Somes Senior Scholarships.—Four are to be offered, if funds permit, in each year. The scholarships are tenable for one year, and of the value of £25, with the addition of £20 in the case of boarders in one of the school-houses.

Somes Scholarships for Music.—Sixteen scholarships covering the school fees for tuition, and eight of half the value, are given after examination. The boys elected become members of the Cathedral choir. Tenure depends upon the satisfactory performance of duty both in the school and in the choir.

The Junior and Senior Scholarships given by the Board of Education are tenable in the school, and may be held together with Entrance or Somes Scholarships.

Buller and Reay Foundation.—Exhibitions are given to the sons of clergy ministering in the Diocese of Christchurch, and to others who may require assistance; also six exhibitions of £2 are awarded at the end of each term to members of the chapel choir, and two of £12 a year for two years to specially deserving boys on leaving the Cathedral choir.

2. Work of the Highest and Lowest Classes.

Highest.—Greek, Latin, French, English, mathematics, chemistry, heat, to standard of examination for Junior University Scholarships; and divinity.

Lowest.—Divinity, St. Mark's Gospel; the Catechism, to the end of "Duty to your Neighbour." Reading—Ship Reader, No. 3; Longmans' New Reader, No. 4, to page 147. Repetition. History—Brief history, from the invasion of Britain to the end of Richard III. Geography—Zealandia, Part I., the whole book. Grammar and Composition—How to tell the parts of speech; the construction of sentences; short letters and descriptive paragraphs. Arithmetic—Revision of simple rules and the compound rules, up to and including long division; numeration to long division inclusive.

3. General Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 15th May, 1898.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.	*Expenditure.*	£	s.	d.
To Capital Account—price of land sold ..	237	10	0	By Balance	2,082	4	2
Current income from land	1,824	12	7	Office salary	190	0	0
Income from scholarships endowments	773	4	0	Other office expenses	23	11	9
School fees	2,400	6	9	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	2,811	2	6
Sundry receipts	3	12	0	Examination fees for scholarships, and special prizes	52	11	6
Balance	1,414	12	9	Scholarships	695	11	0
				Prizes	54	4	3
				Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	60	7	2
				Cleaning, fuel, light, &c.	224	4	3
				Fencing, repairs, &c.	66	12	4
				Insurance and taxes..	67	15	9
				Interest on current account	54	2	2
				Boys' games fund	128	12	3
				Expenses in connection with land estate	58	16	7
				Fittings and material for laboratory ..	52	5	7
				Chapel Account—deficit for year ..	31	16	10
	£6,653	18	1		£6,653	18	1

C. Christchurch, Warden.

The accounts (from which the above are extracts) were audited by Mr. A. A. M. McKellar.

RANGIORA HIGH SCHOOL.

1. Report.

The year began with sixteen and ended with fourteen pupils. An examination was held in December by Mr. R. M. Laing, M.A., and as a result of his report the Board decided to make an entire change in the teaching-staff. Mr. T. R. Cresswell, M.A., of Wanganui, has since been appointed master of the school.

E. R. Good, Chairman.

2. General Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1898.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.	*Expenditure.*	£	s.	d.
To Balance	86	10	11	By Office expenses	1	5	0
Current income from reserves ..	235	18	3	Teachers' salaries and allowances ..	206	8	11
School fees..	99	11	6	Examinations—Examiners' fees ..	14	14	6
				Prizes	3	10	3
				Printing, stationery, and advertising ..	11	13	10
				Cleaning, fuel, light, &c.	15	6	6
				Site and buildings	108	2	6
				Fencing, repairs, &c.	17	7	5
				Rents, insurance, and taxes	4	6	3
				Rail-fare for pupil	0	10	0
				Balance	38	15	6
	£422	0	8		£422	0	8

E. R. Good, Chairman.

Examined and found correct.—J. K. Warburton, Controller and Auditor-General.