Liabilities or Engagements.

Estimated liabilities for fencing secondary reserves .	£	s. 	d.	£ 200	s. 0	d. 0	£ 200	s. 0	d. 0
		•••		200	0	0	200	0	0

Jos. G. Holdsworth, Chairman. Auditor's Certificate.—Examined and passed.—R. Macalister, Provincial District Auditor.

HAWKE'S BAY.

Sir,— Napier, 21st May, 1881.

In compliance with the request contained in your Circular No. 66, of 28th December last, I have the honor to report that there were only two meetings of Commissioners during the past year, most of the business transacted being routine. Two reserves, one in the Village of Wallingford and the other a town section in Napier, were set apart as school sites during the year.

With the exception of the reserves made since the award of 12th June, 1878, under "The Education Reserves Act, 1877," there remain but very few lands which it would be judicious to lease at present. The general statement of accounts forwarded to you on 22nd January last compares favourably

with that for the year ended 31st December, 1879, especially as regards the arrears of rents.

One amendment of the by-laws was made during the past year, whereby meetings of the Commissioners are fixed to take place every alternate month, instead of monthly as previously. With this exception they remain unaltered, as do the regulations and conditions for leasing the reserves under the administration of the Commissioners.

I have, &c.,

The Secretary for Education.

J. T. Tylee, Chairman.

GENERAL STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for the Year ended 31st December, 1880.

Receipts.

			Primary Education Reserves.			Secondary Educa- tion Reserves.			Total.		
To Balance on 1st January, 1880* Arrears due 1st January, 1880, collec	1880	£ 80	s. 13	d. 2	£ 37	s. 12	d. 6	£ 118	s. 5	d. 8	
(1.) Rents, issues, profits, or recei (2.) Other receipts Moneys payable and collected within	epts of reserve		2 6	0 4	49	8 0	3 8	228 0	10 7	3	
(1.) Rents, &c., of reserves (2.) Other receipts	•••	e	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 15 \end{array}$	$\frac{6}{3}$	266 8	5 5	$egin{array}{c} 6 \\ 1 \end{array}$	916 15	7	0 4	
Moneys payable in 1881, collected in (1.) Rents		. 5	0	0	,			5	0	0	
		921	18	3	361	12	0	1,283	10	3	
	Expendite	vre.									
By Office—	*	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	8.	d.	
Salaries and allowances to officers		48	2	7	18		9	66	13	4	
Allowances to Commissioners		0	6	6	0	2	6	0	9	0	
Printing, stationery, &c.			14	4		19	5	10		9	
Expenses of Leasing—Advertising, & Expenditure on Reserves—		5	13	8	2	3	10	7	17	6	
Surveying					9	10	0	9	10	0	
Fencing and other expenditure	•••	1	19	3		ĩ	- ,	5	ĭ	1	
Legal expenses		3		10	ĺ	6	6	_	$1\overline{5}$	4	
Hawke's Bay Education Board		850	ŏ	0	· .	••	-	850	0	ō	
Fixed deposits					200	0	0	200	0	0	
Refund of rent		2	0	0				2	0	0	
Balance in bank*		2	13	1	123	17	2	126	10	3	
		921		3	361		0	1,283		3	

^{*} To this should be added £200, the amount of fixed deposits in preceding year.