

English Poems; Chaucer; King Lear; Nesfield's English Past and Present. Mathematics—Arithmetic, Pendlebury; algebra, Baker and Bourne; geometry, Baker and Bourne; trigonometry, Borchartd and Perrott. Chemistry—Tutorial and practical. Heat—Notes and practical.

Lowest.—Latin—Scott's First Latin course. Divinity—Bible and catechism. French—Rossmann and Schmidt, Part I; Jack's Language Series. Arithmetic—Pendlebury. Algebra—Baker and Bourne. Geometry—Baker and Bourne. Physical measurements—Drawing. English—Kingsley's Heroes; Southey's Nelson; Laureata; Nesfield's Elementary Grammar. History—Meiklejohn; Carmina Britanniae. Geography—Oxford Preliminary.

2. GENERAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1910.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance in hand and in bank at beginning of year	1,795	6 10	Management—		
Current income from reserves	1,735	15 9	Office salaries	188	10 10
Interest on moneys invested and on unpaid purchase-money	12	1 0	Other office expenses	105	15 4
School fees	2,141	0 0	Other expenses of management	231	7 2
Boarding-school fees	7,057	9 11	Teachers' salaries and allowances	3,181	19 0
Boys' extras	1,994	3 9	Medical officer	107	5 0
Sundry school fees	666	15 0	Boarding-school Account	6,568	13 10
Music fees	402	3 0	Music-teachers	385	9 0
Loan-instalments from A.M.P. Society	16,900	0 0	Prizes	87	7 6
Sale of old house	5	0 0	Material for classes other than classes for manual instruction	67	16 1
Dr. balance at end of year	527	19 8	Printing, stationery, and advertising	49	2 3
			Boys' extras	2,379	7 3
			Maintenance of classes for manual instruction	23	0 0
			Purchases and new works	145	4 11
			Fencing, repairs, &c.	383	12 4
			Miscellaneous (rates, &c.)	199	0 11
			New buildings	19,134	12 6
	<u>£33,237</u>	<u>14 11</u>		<u>£33,237</u>	<u>14 11</u>

A. G. BIGNELL, Chairman.

J. P. WILLIAMSON, Secretary.

Audited and found to be correct.—W. RODWELL, F.I.A.N.Z., Auditor.

Statement of Monetary Assets and Liabilities, 31st December, 1910.

<i>Assets.</i>			<i>Liabilities.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Rents outstanding and due at date	572	19 2	Bank	513	12 2
Boys' accounts outstanding	1,128	16 1	Plus unrepresented cheques	14	7 6
Boys' extras paid but not yet charged	227	13 4			
Prize fund	126	14 0	Sundry creditors	88	1 11
			Interest on loan accrued to date	222	0 11
	<u>£2,056</u>	<u>2 7</u>		<u>£838</u>	<u>2 6</u>

PALMERSTON NORTH HIGH SCHOOL.

Staff.

Mr. J. E. Vernon, M.A., B.Sc.; Mr. F. Foote, B.A., B.Sc.; Mr. J. Murray, M.A.; Mr. W. P. Anderson, B.A.; Miss E. M. B. Lynch, M.A.; Miss M. Ronaldson, B.A., B.Sc.; Miss M. F. Arnott, B.A.; Mr. G. H. Elliott; Mr. E. Dymock; Miss M. Watson.

1. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

In accordance with custom, I have much pleasure in giving a report on the working of the school during the year in which I have had the honour to hold the position of Chairman.

The work of the school has been carried on under difficulties, owing to the total loss of the building by fire during the first quarter. These difficulties would have been considerably intensified had it not been that the new Technical School was available. But for this, the school-work would have had to be carried on in detached buildings. In spite, however, that one building contained all the pupils, the work has somewhat suffered as compared with the previous year. We may, however, feel proud that, notwithstanding the inconvenience, the work of the year is not below the average of New Zealand. And the teachers, under the able guidance of the Rector, may well be congratulated on the result.

When the school was destroyed the Minister of Education was approached and pressed for a sufficient grant to enable the new erection to be of incombustible material, and he recommended the Cabinet to grant the sum of £2,600, which, together with the £1,400 insurance-money, brought the total amount available up to £4,000. However, when tenders were called on a handsome plan supplied by Mr. J. De Clere, and approved by the Department, it was found that the lowest was in the vicinity of £5,000, and to this had to be added the architect's fees and the salary of the clerk of works. Another attempt was therefore made to induce the Minister to give an additional grant to supply the deficiency, but the strongest argument failed to elicit a favourable response to the urgent application for the full amount required. The Minister held that the large assembly-hall in the centre of the building was not a necessity in a high school, and it could only be considered a luxury, though a useful one. He held