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introduction of manual subjects into the lower classes. Owing in some measure to a want of the necessary knowledge on the part of the teachers, but more particularly, the Board ventures to think, to the formalities to be observed in order to obtain the Minister's approval, little headway has been made. In a number of cases where the programmes submitted have been accepted the Board has made, out of its very limited means, an advance in order to provide funds for the purchase of material. No assistance has as yet been forthcoming from the Department for apparatus.

The Board is convinced that solid progress cannot be expected without some modification of the existing regulations, which in some respects have proved extremely harassing during the past year. With a large number of schools to deal with, it is absolutely essential that the means of securing official recognition of the classes should be as simple as possible, and that the applica-

tions of the Board for payment of capitation earned should meet with a ready response.

The classes in woodwork have been continued at the Normal School and at Leeston, at which latter centre steps have been taken to establish a class in ironwork. The cookery classes at Doyleston have also continued in operation. During the last term of the year woodwork classes under Mr. Sandford, and technical classes under Mr. Just, were held at Lyttelton. The report of the instructor shows the number of pupils who have attended the woodwork classes during the year, together with the attendances for each quarter.

During the year, in order that teachers might prepare themselves for giving instruction to their pupils, the Board has paid the fees of a large number of teachers in attendance at approved classes in manual and technical instruction. At the date of this report about three hundred teachers are attending the several classes at the Normal School, School of Art, and School of Domestic Instruction, in which connection it is pointed out that the Board's ability to continue free instruction must necessarily be limited by the amount granted by the Department for the purpose.

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The Hon. the Minister of Education, Wellington.

D. Buddo, Chairman.

GENERAL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS	and Expend	TURE for the Year ending 31st Dec	ember, 1901.
Receipts.		Expenditure Office Staff—Salaries	£ s. d.
Balance—	£ s. d,	Office Staff-Salaries	895 3 0
Balance— On Building Account On General Account. Government grant for buildings	98 12 0	Departmental contingencies	496 9 2
On General Account	3,167 14 3	Inspectors' salaries and travelling-ex-	
Government grant for buildings .	8,688 13 5	penses	1,677 10 3
Other receipts for buildings—		Truant Officer's salary and expenses	154 16 11
Sale of old material	54 19 10	Examination of pupil-teachers	59 0 5
Part cost of fencing and repairs .	. 12 6 0	Scholarships—	
Contractors' deposits	149 19 3	Paid to scholars	1,211 10 0
Statutory capitation—		Examination expenses Training of teachers Teachers' salaries Teachers' house allowances	
	48,852 4 1	Training of teachers	1,749 12 7
Amount paid by School Commissioners	12,990 18 8	Teachers' salaries	54,912 17 8
Addition to statutory capitation -Fo	!	Teachers' house allowances	408 1 9
teachers' salaries	2,814 9 0	Incidental expenses of schools	6,579 5 0
Scholarship grant	1,298 3 10	School buildings-	
District High School—Capitation .	28 10 0	New buildings	2,071 0 2
Inspection subsidy	500 0 0	Improvements of buildings	4,957 10 5
Grant for training of teachers	500 0 0	Rebuilding schools destroyed by fire	293 3 11
Manual and technical instruction—		Furniture and appliances	210 13 11
Capitation for—		Sites	429 3 8
School classes	976	Plans, supervision, and fees	583 13 1
Special classes (ordinary)	41 7 2	Manual and technical instruction—	
Associated classes (ordinary)	61 12 6	Salaries	93 8 0
Grants for—		Travelling-expenses	1 3 6
Encouragement of swimming .	45 1 5	Payment to teachers' classes	163 17 9
Apparatus	100 0 0	Capitation paid to managers of asso-	
Teachers' classes	200 0 0	ciated classes	93 2 11
Teachers' railway fares	34 0 3	Material	
Other receipts—		Buildings	13 9 4
Sale of timber		Apparatus	31 17 11
Fees		Incidentals	27 16 3
Grants for rebuilding schools destroyed		Other expenses—	
by fire	233 8 0	Contractors' deposits refunded	233 0 3
Rent of buildings, sites, and reserves .	43 4 3	Exchange on cheques Gammack scholarships Reserve 777, exchange	
Refund of insurance premium .		Gammack scholarships	218 0 10
Half-cost of Stewart's appeal case .		Reserve 777, exchange	0 1 0
Truancy Office—Court fees	1 0 0	Encouragement of swimming	45 12 6
Education Acts	0 7 0	Royal visit expenses	22 7 1
Education Acts		Reserves at Kaikoura—Bush, &c., not to	
Akaroa High School Board—Grant .	25 0 0	be removed: Advertising	2 0 0
-		Balance—	
		On Contractors' Deposit Account	<b>50 14</b> 6
		On Building Account	408 18 7
		On General Account	1,953 15 4
	£80,185 1 1		£80,185 1 1
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D. Buddo, Chairman. H. C. Lane, Secretary.

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