

The Hon. Major Richardson informed the Joint Committee as follows, namely:—

The Chancellors and the Vice-Chancellors of the New Zealand and the Otago Universities have endeavoured to comply with the order of reference sent down from the Joint Committee, by bringing "The University Act, 1870," into accord with that order. But the amendments in question were agreed to unanimously, only on the condition that certain resolutions (transmitted herewith, together with the amendments moved thereto) should be agreed to.

The resolutions referred to in the above are sub-clauses Nos. 2 and 3, and the amendments thereon.

I. Add to section 8 of the University Act of 1870:—

"University Council to be appointed Trustees for all real and personal property, anything in 'The Endowment Act, 1868,' notwithstanding. Council to manage property independently of Governor and Executive Council."

II.—Section 11, add—Provision for compelling University to make it a condition with incorporated colleges desirous of affiliation, that they possess suitable buildings, class-rooms, and apparatus.

III. Add to section 11:—"Provided that it shall be lawful for the said University from time to time to add to, alter, vary, and amend, by striking out the list of such affiliated colleges."

IV. Add to section 12, proviso:—"Provided always that it shall be lawful for the Governor" [Follow on with 29th section of the Constitution Act, *mutatis mutandis*].

New clause.

V. The University Council in Session assembled shall convene and appoint the time and place of meeting of the said Council and of the Senate when constituted for each succeeding session, and so on from session to session.

VI. The Chancellor or the Vice-Chancellor, or in the absence of both from the Colony, the Registrar, shall convene a meeting of the Council, upon the written requisition of not less than ten members, setting forth the objects for which the meeting is required to be convened, and the meeting shall be convened not less than thirty days after the receipt of the requisition.

VII. Also the time and place of all examinations. But degrees shall be conferred at the place where the University shall be constituted.

New clause.

VIII. That the Chancellor have power to delegate to the Vice-Chancellor all or any of his powers or duties.

IX. In case of the dissolution of the University of Otago, that body will require thereupon to be constituted and appointed a body politic and corporate by the name of the "University College of Otago," having the usual powers, entire administration of its own affairs, and control over its property. Power to be conferred of filling vacancies in the Council, and the "no religious test" clause to be inserted.

Resolutions.

I. That for the purpose of tenure of Scholarships, Lectureships, Professorships, &c., incorporated Colleges in the Colony may be affiliated which fulfil these conditions:—(1.) That they possess suitable buildings, class-rooms, and apparatus. Agreed to. (2.) That they have a curriculum of study, embracing systematic instruction in Classics, English, Mathematics, and Natural Philosophy, Mental and Moral Philosophy, and at least one branch of the Physical Sciences, say Chemistry; and that University scholars be required to attend classes and lectures on these subjects. (3.) That all Professors and Lecturers in affiliated Colleges, deriving their stipends in part or in whole from the University, as also University scholars, and all students, have the protection of a conscience clause.

II. Mr. Carleton, by way of amendment to Mr. Stuart's resolution, No. 2:—"That we do confine ourselves to the order of reference, which we are nowise called upon to go beyond, seeing that the University Council has already made provision in this behalf; and that the University Council ought not to be hindered from amending that provision by embodying it or other provisions to similar effect in an Act of the Assembly."

Amendment by Mr. Carleton to Mr. Stuart's resolution, No. 3:—

"That the lectures of any Professor who shall derive his stipend in whole or in part from the University, if delivered in an affiliated college, ought to be open to any person desirous to attend."

The consideration of "The New Zealand University Act, 1870," was proceeded with.

Mr. Tancred, Chancellor of the New Zealand University, attended.

Mr. Tancred
further examined.

Mr. Macandrew.] 20. Are you of opinion that the standard of education to be supplied by affiliated institutions should be defined in the statute, or left to be determined by the New Zealand University Council?—It should be left to the determination of the New Zealand University Council.

The Hon. Major Richardson, Chancellor of the University of Otago was asked the same question, and replied—I think that the Act should fix the minimum, and leave the Council to increase the standard should they think fit.

The Committee then adjourned.

MONDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1871.

The Joint Committee met pursuant to notice.

<i>Legislative Council.</i>	PRESENT:	<i>House of Representatives.</i>
Hon. Dr. Grace,		Hon. Mr. Fox,
Hon. Major Richardson,		Mr. Haughton,
Hon. Mr. Sewell,		Mr. Macandrew,
Hon. Mr. Stokes,		Mr. O'Rorke,
Hon. Mr. Waterhouse.		Mr. Reynolds,
		Hon. Mr. Stafford.

The Hon. Major Richardson, Chairman.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Letters from the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Otago to the Chancellor of that University, and from the Chancellor of the University of New Zealand to the Chairman were read, enclosing a memorandum from the latter gentleman.