DRAWING.—In pursuance of an arrangement made with the Governors of Canterbury College towards the end of 1882, weekly drawing-classes have been held in the School of Art for the instruction of the normal school students, and of teachers and pupil-teachers in the Board's service. The students attend on Friday from 2 to 4 p.m.; the teachers on Saturday morning, from 11 to 1 The average attendance of teachers during the year was 125. The course of instruction includes free-hand drawing, practical geometry linear perspective, model drawing, and black-board drawing. Examinations are held at the end of the year, and the Board has suggested to Government that the certificates given by the School of Art might be accepted as equivalent, in the subject of drawing, to the requirements of the teachers' examination. The Board desires again to commend this suggestion to their attention.

SCHOLARSHIPS.—Examinations were held as usual early in the month of June. The number of candidates examined was 43: viz., in Class A, 14 (under eleven years of age), 8 boys and 6 girls in Class B, 11 (under twelve years of age) 6 boys and 5 girls in Class C, 12 (under thirteen years of age), 10 boys and 2 girls in Class D, 4 (under fourteen years of age all boys, in Class E, 2 (under fifteen years of age) 1 boy and 1 girl. The successful candidates were In Class A, William H. Dawson, Alfred Burgess, and Bertha Speight, in Class B, Frederick Gibson and Florence Sheard, in Class C, Elizabeth Stevenson and John Clarkson; in Class D, Mathew Butterfield and Richard P Clarkson in Class E, Thomas S. Weston.

By order of the Board.

The Hon. the Minister of Education. J V COLBORNE-VEEL, Secretary

GENERAL STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for the Year ending 31st December 1883.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
To Balance on 31st December, 1882—			
Building Account	2,619	15	5
General Account	8,640	12	0
Government grants for buildings	15,102	0	0
Other receipts for buildings—			
Half cost of school at Taumutu	406	10	9
Deposits on contracts	649	3	3
Government statutory capitation (£3 15s.)	38,497	8	4
Special capitation (5s.)	3,143	10	0
Scholarship grant (1s. 6d.)	931	10	9
Inspection subsidy	500	0	0
Grant for training of teachers	2,000	0	0
Payments by School Commissioners for primary education	8,741	10	11
Other receipts—			
Rent of school site at Mandeville Plains	5	0	0
Rent of school site at German Bay	1	0	0
Interest	361	5	4
	£81,599	6	9

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
By Office staff, salaries	1,108	4	5
Clerical assistance	52	7	11
Departmental contingencies	270	6	7
Inspectors' salaries	950	0	0
Inspectors' travelling expenses and forage allowances	284	2	9
Examination of pupil-teachers	139	18	2
Teachers' salaries and allowances (including rent, bonus, &c.)	42,240	19	10
Incidental expenses of schools	6,090	15	9
Training of teachers	2,414	9	3
Scholarships—			
Paid to scholars	750	0	0
Examination expenses	114	18	5
School buildings—			
New buildings	6,726	14	9
Improvements of buildings	7,713	19	1
Furniture and appliances	997	16	7
Sites	239	12	0
Plans, supervision, and fees	1,007	2	0
Other expenses—			
Refund of deposits on contracts	582	13	3
Drill instruction	358	7	9
School of Art	301	8	0
Credit balance of account on 31st December, 1883—			
Building Account	1,509	11	9
General Account	7 736	18	6
	£81,599	6	9

JOHN INGLIS, Chairman.
J V COLBORNE-VEEL, Secretary

I have audited this account, and have compared the items with the vouchers, and find it correct. The balance, inclusive of the fixed deposit, is accurately stated.—J OLLIVIER, Provincial District Auditor 11th February, 1884.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS and LIABILITIES on 31st December, 1883.

A. *Exclusive of Building Fund.*

Assets.	£	s.	d.
Cash in bank on this account, 31st December, 1883	7,736	18	6
Due from scholarships grant	191	18	5
Balance	176	0	10
	£8,104	17	9

Liabilities.	£	s.	d.
Due to teachers	17	19	5
Due to General Government	3,869	3	3
Due to scholarships outstanding	50	0	0
Due to fund for Board's scholarships, training scholarships, ex-pupil-teachers' allowances	4,000	0	0
Due to public libraries	6	13	9
Due to printing, advertising, &c.	43	2	4
Due to incidental expenses unpaid	117	19	0
	£8,104	17	9

B. *Building Fund only*

	£	s.	d.
Cash in bank on this account, 31st December, 1883	1,509	11	9
Balance	1,453	0	8
	£2,962	12	5

	£	s.	d.
Balance of amounts due or to fall due under contracts	1,977	8	10
Deposits on contracts	66	10	0
Due on account of sundry repairs and improvements to be expended by School Committees	918	13	7
	£2,962	12	