

and that "the £100 stated by the Rev. A. Reid as 'voted' was not received when the account was presented."

A telegram was read from the Secretary, Board of Education, Auckland, giving the names and salaries of the regular staff of the Auckland Girls' High School as follows:—Headmaster, Mr. Neil Heath, £500; assistant master, Rev. George Brown, £350. Assistant female teachers: Mrs. Annie Snell, £200; Miss Emily Harrison, £200; Miss Frances Haultain, £150; Miss M. A. McElwain, £100; Miss Bethiah Blades, £80; Miss Annie Hewitt, £70; Miss Ann Williamson, £50. Visiting teachers: Mr. Watkins (drawing), £75; Mr. Lenoir (French), £150; Miss Von Kloeesterlein (German), £80; Miss Richardson (fancy work), £25. Total annual salaries, £2,030.

On the motion of the Rev. W. J. Habens, the Commission resolved itself into a Committee for the further consideration of Topic II.—B(6), Topic III., Topic VI.—B, and Topic VII.

The Commission having resumed, progress was reported, and leave obtained to sit again.

The Commission adjourned, to meet again at the same place on the 19th instant at 11 a.m.

THURSDAY, 19TH 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, and Professor Sale.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

On the motion of the Rev. W. J. Habens, the Commission resolved itself into a Committee for the further consideration of Topic III., Topic VIII., and Topic X.

The Commission having resumed, the report of the Committee was brought up and approved.

On the motion of Professor Sale, seconded by Professor Cook, *Resolved*, That the reports on the separate topics which have been approved in Committee be accepted as substantially constituting the report of the Commission; and that the Secretary be intrusted with the task of combining the separate reports into one whole, to be submitted to the Commission at a future meeting for acceptance as the report of the Commission.

On the motion of the Hon. G. M. O'Rorke, *Resolved*, That the thanks of the Commission be tendered to the Board of Governors, Canterbury College, for the use of the room during the Commission's sitting in Christchurch.

On the motion of the Hon. G. M. O'Rorke, *Resolved*, That a gratuity of £5 be paid to the College porter.

On the motion of the Hon. G. M. O'Rorke, *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Commission be conveyed to the Rev. W. J. Habens for the very able and efficient manner in which he has discharged the laborious duties of Secretary, and that the Government be requested to make a suitable remuneration to him.

On the motion of Professor Cook, seconded by Professor Brown, *Resolved*, That the Chairman be requested to convey a copy of the foregoing resolution to the Minister of Education.

On the motion of Professor Sale, the Committee adjourned, to meet again at the rooms of the Commission, Christchurch, on Thursday, 26th February, at 8 p.m.

THURSDAY, 26TH FEBRUARY, 1880.

The Commission met at its rooms at 8 p.m.

Present: Mr. C. C. Bowen (in the chair), Professors Brown and Cook, the Rev. W. J. Habens (Secretary), Dr. Hector, Professors Sale and Shand.

On the motion of Dr. Hector, seconded by Professor Cook, the chair was taken by Mr. Bowen.

The minutes of meeting of the 19th February were read and confirmed.

The following papers were laid on the table:—(1.) Report and Accounts of Nelson College for 1879. (2.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of Otago High Schools for 1879. (3.) Letter from J. W. Hamilton, Esq., enclosing copy of *Lyttelton Times* of 17th instant containing information as to sessions of German Universities. (4.) Memorandum as to Government Grant to Thames High School. (5.) Papers from Education Department: (a) Report on financial condition of Wellington College; (b) statement that there are no night-schools in connection with public schools in Marlborough; (c) report of Ashburton High School Board for 1879.

On the motion of Professor Sale, seconded by Dr. Hector, *Resolved*, That the thanks of the Commission be tendered to Mr. Hamilton for his letter and the enclosed paper.

The draft report was read as far as page 32, and minor corrections were made in it.

The Commission adjourned, to meet at the same place on the following day at 2.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY, 1880.

The Commission met at its rooms at 2.30 p.m.

Present: Dr. Hector (in the chair), Professors Brown and Cook, the Rev. W. J. Habens (Secretary), Professors Sale and Shand.

On the motion of Professor Sale, Dr. Hector took the chair.

The minutes of the meeting of the 26th February were read and confirmed.

The remainder of the draft report was read.

The Commission adjourned, to meet again at the same place at 3 p.m. on the following day.