



THE BRITISH SCHOOLS

At a meeting of the trustees and qualified subscribers held last week, Dr. Campbell, Miss S. Harris, Rev. R. G. Wheeler, and Mr. F Strawson were elected foundation managers. The annual balance sheet, presented by retiring managers, stated that the accounts made up to the end of the year showed an adverse balance of £41 8s 6d., but it was hoped that nearly all the deficit would be wiped off by the proportion of the grant to be received from the Board of Education for the first quarter of the year, when the schools were under the management of the Schools Committee. The school was worked under considerable difficulty, owing to the shortness of the staff, two of the assistants having left and one pupil teacher having to give up owing to ill-health. The County Committee had been unable as yet to fill the vacancies. The School Committee, who retired from office in September last, had, in order to satisfy the requirements of the County Committee, expended the sum of £42 3s 4d. in repairs and alterations to the school premises. In consequence of the recommendation of the inspector who inspected the school a further outlay of about £30 had been made, which outlay was to be provided for by public subscriptions. The managers, in retiring from office, wished to impress upon subscribers that if the schools are to be maintained as "non-provided" schools it is necessary for them to renew their support from year to year, or it was obvious that the schools would have to be taken over by the County Committee to be maintained as "provided" schools, and it was not improbable that fresh schools might be demanded at the expense of the rates, as was the case in other parts of the county.

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