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School Course.—The school course is a liberal one, and embraces all the usual subjects of a secondary education. The schedule of work in the highest and lowest forms for 1891 has been as follows:—

Highest.—Latin: Grammar and Exercises to end of Smith's Principia, Part I. English: Mason's Grammar; Shakespeare's As you Like It and King Lear. French: Larousse's Grammar and Henry's l'Histoire de France. German: Otto's Grammar and Hauff's Tales. Arithmetic, the whole subject. Algebra, to end of simple quations. Euclid, first and second books. History: Epochs, Age of Anne and Early Hanoverians. Geography: Asia in detail.

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Lowest.—Arithmetic, simple and compound rules. English: Trotter's Grammar; Scott's Lay of the Last Minstrel. History: Gardiner's. Geography: New Zealand, and general features of

the world. French: Chardenal; easy translation.

The number of pupils for the last term of the year 1891 was: under 10 years, nil; between 10 and 15 years, 13; between 15 and 18 years, 35; over 18 years, 6: total, 54. The average

attendance for the term was 49.5.

The teaching-staff is paid as follows: Miss Harrison, Lady Principal, £300 per annum, with boarding-fees; Miss Hudson, First Assistant, £200 per annum, with board; Miss Hill, Second Assistant, £120 per annum, with board; Miss Krull, Third Assistant (half day only), £60 per annum; Mr. Blair, Art Master, £100 per annum. Miss Krull is a visiting teacher and teaches for half the day only. Mr. Blair teaches for two hours twice a week. Besides the above, visiting music teachers attend the school, and they receive the actual fees paid by the pupils. The number of boarders for the last term of the year was twenty-one.

Scholarships.—There are not as yet any scholarships in connection with the school, except the open scholarships awarded by the Education Board to girls, all of which are held here.

At the close of the year the Board had more applications for boarders than they could accommodate, and they therefore decided to raise one of the wings of the building, for which provision was made when it was erected, and to provide an increased boarding accommodation. The work was completed during the Christmas vacation, and there are at the present time twenty-nine boarders in the establishment. General satisfaction has been expressed by the parents of pupils at the progress they have made during the year, and the Governors have reason to believe that several improvements and still greater progress will be made during the current year. A school-library is about to be established, and Mr. Blair will give science lessons as soon as suitable accommodation for the purpose is provided. Club exercises and calisthenics were very successfully taught during the year by Mr. Wychodil; but he has, unfortunately, for private reasons, been obliged to resign, and the Governors experience difficulty in filling the vacancy. At the breaking-up ceremony, in December, Mr. S. T. Fitzherbert presided, at the request of the chairman, and presented a number of valuable prizes to pupils, besides a gold medal to the dux, given by Miss Harrison. The large hall was well filled by the parents of the pupils, and others interested in education, who listened with much interest to Mr. Fitzherbert's able address. The Governors have now found it necessary to purchase more land, in order to lay out additional tennis-courts and recreation-grounds.

In conclusion, the Governors beg to state that they have every confidence in the future success of the school, and will leave nothing undone to make it both popular and efficient as a high-

class secondary institution.

The Hon. the Minister of Education, Wellington.

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Gilbert Carson, Chairman.

2. General Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31st December, 1891.

Receipts. \pounds s. d.	Expenditure.	£ s. d.
To Balance on the 31st December, 1890 207 18 1 By M	Management	
Interest from mortgages 465 18 10	Office salary	48 15 0
Rents from endowments leased 74 0 0	Members' expenses	10 4 3
School Commissioners 37 0 5	Stationery and petties	18 12 10
School fees 867 4 8 T	Ceachers' salaries and fees	832 6 4
Boarding fees 824 4 0 B	Boarding-school account	881 14 0
	Cleaning and petties	14 16 6
Balance, overdrawn at bank 1,788 10 10 S	School-books	20 14 3
	Stationery	30 7 5
A	dvertising	43 15 11
	House furniture	875 13 5
· S	School furniture, including desks,	
	pianos, &c	334 2 2
, I	nsurance and borough rates	50 12 4
	Jaretaker	40 19 0
} B	Building	430 15 5
	Site	511 14 6
TP	Plans and supervision (balance)	87 18 0
C	Contractors' deposits, refunds	9 15 0
В	Bank interest	51 15 6
£4,294 11 10		£4,294 11 10
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Wanganui, 16th February, 1892.

A. A. Browne, Secretary.

Examined and found correct.—James Edward FitzGerald, Controller and Auditor-General.