

and the wholly inadequate rooms and equipment at the University, which I reported to the Council last year. Twenty-nine students were in residence at Studholme House during the winter session, 1917, and four of the staff, while twelve students were living with their parents or relations in the town. Three students completed the diploma course in September, 1917, and all three were appointed to good posts before the end of the session. Four students completed the degree course, sitting for the final examination in November.

All the posts to which old students have been appointed are very satisfactory, and the Council will be glad to hear that at least seven of our old students are now receiving salaries of over £200 a year. Since the inauguration of the home-science course fifteen students have gained the degree and sixteen the diploma. Of these, twenty-seven are teaching, two were married in 1917, one is needed at home, and one is organizing and conducting club-rooms for women and girl workers in Sydney.

On the 5th June, 1917, Miss K. Browning, Principal of the Girls' College, Benares, wrote asking me to send the syllabus of the home-science course followed at Otago University, as she was trying to get the Hindu University to establish a domestic-science course for the B.A. degree. I sent her full particulars, and she has since let me know that a course has been established there.

The balance-sheets of both the Home Science Department and of Studholme House Account are satisfactory, as the Council will see; and I want to record the fact that the auditor has again most kindly donated his services for the sake of the work being done. I need hardly refer again to the insufficiency of accommodation, as the Council is fully aware of the facts, and steps have been taken by which a second set of modified plans have been forwarded to the Education Department. This time I hope we shall receive a favourable reply. I think we are certainly justified in so hoping, for our requests have been so moderate, our plans so carefully worked out, and we have done so much to help ourselves that the Education Department will surely be willing to do something towards getting the teachers it so much needs. The Council will also be pleased to hear that the session of 1918 started with a roll number of sixty home-science students, and of these all but five are taking the full degree or diploma course. Moreover, twenty-one are paying their own fees and have not asked for bursaries.

ACCOUNTS AND BALANCE-SHEET.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1917.

<i>Receipts.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Payments.</i>	£	s.	d.
Balance on 31st December, 1916 ..	613	7	0	Salaries paid to staff ..	18,887	9	3
Refunds—				Portion paid to Public Trustee Account—			
From Beverly Trust Account ..	546	13	9	Superannuation ..	801	0	1
From Professor Boys-Smith ..	50	0	0	Fees paid to professors and lecturers ..	3,476	18	10
From Insurance ..	5	17	11	Half X-ray fees paid to operator ..	4	3	3
University of New Zealand, payment for				Otago Hospital Board, one-tenth dental fees	34	18	5
work of Court of Convocation ..	15	15	0	Otago Hospital Board, for accommodation			
Donations and contributions—				of bursars ..	300	0	0
Chamber of Commerce for prizes ..	17	17	0	Fees for chemical analyses ..	11	18	10
Otago Hospital Board (Dental School) ..	200	0	0	Payment to Registrar for work of Convoca-			
Otago Hospital Board (Bacteriology) ..	400	0	0	tion ..	15	15	0
New Zealand Society of Accountants ..	150	0	0	Purchase of Borough of Gisborne debentures			
Presbyterian Church Board ..	1,800	0	0	Equipment and apparatus ..	200	0	0
University of New Zealand, for Workers'				General expenses ..	862	1	2
Education Association, for Professor				Furnishing Robert's Annexe (Studholme	758	8	4
Bedford's salary and for library ..	836	13	0	House) ..	253	17	7
Fees—				King Edward Technical College, for cookery			
For chemical analyses ..	17	8	0	class ..	100	0	0
From dental patients ..	272	19	9	Insurance ..	227	9	8
For bacteriological analyses ..	231	5	10	Interest on debentures ..	592	10	0
For pathological analyses ..	48	3	0	Library ..	312	10	9
From students ..	8,659	10	9	Materials and renewals of stock ..	1,127	6	0
Rents, &c.—				New works ..	1,991	17	6
Goldfields revenue ..	0	5	0	Printing, advertising, and stationery ..	496	10	3
Otago Education Board ..	0	5	0	Repairs ..	261	11	11
Otago pastoral reserves ..	7,217	4	7	Salvation Army Account, Redroofs Hos-			
Southland pastoral reserves ..	1,335	2	7	pital ..	52	0	0
Castle Street ..	304	0	0	Water, light, and fuel ..	640	5	2
House in Union Street ..	50	1	0	Transfer to Building Fund Account, being			
Professors' houses ..	240	0	0	accrued salary of Dr. Drennan ..	1,015	9	8
Government grants—				Sundry payments—			
Statutory ..	5,000	0	0	Bank of New Zealand—Commission and			
Mining School ..	750	0	0	interest ..	8	11	0
Capitation on commerce and home-				Prizes purchased ..	10	10	0
science classes ..	47	17	7	Income-tax Department ..	10	0	0
National endowments ..	1,674	17	7	Law-costs ..	5	15	6
Grant for medical bursaries ..	400	0	0	Balance as per pass-book £759 7 2			
Subsidies on voluntary contributions ..	770	0	0	Less cheques outstanding 517 18 7			
Income of Hocken Library from Trustees					241	8	7
Company and from sale of catalogue ..	76	3	4	Plus cash in hand 3 14 6			
Sale of calendar ..	8	4	3		245	3	1
Sale of physics-books ..	5	15	6				
Sale of material to pathology students ..	18	2	0				
Interest on investments ..	683	4	0				
Treasury, equality of exchange (Benmore							
Run) ..	255	0	0				
Otago Hospital Board, payment account							
Redroofs Hospital ..	1	17	10				
	£32,703	11	3		£32,703	11	3