachers' salaries, and allowances to pupil-teachers	4,969	17	4
Relieving-teachers' salaries	9	16	0
Special capitation to School Committees ..	34	14	6
Incidental expenses of schools	190	15	4
Rent of residences (paid to teachers) ..	20	4	6
Free school-books	24	10	5
Allowance to scholarship-holders and expenses of examination—			
Board scholarships	70	0	0
National Scholarships	30	0	0
Salaries of teachers, and additions to salaries of head teachers on staffs of district high schools	500	0	0
Advertising	0	10	0
Manual and technical—			
School classes	65	9	3
Special classes	86	15	2
Maintenance of school buildings—			
Alterations, small additions, repairs, repainting, &c.	944	0	10
Rebuilding	918	8	9
Rent	0	16	0
House allowances	116	13	4
New school buildings, additional class-rooms, furniture, sites, &c.	16	15	6
Buildings, class-rooms, furniture, &c., for manual and technical purposes—			
School classes	0	18	0
Miscellaneous	41	17	6
	£8,713	7	0

GEORGE PERRY, Chairman.
A. J. MORTON, Secretary.

NORTH CANTERBURY.

SIR,— Christchurch, 6th April, 1910.

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

THE BOARD.—In the month of April the Hon. D. Buddo forwarded his resignation as a member of the Board, which was accepted with regret, in view of the cordial and pleasant relations which had existed between Mr. Buddo and his colleagues, and of the great interest he had always taken in the Board's work. At an election held on the 24th May, 1909, Mr. Hugh Boyd was elected to fill the position. The members whose term of office expired under the provisions of the Act were Mr. Dalziel, Mr. Rennie, and Dr. Hight (representing the North, South, and Central Wards respectively). For the North Ward Mr. Dalziel was re-elected unopposed, and at an election held on the 26th July Mr. William Robert Smith and Mr. Herbert Langford were elected for the South and Central Wards respectively. At the Board's annual meeting, held on the 18th August, Mr. T. W. Adams was elected Chairman of the Board, and *ex officio* member of each committee. The election of committees resulted as follows: Buildings—Mr. Boyd, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Jamieson, Mr. Peryman, Mr. Smith; Appointments—Mr. Boyd, Mr. Dalziel, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Langford, Mr. Opie; Normal School and Technical—Mr. Dalziel, Mr. Jamieson, Mr. Langford, Mr. Opie, Mr. Peryman. During the year the Board held seventeen meetings, the Buildings Committee seventeen, the Appointments Committee thirty-three, and the Normal and Technical Committee eighteen.

THE BOARD'S REPRESENTATIVES.—The Hon. D. Buddo, reappointed in 1908, has continued to represent the Board as Commissioner of Education Reserves. The Board's representatives on the several High School Boards were as follows: Akaroa, Mr. W. H. Montgomery, Mr. R. Latter; Ashburton, Mr. W. B. Denshire, Mr. J. Tucker; Rangiora, Mr. H. Boyd, Mr. A. S. Bruce; and on the several Boards of Management of Technical Classes as follows: Banks Peninsula (Akaroa), Mr. J. Bruce; Ashburton, Mr. W. H. Collins, Mr. J. Tucker; Christchurch, Dr. J. Hight, Mr. C. H. A. T. Opie, Mr. E. K. Mulgan; Lyttelton, Mr. J. R. Webb; Rangiora, Mr. H. Boyd.

BUILDINGS.—During the year the demands on the Board's building funds have continued unabated. New schools have been erected at Addington and Elmwood out of special grants made by the Department, in the former case to replace the building destroyed by fire on the 5th February, and in the case of Elmwood to provide for the large increase in attendance. A small building has also been erected at Pendarves, where the teacher's dwelling had previously been in use for school purposes. The Puaha School, at Little River, formerly known as Hillside, has been enlarged, and removed to a more central