

GENERAL.—The Hon. William Rolleston, a staunch supporter of education in all its various branches, has been lost to the colony by death during the year. Mrs. Macmillan Brown, for twelve years Lady Principal of the Girls' High School, died in the colony, and the Rev. Gordon Webster, formerly a member of the Board of Governors, died in Scotland.

"The New Zealand University Act Amendment Act, 1902," came into force on the 1st July. The Hon. Charles Christopher Bowen and Professor Robert Julian Scott were elected to represent the College on the Senate. The Canterbury District Court of Convocation elected as its representatives Messrs. J. Macmillan Brown, M.A., and James Hay, M.A.

Professor Parkin, of the University of Montreal, representing the trustees of the late Right Hon. Cecil Rhodes, met delegates of the New Zealand University, in Wellington, to discuss the best scheme for selecting scholars and as to the regulations to be adopted with respect to the proposed scholarships. Mr. William Izard kindly represented the Board of Governors on the occasion.

THE COLLEGE.

Dr. Dendy having resigned the chair of biology to take up the professorship of zoology at the Cape Colony University, Dr. Charles Chilton, D.Sc., M.B.C.M., was appointed to the vacant position. In February Mr. Robert Speight, M.A., B.Sc., was appointed Lecturer in Geology for the current year. The lecturers in all the other subjects were reappointed.

NUMBER OF STUDENTS.—The following table shows the number of matriculated and non-matriculated students who have attended lectures since the year 1898 to date :—

		Matriculation.	Non-matriculation.	Total.		Matriculation.	Non-matriculation.	Total.
1898	...	131	56	187	1901	...	148	220
1899	...	117	65	182	1902	...	151	225
1900	...	125	93	218	1903	...	167	249

The number of students attending each lecture during the last term of 1903 was as follows :—

Classics.—Pass Latin: Translation, 37; composition, 36. Greek: Translation, 2; composition, 2. Honours Latin, 5; pass Latin—teachers' class, 11.

English Literature and Language.—Pass Lectures: History and structure of the English language, 30; Anglo-Saxon and Middle English, 25; literature and set books, 35; essay class, 34. Honours Lectures: Anglo-Saxon and Middle English, 6; philology, 5; literature and set books, 5.

English History.—Pass history of England, 11; honours European history, 0.

Mathematics.—Pass pure mathematics, 60; pass mechanics and hydrostatics, 29; extra dynamics for engineering students, 18. Honours mathematics: Section I., 4; Section II., 11; Section III., 8; Section IV., 0. Honours elementary mechanics and hydrostatics, 3.

Chemistry.—Introductory, 16; pass, 26; elementary organic, 3; teachers' class, 3; Advanced Section I., 4; practical chemistry (elementary—in connection with introductory lecture), 5; practical chemistry (pass—general course), 33; practical chemistry (pass—teachers only), 4; practical chemistry (advanced), 2.

Sound, Light, and Heat.—Pass, 36; honours, 2. Practical: Pass, 23; honours, 0.

Biology.—General biology, 14; pass botany, 3; honours botany, 2; pass zoology, 6; honours zoology, 0; practical general biology, 12; pass practical botany, 3; practical botany (honours and research), 1; pass practical zoology, 5; practical zoology (honours and research), 0.

French.—Pass Lectures: Composition, 14; authors, 22; sight translation and grammar, 22; literature, 22; composition (teachers' class), 5. Honours Lectures: Composition, 13; authors, 0; essay and literature, 1; philology, 5; literature, 0.

German.—Composition I. and philology, 2; German books, 5; philology, 0; literature, 0; German for beginners, 2.

Jurisprudence and Law.—Pass jurisprudence, 15; honours jurisprudence, 3; law (equity), 6; Roman law, 3; international law, 3; evidence, 8; torts, 8; personal property, 5.

Constitutional History.—Pass, 14; honours, 3.

Political Economy.—Pass, 13; honours, 2.

Mental Science.—Pass, 7; honours, 3.

Geology.—Historical and physical geology (second year's course), 4; mineralogy and petrology (first year's course), 12; palæontology (first year's course), 8.

Music.—Rudiments of music (junior first-year students), 11; harmony (intermediate, second-year students), 13; harmony, counterpoint (senior third-year students), 11; history of music, 9; advanced harmony, counterpoint, &c., 1; form in composition, 4; ear-training and musical dictation, 10.

The number of candidates who entered for the various examinations of the Associated Board of the Royal Academy of Music and the Royal College of Music show a slight falling-off as compared with last year. There were seventy-eight candidates for the various theoretical examinations in June, of whom fifty-seven passed. The practical examinations were conducted in November, by Mr. John Langley; there were in all 209 candidates—1 for the teachers' diploma, 72 for the local centre, and 136 for the school examinations; of these, 41 local centre and 97 school were successful.

SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS.—The number of students who were recorded by the University as having passed in their respective examinations was: Honours and also degree of Master of Arts, 5. Bachelor of Arts—Final section, 11; first section, 16. Bachelor of Science—Final section, 4; first section, 3. Bachelor of Laws—Final examination, 3; second examination, 2; first examination, 2. Bachelor of Science in Engineering—Electrical, final examination, 1; mechanical, final examination, 1; mechanical or electrical, second examination (part of), 5; mechanical, first examination (completed), 9; mechanical, first examination (part of), 8.

Of the eight Senior Scholarships awarded by the University, four were gained by students of this College.