

Comparative Analysis of the Contents of the "Transactions of the New Zealand Institute," &c.—continued.

Volume.	Graduates of New Zealand University.	Professors in New Zealand University Colleges.	Graduates of Foreign Universities (mostly British).	Without any University Degrees.
10	..	..	93	404½
11	..	15	40½	443½
12	..	30	62½	321½
13	8	26½	29½	352½
14	9	23½	68½	410
15	48	27	101	332
16	33	27½	166½	290½
17	3	11½	167	250
18	25½	15	52	311½
19	24	5	75	472
20	27½	18	73½	309½
21	23	20	63	365
22	31	2½	94	372½
23	38½	4	147	390½
24	59	1	41	570½
25	20	6	24½	463
26	71½	79½	23½	445
27	87½	37	34	472½
28	175½	5½	80½	450
29	31½	9½	35½	513½
30	40	27½	69	392½
31	79	24	48½	500½
32	45½	9½	20½	333
33	47	76	55	351½
34	75	50½	25	392
35	119	43	72	308
36	23½	53½	40	391½
37	98½	61½	154	270
38	157	17½	30	366½
39	41½	41½	43½	393½
40	137	114	59	326½
41	128	12½	104	194½
42	112	2	35	488½
43	320	26	52½	277
	2,138½	861	2,983½	15,683½

The object of the foregoing tables is to show to what extent the New Zealand University has aided in the scientific research-work which has been accomplished in the Dominion.

The figures in the table work out to the following percentages:—

By New Zealand University graduates	9.8 per cent.
By professors in University Colleges	4.0 „
By authors holding foreign degrees	13.7 „
By authors without university status	72.3 „

99.8 „

The first column includes papers by Professors Chilton, Marshall, and H. Kirk, Messrs. Speight, Laing, and others. Some of these are now professors in University Colleges, but their first research-work was done while they were still students or school-teachers.

In the second are papers by Professors Parker, Bickerton, Dendy, Benham, and others.

The third contains the work of Sir James Hector, Sir J. von Haast, Dr. Farr, Messrs. Hogben, Petrie, Meyrick, &c.

The fourth includes papers by Captain Hutton, Sir W. Buller, Messrs. Aston, Brown, Buchanan, Cheeseman, Cockayne, Colenso, Fereday, Hamilton, Hudson, T. Kirk, Maskell, Park, Potts, Skey, Thomson, Travers, Urquhart, &c.

It may be urged that a good deal of the material included in the fourth column is of comparatively little value, and this is quite true; but a glance at the list of names just given shows that it also includes the greatest part of the work done in all departments of natural history in New Zealand. Even if one-third of the whole—and this would be a large concession—were admitted to be of poor quality, yet the proportion left would still outweigh the other three classes combined.

It is the case, of course, that much of the work of University men in New Zealand—*e.g.*, Professors Parker, Benham, Dendy, Thomas, Chilton, &c.—has been published elsewhere, but this remark applies equally well to such writers as Hutton, Buller, T. Kirk, Cockayne, Park, Thomson, &c. Further, the valuable monographs on birds, Lepidoptera, Coleoptera, and Mollusca, the Floras written by Kirk and Cheeseman, and most of the papers in the Geological Survey and Chemical Laboratory reports are all by men without university status.

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