

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PROFESSORIAL BOARD (DR. J. MALCOLM) FOR THE YEAR
ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1914.

The past year will be memorable on account of the changes that have occurred in the personnel of the Professorial Board. Dr. John Shand, Professor of Natural Philosophy, the only remaining representative of the first three professors of the University, retired from duty after nearly forty-three years of work on behalf of education in New Zealand, in addition to arduous University teaching. The esteem in which he was held by his fellow-members on the University Council, by his colleagues, by his past students, and by the community at large was testified in a marked degree by the numerous public references to his retirement, and by the title of C.M.G. conferred on him by His Majesty the King.

Dr. William Salmond's retirement after nearly thirty years of most successful work as Professor of Mental and Moral Philosophy was also marked by many expressions of esteem and affection on the part of his colleagues, past students, and fellow-citizens.

Dr. John Halliday Scott, Professor of Anatomy, and Dean of the Medical Faculty, died in February of this year. During his long tenure of office, dating from 1877, he had steadily fostered the growth of the Medical School, and had seen it increase from a very small beginning to what it is at present. Steps are now being taken to commemorate in a suitable manner his great services to medical education in New Zealand.

Mr. E. Pinder, Lecturer on Education, and Mr. C. G. White, representing the law faculty, were appointed members of the Board at the beginning of the year, while towards its close the new Professor of Physics (Professor Jack) and of Mental Science (Professor Dunlop) became members.

Changes in Administration.—Owing to the increased growth of the different departments of University work, a change was felt to be necessary in the working of the Professorial Board, and during the year regulations were drawn up and approved of by the University Council, constituting the following faculties: (1) Arts and science; (2) medicine; (3) dentistry; (4) mines; (5) home science; (6) law and commerce. The relation of these to the Board and to the University Council has been laid down, and it is hoped that this change will facilitate the administrative work and stimulate interest in the academic functions of the University.

Attendance of Students.—The Registrar has kindly supplied me with the following particulars as to the numbers of students attending lectures in 1913, the numbers in 1912 being given for comparison:—

	Men.	Women.	Totals.	
			1913.	1912.
Arts	132	111	243	223
Science	18	10	28	26
Law	47	..	47	40
Commerce	44	..	44	46
Medicine	124	9	133	121
Dentistry	9	..	9	11
Engineering	2	..	2	2
Mining	19	..	19	14
Home science	..	41	41	30
	395	171	566	513

Of these, 26 were graduates and 116 non-matriculated. To the figures should be added 8 non-matriculated students taking a course of instruction in massage. As compared with last year there is an increase in the following faculties: In arts, 20; science, 2; law, 7; medicine, 12; mines, 5; home science, 11; while a decrease occurs in commerce of 2, and in dentistry 2.

Academic Results.—The following table shows the number of degrees obtained by students of this University since the last report of the Professorial Board was presented. The numbers for the previous three years are given for comparison:—

	1913.	1912.	1911.	1910.
D.Sc.	..	..	1	1
M.D.	..	2	2	1
M.A.	11	11	15	13
M.Sc.	1	5	3	2
B.A.	28	23	25	17
B.Sc.	7	3	7	3
B.Sc. (home science)	2	..	..	..
LL.B.	1	2	4	4
M.B., Ch.B.	12	14	10	11
B.D.S.	1	2	1	3
B.E.	..	2	..	..
	63	64	68	55

Some detailed results are as follows: Master of Arts, with Honours—F. F. Adamson, third class in languages and literature (Latin and English); L. H. Fyfe, first class in languages and literature (Latin and English); J. B. Mawson, second class in languages and literature (Latin and English); R. Miller, third class in mental science; C. McL. Smith, second class in languages and literature (Latin and French); J. Thompson, first class in languages and literature (Latin and French); F. H. Wilkinson, first class in mental science. Master of Science, with Honours—M. Samuel, second class in mathematics and mathematical physics.