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REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF THE UNIVERSITY
OF TASMANIA,

UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF "THE TASMANIAN COUNCIL
OF EDUCATION AND SCHOLARSHIP ACT."

Presented to both Houses of Parliament by His Excellency's Command.



REPORT of the COUNCIL OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA, under the provisions of "The Tasmanian Council of Education and Scholarship Act."

*To His Excellency SIR ROBERT GEORGE CROOKSHANK HAMILTON, Knight
Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor and
Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Tasmania and its
Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

1. In conformity with the provisions of "The Tasmanian Council of Education and Scholarship Act," we have the honor to submit the Twenty-ninth Report of the proceedings of the Council of Education, from 1st May to 31st December, 1889. 22 Vict.
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tion 30.

2. The Honorable Sir Lambert Dobson was re-elected President. President.

3. The Annual Examination of Candidates for the Council of Education Exhibitions was held in the month of June, 1889. Twenty-four candidates, of whom nine were girls, presented themselves for examination; and, on the recommendation of the Examiners, Exhibitions of the value of £20 each for four years were awarded to the under-mentioned candidates:—Maude Ethel Leggett, Miss Hogg's School, Launceston; Henry Sherwin Hurst, Mr. A. A. Stephens' School, New Town; Mary F. Xavier M'Mahon, Presentation Convent, Launceston; Tasman John George Wilson, High School, Launceston; Alfred Bertram Soltan, High School, Launceston. Council of
Education
Exhibitions,
Gazette
Notice, 18
June, 1889.

The Examiners, in closing their Report, observe:—

The results of the Examination are, as shown in the annexed Table of Marks, certainly satisfactory, and compare favourably with the results of 1886 and 1887, although they suffer in comparison with those of last year. Besides the successful candidates, three others have well deserved success, and, in all, 12 candidates have gained over half-marks. The work of the successful candidates this year is of a higher order than that of last year's Exhibitioners, but after them the intervals separating successive candidates are wider.

We desire to call especial attention to the fact that this is the first year in which a girl has stood at the head of the list, and also the first occasion on which two girls have gained Exhibitions. Maude Leggett and Mary M'Mahon are to be congratulated for the excellent work they have done.

4. The Thirtieth examination for the Degree of Associate of Arts was held in June, 1889, Professor Irving, M.A., being Examiner in English, Latin, Greek, and French; Rev. T. J. Smith, M.A., Examiner in Mathematics, Natural Philosophy, History and Geography, Chemistry, and Geology; the Rev. T. Kelsh, Examiner in Italian; the Rev. R. D. Poulett-Harris, M.A., Examiner in German; George Fagg, Esq., M.S.A., Examiner in Drawing; and J. Summers, Esq., Mus. Bac. Oxon., Examiner in Music. Twenty-five candidates presented themselves, two of whom were above the prescribed age; of the remaining twenty-three, ten were females. Twenty succeeded in obtaining the Degree—nine being placed in the First Class, six in the Second Class, and five in the Third Class. Degree of
Associate of
Arts, Gazette
Notice, 18
June, 1889.

Lyndhurst Falkiner Giblin, as Senior Associate of the year, obtained the Council's Gold Medal; he also gained First Prizes for English and Mathematics, Second Prizes for Latin and for Greek, and Prizes for Natural Philosophy, Chemistry, and for Drawing.

Mary Hogg, as Senior Female Associate of the year, obtained the Council's Silver Medal; she also gained First Prizes for French and German, and Prizes for Geology and Music.

Prizes were also awarded to the under-mentioned Associates who were placed in the First Class, as follows:—Francis Vincent Sullivan, Second Prize for Mathematics. Norman Lavers, First Prizes for Latin and Greek, and Second Prize for French. Wilfred Hodgman, Second Prize for English, and Guy Worthington Halcomb, Second Prize for German.

The Examiners in closing their Report, observe :—

The Examiners are of opinion that the standard of proficiency, especially in Modern Languages, is steadily rising. Three years ago, when the Examiners who now report to you last conducted the bulk of this examination, out of twelve candidates ten passed—almost the same proportion ; but the ten who passed were thus distributed : 4 First, 1 Second, and 5 Third Classes. This year we have, out of our eighteen who passed, 8 Firsts, 6 Seconds, and only 4 Thirds—a very marked improvement in the average work ; while as regards the best candidate, the average of the eight in the First Class this year shows 3017 as against 2767, the average of the four in 1886. The number entered and the number obtaining the Degree have only once been exceeded, in 1879, when, out of twenty-five candidates, twenty-two passed ; and the marks obtained by the Senior Associate have been only once exceeded since 1872, namely, in 1880, when there were 4069 as against 3730 this year ; but it is fair to note that Allport, the senior in 1880, had nine subjects against Giblin's eight. The Examiners therefore feel that of the examination as a whole they are bound to report very favourably to the Council of Education.

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Scholarships,
Gazette
Notice, 18
June, 1889.

5. The examination for the Tasmanian Scholarships was held in June, 1889, and was conducted by Professor Irving, M.A., and the Rev. T. J. Smith, M.A. Five candidates presented themselves, all of whom qualified in Classics, and four in Mathematics ; three obtained in all sufficient marks, to qualify for a Scholarship. The first and second places respectively fell to Ernest William John Ireland, A.A., 1886, and Charles Alfred Hogg, A.A., 1887. A scholarship, tenable for four years from 1st October, 1890, was awarded to each.

Progress of
Tasmanian
Scholars.

6. From official sources it is gathered that Mr. R. S. Stephenson passed in March, 1889, the second of the three professional Examinations required for the M.B., C.M., which includes the subjects of Anatomy, Physiology, Pathology, and Materia Medica. In the class examinations for those subjects he took honors ; in the summer class examinations he obtained the second position in the First Class Honors Division of the Class of Medicine, and First Class Honours in the Class of Gynecology. Mr. F. G. Thorne, in the Easter vacation, obtained Second Class Honours in the School of Latin and Greek in Moderations or the First Public Examination. He has since passed the Divinity Moderations Examination. Mr. Dunbabin distinguished himself in the College Scholarship examinations held in March, 1889, and the college presented him with a prize of books in recognition of the excellence of his work.

Minor
Scholarships.

7. The two Minor Scholarships at the disposal of the Council of Education in the year 1889 have been awarded to Lyndhurst Falkiner Giblin and Francis Vincent Sullivan, in the list of Associates of the year, they having intimated their intention to study and compete for the Tasmanian Scholarships. These Scholarships are each of the value of £40 per annum, and are tenable for two years from 1st July, 1889.

Dry Scholar-
ship.

8. The Dry Scholarship was awarded to Lyndhurst Falkiner Giblin, senior Associate of the year, he having announced his intention of studying for the Tasmanian Scholarship examination.

Local Exami-
nation for
Matriculation,
Melbourne
University.

9. Since the publication of the last Report two examinations for Matriculation at the Melbourne University were held in Hobart under our supervision : one in May, 1889, at which two candidates presented themselves, but neither were successful. The other in November, at which two candidates presented themselves ; one, Andrew Weeding, succeeded in passing, obtaining Third Class Honours in English and History.

The University
of Tasmania.

10. In December last the Legislature passed an Act establishing a University in Tasmania. By this Act, which came into force on the 1st January, 1890, all the powers of the Council of Education were, from that date, transferred to the new University, and the Council itself ceased to exist, being merged in the Council of the University.

Expenditure.

11. Annexed is a Statement of the Disbursements of the Council of Education between the 1st January and 31st December, 1889, the termination of the financial year. The total expenditure under every head for that period is shown to have amounted to £2615 18s. 6d.

W. L. DOBSON, *Chancellor.*

Hobart, 18th June, 1890.

TASMANIAN COUNCIL OF EDUCATION.

ABSTRACT of EXPENDITURE for the Year 1889.

ADMINISTRATION.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Secretary's Salary .....	...			100	0	0			
Books, Stationery, Printing, and Advertising .....	...			30	6	10			
							130	6	10
DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS AND TASMANIAN SCHOLARSHIPS.									
Examiners' Fees	160	0	0						
Medals	11	0	0						
Prize Books	57	10	0						
						228	10	0	
TASMANIAN SCHOLARSHIPS.									
Mr. P. C. Hales, 5 months	83	6	8						
Mr. J. H. Smith, 5 ditto	83	6	8						
Mr. R. S. Stephenson, 12 months	200	0	0						
Mr. E. A. Lamprill, 12 ditto	200	0	0						
Mr. W. L. Giblin, 12 ditto	200	0	0						
Mr. F. G. Thorne, 12 ditto	200	0	0						
Mr. J. T. Wilson, 12 ditto	200	0	0						
Mr. R. L. Dumbabin, 12 ditto	200	0	0						
Mr. G. H. Hogg, 12 ditto	200	0	0						
Mr. E. W. J. Ireland, 3 ditto	50	0	0						
Mr. C. A. Hogg, 3 ditto	50	0	0						
						1666	13	4	
							1895	3	4
MINOR SCHOLARSHIPS.									
Four for whole year .....	...			...			160	0	0
COUNCIL OF EDUCATION EXHIBITIONS.									
Exhibitions .....	...			350	0	0			
Examiners' Fees .....	...			20	0	0			
							370	0	0
CONTINGENCIES.									
Incidental Expenses .....	...			...			24	7	7
							2579	17	9
SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.									
Printing Examination Papers A.A. Degree and Tasmanian Scholarships .....	...			31	0	9			
Messenger, 1st July to 31st December .....	...			5	0	0			
							36	0	9
TOTAL .....	...			...			£2615	18	6

GEO. RICHARDSON, *Secretary of
Council of Education.*

Examined and certified to be correct.

W. LOVETT, *Auditor-General.*
3rd May, 1890.

LIST OF TASMANIAN SCHOLARS FOR THE YEAR 1889.

No	Date of Election.	Name.	Age, 1 June, 1889.	No. of Marks.	School.	University chosen.	Scholarship tenable.	
	1889.		yrs. ms.				From	To
42	14 June	Ernest William John Ireland	19 11	3317	Christ's College, Hobart	Edinburgh	1 Oct. 1889	30 Sept. 1893
43	14 June	Charles Alfred Hogg	19 1	3135	Church Grammar, Launceston	Edinburgh	1 Oct. 1889	30 Sept. 1893

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE LIST FOR THE YEAR 1889.

First Class.

No.	Name.	Age on 1 June, 1889.	No. of Marks.	School.	Remarks.
		yrs. ms.			
1	Giblin, L. F.....	16 6	3730	Hutchins'	Awarded Council's Gold Medal, a Minor Scholarship, and the Dry Scholarship. Awarded Council's Silver Medal.
2	Hogg, Mary.....	17 2	3392	Miss Hogg's	
3	Sullivan, F. V.....	17 7	2983	Church Grammar, Launceston	
4	Lavers, Norman	16 5	2980	Horton College, Ross	
5	Hodgman, Wilfred...	17 8	2967	Christ's College	
6	Wilson, Eliza Ellen	Over 19.	2860	Miss Hogg's, Launceston	
7	Bradley, Alexander...	16 8	2742	Hutchins'	
8	Hurst, Edith R.	17 7	2689	Ladies' College, Hobart	
9	Halcomb, G. W.	18 10	2649	Officer College, Hobart	

Second Class.

10	Scott, M. C.	17 3	2262	Hutchins'	
11	Walch, H. M. C.	17 8	2164	Hutchins'	
12	Smith, P. D.....	18 1	2145	Church Grammar, Launceston	
13	Douglas, A. J.	17 3	2100	Church Grammar, Launceston	
14	Cruikshank, A. B....	17 11	2063	Private	
15	Ayton, Beatrice I. ...	17 1	1979	Ladies' College, Hobart	

Third Class.

16	Fox, C. J.	17 3	1734	Private study	
17	Hurst, Robert Covell	Over 19.	1731	Private study	
18	Perkins, Augusta.....	18 1	1640	Ladies' College	
19	Roberts, Florence I....	18 9	1430	Private study	
20	Heathorn, Minnie.....	18 5	1356	Miss Oldham's	

LIST OF COUNCIL'S EXHIBITIONERS FOR THE YEAR 1889.

No.	Name.	Date of Birth.	No. of Marks.	School sent up from.	Remarks.
1	Maud Ethel Leggett.....	5 Mar. 1876	988	Miss Hogg's, Launceston	State School Exhibitioner, 1887.
2	Henry Sherwin Hurst....	1 Mar. 1876	966	Mr. Stephens, New Town	State School Exhibitioner, 1887.
3	Mary F. X. M'Mahon.....	7 Mar. 1877	933	Presentation Convent, Launceston	
4	Tasman J. G. Wilson.....	24 Jan. 1876	871	High School, Launceston	
5	Alfd. Bertram Soltan.....	21 Mar. 1876	844	High School, Launceston	

NUMBER OF STUDENTS AWARDED THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS-FROM THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COUNCIL IN 1859 TO 1889, INCLUSIVE.

	First Class.	Second Class.	Third Class.	TOTAL.
Males.....	148	74	58	280
Females.....	22	14	29	65
TOTAL.....	170	88	87	345

* Female Students were not admitted to the Degree till the year 1872.

GEO. RICHARDSON, *Secretary.*