

SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS.

AUCKLAND.

SIR,—

School Commissioners' Office, Auckland, 11th April, 1902.

I have the honour to forward herewith the statement of the accounts of the Auckland School Commissioners for the year 1901, from which it will be seen that, while the expenditure for the year was slightly reduced, the income was considerably increased, thus enabling the Commissioners to hand over £2,600 and £506 7s. 6d. for primary and secondary education purposes respectively, being the largest amount yet paid in any one year.

The administration of the reserves calls for no special remark. Meetings were held monthly for the transaction of business, at which the average attendance was four. Every effort has been made to let the lands applied for. The rents have been fairly well paid up, and it should be borne in mind that those shown in arrear have been strictly charged as due in advance, no matter how late in the year the half-yearly payments became due.

The reserves let during the year comprise fourteen sections of town and suburban lands, 37 acres 3 roods 13 perches, yielding an annual rental of £15 11s., and thirty-five sections of country lands, 2,542 acres, yielding an annual rental of £154 11s. 3d.

The Hon. the Minister of Education, Wellington.

I have, &c.,

R. Udy, Chairman.

GENERAL STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURE for the Year ending 31st December, 1901.

I.—GENERAL ACCOUNT.

	Primary.	Secondary.	Total.
<i>Receipts.</i>			
To Balance at 31st December, 1900	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Rents collected—			128 15 9
Arrears of 1900, &c.	955 12 9		
Due in 1901	1,976 9 1		2,932 1 10
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Due in 1901		443 4 9	707 5 10
Interest	32 5 0	13 8 9	45 13 9
Miscellaneous	0 10 0		0 10 0
Lease deposits	40 19 0	5 5 0	46 4 0
Total receipts			3,860 11 2
<i>Expenditure.</i>			
By Allowances to Commissioners	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Office salary	90 0 0	30 0 0	120 0 0
Office expenses	27 16 0	9 5 3	37 1 3
Legal expenses	19 13 9	6 11 3	26 5 0
Crown-grant fees	9 5 10	1 3 4	10 9 2
Expenses of leasing	90 18 3	20 15 3	111 13 6
Expenditure on reserves	102 6 2	61 1 4	163 7 6
Payments to Boards—			
Auckland Education Board	2,447 2 0		
Hawke's Bay Education Board	152 18 0		2,600 0 0
Payments to secondary schools—			
Auckland Grammar School		100 0 0	
Thames High School		100 0 0	
Whangarei High School		100 0 0	506 7 6
Gisborne High School		206 7 6	
Lease deposits refunded	57 15 0	5 5 0	63 0 0
Balance in bank at 31st December, 1901—			
Current account	321 2 10		
Less outstanding cheques	139 14 7		181 8 3
Total expenditure			3,860 11 2