

4. CANTERBURY COLLEGE.

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EXTRACT FROM THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

THE low prices for our primary products realized during 1929-30 season have unfortunately been still further reduced during the year 1930, with the result that our tenants have continued to face a difficult position, and in many instances have had to ask for sympathetic consideration. The policy of the Board has been to investigate each application, and, realizing the difficult times through which the farming community is passing, reasonable concessions and assistance have been granted in all cases where warranted. The position is a trying one for our tenants, but it is also very difficult for the Board, faced as it is with the necessity of providing the finance to meet its engagements month by month, and to carry on the work of the College and the other institutions. I can only hope that the prospects for 1931-32 may be more encouraging.

Notwithstanding the financial difficulties, I am glad to report that the ordinary work of the College and other institutions in all branches has again been carried on with enthusiasm and success. The results must be as gratifying to the staff as they are satisfactory to the Board of Governors.

During the year the new building in extension of Helen Cannon Hall was opened for women students, and is fully occupied.

In November the Government announced that Canterbury College was to be the Dominion School of Forestry, and students from the Auckland School accordingly arranged transfers to Canterbury College for the 1931 session. Our School has a highly trained and efficient staff, and is organized for giving instruction in forestry in all its branches. It is working in co-operative research projects with the State Forest Service, the forestry companies, the timber trade, and various wood-using industries, and its usefulness is appreciated in all these directions.

During the year the death occurred of the Rev. Walter Harper, for twenty-seven years a member of the Board of Governors; also of Emeritus Professor R. J. Scott, founder and director of the School of Engineering.

As provided by the Canterbury College Act, the annual election of members of the Board was held in June last, when all the retiring members were re-elected, with the exception of Dr. Orchard, who did not seek re-election, and in whose place Mr. J. R. Cunningham, LL.B., again joins the Board. Miss Chaplin, B.A., was reappointed by His Excellency the Governor-General; Mr. E. J. Howard, M.P., by members of Parliament; Mrs. W. H. Clark, M.A., by the graduates; Mr. J. G. Polson, M.A., by the teachers; Mr. W. A. Banks by the School Committees; and Dr. H. G. Denham, M.A., by the Professorial Board.

In November Dr. James Hight, M.A., was reappointed Rector of the College for a further term of three years from February, 1931.

In April Professor Speight informed the Board that he wished to resign the Chair of Geology as from the end of the year. After consideration it was decided not to fill the Chair for the time being, but to appoint a full-time lecturer. Dr. R. S. Allan, M.Sc., Ph.D. (Camb.), was appointed to the position, and we are fortunate in having secured a lecturer of such scholarship and experience to succeed Professor Speight, who has rendered such good and valuable service during the past twenty-seven years.