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NEW ZEALAND.

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.

SIR,—

University of New Zealand, Wellington, 18th May, 1892.

I have the honour, in accordance with the provisions of "The University Act, 1874," to forward to your Excellency the report of the Senate of the University for the year last past.

I have, &c.,

His Excellency the Acting 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 Wellington on the 24th February, 1892, pursuant to resolution passed at the annual session of 1891, in accordance with the University Act.

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

The ninth meeting of the Court of Convocation of the University was held at Christchurch on the 12th January, 1892. At that meeting Mr. William Deans Milne, M.A., LL.B., was elected a Fellow of the University in the room of the Rev. D. Bruce, who had resigned, and the election of Mr. Milne has been approved by His Excellency. The Court of Convocation also passed several resolutions, of which consideration was taken by the Senate at its annual session.

A statement of the accounts of the University for the year 1891, audited in accordance with the law, is herewith presented.

The progress which the University has made since its institution has been continued during 1891. Evidence of its adaptation to the needs of the country, and of the appreciation of the colonists, is afforded by the following facts:—

The total number of candidates for all University examinations of 1891 was 782, and these candidates presented themselves from every district of New Zealand, and represented every class of the community.

The number of degrees which have been granted by the University after examination is now 324, conferred upon 293 persons, and it is understood that these persons have in the majority of cases obtained in consequence lucrative situations in the public service, or are practising successfully in the various professions.

At its sessions of February and May, 1892, the Senate, after consideration of the reports of the University examiners, conferred the following degrees of the year: The degree of Master of Arts on sixteen candidates; the degree of Bachelor of Arts on forty-seven candidates; the degree of Bachelor of Science on six candidates; the degree of Bachelor of Laws on one candidate; the degree of Doctor of Medicine on two candidates; the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery on five candidates.

Including the foregoing, the number of graduates of the University admitted after examination is now as follows: Bachelors of Arts (alone), 172; Bachelors of Arts and Bachelors of Science, 2; Bachelors of Arts and Bachelors of Laws, 8; Bachelors of Arts and Bachelors of Medicine and Surgery, 3; Bachelors of Science (alone), 3; Bachelors of Medicine and Surgery (alone), 11; Masters of Arts (alone), 103; Masters of Arts and Bachelors of Science, 8; Masters of Arts and Bachelors of Laws, 8; Master of Arts and Doctor of Laws, 1; Doctor of Laws and Bachelor of Arts, 1; Doctors of Medicine (alone), 4: total, 324.

The Senate awarded the Bowen prize of 1891 to J. A. Scott, an undergraduate of the University, and the John Tinline Scholarship of 1891 to Alethea C. Tendall, who has been admitted Bachelor of Arts. The Senate also awarded ten junior scholarships of the same year and five senior scholarships.

With the view of still further encouraging the pursuit of University studies and the progress of general culture in the colony the Senate has decided that in 1892 the number of junior scholarships shall be increased to twelve, and the number of senior scholarships to nine.