

It has also been deemed desirable to ask a certain number of gentlemen, well known in the agricultural community, to act as a Board of Advice to aid the Board in the management of this special school. As great powers as it is possible for the Board to legally give have been vested in these gentlemen, and it is hoped that the Board will thus secure the very best advice obtainable. The first members appointed by the Board of Governors to constitute the Lincoln College Board of Advice are: The President for the time being of the Agricultural and Pastoral Association, the Chairman for the time being of the Board of Governors, together with the Hon. William Rolleston, Messrs. D. McMillan, William Boag, and J. W. Overton. A schedule of the duties and powers conferred upon these gentlemen is attached hereto.

On the 23rd September His Excellency the Governor visited the Lincoln College, and on the 30th March the Minister of Lands inspected the institution. On both occasions the visitors expressed satisfaction with the school. During the meeting held in Christchurch of the Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science about forty of the members, other than those residing in this provincial district, visited the School of Agriculture. It is not out of place here to draw attention to the following important resolution passed by the Senate of the University of New Zealand at the meeting held here in February last, and reported in the minutes of proceedings of that body: "That intimation be given that in 1892 the University will be prepared to issue certificates in agriculture to those who have kept two years' terms at the School of Agriculture, Lincoln, or at any other school of which the Senate may hereafter approve; and that the subjects for examination will be those now taught in the Lincoln College."

## 2. REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD OF ADVICE OF THE SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE.

THE following are the duties and powers, as passed by the Board of Governors of Canterbury College, conferred upon the Lincoln College Board of Advice:—

1. That the proposed body be called "The Lincoln College Board of Advice."
2. That it consist of four ordinary members and two *ex officio* members.
3. That the Chairman for the time being of the Board of Governors of the Canterbury College, and the President for the time being of the Agricultural and Pastoral Association of Canterbury, be *ex officio* members.
4. That the first four ordinary members be the Hon. W. Rolleston, Messrs. David McMillan, William Boag, and John William Overton.
5. That two ordinary members retire annually by rotation, but be eligible for re-election. That the ordinary members to retire in each year shall be those members who have been longest in office, and if it be necessary to decide between two or more of equal standing in that respect the same shall be determined by ballot, to be taken at a meeting of the members not less than one month prior to the expiration of each year.
6. That the year, for the purpose aforesaid, commence on the 1st day of July, 1891.
7. That an election to fill the vacated places of the members retiring as aforesaid be held during the month of July in each year. That such election shall be held by the Board of Governors by ballot. That six days' previous notice, at the least, of such election be given to the members of the Board of Governors.
8. That in case a vacancy shall occur in the Board of Advice owing to the death, incapacity, or resignation of any ordinary member thereof a meeting of the Board of Governors shall be held, and a new member of the Board of Advice shall be elected. That six days' notice, at the least, of such meeting be given to the members of the Board of Governors.
9. That the ordinary travelling expenses of all members attending the meetings of the Board of Advice, whether such meetings be held at Lincoln, at Canterbury College, or elsewhere be provided out of the funds of the School of Agriculture.
10. That, in addition to such travelling expenses, the sum of £100 be also annually provided out of the same funds as an honorarium to the members of the Board of Advice for division among them in proportion to the number of attendances of the members at meetings properly called, but the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Canterbury College is not to participate in such division.
11. That the Board of Advice shall appoint their own Chairman at the first meeting held after the Board shall have been constituted. That such Chairman, if an ordinary member, shall hold office until the first meeting of the Board of Advice after the next annual election of ordinary members by the Board of Governors, and, if an *ex officio* member, shall hold office until such first meeting, or during his term of office, whichever shall first expire.
12. That the Board of Advice shall hold a meeting at least once every three months.
13. That the Board of Advice may draw up standing orders for their own guidance at meetings.
14. That the Board of Advice be empowered to consult with the Director of the School of Agriculture, but that the Director be not present at meetings of the Board of Advice, unless his presence be specially requested by the Chairman of such Board.
15. That all questions shall be decided by the votes of such members of the Board of Advice as shall be actually present, each member (including the Chairman) having only one vote. That in the event of an equality of votes, the Chairman have a casting vote as well as an original vote. Three members shall form a quorum.
16. That minutes of all proceedings at meetings of the Board of Advice be kept, and signed by the Chairman.
17. That no power of voting money be given to the Board of Advice.
18. That the duties of the members of the Board of Advice be as follows: (1.) To visit the Agricultural College and farm at Lincoln at such times as may appear to them to be necessary, and to