

CHRISTCHURCH GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

1. STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE for the Year ending 31st December, 1887.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
To Balance at beginning of year ..	816	16 1	By Management—contribution ..	70	0 0
Grant from vote of the General Assembly ..	100	0 0	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	1,597	2 8
Current income from reserves ..	232	0 6	Examinations—		
Interest on moneys invested ..	296	9 7	Examiners' fees ..	60	7 3
School fees ..	1,548	15 0	Other expenses ..	6	5 0
Interest on current account ..	68	18 0	Scholarships ..	74	0 0
			Prizes ..	31	0 6
			Printing, stationery, advertising, and stamps ..	63	13 11
			Cleaning, fuel, light, &c. ..	21	14 4
			Fittings ..	12	7 0
			Fencing, repairs, &c. ..	14	15 9
			Rents, insurance, and taxes ..	120	7 11
			Music and tuning pianos ..	13	13 6
			Inspecting reserves and advertising ..	3	4 0
			Expenses in connection with teaching		
			cooking, dress-cutting, and book-		
			keeping ..	22	3 4
			Chemicals and apparatus ..	16	5 3
			Rent of gymnasium ..	35	0 0
			Books ..	20	8 3
			Sundries, petty cash ..	20	11 0
			Balance at end of year ..	859	19 6
	<u>£3,062</u>	<u>19 2</u>		<u>£3,062</u>	<u>19 2</u>

R. BEETHAM, for Chairman.

F. G. STEDMAN, Registrar, Canterbury College.

2. WORK OF HIGHEST AND LOWEST CLASSES.

Highest.—Mathematics: Arithmetic, algebra, Euclid, trigonometry, as for junior scholarship examination of New Zealand University. Latin: Grammar and Latin prose composition; translation—Cicero's Select Letters (Macmillan's series), Cicero's Pro Cluentio, first twenty chapters; Virgil's *Æneid*, Book IV.; Livy's Hannibalian War (Macmillan series); translation of Latin at sight; history, a general sketch of the whole, and the period of the triumvirates specially (text-books, Smith's Rome and Merivale's Triumvirates); antiquities, the chief, as in Smith's Dictionary of Antiquities. English: Grammar and composition, Morris's Smaller English Historical Grammar, Mason's English Grammar, part of Earle's Philology, essays and corrections of sentences; literature—Shakespeare's *Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Twelfth Night*, and part of *Romeo and Juliet*, Milton's *Paradise Lost*, Book II.; Morris's Specimens of Early English (some of the selections). Science: Botany, as for junior University scholarship examination; heat, as for junior University scholarship examination. French: Grammar, Brachet's Public School Grammar, French prose composition and idioms; translation, *La Mare au diable*, *Madame de la Seiglière*, *The Cid*, *Les Aventures du dernier Abencerrage*, *Le Voyage autour de ma Chambre*.

Lowest.—English: Grammar, simple rules without textbook; composition on stories read and the writing of easy letters; simple readers, as *Poetry for the Young*; *Simple Geographical Reader* (Phillip's No. 4), with Elements of General Geography and Geography of New Zealand; *The Child's History of England* (Mrs. Creighton's), dictation and spelling. French: The elements as far as the verbs. Arithmetic: The four simple and compound rules, reduction of money, and weights and measures. Science: The first principles of physical and natural science, the laws of health, sewing, and elementary drawing.

During last year several new subjects were added to the practical side of the school. In the winter term a course of lectures on nursing, as under the St. John's Ambulance Association, was given to the pupils in the upper school by Dr. Thomas and Dr. Guthrie. To supplement plain sewing already taught in the school, the scientific system of dress-cutting has been introduced and practised with success by several of the older girls. A class for shorthand and bookkeeping was also begun last year under a competent master. Until last year drawing had been taught by the regular teachers on the staff; but, to make the teaching of the subject as successful as possible, a special master was engaged last year for the upper classes. Also, to add to the physical training of the pupils, the Board has arranged that lessons should be given in swimming, beginning this season. At the end of the first term last year the Board offered eight scholarships, four tenable for two years and four for one year, senior and junior, of the value of £15 and £12 a year respectively, open to candidates who were not pupils of the Girls' High School. Also, at the end of the year, four exhibitions of £15 a year, tenable for one year, were offered to pupils of the school on the results of work done during the year. At the University entrance examinations announced early last year, five pupils from the Girls' High School matriculated. In April three girls from the school gained scholarships under the Board of Education, one in Class D, one in Class C, and one in Class B.

3. SCHOLARSHIPS HELD AT THE SCHOOL DURING THE LAST QUARTER OF THE YEAR.

School.—At £15, 12.

North Canterbury Education Board.—At £20, 11.

Caledonian Society.—At £20, 1.

4. REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF SCHOOLS TO THE HON. THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

Girls' High School, Christchurch, 14th March 1888.—I am again able to report that this school is doing very excellent work.