evening technical classes have benefited by the receipt of voluntary contributions from the local bodies as under: Borough Council, £25; Bluff Harbour Board, £30; Southland County Council, £25. These amounts were received with thanks, and have been spent in providing proper equipment for the building-construction, machine-construction, magnetism and electricity, chemistry, and art classes. The thanks of the Board are also due to several private firms and individuals for donations in aid of the work. Again, as in former years, an exhibition of the work of the school was held at the close of the session, and in this way the benefits to be derived from attendance at the classes were brought prominently before the public. Owing to the establishment of a High School at Gore, the classes which have been conducted at that centre were passed over to the control of the Gore High Schools Board as from the end of the year 1908. At Bluff and Mataura, however, successful classes were continued as formerly. At Greenhills and Charlton classes were conducted by the teachers in charge of their respective schools. It is a difficult task to have classes established in the smaller centres, but there are several towns in the Southland District where, were a beginning made, successful work might be accomplished. I refer to such places as Riverton, Orepuki, Otautau, Winton, Wyndham, and Queenstown. These are fairly large townships, and efficient instructors could be found within their own borders to teach whatever subjects it might be found desirable to place on the syllabus, but local enthusiasts in the cause of technical education at these centres have not yet been found. Inspector Isaac, of the Education Department, visited the classes during the month of June.

In connection with the annual examinations of the City and Guilds of London Institute, held at the end of May, and of the Board of Education South Kensington, London, held at the end of June, six first-class and seven second-class certificates were obtained by candidates.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31st December, 1909, in respect of School and Special Classes in the Southland District.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.
Balance from year 1908	1,633	7	2
Central Account—			
Students' fees	226	0	0
Capitation: Special and continuation classes	235	3	4
Grants for furniture and fittings	75	0	0
Grant for building	500	0	0
Voluntary contributions	94	6	0
Subsidy on contributions	7	0	6
Education Board's contribution	15	16	7
Country Continuation Account—			
Capitation earned	23	6	10
Bluff Account—			
Students' fees	37	7	6
Capitation: Special and continuation classes	49	13	10
Capitation: Free places	3	18	0
Refund of rent	11	10	0
Voluntary contributions	20	0	0
Mataura Account—			
Students' fees	15	10	0
Capitation: Special and continuation classes	19	1	0
Capitation: Free places	7	9	6
Refund of rent	2	2	0
Schools' Technical Account—			
Capitation earned	735	5	9
Grants for apparatus	68	10	0
Voluntary contributions	19	2	0
High School refund	52	7	6
Cookery refunds	15	8	6
Schools' Standard Account—			
Capitation earned	434	1	7
Capitation: Needlework	170	12	6
Refunds	73	1	2
Teachers' Training Account—			
Government grant	175	0	0
Grant for material	3	2	0
	£4,723	3	3

Expenditure.	£	s.	d.
Central Account—			
Instructors' salaries	382	5	0
Materials	47	2	8
Apparatus	433	16	2
Furniture and fittings	80	19	3
Advertising and printing	50	6	0
Heating and lighting	21	11	4
Janitor	11	5	0
Rent of section	5	0	0
Building Account	36	1	10
Administration	37	10	0
Country Continuation Account—			
Capitation paid to teachers	50	8	8
Bluff Account—			
Instructors' salaries	89	15	0
Office expenses	3	13	6
Printing and advertising	0	19	6
Janitor and lighting	21	19	6
Train fares and board	5	17	0
Rent	22	17	6
Mataura Account—			
Instructors' salaries	52	5	0
Printing and advertising	1	9	3
Janitor and lighting	2	1	8
Rent	2	18	0
Schools' Technical Account—			
Instructors' salaries	365	9	0
Material	164	2	10
Apparatus	143	6	2
Furniture and fittings	9	18	0
Conveyance	37	8	6
Refund voluntary contribution	19	2	0
Janitor	11	13	6
Prizes	9	17	1
Administration	37	10	0
Schools' Standard Account—			
Materials	274	13	7
Needlework salaries	176	12	3
Administration	75	0	0
Teachers' Training Account—			
Instructors' salaries	145	0	0
Material, rent, conveyance	27	19	7
Apparatus	3	8	3
Administration	20	16	6
Gore Account—			
Office expenses	10	10	0
Paid to Governors of High School	43	3	7
Balance	1,787	10	7
	£4,723	3	3

W. A. McCaw, Director.

Extract from the Report of the Board of Governors of the Gore High School.

The control of the technical classes this year has been transferred from the Southland Education Board to the Gore High School Board. The change at first occasioned some difficulties; these, however, were in time overcome, and we have to acknowledge the full assistance we have received from the