

The Commissioners would again urge the advisability of making some further provision for secondary education. They have repeatedly called the attention of the Hon. the Minister of Lands to this important appropriation of national reserves, and we again appeal to him to take such action as will place this province in this respect on a footing approximately as near as can be to that of the other provinces.

I have, &c.,

J. R. BLAIR,

The Hon. the Minister of Lands.

Chairman, School Commissioners, Wellington.

GENERAL STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for the Year ending 31st December, 1895.

Receipts.

	Primary.	Secondary.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Balances, 1st January, 1895	67 11 6	105 6 5	172 17 11
Receipts on account of previous years	101 4 2	...	101 4 2
Receipts on account of year 1895	1,582 16 3	111 1 6	1,693 17 9
Receipts on account of year 1896	2 11 7	...	2 11 7
Receipts on account of Napier Commissioners	31 0 0	...	31 0 0
Receipts on account of incomplete leases	13 2 0	...	13 2 0
Rebate on telephone	0 10 6	...	0 10 6
Lease forms	0 6 0	...	0 6 0
Exchange with remittances	1 2 8	...	1 2 8
Total receipts	1,800 4 8	216 7 11	2,016 12 7

Expenditure.

By Payments to Boards—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Wellington Education Board	501 1 4	...	800 0 0
Wanganui Education Board... ..	298 18 8	...	...
Wellington College	...	32 19 9	...
Wellington Girls' High School	...	32 19 9	105 6 5
Wanganui Girls' High School	...	39 6 11	...
Salaries, printing, stationery, &c.	248 19 10	17 8 11	266 8 9
Commission on leases and expenses	8 8 0	...	8 8 0
Expenses of sales	5 10 0	...	5 10 0
Advertising	27 19 0	...	27 19 0
Travelling-expenses	15 0 0	...	15 0 0
Bushfelling and fencing	84 19 10	...	84 19 10
Rabbits, rates, taxes..	43 5 5	...	43 5 5
Arbitration	2 2 0	...	2 2 0
Registrar	5 0 0	...	5 0 0
Refund, Napier Commissioners	31 0 0	...	31 0 0
Balances	528 0 7	93 12 7	621 13 2
Total expenditure	1,800 4 8	216 7 11	2,016 12 7

Assets.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Balances on 31st December, 1895... ..	528 0 7	93 12 7	621 13 2
Arrears	828 9 11	...	828 9 11

Liabilities.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Land Purchase Account	56 0 0	...	56 0 0

30th March, 1896.

J. R. BLAIR, Chairman.
NAT J. TONE, Secretary.