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Lecturers. six. Lecturers, six.

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

I have pleasure in presenting the fifty-ninth report (as at 31st December, 1931) of the Chairman of the Board.

I regret to report that the low prices for our primary products, to which I referred in last year's report, have continued during the year, accentuating the difficulties under which our tenants are working and causing the Board some anxiety over the financial position of the College and its allied institutions.

The Board has during the year received many applications for relief from its tenants and has continued the policy laid down of sympathetically investigating each application and, where necessary. giving reasonable concessions and assistance. The outlook continues to give grave cause for anxiety and the financial outlook is one that will require serious and careful consideration by the Board month by month.

1 am glad, however, to again report that the work of the College and other institutions has been carried on with the enthusiasm and success of past years. The staff must be gratified at the results. which are satisfactory to the Board.

After calling for applications in Great Britain, Australia, and New Zealand, Professor F. Sinclaire, M.A., of the University of Western Australia, was appointed to succeed Professor Wall

in the Chair of English Language and Literature, and will take up his duties in the first term of 1932.

The College was visited towards the end of the year by Dr. Coffman, President of the University of Minnesota, accompanied by Mrs. Coffman. Dr. Coffman came as the representative of the Carnegie Corporation to make inquiries into the conditions of higher education in this Dominion and Australia. His visit was greatly appreciated by the College and its various institutions.

Benefactions.—During 1931 the following gifts were received: £100 from the Canterbury Chamber of Commerce, and books or equipment from the following: The Carnegie Corporation, New York; the Gifford Trust; estate late Mr. T. Cane; Mrs. J. H. Alabaster; Rev. H. Northcote; Mr. J. H. E. Schroder; Misses Neave; Mrs. E. Rose Sawtell; John Chambers and Sons, Ltd.; Sir Arthur Dudley Dobson; Blackwells Motors, Ltd.; Dr. R. S. Allan; Mrs. Hastings Bridge; Messrs. George Kent, of London; Messrs. Grenfield and Kennedy, of England.

Advice has been received that work on the War Memorial Window is progressing and that Mr. Martin Travers hopes to have it completed about the end of 1932. In terms of our arrangement the Board has already remitted £1,250 as progress payments, leaving a balance of £1,519 in hand.

Finance.

Last year a number of satisfactory financial arrangements were made which swelled the figures both of receipts and payments. Those given this year are for the ordinary working of the various accounts.

Owing to the financial position caused by the severest economic depression in the history of the country, the Government has been compelled to reduce, and in some cases withdraw, grants made in previous years. This has materially affected the finances of the College, and compelled the Board to exercise the strictest economy in all departments.

Recognizing the difficulties of the position, the members of the staff have willingly accepted the reductions and assisted the Board in its various economies. For this loyal help I should like to record my thanks and the thanks of the Board.

The gross receipts from all sources were £93,563, including £1,496 from Government grants for expenditure on new buildings and furniture. The total payments were £94,492, including capital items for erection of new buildings £2,846.