

THURSDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY, 1880.

The Commission met at Canterbury College at 11 a.m.

Present: Professors Brown and Cook, the Rev. W. J. Habens (Secretary), the Rev. W. E. Mulgan, Professors Sale, Shand, and Ulrich.

On the motion of Professor Sale, seconded by Professor Ulrich, the chair was taken by the Rev. W. E. Mulgan.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The following papers were laid on the table:—(1.) Letter from the Secretary, Auckland College and Grammar School, to the Secretary for Education, enclosing—(a) Replies to schedule, giving the information required as to operations during 1879; (b) report of the Board of Governors, 1879; (c) reports of examiners and printed copies of examination papers; (d) statement of receipts and expenditure, 1879. (2.) The report of the Nelson and Marlborough examiners on the examinations for scholarships.

On the motion of the Rev. W. J. Habens, the Commission adjourned, to meet again at the same place on the 6th instant at 11 a.m.

FRIDAY, 6TH FEBRUARY, 1880.

The Commission met at Canterbury College at 11 a.m.

Present: The Hon. G. M. O'Rorke (Chairman), Professors Brown and Cook, the Rev. W. J. Habens (Secretary), the Rev. W. E. Mulgan, Professors Shand and Ulrich.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

On the motion of Professor Shand, the Commission went into Committee for the further consideration of Topic II.—E.

The Commission having resumed, the report of the Committee on Topic II.—E was received, and it was resolved that it be printed.

On the motion of Professor Brown, the Commission adjourned, to meet again at the same place on the 9th instant at 11 a.m.

MONDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY, 1880.

The Commission met at Canterbury College at 11 a.m.

Present: The Hon. G. M. O'Rorke (Chairman), Professors Brown and Cook, the Rev. W. J. Habens (Secretary), the Rev. W. E. Mulgan, Professors Shand and Ulrich.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The following papers were laid on the table:—(1.) Reply from Captain G. B. Breton, Manager, Naval Training School, Kohimarama, giving particulars as to the course of training received by the boys, and the number that have been apprenticed to different callings. (2.) Memorandum from Mr. Blackett, Engineer in Charge, Public Works Department, North Island, on the subject of the status and training of engineers. (3.) Reports of the Timaru High School Board, and Napier Trust School Board, for 1879, were received from the Education Office.

On the motion of the Hon. G. M. O'Rorke, *Resolved*, That Professors Cook, Shand, and Ulrich be a Committee to consider Mr. Blackett's letter on the subject of an engineering school.

On the motion of Professor Brown, the Commission adjourned, to meet again at the same place on the 10th instant at 11 a.m.

TUESDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY, 1880.

The Commission met at Canterbury College at 11 a.m.

Present: The Hon. G. M. O'Rorke (Chairman), Mr. C. C. Bowen, Professors Brown and Cook, the Rev. W. J. Habens (Secretary), the Rev. W. E. Mulgan, Professors Shand and Ulrich.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

On the motion of Professor Shand, the Commission went into Committee to consider the printed draft of report on secondary schools.

The Commission having resumed, progress was reported, and leave obtained to sit again; and, on the motion of Mr. O'Rorke, the Commission adjourned, to meet again at the same place on the 11th instant at 11 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH FEBRUARY, 1880.

The Commission met at Canterbury College at 11 a.m.

Present: The Hon. G. M. O'Rorke (Chairman), Mr. C. C. Bowen, Professors Brown and Cook, the Rev. W. J. Habens (Secretary), the Rev. W. E. Mulgan, Professors Sale, Shand, and Ulrich.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The following papers were laid on the table:—(1.) Letter from the Secretary, Nelson College, enclosing a statement of receipts and expenditure for the year 1879, and a memorandum showing the arrears of rents, interest, and tuition and boarding fees due to the College at the end of the years 1878 and 1879. (2.) Telegram from Mr. Barr, civil engineer, stating that he would be in Christchurch to give evidence on Thursday, 12th instant.

On the motion of the Rev. W. J. Habens, *Resolved*, That Mr. Barr's evidence be taken on Friday, 13th instant.

On the motion of Professor Shand, the Commission went into Committee to consider Topic VI.—A and B.

The Commission having resumed, the report of the Committee was brought up, and it was ordered that it be printed.

On the motion of the Rev. W. J. Habens, the Commission resolved itself into Committee to consider draft report upon Topic II.