GENERAL STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE—continued.

	Primary Education Reserves.	Secondary Education Reserves.	Total.
Balance of cash on 31st December, 1883 Arrears due on 31st December, 1883— Arrears of the year 1882 Arrears of the year 1883 Total assets	£ s. d. 463 12 4 4 13 9 160 8 9 628 14 10		£ s. d. 665 1 6 7 13 9 225 6 0 898 1 3
Liabile	ties.		
Rates on reserves Auctioneer's commission Advertising Legal expenses Awaiting appropriation in purchase of land Accruing to secondary education Total liabilities	£ s. d. 12 15 10 1 1 0 1 15 0 1 1 0 450 0 0	£ s. d. 8 17 0 192 12 2	£ s. d. 21 12 10 1 1 0 1 15 0 1 1 0 450 0 0 192 12 2

Horace Baker, Chairman. W PARKER, Jun., Secretary.

Examined and passed.—R. MACALISTER, Provincial District Auditor.

WELLINGTON

SIR,-Wellington, 31st January, 1884. In reply to your Circular Memorandum No. 83/10, dated the 20th December, 1883, in which you request the School Commissioners for the Wellington Provincial District to report, for the information of the Government and the General Assembly, as to their administration of "The Education Reserves Act, 1877," for the year ended the 31st December, 1883, I have the honour to inform you that, at a meeting of the Commissioners held on the 24th instant, I was directed to state that the Commissioners have observed, from time to time, the laying-off of private townships in the centres of what may be in the immediate future populous districts, without any provision whatever for school sites; and the Commissioners wish to take this opportunity of suggesting to the Government the desirableness of securing reserves for school sites in private townships, and that steps should be taken to render it compulsory that, on the laying-out of such townships, sites for schools should be reserved.

Beyond this the Commissioners have nothing to report, and they have made no alteration in I have, &c., W H. WARREN, Secretary. their regulations.

The Hon. the Minister of Education.

GENERAL STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for the Year ended 31st December, 1883. Receipts.

		Primary Education Reserves.	Secondary Education Reserves.	Total.
To Credit balances on 1st January, 1883 Arrears of rents for previous years Rents for current year Exchange on remittances Balances of account on 31st December, 1883	••	£ s. d. 455 10 5 77 17 9 514 11 8 0 1 0 0 7 3	£ s. d. 46 8 3 24 1 0 0 2 0	£ s. d. 501 18 8 77 17 9 538 12 8 0 3 0 0 7 3
Total receipts	••	1,048 8 1	70 11 3	1,118 19 4