

Examination Papers; Horton's History of Romans; Wilkins's Primer of Antiquities. French—Le Cid, Hachette's French Classics; Molière's Tartuffe; Macmillan's French Composition; Selections from the Correspondence of Madame de Sévigné; Wellington College Grammar and Exercises. Mathematics—Hall and Knight's Algebra; Hall and Stevens's Euclid; Pendlebury's Arithmetic; Pendlebury's Elementary Trigonometry. Botany—Dendy and Lucas's Botany; Thomson's Handbook of Botany. Physics—Draper's Heat.

Lowest.—Nesfield's Parts of Speech; Junior Temple Reader; Laureate Poetry-book, Part IV.; French Nursery Rhymes; Southern Cross Arithmetic; Longmans' Ship Historical Reader, Stories and Biographies; Longmans' First Book of Geography; Youmans's First Book of Botany; Civil Service Copybooks; elementary design and brushwork.

4. ARRANGEMENTS FOR DRAWING; MANUAL, COMMERCIAL, AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION; GYMNASTICS, DRILL, SWIMMING, ETC.

College.

Drawing: Form III. (two hours weekly) and the Remove Form (one and one-third hours) receive instruction in drawing in outline and elementary design (these classes are held in ordinary school hours); a special drawing class is held by Mr. J. Herdman Smith of Wellington Technical School (two lessons of three-quarters of an hour each, out of school hours). Woodwork: Mr. Bastings, of Wellington Technical School, gives instruction in woodwork for an hour and a half after school hours. Photography: Class held once a week (three-quarters of an hour) for demonstration; all facilities for practice provided by Camera Club. Book-keeping and commercial technology: Four classes receive instruction in above for three and one-third hours weekly in ordinary school hours; the instruction given to the highest class covers the ground necessary for the Student's Grade of the Institute of Accountants, New Zealand. Shorthand: Classes held twice a week for three-quarters of an hour out of school hours—Pitman's system. Drill: Two companies of cadets are drilled for an hour and a half weekly out of school hours by the company officers, assisted by Staff-Sergeant Colclough; all boys not in cadet corps receive instruction in physical drill three-quarters of an hour weekly. Gymnastics: All day boys not in cadet corps are instructed for three-quarters of an hour weekly; boarders' classes are held daily by Mr. J. Harrison. Swimming: There is a large swimming-bath in the College-grounds, and all boys are taught to swim by two of the members of the staff out of school hours.

Girls' High School.

Drawing is taught as a regular class-subject for two afternoons a week. All pupils of the school, with the exception of the Sixth Form, attend the classes. The lessons are given by Mr. Bastings and Mr. Herdman Smith of the Technical School, assisted in each class by two teachers of the regular staff. The work of the three classes comprises free-arm and blackboard drawing, with drawing from memory, elementary design, and brushwork, and model-drawing, with light and shade from casts, &c. These classes have been recognised by the Education Department under the Manual and Technical Instruction Act. Needlework, cutting-out, darning, and knitting are taught to all pupils of the Middle and Lower Forms of the school. Physical-drill exercises are given to the whole school two hours a week in half-hour lessons; the four classes are taken by Mr. Harrison, Director of the School of Physical Culture. Dancing is taught as an extra after school hours by two visiting teachers. Swimming-races are held annually during the first term of the year, and the number of entries is fairly satisfactory. The pupils make use of the Thorndon Swimming-baths, which are conveniently near the school. Shorthand is taught as an extra for two hours a week, from 4 to 5 p.m. About twenty attend this class, and several gained theory certificates (Pitman's) last year. Class singing is taught for two periods a week to almost the whole school. The two classes are conducted by Mr. Parker.

5. SCHOLARSHIPS.

College.—Twenty-one district (Education Board) and four Queen's scholarships were held at the school, and the Governors also gave free tuition to six boys. In addition, the following scholarships were provided from funds given by private benefactors: Rhodes, one £20, one £15; Moore, one £20, one £15; Turnbull, one £15, one £10, three £5; and Levin, one £10.

Girls' High School.—Twenty-one district and five Queen's scholarships were held at the school, and seventeen girls received free tuition.

NAPIER HIGH SCHOOL.

Staff.

Boys' School.—Mr. A. S. M. Polson, B.A.; Mr. E. W. Andrews; Mr. J. Kinder, B.A.; Mr. J. H. Goulding; Mr. R. N. Anderson.

Girls' School.—Miss A. E. J. Spencer, B.A.; Miss O. R. Kirk, B.A.; Miss F. J. W. Hodges, M.A.; Miss H. Veillard; Miss J. Gillies; Miss J. E. Page; Mrs. Macfarlane; Mrs. Stuart; Miss Loudon.

1. REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS.

The Board of Governors have the honour to report that they have reason to be well satisfied with the work of the institutions under their control.

Owing to the illness and death of the late headmaster (Mr. Wood), and the changes following thereon, the boys' school was carried on with some difficulty during the early portion of the year. Notwithstanding this, the work of the year proved satisfactory at the examination. The girls' school had also a successful year.