Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31st December, 1911, in respect of Special Technical and Continuation Classes in Christchurch and in Country Districts.

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EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE CHRISTCHURCH TECHNICAL COLLEGE.

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Day Technical School.—During the present year the number on the roll has reached 341, an increase of more than one-sixth. It necessarily happens in a school like this, where pupils are continually leaving towards the end of the year to take appointments, that there is a more rapid decrease than in secondary schools of other types. In this respect, however, the position is more satisfactory than formerly; whereas during last year a decrease of 53 occurred, this year, in spite of increased numbers, it is only 51. This should indicate, we hope, that parents are recognizing the value of longer training, and I am certain that any sacrifices this may cause them will be amply repaid. It cannot be too strongly emphasized that while one year of training is much better than none, the second year is in general of much greater value than the first, and the third than the second. The domestic science classes have up to the present been greatly handicapped by the fact that so many of them have had to be taken in inconvenient rooms in another part of the town, and much time accordingly wasted in going to and The erection of the new domestic science wing has given us on our own ground facilities for carrying out this important work in the most favourable circumstances. Further, owing to our lack of accommodation here, during the last two years our agricultural classes have had to be taken at the Normal School laboratory, kindly lent by the North Canterbury Board of Education. This also has meant the loss of a good deal of time, especially in the case of country boys coming by train. The new laboratory now nearing completion will prove a very great boon, and add much to the efficiency of this work.

The past year will always be memorable as the one in which the scheme for the Girls' Training Hostel has been successfully launched. We look confidently to this institution to co-ordinate the various disconnected classes in which we have given domestic training, and to dignify them by a communal college life in the healthy and pleasant spot on which the hostel is now being built. That it shall send forth capable and strong girl students to meet worthily all the high and varied claims that the State makes upon womanhood will be the best recompense of the many willing workers who have laboured for its establishment. It is, however, as the outward and visible sign of the growing recognition of the value of technical education that our hostel, our two new wings, and three new workshops are of so much significance; but no institution can maintain its usefulness by external expansion only. Accompanying this there must always be the internal adjustments to the needs of the day. While the