

Temuka District High School.

Subject.	Course.	Number of Pupils.	Average Marks per Cent.	Amount of Work done.
English ...	...	14	61	(1) Nesfield's English Grammar and Composition, pages 39 to 100, and 150 to 207; (2) Shakespeare's Midsummer Night's Dream, to end of Act III., Scene I.; (3) Composition.
French ...	Second ...	2	79	Chardenal's First French Course, to exercise 200; also pages 193 to 202.
	First, Sec. II.	5	70	Chardenal's First French Course, to exercise 136; also pages 193 to 202.
Latin ...	Sec. I.	6	59	Chardenal's First French Course, to exercise 80.
	Second ...	2	90	(1) Cæsar's Invasion of Britain, 35 chapters; (2) Via Latina, to page 143; and Allen's Grammar.
Algebra ...	First, Sec. II.	5	65	(1) Cæsar's Invasion of Britain, 24 chapters; (2) Via Latina, to page 83.
	Sec. I.	5	66	Via Latina, to page 39.
	Second ...	2	43	Fractions, equations of the first degree, and problems in simple equations.
Euclid ...	First, Sec. II.	9	42	Factors, H.C.F., L.C.M., and easy simple equations.
	Sec. I.	8	58	Definitions, brackets, and the four simple rules.
	Second ...	2	74	Books I. and II., with easy deductions
	First, Sec. II.	8	47	Book I., with easy deductions.
	Sec. I.	5	48	Book I., to proposition 24, with definitions, &c.

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English.—In view of the large amount of work professed by the two English classes, the appearance made in the written work by most of the pupils was decidedly creditable, the purely grammatical questions being, however, less satisfactorily answered than the rest of the work. The play for the year had not been so closely studied as on former occasions, several of the scholars, especially those of the junior class, having only a very hazy conception of the meaning of the language, and showing little knowledge of the characters and incidents.

Latin.—Only two pupils out of twenty-seven examined in Latin failed to obtain the proficiency certificates which are granted to those earning over 50 per cent. of the available marks; and more than half the scholars earned over 70 per cent. In every stage the tests were of considerable difficulty, and this, combined with keen marking, gave double assurance that those who qualified for certificates had done a good year's work. Four or five scholars in the highest class gained the highly creditable average of 70 per cent. in a paper that included translations from Cicero and Virgil, sight translation from Cæsar, questions in grammar, and Latin prose composition.

French.—The prescribed work in French was very carefully prepared in every class, the high average marks obtained in papers that were of a severely searching character speaking well for the soundness of the teaching and for the diligence of the scholars.

Euclid.—The general results in the advanced, second, and first (Section II.) courses were good, the propositions being thoroughly prepared, and the deductions being attacked with satisfactory success. In the first course (Section I.), while the majority submitted satisfactory papers, a good proportion of the pupils did not appear to understand clearly the reasoning of the propositions with which they were dealing.

Algebra.—The papers set as tests in this subject, especially in the first course, were somewhat more difficult than those of former years; still, the results are highly creditable, only one pupil failing to obtain 50 per cent. of the possible marks.

Heat.—Four papers were good, six were satisfactory, two were fair, and two were weak.

Botany.—All the High School pupils were subjected to an oral examination in botany, and most of them showed keen interest in the lessons, and acquitted themselves most satisfactorily. The subject is dealt with in a thoroughly practical way.

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English.—Eight papers were good, two were satisfactory, one was fair, and three were weak. Specially noteworthy were the essays, the correction of sentences, and the explanations of allusions and difficult passages in the selected play.

Latin.—Work of exceptional accuracy was done by the highest class. In Sections I. and II. of the first course the pupils made a satisfactory appearance, all but one obtaining certificates of proficiency. A junior class, composed of pupils who had been less than half the year at work, showed themselves fully prepared in what they professed.

French.—The scholars of the two upper classes in French did work of a very satisfactory kind, only one pupil failing to obtain 50 per cent. of the possible marks. In the lowest class, three pupils of which had been under instruction for less than half the session, two papers were very good, two were good, and two were moderate.