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# EDUCATION: THE UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO.

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*Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.*

The CHANCELLOR to His Excellency the GOVERNOR.

MY LORD,—

University of Otago, Dunedin, 10th June, 1891.

In compliance with the provisions of "The Otago University Ordinance, 1869," I have the honour to forward to your Excellency the following report of the proceedings of this University for the year ending the 31st March, 1891. The usual courses of lectures, as laid down in the calendar, have been delivered in the various branches of study taken up by the students attending the University in arts, law, medicine, and mining.

The degrees obtained by the students are thus announced by the Senate of the University of New Zealand: M.A. Degree—H. P. Cox, with first-class honours in mental science; J. A. Johnson, with third-class honours in mental science; L. A. Line, with second-class honours in mental science; J. McNickle, with second-class honours in mathematics; P. G. Morgan, with second-class honours in Latin and French; J. Watt, with third-class honours in zoology. Senior scholarships were awarded to A. Stenhouse in zoology, and J. G. Stuart in political science. B.A. Degree—Helen Alexander, D. Burnside, A. Campbell, A. Crawford, Catherine Ferguson, J. H. Gray, J. H. Henderson, J. Mackenzie, Katherine Moss, F. D. Pearce, J. Rennie, C. F. Salmon, A. Stenhouse, J. G. Stuart, J. S. Tennant, W. F. Waters, Marion S. W. White. B.Sc., First Section—J. Chisholm. LL.B., first examination—F. T. Little, J. G. Stuart. LL.B., second examination—F. F. Haggitt, C. Mouatt, B.A. B.A., First Section—F. H. Campbell, W. H. Clark, E. C. Cutten, Grace F. Davidson, W. Eudey, W. Gray, Agnes F. Hallenstein, F. J. Heatley, I. W. W. Hunter, Jane B. Jamieson, G. Liddell, C. Lillie, M. McLeod, W. Mendelson, G. Miller, C. North, Joanna Paterson, N. Paterson, T. A. Paterson, J. Porteous, C. R. D. Richardson, Jessie H. Rutherford, J. A. Scott, F. Siedeberg, A. Spence, Elizabeth M. Watson, Barbara M. Watt.

The scholarship-holders attending the University are: Senior scholarships—A. Stenhouse, J. G. Stuart; junior scholarships—Miss R. M. Davey, Miss M. N. Gellatley; Gray-Russell Scholarship—A. R. Falconer; local scholarships—Richardson, Thomas D. Pearce, Walter Scott, A. H. Adams; normal school exhibitors—John Pringle, John Brunton, G. King, E. G. Lillie, A. Spence, J. Porteous, and M. A. Sinclair.

In order to complete the staff of the School of Mines the Council received assistance from the Government towards the expense of procuring a duly-qualified lecturer on assaying and metallurgy from England, and Professor Robert Austin, at the request of the Agent-General for New Zealand, acting for the Council, selected Mr. D. Wilkinson, Bessemer Medallist of the Royal School of Mines, England, F.C.S., &c. Mr. Wilkinson, after selecting some material for the laboratory in London, travelled by way of America, visiting the chief centres of mining industry on his way, and commenced his duties in Dunedin in February.

A large building has been erected during the past year for the special accommodation of the School of Mines, at a cost of over £1,000. The building is well provided with the requisite furnaces and fittings for practical work, and the necessary appliances for class-teaching. A full syllabus of the course of study is appended in Schedule A. During the vacation most of the students have gained practical experience in mines in various parts of the colony. There are at present twenty-one students attending the classes in the school.

This year, in accordance with the decision of the Council, the session commenced on the first Monday in April, a month earlier than heretofore. By this arrangement the number of lectures will be increased, and a somewhat longer period will be given at the midwinter vacation.

In the early part of the year Mr. Mansford, who had long and faithfully served the University as Registrar, passed to his rest, and the Council appointed as his successor Mr. A. Hamilton, of Napier.

In the teaching-staff several changes have taken place. Professor Sale, one of the original members of the University staff, was granted six months' leave of absence in consequence of his failing health. The Council appointed the Rev. A. R. Fitchett as a *locum tenens*. Dr. Maunsell,