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NEW ZEALAND.

EDUCATION: CANTERBURY AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

("THE CANTERBURY COLLEGE AND CANTERBURY AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE ACT, 1896.")

[In continuation of E.-9, 1898.]

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

Visitor.—His Excellency the Governor.

Board of Governors.

Appointed by His Excellency the Governor—John Rennie.

Elected by members of the Legislature—Frederick de Carteret Malet, Hon. William Rolleston, Hon. Edward Cephas John Stevens.

Elected by governing bodies of agricultural and pastoral associations—Henry Francis Gray, Henry Overton (Chairman), Robert Heaton Rhodes.

Staff.

Director.—J. Bayne, M.A., B.Sc. (in Agric.).

Lecturer on Chemistry.—G. Gray, F.C.S.

Lecturer on Natural Science.—J. W. Mellor, B.Sc.

Lecturer on Applied Mathematics.—M. Guerin, C.E.

Lecturer on Veterinary Science.—J. R. Charlton, M.R.C.V.S.

REPORT OF THE BOARD.

SIR,— Canterbury Agricultural College, Lincoln, 31st December, 1898.

On behalf of the Board of Governors of the Canterbury Agricultural College, I have the honour to report in outline on the work done in the College and on the farm for the year ending 31st December, 1898, in compliance with section 41, clause (1), of "The Canterbury College and Canterbury Agricultural College Act, 1896."

College.—Throughout the year forty-one students were enrolled. An important change in the scholastic department and in practical farm work was made in the appointment of external examiners by the Board. Two examinations were held, one in June, at the end of the first term, and the other in December, at the end of the second term, and it is gratifying to state that on both these occasions the students passed very satisfactory examinations. Another important change was the establishment of residential scholarships by the Board, four of which (to the value of £20 each) were awarded, after examination—two to second-year students and two to first-year students. Prizes for excellence in scientific work and in practical farm work were also given, and the effect of both scholarships and prizes has been to increase diligence and industry among the students.

The results of the examinations held by external examiners are as follows:—Scholarships First-year students—W. H. Black, Canterbury; N. Powell, Invercargill. Second-year students—D. J. Willis, Rangitikei; H. C. Pockley, Sydney.

The diploma, which includes both scientific knowledge and practical farm work, and is the highest distinction conferred, has been gained by the following students: William Thomas Grant, Canterbury; Alfred John Gurr, Adelaide; Harold Campbell Pockley, Sydney; William Osborne Rennie, Canterbury; Yeo Trissilian Shand, Canterbury; Daniel Jarvis Willis, Rangitikei.

The certificate in practical farm work has been gained by the following students: John Blunden, Canterbury; Walter Charles Cameron, Auckland; Stafford Smith, Sydney.

Prizes in scientific work have been gained by the following students: First year—W. H. Black, N. Powell, C. Withy, B. North; second year—D. J. Willis, H. C. Pockley, A. J. Gurr, W. T. Grant, J. Blunden.