

There are 1,150 seedling plants now in stock. The seeds of a number of the most valuable forest-trees were obtained from California during the past season and have been distributed throughout the colony. A large number of the introduced forest-trees that have now been thoroughly established in the gardens are also bearing seeds freely, and they are carefully collected for distribution, together with the seeds of the native trees and shrubs, the latter being in great demand by foreign correspondents.

Donations to the gardens in the form of plants or seeds have been received from the following: Sir G. Grey, Mr. Thomas Mason, Mr. T. Kirk, Dr. W. T. Thiselton Dyer, Mr. J. Johnson, Mr. Knorpp, Mr. J. Harding, Captain Messenger, Captain Isherwood, and Mr. J. F. Armstrong.

The Honorary Treasurer's statement of accounts, which is appended, shows a balance in hand at this date of £149 5s. 2d.

Approved by the Board.

WM. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS, Chairman.
22nd July, 1886.

JAMES HECTOR,
Manager.

ACCOUNTS of BOTANIC GARDEN BOARD, 1885-86.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
Balance in hand on 17th August, 1885	..	197	19 8	Garden-work (including Keeper's salary, nursery-work, roads, and preparation of ground for special purposes)		229	8 6
Share of rents from Wellington City Reserves, 1st October, 1884, to 30th September, 1885	..	183	16 8	Materials, ironwork, tools, paint, and miscellaneous		9	12 8
Sale of plants		6	10 0	Balance ..		149	5 2
		£388	6 4			£388	6 4

22nd July, 1886.

A. STOCK,
Hon. Treasurer.

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