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EXTRACT FROM THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

IT is my privilege to place before you the fifty-fifth report of the Chairman of the Board.

I stated last year that a large portion of the income of the various institutions controlled by the Board was derived from rents of rural lands, and the Board has been compelled to grant reductions to many of the Board's tenants to enable them to carry on their farms. I hope, however, that the advancing prices of primary products will bring a return of prosperity to our tenants and that the Board will not be asked for further reductions in rent.

All the retiring members of the Board were re-elected in June. Amendments made last session to the Canterbury College and Canterbury Agricultural College Act, 1896, gave to the Board the appointment of two representatives upon the Board of Lincoln Agricultural College. Dr. Denham and Mr. Banks were appointed by the Board to fill the positions. I feel confident that the scientific knowledge of Dr. Denham and the agricultural knowledge of Mr. Banks will be of great value to Lincoln College.

The College was honoured during the year by a visit from H.R.H. the Duke of York, who was most enthusiastically received by the Governors, staff, and students of the College.

Professor Grant, of Leeds University, who exchanged chairs with Dr. Hight, completed his year of lecturing at the College.

Dr. Chilton retired from the Rectorship at the end of the year, and the Board appointed Dr. Hight to the position. Dr. Chilton also resigned from the Chair of Biology, and was granted leave for the 1928 session, his resignation taking effect at 31st January, 1929. I feel sure that the Board will join with me in wishing Dr. Chilton many years of well-earned rest. He carried out his work with credit and distinction to himself and to the satisfaction of the Board and the community.

Professor L. G. Pocock was appointed to the Chair of Classics, and during the year Dr. Broadhead carried on the work of that department.

Professor Wall was granted leave of absence for 1928, after many years of service with the

Mr. G. Lawn was appointed Lecturer in Economics, and took up his duties at 1st March.

There does not appear to be any great prospect of University extension in Christchurch for a few years, and I would again, therefore, stress the necessity of the acquisition of playing-fields for the University at the earliest possible date, and the erection of a Students' Union building. At present our university life is deficient in these two respects, and we should endeavour, therefore, to make good the deficiency as soon as possible.

Under recent legislation it is now necessary for the accounts of the Board to be set out not only showing the receipts and payments for the year, but also the income and expenditure, and the assets and liabilities.