

£138,370 10s. 1d.; secondary education, £4,996 17s. 10d.; Manual and Technical Account, £9,753 15s. 9d.; maintenance of buildings, £14,309 14s. 6d.; new school buildings, £11,594 16s. 9d.; manual and technical buildings, £1,865 8s.; unclassified accounts, £128 18s. 5d.; total, £181,020 1s. 4d., leaving a credit balance at the end of the year of £19,939 17s. 4d. The school buildings Maintenance Account was charged with the sum of £8,471 9s. 10d., which had been expended on new school buildings. There is still a deficiency in the New Buildings Account, owing to the generally inadequate amount of special grants. The Board has repeatedly appealed against the refusal of Government to provide the whole cost of new buildings.

BUILDINGS.—Nine schools were built, and eleven schools were enlarged during the year. Four residences were erected, and one was enlarged. The repairing, painting, and improvement of school buildings have been carried out by competent foremen, under direction of the Architect. The Board sustained a very serious loss through the death of Mr. R. M. Watt, who for fifteen years laboured assiduously as Architect. His former partner, Mr. John Mitchell, has been obliged through ill health to resign his office as Architect of new school buildings. The untiring labours of these gentlemen have raised the school buildings of the district to a very high standard. It is believed that the same standard will be maintained by the present Architect, Mr. John Farrell.

CONCLUSION.—The thanks of the Board are due to the Education Department for the careful consideration of its recommendations; to the Officers of the Public Health Department for much valuable help and advice in matters of school-sanitation; and to the School Committees of the district for their cordial co-operation during the year.

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The Hon. the Minister of Education.

L. J. BAGNALL, Chairman.

GENERAL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE for the Year ending 31st December, 1907.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
Balance at beginning of year ..	..	13,429	1	9	Staff salaries and clerical assistance ..	..	5,358	15	11
Grants from Government for—					Office contingencies ..	..	2,675	7	11
Teachers' and pupil-teachers' salaries, and allowances to pupil-teachers ..	112,261	8	1		Teachers' and pupil-teachers' salaries, and allowances to pupil-teachers ..	..	115,612	7	3
Reserves revenue for primary education ..	3,588	15	0		Relieving-teachers' salaries ..	..	1,178	18	5
Capitation at 6d., for relieving-teachers ..	704	18	9		Training College—				
Capitation at 11s. 3d., and grant of £250 ..	16,110	13	3		Salaries of teachers ..	..	1,425	13	8
Special capitation at 9d. for School Committees ..	1,057	19	9		Incidental expenses of Training College ..	..	331	6	8
Training College—					Allowances to students ..	..	1,679	0	0
Salaries of staff, &c. ..	1,517	13	0		Training of teachers other than at training colleges ..	..	145	0	0
Allowances to students ..	1,688	0	0		Conveyance of school-children ..	..	242	9	11
Capitation at 9d., £11 9s. 6d.; grant for library, £100 ..	111	9	6		Special capitation to School Committees ..	..	1,057	19	9
Training of teachers other than at training colleges ..	500	0	0		Incidental expenses of schools ..	..	8,266	0	6
Conveyance of school-children ..	102	19	0		Truant Officer ..	..	266	5	4
Receipts from other sources—					Audit of School Fund accounts ..	..	40	0	0
Commission on Government Insurance premiums collected ..	17	13	3		Allowance to scholarship-holders, and expenses of examination—				
Truancy fines ..	112	18	10		Board scholarships ..	..	2,129	5	11
Fees, special standard examinations, £10; sales of electoral rolls, &c., £1 4s. ..	11	4	0		National Scholarships ..	..	340	0	0
Grants from Government for—					Salaries of teachers and additions to salaries of head teachers on staffs of district high schools ..	..	2,483	6	8
Scholarships—					Other expenses—Apparatus ..	..	44	5	3
Education Board ..	2,131	10	2		Manual and technical—				
National ..	340	0	0		School classes ..	..	3,939	18	0
District high schools—Salaries of teachers ..	2,534	6	8		Special classes ..	..	4,547	10	0
Receipts from other sources—					Other expenses—Office salaries ..	..	1,266	7	9
School fees ..	18	15	0		Maintenance of school buildings—				
Voluntary contributions ..	64	10	0		Alterations, small additions, repairs, repainting, sites, &c. ..	..	7,979	6	11
Grants from Government for manual and technical instruction—					Rebuilding ..	..	1,434	12	10
Capitation on all classes ..	7,204	16	9		Rent ..	..	559	14	8
Material for class work ..	172	7	10		House allowances ..	..	4,396	0	1
Subsidies on voluntary contributions ..	31	1	6		New school buildings, additional classrooms, furniture, sites, &c. ..	..	11,594	16	9
Receipts from other sources—					Buildings, class-rooms, furniture, &c., for manual and technical purposes—				
Fees ..	764	19	11		School classes ..	..	95	13	8
Voluntary contributions ..	49	4	1		Special classes ..	..	1,769	14	4
Interest on J. E. McLeod, fixed deposit (£90) ..	2	14	0		Other expenses—				
Grants from Government for—					Purchase of sites (Land Sales Account) ..	..	5	5	0
Maintenance of school buildings, rebuilding schools, &c. ..	10,629	11	4		Cheques called to account in 1901, presented through Teachers' Salaries Account, £4 13s. 3d.; Store Account, £15 4s. 8d.; teachers' salaries disallowed, £31 4s. 9d. ..	..	51	2	8
House allowances ..	4,320	2	2		Sales of old teachers' houses paid over, £73 5s.; refund to Harapepe settlers of contributions towards erection of school, £30 10s. 6d. ..	..	103	15	6
New school buildings, additions, furniture, sites, &c. ..	9,854	6	4		Balance at end of year ..	..	19,939	17	4
Technical-school buildings, furniture, fittings, apparatus, &c. ..	212	12	0						
Subsidies on voluntary contributions ..	10,420	1	6						
Other receipts—									
Sale of sites ..	55	0	0						
Rents, £65 11s. 9d.; sales from store, £46 1s.; Committees' contributions, £68 4s.; sales of old teachers' houses, £73 5s. ..	253	1	9						
Voluntary contributions ..	398	16	0						
Interest on fixed deposits ..	269	0	0						
Rents from site ..	18	7	6						
	£200,959	18	8				£200,959	18	8

5th May, 1908.

L. J. BAGNALL, Chairman.
VINCENT RICE, Secretary.