

*School of Art.*—Last year the Director reported a higher attendance than in previous years, and again this year he states that it is the highest in the history of the school. It is a pleasing feature that the school is thus growing and its educational value is so fully recognized, and that students are anxious to avail themselves of the instruction given. This points to the fact that the building itself must be enlarged. The Board of Governors have recognized this, and have had plans prepared for a considerable addition to the building. Though by careful management a certain amount has been able to be set aside for this purpose, there are not enough funds in hand to carry out the necessary work, and up to the present the Education Department has not been able to make a grant in aid. As soon as such help is forthcoming, however, the necessary additions will be put in hand. The work of the school has been very successful this year, for again in competition with the students of the schools of art in Great Britain one student was successful in obtaining a National bronze medal, another obtained a National book prize, while there were also several special mentions. In the local exhibition held by the Arts Society the majority of the diplomas were gained by students of the school. During the year a special course in architecture was introduced, with a definite syllabus laid down, the aim being that those who successfully completed the requisite course should obtain an associateship of the New Zealand Institute of Architects. Of course, a large number was not expected to undertake the course, but satisfactory work was done by those who were enrolled. In connection with this course a series of lectures on the history of architecture was delivered by Mr. Hurst Seager, which were attended not only by those who were actually taking the definite course, but by others who were specially interested in this portion of the work. The Council of the New Zealand Institute of Architects, who were in session in Christchurch, visited the school and expressed the opinion that it was *facile princeps*. The Director gave during the year a special series of lectures to the teachers in the city and suburban schools, and these were largely attended by head teachers, and also by assistants, who much appreciated them. Other special lectures on art were given to large audiences; such lectures arouse and keep up interest in art and in the school.

#### EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE PROFESSOR IN CHARGE, SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING.

A marked feature of the year was the large entry of matriculated students for the courses leading to the University degree in engineering, sixteen students commencing their preliminary year at the College.

An important recognition of the value of the training afforded by the school has been made by the Public Service Commissioner, who has gazetted regulations which allow of special leave being granted to engineers of the Public Works Department to attend a course of tuition of two years at the Canterbury College School of Engineering. Under these regulations the Department pays the College fees and cost of books, the actual leave being granted on half-pay with a maximum of £100, the engineer being required to work in the Department at his usual rate of pay during the vacations. On his return to full duties after the completion of his College course his classification may be reviewed by the Commissioner, who will make due allowance for his improved standing in the profession. Four engineers and one draughtsman attended under the above regulations during 1914. The engineers subsequently sat for the associate membership examination of the Institution of Civil Engineers, and were all successful in passing. Two associates of the School of Engineering also sat for and passed this examination, one obtaining top marks and a Bayliss Prize. These prizes are granted to the two candidates obtaining the highest marks in this examination, which is held throughout the Empire.

During the year 148 individual students attended lectures, and the hour attendances per week were 993, an increase of eighty on those of the previous year. Twenty-four matriculated students were studying for the University degree or the associateship of the School of Engineering, and in addition there were sixteen matriculated students taking their preliminary year in the College. There were also four engineers and one draughtsman from the Public Works Department taking a special two-years course. Twenty-seven lectures per week were delivered, and instruction was given for 122 hours per week in drawing, experimental and field work.

At the University examinations of 1913 two students passed the final examinations for the degree of B.E. (electrical); four students passed the Second Professional Examination; three students passed the First Professional Examination; whilst nine students passed the Engineering Entrance Examination. At the University examinations of 1914 two students passed the final examinations for the degree of B.E. in Civil Engineering, whilst one student passed the final examination for the degree of B.E. (mechanical); four students passed the Second Professional Examination; seven students passed the First Professional Examination; whilst eight students passed the Engineering Entrance Examination. At the Associateship Examination of 1914 the passes in subjects taught at the School of Engineering were as follows: In mechanical drawing, 1; applied mechanics, 4; steam-engine (elementary), 6; steam-engine (intermediate), 1; applied electricity, 2; electrical engineering (intermediate), 1; strength of materials (elementary), 6; strength of materials (intermediate), 7; strength of materials (advanced), 4; hydraulics, 4; surveying (elementary), 1; surveying (advanced), 1; principles of civil engineering, 1.

*Scholarships and Exhibitions.*—The University Engineering Travelling Scholarship was awarded to Mr. T. D. Smith. The First Year Engineering Exhibition was awarded to Mr. H. L. Hardy. The Second Year Engineering Exhibition was awarded to Mr. F. G. Payne, whilst a Special Third Year Engineering Exhibition was awarded to Mr. E. C. Gough.