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strict attention to duty and her willingness to oblige have made her a favourite with all with whom she came in contact. The thanks of the association are due to all who in any way contributed to the success of the school during the year—to the local bodies and citizens who contributed liberally to the funds; to the Press, who always loyally support the school, and are ever ready to promote the cause of technical education in the town. A special word of thanks is due to the teachers for the very able manner in which they carried out their onerous duties. The whole success of the school depends on the staff, and their loyal enthusiasm in the past has placed the school in the position it occupies to-day. Their work is often a labour of love, as the remuneration allowed does not compensate them for the amount of trouble they go to in carrying on the work successfully. The Managers also desire to place on record the prompt attention of the central Department to all claims and applications made during the year.

JAMES A. VALENTINE, B.A., Chairman.

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

Receipts.				£	s.	d.	Expenditure,	£	8.	d.
Balance at beginning of	year	• •		211	-	-	Salaries of instructors	776		Õ.
Capitation on classes	••			287		-	Office expenses (including salaries, stationery		•	•
Capitation on account of free places				164	12	3	&c.)	10	7	5
				68	13	9	Advertising and printing	00		6
Material Fees Voluntary contributions Sales of material	• •			24	1	8	Lighting and heating		11	6
				286	13	9	Insurance and repairs	9		2
				97	4	6	Examinations, &c.	c	_	ñ
		• •		20	16	8	Material for class use	70	-	ų,
Interest				1	19	7	Sundries		19	6
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							Datance at end of year	127	70	6
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J. A. VALENTINE, Chairman RICHINGS GRANT, Secretary of Managers.

Extract from the Report of the Managers of the Temuka Technical School.

The Board of Managers consisted of ten members, as against eleven for the previous year-namely, Messrs. M. McLeod (Chairman), representing the subscribers; J. W. Joynt and J. H. A. Pedder, the Temuka Road Board; A. Frew and H. Bell, the Temuka Borough Council; W. F. Evans, the Temuka Caledonian Society; T. Gunnion, the Temuka Bicycle Club; F. Saunders, the Temuka District High School Committee; and D. McInnes and G. Thomson, the South Canterbury Board of Education. The usual monthly meeting and two special meetings were held, and members attended very regularly and paid close attention to all matters that had a bearing on the progress of the classes. We cannot let this opportunity pass without expressing cur very best thanks for the hard work done by instructors and instructresses, and for their kindly interest and co-operation in matters affecting the welfare of their pupils. We are pleased to say that the majority of the students took a keen interest in their work, and that consequently their progress was highly satisfactory. The number of individual students was 150, as against 148 for 1911. This number would have been larger, especially in the wool class, only for the requirements of military training. It is difficult to get students, particularly those who live at a distance, to leave their homes for more than one or two nights a week, and the authorities might very well take into consideration the matter of excusing pupils while in regular attendance at technical classes from a proportion of their drills, say, once a fortnight. The number of classes carried on was the same as last year—namely, eleven—and the roll numbers were as follows: Dressmaking (2), 48; relief carving, 7; cookery (2), 24; wool-classing, 14; millinery, 10; painting, 12; carpentry and joinery, 6; commercial work, 16; singing, 12. Examinations for certificates were again held at the end of the year, and we are pleased to note that the number of candidates for the Board's awards showed an increase on the number who sat in 1911.

At the close of the session the break-up ceremony for the presentation of certificates was this year combined with an exhibition of students' work, cookery, millinery, dressmaking, carving, carpentry, painting, and commercial work being represented. The standard of work was of a high order, and served to bring prominently before the public the valuable work done in our classes. In spite of a wet night and counter-attractions the rooms were crowded, and the Managers had every reason to be pleased with the result of the extra work entailed.

The new cookery-room will be out of the contractor's hands in a few days, and will be in working-order before the opening of the 1913 session. We hope to be able to carry on classes not only in cookery, but in laundry-work and domestic science. Everything has been built with that end in view, and with a suitable instructress there should be good classes in these subjects. In these days, when it is becoming increasingly difficult to obtain efficient assistance in the home, it is of the utmost importance that the widest possible use should be made of the opportunity now offered by the school. The old cookery-room has been fitted up with open fireplace and cupboards for the convenience of the classes in dressmaking and millinery, and should prove much more convenient than formerly. We would again point out that before winter some improvements are absolutely necessary in the woodwork-room. The room was built originally to hold twenty-four pupils, but some of the school classes every year have over that number, so the room