

ladies promoting the bazaar have shown remarkable enthusiasm in their work, and that there is every reason to believe that the bazaar will be a great success. The advantages of the bazaar will by no means be confined to the amount of money raised; the bazaar will bring the needs of our students prominently before the public, and will greatly increase the interest, not only of the citizens of Dunedin, but of many residents in Otago and Southland, in our University. I should also mention that the students expect to raise a considerable sum of money by means of shilling subscription cards.

(5.) Session 1908 is a memorable year in the history of the Otago University, because on the 14th December the University Council, at a special meeting, adopted a scheme for the distribution of the annual income arising from the Beverly Bequest. The scheme adopted by the Council provides for an annual entrance scholarship, and a scholarship tenable for the remainder of the three-years course to be awarded in alternate years to the candidate that does best in senior mathematics and mechanics or in junior physics. The scheme also provides for scholarships in higher mathematics and in advanced physics, and for the appointment of a Beverly Demonstrator in Physics at an annual salary of £200; and it makes provision for apparatus for the teaching of physics and of mechanics, and for additions to the University library of books dealing with the subjects mentioned in Mr. Beverly's will. The scheme adopted by the Council is so thoroughly on the lines of the late Mr. Beverly's will that it met with practically unanimous approval.

(6.) Another important event in the history of last session was the awarding of the first Otago University Research Scholarship, the Government having founded four of these scholarships in connection with the New Zealand University Colleges. These scholarships are of the value of £100 a year for a period of two years, which may be extended to three years if it is thought desirable. It would be difficult to overestimate the value of these scholarships in connection with the development of the industries of the Dominion. In view of the high price of living in New Zealand, however, I agree with my colleague, Professor Park, in thinking that, in order to attract the ablest students, it would be much better to offer these scholarships every second year instead of yearly, and to raise the annual value of them to £150.

SCHOOL OF MINES: REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR (PROFESSOR JAMES PARK, M.INST.M.M., M.A.INST.M.E., F.G.S.).

The Director reports as follows:—

The Mining School for the year ended 31st December, 1908, showed an attendance of 26 students, of whom 20 were matriculated undergraduates of the University of New Zealand. Of the 26 registered students, 9 were entered for the A.O.S.M. course; 9 for the certificate in geology, 4 for the certificate in practical astronomy, 2 for the certificate in dental metallurgy, and 1 each for the certificate in general metallurgy and assaying. Five students in their final year completed the full course in the division for which they had entered.

Annual Examinations.

Twenty-six students presented themselves for examination in 18 subjects, and all passed except one in mineralogy and one in mathematics.

Diplomas and Certificates.

Eight graduates of the Mining School, having passed the prescribed classes and presented satisfactory evidence of time spent in practical work, as required by the regulations, were awarded the diploma of Associate, and certificates, as under: Ernest Douglas Isaacson, A.O.S.M. in Mining; Hugh Roy Macdonald, A.O.S.M. in Mining; Alexander Gordon Macdonald, A.O.S.M. in Mining; George Dey, A.O.S.M. in Mining; Philip Hastings M'Douall, A.O.S.M. in Mining; Fred. Wesley Thomas, A.O.S.M. in Metallurgy; Arthur Mosley, A.O.S.M. in Metallurgy; Philip Hastings M'Douall, A.O.S.M. in Metallurgy; Hugh Roy Macdonald, Certificate of Land and Mine Surveyor; Edward Fletcher Roberts, Certificate of Land and Mine Surveyor; Fred. Wesley Thomas, Certificate of Metallurgical Chemist and Assayer; Robert Lee, A.O.S.M. in Mining, and Certificate of Land and Mine Surveyor; Harold Hamilton, A.O.S.M. in Geology; William Row Frost, A.O.S.M. in Mining; Isaac William Henry Sergeant, A.O.S.M. in Metallurgy; John Francis M'Padden, A.O.S.M. in Metallurgy; and Algernon Spencer, A.O.S.M. in Metallurgy, and Certificate as Land and Mine Surveyor.

The diplomas granted in the divisions of mining, metallurgy, and geology since 1887 are as follows:—

					Issued up to end of 1907.	Issued in 1908.	Total.
Mining	..	..	..	..	82	7	89
Metallurgy	..	..	..	..	42	6	48
Geology	..	..	..	..	14	1	15
					138	14	152

Post-graduate Work.

The Government Research Scholarship for Otago for the year 1908, of the value of £100 a year, tenable for two years, was awarded to Mr. A. Gordon Macdonald, A.O.S.M., B.E.(Min.), who is at present engaged in an investigation on the "Distribution and Economic Value of the Brown Coals of Otago." The Berwick-Moreing post-graduate place for 1908 was awarded to Mr. Norman Shand, A.O.S.M., who has been placed at the New Zealand Talisman Mine, at Karangahake.