

11. *The Registrar to Mr. White.*

SIR,—

University of New Zealand, Christchurch, 21st July, 1877.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th instant, stating that you propose to take up, in January next, the optional sections of the B.A. examination.

I have to refer you to the University Regulations, where you will see that, before coming up for this examination, it is necessary for you to have matriculated, and to have completed two years' terms in this University, conditions which you do not appear to have as yet fulfilled.

I have, &c.,

W. M. MASKELL,

Registrar.

D. White, Esq.

12. *The Registrar to Mr. White.*

SIR,—

University of New Zealand, Christchurch, 21st July, 1877.

In reply to your question respecting the Regulation permitting certain teachers to go up for the B.A. examination, I have to state that teachers must take the whole five subjects at one examination, and not divide them, as undergraduates can do.

I have, &c.,

W. M. MASKELL,

Registrar.

D. White, Esq.

13. *Professor Macgregor to the Chancellor.*

SIR,—

Otago University, Dunedin, 27th July, 1877.

I have the honour to bring under your notice the case of Mr. David White, who wishes to go up for the optional part of the B.A. degree at the next examination. Mr. White matriculated here in 1873, but did not, through an error on the part of our Registrar, appear on the list. Since that time he has attended a full course of lectures, and passed with great credit the annual examinations in the following subjects: Senior mathematics, junior mental science, and senior mental science.

With regard to the class of political economy, which he is attending this session, there is some difficulty, owing to changes which have been made since Mr. White matriculated, and which therefore ought not to affect his claim. Under our old Regulations political economy formed something less than the fourth-part of one degree-subject, now it forms by far the most important half of one whole subject. Mr. White's claim to have this class admitted as a course rests on this fact, and it is the further supported by the fact that he has, under great difficulties, attended the classes instead of availing himself of the privileges accorded by the Senate.

I would also call your attention to the great injustice done to the students who are at present proceeding to their B.A. examinations in junior and senior mental science by the fact that the Senate, at its last meeting, without giving any notice, altered the text-books on those subjects. I would respectfully suggest that, for this year at any rate, the alteration be not given effect to, because it would compel students who have already studied one book to begin an entirely different one.

I have, &c.,

D. MACGREGOR,

Chairman of the Professorial Board.

The Registrar, University of New Zealand.

14. *The Registrar to Professor Macgregor.*

SIR,—

University of New Zealand, Christchurch, 31st July, 1877.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th instant, and, by direction of the Chancellor, to reply that, in the case of the student David White, it would appear that, as he matriculated in 1873—that is, before the affiliation to this University of the University of Otago—he ought to come under the provisions of Section XI. of the Regulations, specifying terms to be kept and examinations to be passed for the B.A. degree, Supplementary Calendar, p. 12, in the same manner as Messrs. Hay and Williamson, who have already obtained their degree.

With reference to the text-books in mental science, the Chancellor is not able to make any alteration in the list drawn up and prescribed by the Senate. Moreover, it appears that the revision of the text-books at the session of March last was undertaken at the suggestion of the Professorial Boards of the Canterbury College and the Otago University. With regard to this matter, however, there is a resolution of the Senate, passed in 1875, to the following effect: "That the examiners be informed by the Chancellor that they are not required to confine the examination-papers to the text-books recommended by the Senate, but, with reasonable regard to the text-books, to use their own discretion." This resolution is communicated to every examiner.

I have, &c.,

W. M. MASKELL,

Registrar.

Professor Macgregor.

15. *Professor Macgregor to the Registrar.*

SIR,—

University of Otago, Dunedin, 20th November, 1877.

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the names and papers of those undergraduates who have passed the annual examination for 1877 in this University. The following undergraduates have, at the present examination, completed their first year's terms: Caroline Freeman, W. D. Milne, J. A. J. Murray, J. Hendry, W. J. Will, J. Closs.

The following students have, at the present examination, completed their second year's terms: D. White, T. C. Farnie, A. R. Barclay, A. Cameron, G. Montgomery.

Mr. White's claim to have kept two years' terms has been admitted after investigation by the Professorial Board.

I understand that the five undergraduates whose names compose the second list as having kept two years' terms intend to proceed to the degree examination in January.

I have, &c.,

D. MACGREGOR,

Chairman, Professorial Board.

The Registrar, University of New Zealand.

P.S.—I enclose the class lists for 1877.—D. M.