AUCKLAND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

GENERAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS for the Year ended 31st December, 1903.

Receipts. Balance at beginning of year	£ 10,465	s. 8.	d. 8	Bank commission		£	s.	
Interest on moneys invested and on unpaid purchase-money				Auckland Grammar School—	• •	. 0	10	U
purchase-money	409	0	0	Interest paid over		409	0	0
				" in advance		33	0	0
				Rates on endowment, Hobson County		22	6	2
				Balance at end of year—				
				On mortgage		5,000	0	0
				In debentures		5,000	0	0
				On fixed deposit		400	0	0
				On current account		9	12	6
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	£10,874	8	8			£10,874	8	8
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RICHARD HOBBS, Chairman.

VINCENT E. RICE, Secretary and Treasurer.

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

THAMES HIGH SCHOOL.

Staff.

Mr. James Adams, B.A.; Mr. R. J. Thompson, B.A.; Miss Mary R. Foy.

1. REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS.

This school has always severely felt the want of sufficient funds. One effect of this was that for the first term of the year the school-work had to continue to be carried on by two teachers. At the commencement of the second term a third teacher entered on his duties and much better work was done in consequence.

On the 1st of July thirty-three pupils who had passed the Sixth Standard were admitted in accordance with Government regulations. It may be remarked that the beginning of the year is a much more suitable time both for the school-work and also for the examinations such pupils are expected to pass after attending the school for two years.

Pupils.—The pupils of the school have done well at the Civil Service Examinations. There were four candidates for the Senior Examinations; one passed in six subjects, and thus completed the examinations; three others passed in five or in four subjects. At the Junior Civil Service Examination seven passed, all of whom gained good places.

Former Pupils.—During the year some former pupils have done remarkably well. W. Donovan, at Auckland University College, got a double first in science, in original research, in chemistry, and geology. Colin Fraser, at the same college, gained his degree of Bachelor of Science and a scholarship in geology. James Henry Adams gained first-class distinction of his year at Otago University in mathematics and science, and the highest place in the first-class in organic chemistry. Leslie Andrew gained the highest marks at the local school of mines, and won the President's medal. J. W. Johnson, who last year passed with credit at the University Junior Examination, succeeded this year (after three terms at the Auckland Grammar School) in gaining a University junior scholarship. These results fully bear out the excellent report that Inspector Pope gave of the school in June last.

2. General Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st December, 1903.

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Rece	ipts.		£	s.	d.	Expenditure.	£	s.	a
Balance at beginning of year		٠.	661	14	3	Office salary			
Current income from reserves			481		_	Office expenses		_	
Paid by School Commissioner			50	_		Teachers' salaries	6	-	-
School foor		• •		-	-		638	5	8
Interest on fixed deposit	• •	• •	260			Examiners' fees	3	3	0
		• •	6	-	-	Printing, stationery, and advertising	8	15	6
Goldfields revenue	. • •		87		2	Cleaning, fuel, light, &c.	29		10
Government grant, free-place	scholars		48	0	0	Fencing, repairs, &c	12	_	11
Refunds, namely—						Rates	6	_	6
Half costs arbitration award	ls		35	4	0	Insurance		•	
Sale of crop				10	-	Interest on current account	6		
Potos		•		19	6		0		6
Incurance	• •	٠.	9		~	Expenses of survey, sales, management, &c.	67	3	11
	• •	• •	1	4	0	Compensation claims, &c.	955	16	5
Legal expenses	• •		1	2	6	School requisites and miscellaneous	38	4	2
Overdraft at end of year	• • •		144	6	11			_	-
			£1,802	11	11	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	£1,802	17	11
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F. TREMBATH, Chairman.

JAS. KERNICK, Secretary.

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

3. Work of the Highest and Lowest Classes.

Highest.—English—English Grammar Past and Present (Nesfield), English Composition (Nichol), English Questions and Exercises (Nichol), How to write clearly (Abbott), Idylls of the King (Tennyson), Essays of Elia (Lamb), Henry IV., Part I. (Shakespeare), As you like it (Shakespeare), Précis (Cosmo