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EDUCATION: CANTERBURY AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

("THE CANTERBURY COLLEGE AND CANTERBURY AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE ACT, 1896.")

[In continuation of E.-11, 1907.]

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

Visitor .- His Excellency the Governor.

Board of Governors.

Appointed by His Excellency the Governor—E. Richardson.

Elected by members of the Legislature—Hon. E. C. J. Stevens (Chairman); M. Murphy, F.L.S.; and H. A. Knight. Elected by governing bodies of agricultural and pastoral associations-W. F. M. Buckley, B.A.; George Gould;

and J. Studholme.

Director.-W. Lowrie, M.A., B.Sc. Lecturer on Veterinary Science.—A. Taylor, M.A., M.R.C.V.S.
Lecturer on Chemistry.—G. Gray, F.C.S.
Lecturer on Biology.—F. W. Hilgendorf, M.A., D.Sc.
Farm Overseer.—W. Street.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR.

I have the honour, by direction of the Board of Governors, in pursuance of "The Canterbury College and Canterbury Agricultural College Act, 1896," to submit the following report on the work of this institution for the year ending 31st December, 1907, and the balance-sheet for the same period:-

The attendance was maintained at or near the limit of accommodation throughout the year, and altogether fifty-six students were enrolled, the number being exactly the same as for the preceding year. I am glad to be able to report that the work of the students in residence in 1907 was the most satisfactory as a whole that has been done since I took charge here in 1901. We were fortunate in having a higher percentage of students with some acquired experience of farming before joining the College, and such students almost invariably make the best use of the opportunities to acquire a knowledge of the science and practice of farming which the course here offers. Ten students completed the course in December, and of these seven satisfied the examiners and were awarded the diploma of the College. Their names and addresses are as follows: G. Osborne, Canterbury (gold-medallist); J. McEwan, Palmerston North; F. Batkin, Auckland; J. I. Chrystall, Canterbury; A. D. Newmarch, New South Wales; N. Hutton, Auckland; F. Lelwill, Conterbury. E J. Jekyll, Canterbury.