

University, of a Board of Studies, with power to make recommendations to the Senate as to the appointment of examiners, and as to degrees, diplomas, scholarships, prizes, courses of study, and examinations, and to receive recommendations as to any of those matters from the several Professorial Boards. The Senate is also empowered to delegate to the Board of Studies certain of its powers as to drawing up courses of study, conducting examinations, appointing examiners, &c.

Provision is also made for the establishment of University National Scholarships, University bursaries, National Research Scholarships, and other scholarships.

Section 31 provides for annual grants to the several University colleges as follows:—

- (a.) Auckland University College, £9,000 :
- (b.) Victoria University College, £9,000 :
- (c.) Canterbury University College, £2,000 :
- (d.) Dunedin University College, £5,000.

1914, No. 69. The Orchard and Garden Diseases Amendment Act, 1914.—The principal object of this amendment is to secure the export of fruit from New Zealand in a fit and proper condition. It enables the Governor by regulation to provide for the cooling or other treatment of fruit prior to export, and also for inspection, grading, packing, and stamping of fruit intended for export.

1914, No. 70. The Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies' Empowering Act, 1914.—This Act provides, *inter alia*, for the exchange, sale, reservation, and other disposition of certain reserves, Crown lands, other lands, and endowments.

1914, No. 71. The War Contributions Validation Act, 1914 (No. 2).—This Act supplements the provisions of the earlier Acts (validating contributions for the purposes of defence). The present Act validates contributions by local authorities or other bodies or persons with restricted powers for the purpose of—

- (a.) The relief of distress occasioned by the war ; or
- (b.) Any patriotic object approved by the Governor.

This Act also enables local authorities to make monetary allowances to dependants of former employees who join any Expeditionary Force from New Zealand or who are called out for active service in New Zealand.

1914, No. 72. The Public Reserves and Domains Amendment Act, 1914.—This Act makes various minor amendments with respect to the administration of public reserves and endowments.

1914, No. 73. The Defence Amendment Act, 1914.—This Act extends from five to fifteen years the period for which the Government may enter into contracts for the supply of ammunition for the use of the New Zealand Defence Forces.

1914, No. 74. The Medical Practitioners Act, 1914.—This Act provides much more effective machinery than has formerly been available with respect to the registration and control of medical practitioners. It provides for the setting-up of a Board to consider all applications for enrolment. The Board has power also to remove from the register the names of practitioners who have left the country without any intention of returning, and to take proceedings for the removal by order of the Supreme Court of men who are guilty of gross misconduct in their professional capacity.

1914, No. 75. The Expeditionary Forces Voting Act, 1914 (No. 2).—This Act applies to Maori members of the several Expeditionary Forces, and preserves their right to vote for the purposes of the next general election of members of the House of Representatives. (See also 1914, No. 16.)

1914, No. 76. The Appropriation Act, 1914.—This Act appropriates the supplies granted for the financial year ending 31st March, 1915. *Inter alia*, it authorizes the payment of a sum of £20,000 for the relief of distress in Belgium.

Local and Personal Acts.

1914, No. 1 (Local). The Hutt Park Amendment Act, 1914.—This Act extends the powers of the Hutt Park Committee.

1914, No. 2 (Local). The Whangarei Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1914.—This Act authorizes the Whangarei Harbour Board to borrow an amount not exceeding £100,000 for carrying out certain harbour-improvement works.

1914, No. 3 (Local). The Onehunga Borough Council Enabling Act, 1914.—This Act confers certain local powers on the Onehunga Borough Council.

1914, No. 4 (Local). The Tuakitoto and Kaitangata Lakes Amendment Act, 1914.—This Act amends in minor particulars the provisions of the Tuakitoto and Kaitangata Lakes Act, 1911.

1914, No. 5 (Local). The Dunedin City Council Empowering Act, 1914.—This Act authorizes the Dunedin City Council to appoint Commissioners with power to invest portion of the funds to the credit of the Trading Department's Renewal Fund Account.

1914, No. 6 (Local). The Taieri Land Drainage Amendment Act, 1914.—This Act authorizes the Taieri Land Drainage Commissioners to raise a loan not exceeding £1,500 for the purpose of carrying out certain works in the district.

1914, No. 7 (Local). The Auckland City and Auckland Harbour Board Empowering Act, 1914.—This Act authorizes the Auckland City Council to borrow moneys for the purpose of acquiring land and for certain other purposes relating to the said city. The Act also authorizes the Auckland Harbour Board and the trustees of the Kauri Point Park Reserve to exchange certain lands.