

opportunities to its 125 free pupils. The total income for the year was £507 9s. 10d., which included a credit balance of £120 8s. 11d. from last year's account. The accompanying balance-sheet shows a debit balance of £89 0s. 7d. A capitation payment in respect of the classes held in 1912 of £139 17s. 9d. was received on the 31st January of this year.

A good standard of work has been maintained in all the classes, and also a very satisfactory percentage of attendance. The total number of classes conducted was nineteen. The classes with the highest numbers on the roll were: Dressmaking, 36; book-keeping, 36; shorthand and type-writing, 49; English and arithmetic, 40. It is to be regretted that the art classes are not better attended. The art-room—the best room in the school—has been well equipped, an efficient instructor is available, and the fees are low. The Managers desire to make a strong appeal to parents and students for a large number of entries for the art classes this year. Arrangements were made for conducting classes in veterinary science and in wool-classing. A very poor response was experienced, and the classes could not be established. In this connexion the Managers desire to make it known that they are prepared, as far as accommodation and other circumstances will permit, to establish classes for any of the subjects named in the Regulations for Technical Schools. It is the desire of the Managers that the best and fullest use should be made of the school and its equipment.

During the past year good work has been done by the pupils, and the Managers desire to congratulate them on their attendance and good conduct. Several of the students in the plumbing class passed the examination for certificates, and a pupil in the class for Civil Service subjects passed the Junior Civil Service Examination.

The Managers desire to express their appreciation of the zealous work of the staff during the year, and to the Trust Lands Trust their thanks for the annual grant.

The work of the late Secretary (Mr. N. D. Bunting) was carried out during the year, and during the whole of the eleven years he held the position, in a faithful, conscientious, and highly satisfactory manner, and the Managers deeply deplore his loss. They desire to place on record their appreciation of his faithful service, as well as their esteem for his personal worth and integrity.

W. H. JACKSON, Chairman.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending 31st December, 1912, in respect of Associated Classes conducted at the Masterton Technical School.

<i>Receipts.</i>			<i>Expenditure.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance at beginning of year	120	8 11	Salaries of instructors	379	10 0
Capitation on classes	48	18 0	Office expenses (including salaries, stationery, &c.)	60	0 0
Furniture, fittings, apparatus	25	13 6	Advertising and printing	17	13 6
Subsidies on voluntary contributions	124	1 10	Lighting and heating	17	12 0
Fees	71	15 9	Insurance and repairs	12	0 6
Voluntary contributions	96	1 4	Examinations, &c.	1	1 0
Rent of rooms	19	10 6	Material for class use	0	15 3
Refund	1	0 0	Cartage	3	2 2
Balance at end of year	89	0 7	Bank charges and interest	1	10 3
			Caretaker	32	10 0
			Furniture, fittings, and apparatus	67	18 3
			Asphalting	2	17 6
	<u>£596</u>	<u>10 5</u>		<u>£596</u>	<u>10 5</u>

W. H. JACKSON, Chairman of Managers.

HAWKE'S BAY.

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE EDUCATION BOARD.

During the year teachers' classes were held at Woodville, Dannevirke, Napier, and Gisborne. At Dannevirke, Napier, and Gisborne special classes in art and science were conducted throughout the year, primarily for the benefit of pupil-teachers and probationers; and classes in agriculture were conducted at Woodville and Hastings. The number of teachers who received instruction was 154. The rural course was introduced into the district high schools in 1910, so that the year just completed is the second since its inception. At the beginning of the year the number of pupils taking the course was: Woodville—Seniors 8, juniors 8; Waipawa—Juniors 30; Hastings—Seniors 19, juniors 33. At the end of the year there were at Woodville five seniors and six juniors, at Waipawa twenty-six juniors, and at Hastings sixteen seniors and twenty-six juniors. The pupils taking the course now take one or two science subjects for examination purposes.

Special evening classes were held at Hastings and Woodville. At Hastings instruction was given in wood-carving, wool-classing, and plumbing. The attendance and work were so satisfactory that additional subjects will be offered in 1913. At Woodville classes in shorthand, book-keeping, and dressmaking were inaugurated. The attendance here was not so encouraging, the dressmaking classes being terminated at the end of the first term.

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF MANUAL AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION.

The classes in domestic science receive twenty weeks' instruction in cookery and elementary hygiene and twenty weeks' instruction in dressmaking. Twenty-five visits were made to these classes. Thirty-three classes for cookery and hygiene, with an average attendance of 523 pupils, and twenty-three classes for dressmaking, with an average attendance of 413