

*Music*.—Evening class, 29; afternoon class, 42.

Five students from the college have this year obtained the degree of M.A. C. C. Plant gained at the same time first-class honours in language, and B. S. Bull first-class in physical science, Miss A. Tindel second-class in mathematics, and T. R. Creswell second-class in languages, and Miss M. C. Morrah third-class in language. Thirteen students of the College have passed the final section of their B.A. examination, and had the degree conferred upon them (Misses E. Ainsworth, E. Bilton, C. Henderson, L. Manning, J. Prosser, M. Richmond, and M. Sword, and Messrs. D. Bates, C. Hardie, H. Hutton, H. Northcote, F. Pemberton, and G. Pitcaithly); whilst twenty-six have passed the first section of their B.A. examination (Misses D. Cabôt, S. Henderson, M. Hookham, M. Marchant, E. Stevenson, F. Stoddart, and A. Tendall, and Messrs. E. Beaglehole, W. Brock, M. Butterfield, L. Cane, R. Clarkson, G. Dalgleish, F. Ferguson, F. Gibson, A. Gray, E. Hardcastle, G. Lloyd, P. Marshall, A. M'Gregor, E. Norris, R. Page, W. Pye, G. Tendall, H. Thacker, and H. Watson). J. C. Westall passed the first section of the LL.B. examination, and Messrs. J. Innes, M.A., A. R. Meek, M.A., M. Trimble, and H. W. Weston passed the final section, and had the degree conferred. R. Speight passed the final B. Sc. examination, and had the degree conferred upon him; whilst Messrs. C. Adams, H. Kidd, and P. Marshall passed the first B. Sc. examination. Two senior scholarships were gained—that in Latin and English by F. Pemberton, and that in Latin and Greek by H. Northcote. The John Tinline Scholarship, for excellence in English language and literature, was gained by Miss J. Prosser of this College; and A. R. Kirk gained the Bowen prize for an essay on English history. The College exhibitions given for excellence in honours work at the College annual examination were awarded as follows: For Latin, W. S. Marris and J. E. Bannister; for English, Miss J. Prosser; for mathematics, W. S. Marris and E. Rutherford; for experimental science, E. S. Buchanan; for geology, P. Marshall; for political science, F. A. Pemberton.

The graduates of the University of New Zealand who have been educated at the College now number 106, fifty-two of whom have obtained the degree of M.A., fifty-two the degree of B.A., and two that of LL.B. Six art graduates have also obtained the degree LL.B., two that of B. Sc. and one that of LL.D. Of the Masters of Arts two gained double first-class honours, one a double first-class and a second, one a first-class and a second, twenty-six first-class honours, one a double second, ten second, and eleven third-class. Thus, out of 267 who have taken degrees in the University of New Zealand 105 belong to Canterbury College; out of the 101 who have taken the M.A., fifty-two belong to it; and of forty-five who have taken first-class honours, thirty-one belong to it. Of the seventy-nine senior and third year and John Tinline Scholarships awarded by the University of New Zealand during the last fourteen years, the period during which the present scholarship regulations have been in force, fifty have been awarded to students of Canterbury College. Of the sixteen Bowen Prizes which have been awarded by the University for an essay on a subject connected with English history, and open to all undergraduates of the University of New Zealand, eleven have been gained by students trained in this College, whilst the only three mentioned as *proxime accessit* have also been of this College.

At the time the last annual statement was made, the late Registrar of the College, Mr. F. G. Stedman, had obtained leave of absence from his duties in consequence of ill-health. The Board had hoped that he would have returned from England with renewed strength to carry on the work which for more than fourteen years had been intrusted to him. Unfortunately these hopes resulted in disappointment, and Mr. Stedman died in London on the 18th January in this year. A resolution was unanimously passed by the Board expressing its recognition of the loss sustained by the College in being deprived of the services of a faithful officer, and of a high-principled gentleman. The graduates also, at a meeting held in the College Hall, agreed to a resolution tending in the same direction.

It will be in the recollection of members that in the statement presented a year ago it was mentioned that the Board had decided to relegate to a Commission, in England, the selection of a lecturer on modern languages. The gentlemen forming the Commission were Sir Dillon Bell, Professor Douglas, and Mr. Kennaway. Seventy-two applications were received in London for the post. Eventually, after much consideration had been given to the question, Mr. William Michell Clarke, M.A., Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, and a *diplômé* of the University of Paris, was selected from among the candidates. The lecturer, as arranged, arrived in due time to commence the work of the session in March last. Increased interest is being taken by students in the classes, as is evidenced by the number attending during the term just ended—viz., fifty-two in French and nine in German, as compared with nineteen in French only in the previous term.

Lectures on law and chemistry are now regularly delivered in the evening, to enable those to attend who are otherwise occupied during the day. Extra lectures on jurisprudence and constitutional history have been delivered during the past term.

The meeting of the Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science was held in Christchurch during the month of January; and this being during the vacation the Board was enabled to give the members the use of the College buildings.

Since the beginning of the year the Board, after much consideration, determined to accede to a request made by a deputation of the Society of Musicians to establish a lectureship in music in connection with the College as a tentative measure. Mr. G. F. Tendall, Mus. Bac., Oxon., was appointed lecturer for the year ending the 31st December, 1891.

During the period under review a most generous gift has been made to the College by Mr. James Townsend of his equatorial telescope, with all its fittings and instruments. The Astronomical Society of Christchurch has also agreed to hand over a sum of £400 to the College, with the object of assisting in the erection of a building suitable for the reception of the telescope. The best thanks of the Board have been accorded to those concerned in placing these valuable donations under the control of the Board for the furtherance of scientific pursuits.