

for extending the work or usefulness of such colleges or institutions"; but, being unfortunately not earmarked exclusively for library purposes, it was applied to other admissible objects which were regarded as more urgent.

We recommend that this grant should be placed in the hands of the University Council, to be spent at its discretion in the purchase of books of reference, in particular, the journals of scientific and learned societies, and that these should not be duplicated except where absolutely necessary, but assigned to the various centres as may seem to the Council most appropriate, viewing the studies carried on in the respective colleges; and, further, that a special catalogue should be compiled of these works of reference, and arrangements made by which works placed in one University college should be made accessible to members of the teaching staff or senior students connected with other centres. We recommend that a sum of £10,000, spread over a period of, say, five years, should be expended in this way, and that the annual grants should be sufficient to keep the college libraries up to date.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The following is a summary of our recommendations :—

I. CHANGES RECOMMENDED IN THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNIVERSITY.

(1.) The University should be reconstituted as a federal teaching university with constituent colleges enjoying a large measure of autonomy in regard to curriculum and examinations.

(2.) The governing body of the University should be the University Council, consisting of twenty-one members, and should be constituted as follows :—

- (a.) The Principal of the University.
- (b.) Six members appointed by the Governor-General in Council as being persons of business knowledge, administrative capacity, and interest in higher education ;
- (c.) Four persons appointed by the Councils of University colleges, one member by each Council ;
- (d.) Five members, not being professors or teachers in the University, elected by postal vote by members of Convocation ;
- (e.) Three members of the professorial staff nominated by the Academic Board ;
- (f.) The Director of Education *ex officio* ,
- (g.) One person co-opted by the Council above constituted.

(3.) The Council should elect one of its members to be Chancellor for such period as may be prescribed by the statutes.

(4.) A Principal of the University should be appointed by the Council, and should be the academic head of the University. The duty of the Principal should be "to keep himself informed of the proceedings of all departments of university work in the constituent colleges, to be a connecting-link between them, to promote their harmonious working, and secure their due co-ordination within the University scheme." The Principal should be a member of the Council, Chairman of the Academic Board, and a member of all Faculties of the University.

(5.) An Academic Board should be formed to advise the University Council on all academic matters, and should have such administrative duties in regard to academic matters as the Council may from time to time delegate to it.

(6.) The Academic Board should consist of twenty persons being professors of the University, to be appointed in the following manner :—

- (a.) Eight to be elected by the professors of the University ; and, when this is effected,
- (b.) Twelve to be elected by the members of the Professorial Boards of the constituent colleges, three being elected by the Professorial Board of each college.

(7.) The Council or governing body of each constituent college should be formed as prescribed by the University Acts. It is recommended that the Council shall include, among others :—

- (a.) Not more than two representatives of the teaching staff of the college ;
- (b.) One representative of the undergraduates of the college ; and