

5. UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO.

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Professors.—Biology—W. B. Benham, M.A., D.Sc., F.R.S. English—Herbert Ramsay, M.A. Physiology—J. Malcolm, M.D. Mining—James Park, M.Am.Inst.M.E., &c. Dentistry—H. P. Pickerill, M.D., M.D.S., &c. Chemistry—J. K. H. Inglis, M.A., D.Sc. Domestic Arts—Ann G. Strong, B.Sc. Physics—R. Jack, M.A., D.Sc. Mental and Moral Philosophy—F. W. Dunlop, M.A., Ph.D. Anatomy—W. P. Gowland, M.D., B.Sc. Pathology—A. M. Drennan, M.B., Ch.B. Classics—T. D. Adams, M.A. Modern Languages—G. E. Thompson, M.A. Mathematics—R. J. T. Bell, M.A., D.Sc., F.R.S.E. Geology and Mineralogy—W. N. Benson, D.Sc., F.G.S. Surgery—F. G. Bell, M.D., L.R.C.P., F.R.C.S. Systematic Medicine—D. W. C. Jones, M.A., M.D., F.R.C.P. Ophthalmology—Sir H. L. Ferguson, M.A., M.D., F.R.C.S.I. History—J. R. Elder, M.A., D.Litt. Clinical Medicine and Therapeutics—F. W. B. Fitchett, M.D., C.M. Bacteriology and Public Health—C. E. Hereus, M.D., D.P.H., D.S.O., O.B.E. Economics—A. G. B. Fisher, B.A., Ph.D. Education—R. Lawson, M.A., Litt.D.

Associate Professors.—Anatomy—J. Carney, M.D. Dentistry—J. R. Burt, L.D.S., R.C.S.; R. B. Dodds, D.D.S.; G. H. Parkinson, M.S., L.D.S.

Also lecturers, demonstrators, and assistants.

Registrar.—H. Chapman, Esq., B.A.

REPORT (ABRIDGED) OF THE CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

In accordance with the provisions of the University of Otago Ordinance, 1869, I have the honour to forward herewith a report of the proceedings of the University of Otago for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

Teaching Staff.—I regret to record the fact that during the year the professoriate lost through death two valued members: Daniel Black Waters, Professor of Metallurgy and Assaying, and Raynor Colin Bell, Professor of Clinical Dentistry. A further loss to the teaching staff was caused by the resignation of Mr. Hinton, Beverly Lecturer in Physics, whom the Council was glad to congratulate on his appointment as Professor of Physics at Colombo.

To fill the vacancies thus created, and also to provide for the growth of the University, a number of new appointments have been necessary. In the Dental School Dr. R. B. Dodds has been appointed Associate Professor of Dentistry, whilst Messrs. J. R. Burt, L.D.S., and G. H. Parkinson, M.S., L.D.S., formerly part-time lecturers, have also been appointed full-time Associate Professors. The vacancy in the Mining School has been filled by the appointment of Mr. Herbert Black as Lecturer in Metallurgy and Assaying. Mr. Black is a graduate of the Otago School of mines, and previous to his appointment here held the position of Director of the School of Mines at Zeehan. In the Law School Mr. C. J. L. White has been appointed Lecturer in Evidence, in place of Mr. H. S. Adams (resigned); Mr. P. S. Anderson Lecturer in Property I, in place of Mr. F. B. Adams (resigned); and two additional lecturers have been appointed—viz., Mr. R. L. Fairmaid, Lecturer in Conveyancing, and Mr. A. N. Haggitt, Lecturer in Roman Law. To replace Mr. Hinton the Council has appointed to the Physics Lectureship a distinguished graduate of Melbourne, Dr. C. M. Focken; and to the Lectureship in Geology, Mr. F. J. Turner, M.Sc., F.G.S., of the Auckland University College. A further appointment which should be noted is that of Miss G. L. O. Jeffreys, B.A., as librarian, in place of Miss F. C. Mowat, who resigned.

New Buildings.—I have pleasure in recording the fact that during the past year the new Dental School was completed, and that it was formally opened by the Hon. the Minister of Education on the 11th June. The new building is well planned, and is proving of enormous advantage in the working of the Dental Department of the University. The new Medical buildings are also well in hand, and will be opened early in 1927.

Benefactions.—I have pleasure in recording the fact that during the year the Council received several generous benefactions, of which the following are the most important: Mrs. M. J. and Miss Massey, £1,000 (cancer research); T. K. Sidey, Esq., £1,000 (dental School); Dunedin Savings-bank, £1,000 (Museum extension); anonymous, £1,000 (Lectureship in Physics); Home Science Alumnae Association, £1,120 3s. 5d. (extension hostel accommodation); Dunedin City Council, £450 (Museum); Mrs. J. Dunbar (bequest), £945 15s. 7d. (medical research). To these benefactors the Council expresses its warmest thanks.

Finance.—I regret to point out that in order to provide for the essential needs of the University the Council has been faced with very largely increased expenditure. The Council sincerely trusts that the Government will very shortly see that the University finances are put on a satisfactory basis.