

Scholarships, Prizes, &c.—(a) In New Zealand University: Senior University Scholarships—W. T. Cody, in electricity; P. A. Harrington and A. G. Irvine, equal in mental science; C. Hogg, in French; R. A. W. Sutherland, in geology. John Tinline Scholarship—R. A. Cuthbert, or, if he declined, to J. P. Hewat. The faculty of medicine recommended that the Medical Travelling Scholarship be awarded to R. A. H. Fulton. (b) In Otago University: Beverly Entrance Scholarship—J. W. Hinton. Macandrew Scholarship—J. Johnson. Stuart Prize (mental science)—E. G. Pilling. Ulrich Memorial Medal—R. A. W. Sutherland. MacGregor Prize—Phoebe Ann Harrington. Parker Memorial Prize—Agnes Borrie. James Clark Prizes—Laura H. Fyfe (Latin), J. P. Hewat (English), A. E. Adam (mental science), and G. D. Wilson (Greek).

Buildings.—The Students' Union building was completed towards the end of the year, and was formally opened by His Excellency the Governor of New Zealand. The hall in this building has been named the "Allen Hall," to commemorate the great services rendered to the University by the Hon. James Allen, formerly Vice-Chancellor and Chancellor of the University. The possession of this building will be the means of greatly furthering the social life of our University.

THE MEDICAL SCHOOL.—REPORT OF THE DEAN OF THE MEDICAL FACULTY (DR. H. LINDO FERGUSON)

During the year ending March, 1914, there were 133 registered medical students in the school; of these 9 were women. Six candidates passed the final examination for M.B., Ch.B., in January, 1914, and 6 at special examinations held in July, 1913, and March, 1914. The Travelling Scholarship for the year was won by Dr. R. A. H. Fulton.

In February the school suffered the loss by death of the Dean of the Faculty (Dr. J. H. Scott), Professor of Anatomy since 1877. In this brief report no adequate account can be given of the value of his services to the Medical School or of his personal influence for good over the students who sat under him. During part of the winter session Dr. Scott was incapacitated, and Drs. Allen and Newlands took charge of the anatomy lectures and dissecting-room.

In February the University Council received the promise of the Government to provide the sum of £10,100 for the much-needed extensions to the department of anatomy, chemistry, and physiology; and as the year closed the citizens of Dunedin, stimulated by the generous gift of £2,000 from an anonymous donor, subscribed the sum of nearly £8,000 for the erection of a new medical block to accommodate the departments of pathology, bacteriology, and other clinical subjects in the vicinity of the hospital.

During the smallpox epidemic in the latter half of 1913 a contingent of senior medical students rendered signal service to the Dominion by doing vaccination-work under the Public Health Department.

Among other improvements in the medical course may be mentioned the arrangement to have gynaecology taught every winter session instead of biennially, and the division of the physiology class into junior and senior divisions.

THE DENTAL SCHOOL.—DIRECTOR'S REPORT.

The following report on the Dental School was submitted by the Director (Professor Pickerill) to the University Council:—

During the past year there have been 11 students in attendance at the Dental School, 10 of these being students working for the degree of B.D.S. Two students have graduated during the year. All the usual lectures and classes as prescribed by the University of New Zealand have been held, and the attendance of students has been most regular. The attendance of patients for clinical work continues to be largely in excess of what can be adequately dealt with by the present number of students. During the past year the school has received a subsidy of £200 from the Otago Hospital and Charitable Aid Board. The latter body has, however, imposed more stringent regulations for the admission of patients, and also requires the repayment of 10 per cent. of all fees received from patients, and in addition requires all patients from its institutions to be treated free. The result of the new regulations has been to limit the class of patients received to the extremely poor, so that they are unable to pay in many cases for the material required for more advanced work, and the number of free patients takes up a considerable amount of time of the mechanical demonstrator, Mr. Swan. The clinical work of the hospital for the past year may be summarized as follows: Number of patients' attendances, 3,451; fresh patients, 490; total number of operations, 3,647; number of fillings, 927; number of crowns and bridges, 36; number of dentures, 105; deformities treated, 7; anæsthetic extraction cases, 204.

The staff remains as before. Three members of the honorary staff retired according to the regulations at the beginning of this year, but were all reappointed. The school is becoming known and recognized beyond the confines of New Zealand. Recently students from Sydney and Rarotonga have stated their intention of coming here to take a degree in dentistry, and towards the end of the year I received an invitation from America to give a short course of lectures in the University of California. During the year Mr. C. H. Seymour has presented a pressure casting-machine to the school, and numerous interesting pathological specimens have been presented by dentists from all over the Dominion. The honorary staff having returned their fees (derived from clinical dental surgery), it has been possible to equip the hospital with a very efficient x-ray apparatus, which is proving of considerable use for both diagnostic and teaching purposes.

THE SCHOOL OF HOME SCIENCE.

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