

rendered during the year both by Mrs. Gard'ner, and by Miss O'Brien, her chief assistant, who in addition to her work in Christchurch, has conducted the classes at the country centres, the Committee has pleasure in expressing the highest appreciation, and its thanks are also due to those, who, either gratuitously or for a very small wage, have in various ways acted as permanent or temporary helpers. Were it not for the aid freely and without pecuniary reward given by those seeking to qualify for certificates it would not have been possible without considerable additional expense to carry out the work attempted.

The large size of some of the classes recently undertaken has brought prominently before the Committee the limited character of our accommodation. We have been compelled to secure additional space at, of course, an additional cost, and there is yet much to be desired in the facilities afforded. The Department of Education has so far been good enough to supplement the somewhat meagre capitation receivable under the Technical Instruction Act by a sum substantially equivalent to our rental, and we may be fairly content for the time being if it continues the favour; but we feel strongly that a pressing need exists of a special building for technical education purposes, and that our claim is a good one to a substantial share in the advantages such a building would provide.

CHARLOTTE W. TURRELL,
Vice-President.

Christchurch, 20th December, 1898.

BALANCE-SHEET for the Year ending 7th December, 1898.

<i>Receipts.</i>				<i>Expenditure.</i>			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
To Balance	..	71	6 1	By Salaries	..	158	4 6
Petty cash	..	8	17 1	Cooking materials, cost ..	165	9	11
From Government, special ..	..	70	0 0	Less for sales	87	4	5
From Government, subsidy ..	..	86	17 11			78	5 6
From subscribers (Christchurch) ..	..	15	1 0	General expenses—Rent, gas, advertising, ..			
School fees	..	178	13 6	coals, sundries		130	6 11
Sundry receipts	..	6	16 6	Preliminary expenses—Cost of utensils, &c. ..		6	12 3
				Petty cash		8	9 3
				Balance		55	13 8
		<u>£437</u>	<u>12 1</u>			<u>£437</u>	<u>12 1</u>

Christchurch, 7th December, 1898.

W. CHRYSTALL, Treasurer.

SCALE OF FEES PER QUARTER.

Cooking.—School-children, domestic servants, and girls in business, 5s.; school-teachers, 7s. 6d.; other persons, 10s. 6d.; advanced classes, 10s. 6d.; high-class, special classes, £1 1s. Materials provided by the school. Dishes cooked may be purchased by the pupils.

Dressmaking.—School-children, domestic servants, and girls in business, 5s.; other persons, 10s. 6d.

Ironing and Clear-starching.—School-children, domestic servants, and girls in business, 5s.; other persons, 10s. 6d.

DUNEDIN SCHOOL OF ART AND DESIGN.

SIR,—

I have the honour to submit my report on the School of Art and Design for the year 1898.

The total number of students who attended the school during the past session was 402. This includes ninety-four teachers and pupil-teachers, forty-one students in training, 105 students who attended the day classes, and 162 students who attended the evening classes. The classes for general drawing do not need much comment, as the work was the same as in former years. I may mention, however, the following classes, and the work accomplished during the year:—

Students in Training.—Forty-one students attended the course of lectures and class instruction. Of these, twenty completed their full drawing certificate, which includes freehand drawing, model-drawing, practical geometry, perspective, shading from casts, and drawing on the blackboard. Three students require to pass in shading from casts to complete their certificates; and twelve students, not previously employed as pupil-teachers, passed in freehand drawing and practical geometry. Classes for country school-teachers met every Saturday morning from 10 to 12. Thirty-one teachers availed themselves of these classes, and received instruction in freehand and model drawing, geometry, perspective, and drawing from casts. The general quality of the work showed considerable improvement on that of the previous year.

Pupil-teachers.—The courses of instruction for pupil-teachers in freehand drawing, model-drawing, practical geometry, and perspective were attended by sixty-three students. At the July examinations twenty-three entered for examination in model-drawing, of whom ten obtained the mark excellent, ten good, and three pass (the same students passed in freehand drawing the previous December); fourteen entered for geometrical drawing—ten obtained excellent, and four good; thirteen entered for perspective—four obtained excellent, five good, and four pass.

A special course of lectures and class instruction for students of the School of Mines, comprising model-drawing, practical geometry, solid geometry, and machine construction and drawing, was attended by thirty-three students. At the end of the session examinations were held in the subjects of study, the results of which were as follows: Students of the first year: Fourteen entered for model-drawing—eight obtained first-class, six second-class; fourteen entered for geometrical drawing—eleven obtained first-class and three second-class. Students of the second