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colleges, having their programme of work strictly defined by the statutes of the University, and having the work of their students examined in England and elsewhere, possess very little freedom in extending or modifying their curriculum.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

In addition to the four University colleges there are several institutions which, though not actually affiliated to the New Zealand University, are equally entitled to be considered professional in their scope and character.

The Canterbury Agricultural College is recognized by the University as a School of Agriculture, and matriculated students of the College may, after a two years' course, followed by a further course of one year at a University college, qualify for the Degree of Bachelor of Agriculture upon passing the prescribed examination.

In several respects the four training colleges at Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, and Dunedin may also be considered professional schools. Although not affiliated with the New Zealand University, they are in several ways directly associated with the University colleges: matriculation is to a large extent the entrance examination for both; the Principal of the training college is usually lecturer on education at the University college; attendance at some at least of the University college courses is compulsory for trainees; and a member of the Professorial Board of the University college is a member of the Board of Advice of the training college.

NEW ZEALAND UNIVERSITY.

The following figures are extracted from the Annual Report of the University to His Excellency the Governor:—

			1912.	1913.
Total number of candidates at all examinations,		3,496	3,444	
Number of degrees conferred	•••		189	183
Of whom the number gaining honours was			35	44
Number passing Matriculation Examination			515	502
Total number of graduates so far admitted		• • •	1,661	1,755

The following table shows the principal items of income and expenditure of the University of New Zealand for the years 1912 and 1913:—

Income.		Expenditure.						
Balances—		1912. £	1913. £				1912. £	1913. £
General Account		4,288	5,676	Scholarships			2,099	2,283
Scholarship Account		25,440	26,049	Examinations			6,593	7,761
•				Office salaries			1,058	1,106
		29,728	31,725	Expenses of Ser	nate me	etings	805	644
Statutory grant	٠.	3,000	3,000	Miscellaneous		•••	817	793
Fees		8,903	8,062	Balances			31,725	31,653
Interest		1,208	1,283					,
Miscellaneous	• •	258	170					
		£43,097	$\cancel{£44,240}$				£43,097	£44,240

In the above statement no account has been taken of special scholarships and prize funds. The balance at the end of the year, £31,653, consists of a balance on the Scholarships Account of £26,549, and a balance on the General Account of £5,104. The amount in hand for general purposes was therefore £5,104, the only liability of importance against which is an amount of £1,961 due to English examiners for the degree examinations of November, 1913. The net balance on the General Account has therefore decreased from £3,705 in 1912 to £3,143 in 1913, a net decrease of £562.

DEGREES CONFERRED AND SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED.

At its annual meeting in January of the present year the Senate conferred degrees and awarded scholarships as set out in the table below. For the sake of clearness no notice has been taken of similar degrees awarded on the results of a single examination—as, for instance, Master and Honours, or the double degree of Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery.