

In the above statement no account has been taken of special scholarships and prize funds. The balance at the end of the year, £29,272, consists of a balance on the General Scholarships Account of £27,188, and a balance on the General Account of £2,084. The amount in hand for general purposes was therefore £2,084, of which amount the English agent holds £2,056 with which to meet the examination expenses of 1916.

AFFILIATED COLLEGES.

(E.-7, Tables M1 and M2.)

The number of students in attendance at the four University Colleges in 1916 was 1,890, as compared with 1,936 in the year 1915 and 2,144 in the year 1914. The decrease in numbers occurs only in the case of male students, and is, of course, due to the absence of a large number of students on military service. The students are classified as follows: Graduates, 78; undergraduates, 1,252; non-matriculated students, 560; and according to sex—males, 1,092; females, 798. In addition to the matriculated students mentioned above, there were ninety-five students attached to the various University colleges but exempt from lectures—that is, they were prevented by distance or by the necessity of earning their living from attending lectures at the college, but were allowed to keep terms, except in certain science and professional subjects, by passing the annual college examination.

With respect to the courses taken by University students it appears that about 47 per cent. took the arts course or subjects for teachers' certificates, 14 per cent. the medical and dental courses, 11 per cent. the law course, 10 per cent. engineering courses, 6 per cent. science courses, 5 per cent. commercial courses, 4 per cent. music, and 3 per cent. home science. There were in addition forty-two students studying agriculture at the Lincoln Agricultural College, the number also being smaller than usual owing to the enlistment of all eligible students.

The total staff of the four University colleges consisted in 1916 of forty-five professors and eighty-three lecturers. The following table shows the staff of the several institutions:—

PROFESSORS AND LECTURERS.					Professors.	Lecturers, Demonstrators, and Assistants.
Auckland University College	...	...	...	...	9	15
Victoria University College	...	...	...	...	8	15
Canterbury College	...	...	...	...	10	18
Otago University	...	...	...	...	18	35*
Totals	...	...	...	...	45	83

* Also the honorary staff of the Dunedin Hospital act as lecturers on clinical medicine and clinical surgery.

The average salary of full-time professors was £710 per annum.

FINANCES OF THE AFFILIATED INSTITUTIONS IN 1916.

Table M4 in E.-7 gives a summary of the receipts and expenditure of the University colleges, excluding special trust accounts and the accounts of non-university institutions under the control of a College Council, such as, for instance, the museum, public library, or school of art connected with Canterbury College, or the museum controlled by the Otago University. The total income was £102,448, and the total expenditure £94,987. The expenditure on administration was £6,315, on salaries £50,281, and on buildings £26,685. The expenditure on buildings was chiefly in connection with the Medical and Home Science Schools at the University of Otago and the Physical Laboratory and offices at Canterbury College.