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EDUCATION:
THE CANTERBURY COLLEGE
(PAPERS RELATING TO).

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STATEMENT of CHAIRMAN of the BOARD of GOVERNORS.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Governors of the Canterbury College, held on the 11th July, 1884, the Chairman's statement of the progress made and the work done in the several departments during the year was read, as follows:—

This being the eleventh annual meeting of the Board, I propose to give a short statement showing the work done during the past twelve months.

COLLEGE.

It is a matter of profound regret that two vacancies have occurred on the Board during the past year, owing to the deaths of Mr. W. J. W. Hamilton and Mr. Henry John Tancred. Their earnestness of purpose and lengthened experience in the cause of education largely contributed to the success which has attended this College. Mr. Leonard Harper was elected a Governor to fill one of the vacancies. By the provisions of the College Ordinance, whenever there are thirty graduates on the books of the College, these graduates are empowered to elect a Governor when a vacancy occurs. There being now the required number, the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Tancred will be filled by the graduates. The number of matriculated students attending the classes during the past year was seventy-seven, being an increase of twenty over those attending during the previous year. The total number of matriculated and non-matriculated students attending lectures during the year was 193, being an increase of fifty-five. The number of students attending each lecture during the last term was as follows:—

Classics.—Pass Latin: Translation, 21; composition, 27.—Greek: Translation, 6; composition, 5.—Honours Latin: Translation, 5; composition, 7.

English Literature.—Pass Lectures: Eighteenth-century literature, 50; language of Swift and Pope, 37; composition, 92; art of Swift and Pope, 85.—Honours Lectures: Philology, 15; criticism, 25.

History.—Eighteenth century, 41.

Mathematics.—Lower division, 32; upper division, 1; mechanics and hydrostatics, 19; advanced mathematics, 3.

Chemistry and Physics.—Junior chemistry, 8; senior chemistry, 4; junior physics, 24; senior physics, 5; senior physics (teachers' class), 17; laboratory practice, 10.

Geology.—Junior geology, 2; senior geology, 1; teachers' geology, 9; teachers' geology (senior), 8.

Biology.—First year botany, 20; second year botany, 8; first year zoology, 2; second year zoology, 1; pass biology (physiology), 9; honours biology, 2; honours botany, 1; honours zoology, 1; laboratory practice botany, 22; ditto zoology, 2; ditto honours, 3.

French.—Senior class, 11; junior class, 3.

German, 5.

Jurisprudence, 8.

Law, 3.

Lectures on Jurisprudence.—Owing to a reduction of its funds, in consequence of the operation of the Law Practitioners Act, the Law Society was unable to grant the contribution to the salary of the Law Lecturer at the College as in the previous year; therefore the whole salary has been borne by the College.

Evening Lectures.—The Board, at a meeting on April 7, authorized the Professors to hold evening classes on "scientific" and "technical" subjects, one evening in each week during term, from eight till nine, at a fee of 5s. for twelve lectures. The public took advantage of this, and the lectures of Professor Bickerton, on Chemistry, were attended by seventy-six students. Arrange-