

The foundation of eight Exhibitions, two to be open to competition every year, and made subject to regulation in all matters of administrative or other detail, by a Council of Education, as in Tasmania, would involve no very appreciable additional burden upon the country, and certainly would tend to induce and facilitate the establishment of Exhibitions in the public schools of the Provinces. The Committee, for reasons which are well stated in some of the replies to the queries, and which need not be repeated here, cannot recommend any attempt to be made at present for establishing a New Zealand University, great as the advantages of such an institution would in some respects be; but at the same time, they would earnestly recommend that the Government should embrace the opportunity of setting apart portions of the confiscated lands for the purpose of providing an endowment for a University, whenever the proper time may come for the founding of one,—and they think that the several Provinces should be invited also to set apart portions of Crown Lands for the same purpose.

The Committee regret very much that they have been unexpectedly deprived, by Mr. Bell's illness, of his co-operation and concurrence in this Report, the more especially as it was with him the Committee originated, and that he took a special interest in its object.

Along with this Report the Committee submit a copy of the set of Questions referred to in it, and also a list of the names of the gentlemen who have replied. The general drift of each reply, on the main points, will be found briefly stated opposite the name.

3rd September, 1867.

FRANCIS JOLLIE,
Chairman.

APPENDIX No. 1.

QUESTIONS.

- (1.) Do you recommend the foundation of University Scholarships for the purpose of sending boys from New Zealand Schools to any of the Universities in the British Islands or the Australian Colonies?
- (2.) Do you recommend the foundation of Exhibitions for the encouragement, within the existing Schools of the Colony, of a higher class of Studies than that which the Pupils generally can now be induced to prosecute?
- (3.) Are you able to offer any practical suggestions in regard to questions No. 1 and 2, and in particular with regard to the conduct of Examinations and the formation of a Board of Examiners?
- (4.) In connection with which Universities are you of opinion that Scholarships should be instituted.
- (5.) State what in your opinion should be the annual value of such Scholarships, to cover all University expenses during the year, and the cost of a private Tutor during the Vacations?
- (6.) What in your opinion should be the subjects and limitations of the competition for such Scholarships respectively?
- (7.) What is your opinion as to the propriety of establishing a New Zealand University?

*** If any remarks or suggestions occur to you beyond what may be applicable under the above queries, the Committee would be glad to receive them.

APPENDIX No. 2.

REPLIES RECEIVED TO QUERIES FROM FOLLOWING GENTLEMEN.

Otago and Southland.

Simmons, Rev. F. C., M.A., Oxon, Rector of High School, Dunedin.	...	As to School Exhibitions, rather against.
Taylor, J. P., Superintendent of Southland	...	In favour of Scholarships and Exhibitions.
Macandrew, James, Superintendent of Otago	...	In favour of a New Zealand University.
Abram, G. P., High School, Dunedin	...	Against the English University Scholarships.
Hislop, John, Inspector of Schools	...	For a New Zealand University, and Exhibitions being left to the Provinces.
Chapman, Judge	...	In favour of both Scholarships and Exhibitions.
Alexander, Dr.	...	Against Scholarships and Exhibitions, unless the latter were very numerous.
Brent, D., M.A. Cantab, High School, Dunedin	...	Against University Scholarships. In favour of Exhibitions affiliated to the Melbourne University.
Richardson, Hon. Major	...	In favour of Scholarships. The Exhibitions he would leave to the Provinces.
Stuart, Rev. D.M.	...	Disapproves local Colonial Exhibitions. Recommends establishment of New Zealand University.

Canterbury.

Jacobs, Dean, late Head Master of Christchurch College	...	In favour of both projects.
Gresson, Judge	...	In favour of both projects.
Harris, W. C., Head Master, Christchurch College	...	In favour of both projects.
Cotterell, Rev. E., Second Master, Christchurch College	...	In favour of both projects.
Macfarlan, G., M.H.R.	...	In favour of both projects.
Studholme, John, M.H.R.	...	In favour of both projects, but would leave School Exhibitions to the Provinces.
Tancred, H. J., M.H.R.	...	Against the Scholarships. In favour of a New Zealand University and Exhibitions for Schools.
Veel, J. V. C.	...	Prefers a New Zealand University, and Colleges in chief towns, and Exhibitions for them, with a general system of Education under Colonial control.
Williams, J. W. H., Solicitor	...	Recommends an Exhibition to Inns of Court, as well as to the English Universities.
Frazer, Rev. Charles, M.A.	...	In favour of both projects.