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EDUCATION: UNIVERSITY OF NEW ZEALAND.

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Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

The CHANCELLOR of the UNIVERSITY to His EXCELLENCY the GOVERNOR.

MY LORD,—
University of New Zealand, Wellington, 19th May, 1891.
I have the honour, in accordance with the provisions of the University Act of 1874, to forward to your Lordship the report of the Senate of the University for the year last past.
I have, &c.,
His Excellency the Earl of Onslow,
Governor of New Zealand.
JAMES HECTOR,
Chancellor.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SENATE.

IN compliance with the 28th clause of "The New Zealand University Act, 1874," the Senate makes the following report to His Excellency the Governor of the proceedings of the University since the date of the last report.

The Senate met at Christchurch on the 25th February, which time and place were fixed at the last annual session of the Senate, as prescribed by the University Act.

The Senate, at its meeting of this year, made certain amendments and additions to the statutes formerly in force. The statutes made with a view to giving effect to these amendments and additions have been submitted to and approved by His Excellency in Council.

In accordance with the provisions of the University Act, the eighth meeting of the Court of Convocation was held at Dunedin on 21st January. At that meeting several resolutions were passed, on which action has been taken by the Senate.

A statement of the accounts of the University for the year 1890, audited in accordance with the law, is herewith presented.

The University has during the past twelve months progressed steadily, and even rapidly, within the sphere of its operations; and the summary of the work done by it, which is herein given, affords gratifying evidence of its adaptation to the needs of large classes of persons in the colony, and of increasing recognition of its status by educational authorities elsewhere.

At the sessions of 1891, held in February and May, the Senate, after consideration of the reports of the University Examiners, conferred the following degrees: The degree of Master of Arts, with honours, on fifteen candidates; the degree of Bachelor of Arts on thirty-six candidates; the degree of Bachelor of Science on one candidate; the degree of Bachelor of Laws on seven candidates; the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery on three candidates.

The number of graduates of the University admitted after examination, including those above-mentioned, is now as follows: Bachelors of Arts (alone), 143; Bachelors of Arts and Bachelors of Laws, 8; Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery, 1; Bachelor of Arts and Doctor of Laws, 1; Bachelors of Laws (alone), 4; Bachelors of Medicine and Surgery (alone), 10; Masters of Arts (alone), 95; Masters of Arts and Bachelors of Science, 7; Masters of Arts and Bachelors of Laws, 7; Master of Arts and Doctor of Laws, 1; Doctors of Medicine (alone), 2: total, 279.

The Senate awarded the Bowen prize of 1890 to A. R. Kirk, an undergraduate of the University; and the John Tinline scholarship of 1890 to Janet Margaret Prosser, of the Canterbury College. The Senate also awarded ten junior scholarships and six senior scholarships of the same year.

At the University entrance examination of December, 1890, 473 candidates presented themselves, of whom 160 have since been matriculated. The total number of persons who still keep their names on the University roll as undergraduates is now 1,161, of whom 636 are known to be at present pursuing the University course.

At the annual session of 1891 the Senate resolved to offer all the encouragement in its power for the study of agriculture, engineering, and technical science, and for this purpose announced that in 1892 it would be prepared to grant certificates of proficiency in the above subjects, the course of study to be based upon the standards adopted at the Lincoln Agricultural College and at the Engineering School attached to the Canterbury College.