

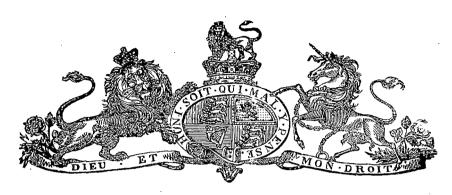
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PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA.

COUNCIL OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA:

REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1890.

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



REPORT of the Council of the University of Tasmania for the Year ended 31st December, 1890.

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. The Council of the University of Tasmania, in conformity with the provisions of "The Tasmanian University Act," has the honor to submit the Report of the 53 Vict. No. 41. Proceedings of the University for the year 1890.
- 2. The Act came into force on the 1st day of January, 1890, and by its provisions Council of the the University was established. The Council of the University consisted of the Council University. of Education, together with Messrs. George Parker Fitzgerald, George Thomas Collins, and William Fowlie Ward, who were appointed by the Governor in Council under the provisions of the second Section of the Act.

3. At the first meeting of the Council, held on the 19th February, the Regulations Regulations. of the Council of Education were adopted as temporary Regulations of the Council of the University.

4. At the same meeting the Council appointed a Committee of seven Members to draft such Statutes and Regulations as were immediately necessary for the purposes of the University, and at a meeting held on the 28th April the Council finally adopted the Statutes, Chapters I. to IX. inclusive, which were subsequently allowed and countersigned by the Governor in Council.

Gazette, 6th May, 1890.

5. The Standing Orders of the Senate were made by the Council on the 9th day of July, and allowed and countersigned by the Governor in Council.

Gazette, 22nd July,

6. At a meeting of the Council held on the 23rd May, the Honorable Sir William Chancellor. Lambert Dobson, Chief Justice, was elected Chancellor, in accordance with the terms of Chapter I. of the Statutes, and the Reverend George Clarke was elected Vice-Chancellor. Vice-Chancellor.

7. At the same meeting the following gentlemen were elected a Board of Degrees Board of Degree and Qualifications:-

and Qualifications.

Rev. Canon Archer (President). Hon. B. S. Bird (Minister of Education). Dr. E. O. Giblin. Mr. T. Stephens. Mr. J. B. Walker. The Vice-Chancellor (ex officio).

Registrar.

8. Mr. Geo. Richardson, Secretary to the late Council of Education, was appointed Registrar.

Exhibitions Examination: Gazette Notice, 8th July, 1890.

9. The Annual Examination for five Exhibitions, each of the value of £20 per annum, for four years, took place in the month of June. Nineteen Candidates, of whom seven were girls, presented themselves. One Candidate failed in the preliminary examination. The Examiners were the Rev. R. D. Poulett-Harris, M.A., and Mr. G. W. Waterhouse, B.A. The Council conferred on each of the under-mentioned an Exhibition tenable from the 1st July, 1890:—Ernest William Turner, Officer College; Eliza O'Brien, Presentation Convent, Launceston; Harold Sprent Nicholas, Hutchins' School; Alfred Joseph Kemp, High School, Launceston; and Catherine Carmel M'Mahon, Presentation Convent, Launceston.

The Examiners, in closing their Report, observe :-

Taking the general results, the chief thing noticeable is the large proportion of Candidates who have attained the number of marks which qualifies for an Exhibition. Out of 18 Candidates 16 have reached that qualification. Another noticeable fact is the excellence of the work done by many of the female Candidates. Of five Exhibitioners two are girls, while several of the unsuccessful female Candidates did excellent work. Turner, who heads the list, is a youth of exceptional promise.

Degree of Associate of Arts: Gazette Notice, 8th July, 1890.

10. The thirty-first Examination for the Degree of Associate of Arts was held in June last. Professor Irving, M.A., was Examiner in English, Latin, Greek, and French; the Rev. T. J. Smith, M.A., Examiner in Mathematics, Natural Philosophy, Chemistry, Geology, Botany, and Zoology, and History and Geography; the Rev. R. D. Poulett-Harris, M.A., Examiner in German; the Rev. T. Kelsh Examiner in Italian; Mr. George Fagg, M.S.A., Examiner in Drawing; and Mr. J. Summers, Mus. Doc. Oxon., Examiner in Music. Thirteen Candidates presented themselves, one of whom was above the prescribed age; she obtained the Degree, and was placed in the Third Class; of the remaining twelve four were girls. Two of these and two of the male Candidates failed. Eight obtained the Degree; viz.—

FIRST CLASS.
Douglas Oakley White.
Wilfrid Wanostrocht Giblin.
John Henry Keating.
Samuel Picken.
Annie Georgina Hinds.
Delesford Harold Charles Delmer.

SECOND CLASS. Alfred Leslie Hawthorn.

THIRD CLASS. Caroline Mary Pitt.

Candidate over 19 years of age.
THIRD CLASS.
Beatrice Helen Barnard.

Douglas O. White, as Senior Associate of the year, obtained the Council's Gold Medal; he also gained First Prizes in Latiu, in Greek, and in French, Second Prize in Mathematics (divided), and Prize in Music.

Annie G. Hinds, as Senior Female Associate of the year, obtained the Council's Silver Medal; she also gained First Prizes for German and Italian, and the Second Prize for French.

Prizes were also given to the other Associates, the details of which will be found in the Appendix.

The Examiners, in closing their Report, observe:—

Four years ago, when the same Examiners as this year conducted the Examination, out of 12 Candidates, 10 passed—four firsts, one second, and five thirds. Last year, out of 23, 18 passed—eight firsts, six seconds, and four thirds. This year, out of 12 Candidates, 8 have passed—six firsts, one second, and one third. It is fair to note that but for the illness of one Candidate during the Examination the number of passes would probably have been 9.

But though the proportion of those passing this year to the total number of Candidates is slightly lower than in 1886 and 1889, those who have passed have attained a much higher standard; 6 of the 8 attaining a first class, as against 4 out of 10 in 1886, and 8 out of 18 in

1889.

The average of those placed in the first class was, in 1886, 2767; and in 1889, 3017; this year it is 3069, and White, the Senior Associate of the year, has compiled a total of 3853

marks, which has only once been beaten-by Allport, the senior in 1880-and he had nine subjects against White's eight.

The Examiners are of opinion that these results are very creditable both to the Candidates

and to their teachers.

11. Two Senior Exhibitions, each of the value of £50 per annum for three years, were senior Exhibitions offered by the Council in June last for award to the two senior Associates of Arts under 19 years of age who stood highest in the class list for 1890 and declared their intention of matriculating and proceeding to a Degree in the University. Neither of these Exhibitions was taken up.

£50: Gazette, 8th July, 1890.

12. The Examination for the Tasmanian Scholarships was held in June, 1890, and was Tasmanian Scholarconducted by Professor Irving, M.A., and Rev. T. J. Smith, M.A. Four Candidates ships: Gazette presented themselves: three obtained in all the work sufficient morks to qualify for a presented themselves; three obtained in all the work sufficient marks to qualify for a Scholarship. The first and second places respectively fell to James Bellord Waldron, A.A., 1888, and Lyndhurst Falkiner Giblin, A.A., 1889. A Scholarship of the value of £200 per annum, tenable for four years from the 1st October, 1890, was awarded to each.

13. On the 10th July the Council, in accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of Constitution of the Tasmanian University Act, reported to the Governor that the number of enrolled Notice, 22nd July, Members of the Senate and Members of the Council together amounted to more than 1890. fifty, whereupon the Governor caused such Report to be published in the Gazette, and, under the provisions of the Act, the Senate then became duly constituted.

The Senate met on the following dates:—6th August, 20th August, and 1st Meetings of Senate. September; and at its first meeting the Rev R. D. Poulett-Harris was elected Election of Warden. Warden.

14. The Houses of Parliament, on the 4th September, elected the under-mentioned Election of Council. gentlemen under the Regulations made by the Governor in Council, in accordance with the provision of the 2nd Section of the Tasmanian University Act, as Members of the Council of the University:

Hon. James Wilson Agnew, M.D.

Hon. Nicholas John Brown.

Rev. George Clarke.

Hon. John Stokell Dodds, Puisne Judge.

Hon. George Parker Fitzgerald.

Rev. Thomas Kelsh. Mr. John M'Intyre.

Rev. James Scott.

15. The Election of Members by the Senate took place on the 10th September, with the following result:

Edward Lodewyk Crowther, M.D.

Hon. Alfred Dobson.

Edward-Owen Giblin, M.D.

Mr. Neil Elliott Lewis, M.A., B.C.L.
The Right Rev. Henry Hutchinson Montgomery, D.D.
Mr. Thomas Stephens, M.A.
Mr. William Tarleton.

Mr. James Backhouse Walker.

Mr. William Fowlie Ward.

The Hon. Bolton Stafford Bird is a Member of the Council by virtue of his office as Minister of Education.

16. At the meeting of the Council held on the 24th September, the Honorable Sir Election of William Lambert Dobson, Chief Justice, was elected Chancellor of the University, to Chancellor hold office for three years from that date. At the same meeting the Rev. George Clarke Election of was elected Vice-Chancellor.

Election of Vice-

17. The following Members of the Council were elected at the same meeting a Election of Board of Board of Degrees and Qualifications:-

Degrees and Qualifications.

Thomas Stephens, M.A. (President). Edward Owen Giblin, M.D.
Neil Elliott Lewis, M.A., B.C.L.
James Backhouse Walker.
William Fowlie Ward. The Vice-Chancellor, ex officio.

Leake Bequest.

18. During the month of October a Committee was appointed to consider and report to the Council upon the best means of securing, for the benefit of the University, the bequests made by the late Mr. Arthur Leake. The Report of the Committee is appended.

Tasmanian Scholarships. 19. In the month of July the Council passed the following Resolution:—

That, as Parliament voted a sum of money for Minor Scholarships for two years from the 1st of July, 1889, on condition that the holders thereof should study for the Tasmanian Scholarships; and as the holder of one such Minor Scholarship (as well as other Associates of like standing) has been pursuing his studies in the faith that it would be open to him to compete for a Tasmanian Scholarship next year; and as, on the other hand, the Legislature has enacted that the Tasmanian Scholarships should cease in the year 1890, it is the opinion of this Council that, in order to meet an equitable claim not anticipated by Parliament, there should be an Examination for the year 1891 on the same conditions as that of the past Tasmanian Scholarships, and that a grant equivalent to that for the Tasmanian Scholarships might be made by the Council out of the funds placed at its disposal.

That the Minister of Education be requested to bring this Resolution under the notice of Parliament as soon as may be, with the view of taking the necessary steps to give effect

thereto.

This Resolution was subsequently adopted by the Senate.

University Amendment Act. 54 Vict. No. 25. An Act was introduced by the Minister of Education, and passed by Parliament, giving effect to the recommendation of the University, and continuing the Tasmanian Scholarships for the year 1891.

The Amending Act also repealed Sect. 2 of "The Tasmanian University Act," and substituted the following:—

3 Section Two of the said Act is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following shall hereafter be and be deemed to be and may be cited as Section Two of the said Act; that is to say—

"The Council shall consist of Eighteen Members, Nine of whom shall be elected by the Senate, and Eight of whom shall be elected by the Members of both Houses of Parliament, in such manner as may be provided by Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council; and the Minister of Education shall, ex afficio, be a Member of the Council."

Order of retirement of Members.

20. At a meeting of the Council held on the 15th December last, the following order of retirement of Members was determined:—

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Of Members elected by Parliament:-

    Rev. Jas. Scott,
    Mr. Justice Dodds.

                                               31 Dec., 1891.
3. Rev. T. Kelsh,
4. Hon. J. W. Agnew,
5. Mr. John M'Intyre,
6. Rev. George Clarke,
7. Hon. N. J. Brown,
8. Hon. G. P. Fitzgerald,
                                              31 Dec., 1892.
        Of Members elected by the Senate:
1. Dr. E. L. Crowther,

    Mr. W. F. Ward,
    Mr. N. E. Lewis,

                                              31 Dec., 1891.
4. Hon. A. Dobson,
5. Mr. T. Stephens,6. Mr. J. B. Walker,
                                              31 Dec., 1892.
7. Dr. E. O. Giblin,
                                              31 Dec., 1893.
8. Mr. W. Tarleton,
9. Right Rev. Bishop Montgomery,
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Ad eundem Degrees.

21. The following Graduates of other Universities were admitted during the year ad eundem gradum, in accordance with the provisions of the 10th Section of "The Tasmanian University Act":—

Masters of Arts.

25th June.
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Henry Hutchinson Montgomery, Cambridge.
Martin Howy Irving, Oxford and Melbourne.
Thomas Jollie Smith, Melbourne.
Charles Leslie Dundas, Oxford.
Henry Charles Kingsmill, Cambridge.
George Arthur Waller, Dublin.
Joseph Black, Aberdeen.

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James de Quetteville Robin, Melbourne.	25th June.
Joseph Masters, Melbourne.	11
John Mackintosh, Aberdeen.	"
Charles John Heineken Chepmell, Oxford and New Zealand.	,,
Thomas Stephens, Oxford.	,,
Charles Albert Bennett, Dublin.	,,
Richard Deodatus Poulett-Harris, Cambridge.	"
Neil Elliott Lewis, Oxford.	"
Arthur William Gosnell, Cambridge. Tetley Gant, Oxford.	"
Joseph Boss Williams Woollnough, Oxford.	ond Into
John Oberlin-Harris, London.	2nd July. 14th July.
Alexander Montgomery, New Zealand.	
$Bachelors\ of\ Arts.$	=
Henry Dresser Atkinson, Dublin.	25th June.
Richard Dixon, Cambridge.	,,
George Archibald MacMillan, Cambridge.	,,
William Harvey Buckland, Oxford.	,,
George Eddington Clark, London.	14th July.
John Vansittart Buckland, Melbourne.	"
Francis Joseph Young, Cambridge.	"
Doctors of Medicine.	
Edward Lodewyk Crowther, Aberdeen.	25th June.
Charles Edward Barnard, Aberdeen.	
Edward Owen Giblin, Aberdeen.	,,
John Coverdale, Glasgow.	" 14th July.
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Bachelors of Medicine.	
Harry Benjafield, Edinburgh.	25th June.
Walter Anstice Harvey, London.	,,
William Holdsworth Macfarlane, Melbourne.	"
Thomas Gray, Edinburgh.	"
Matthew Wilkins Gutteridge, Edinburgh. Walter Henry Tofft, Edinburgh.	"
John Edgar Wolfhagen, Edinburgh.	"
George Henry Gibson, Edinburgh.	6th September.
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First Class Associates of Arts, Tasmania.	
Josiah Charles Eagle Knight.	25th June.
William Percy Hood.	. 25
Ernest Henry Waldemar Wolfhagen.	"
William Crosby Walch.	"
Francis Rowland Maule Hudspeth. Richard Fitzarthur Waller.	,,
Arthur Augustus Stephens.))))
Evans John Taylor.	"
Robert Leslie Gatenby.	,,
	2nd July.
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Edward Henry Butler.	"
	14th July.
Charles William Butler.	. "
Henry Arundel Downing.	"
Associate Royal School of Mines, London.	÷
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	14th July.

22. The following Members were appointed a Finance Committee to arrange for Finance Committee. the investment of funds, to examine and pass accounts, and generally to supervise and report upon the finances of the University:—The Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Crowther, Mr. N. E. Lewis, and Mr. W. Tarleton.

Statutes of the University, Chapters I. to IX. inclusive. Standing Orders of the Senate.

Gazette, May 6, 1890. Gazette, July 22, 1890.

Gazette, July 22,

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Gazette, 1890.

Statute of Matriculation and Degrees. Statute of Public Examinations.

Regulations Senior Public Examination. Regulations Junior Public Examination. Regulations Exhibitions (£20) for 1891.

Schemes of Examination.

Gazette, 5th August, 1890.

Gazette, 14th October, 1890. 24. The Schemes of the following Examinations were made during the year:—Senior Public Examination: Schedule of Subjects for 1891.

Junior Public Examination, 1891.

Tasmanian Scholarships, 1891: Books prescribed.

Degree of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science. 25. Regulations for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science are under consideration.

Calendar.

26. The Council has made arrangements for the printing of the Calendar, which will shortly be published.

Local Examinations for Matriculation, Melbourne University. 27. During the year two local examinations for matriculation at the Melbourne-University were held under the supervision of the Registrar. One in May, at which two candidates presented themselves; the other in November, at which one candidate came forward.

Accounts.

28. A statement of Receipts and Expenditure during the year, duly certified to by the Auditor-General, will be found appended to this Report.

Attendance of Members. 29. The attendance of Members of the Council is shown in a Return attached to this Report.

W. L. DOBSON, Chancellor.

Hobart, 16th February, 1891.

THE UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA.

COUNCIL elected by Parliament and by Senate under 2nd Section of "Tasmanian University Act," 53 Vict. No. 41.

ROSTER of Attendance of Members of the Council for the Year 1890.

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No.		Date of last Attendance.	Vo. of Attendances brought forward.	General.	Special.	General.	General,	General.	TOTAL.	d Total
			No. o	24 Sept.	6 Oct.	20 Oct.	17 Nov.	15 Dec.		GRAND
	The Chancellor (Sir W. L. Dobson)	6 Aug.	16		1	1	1	1	4	20
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p Elected by Parliament.

s Elected by Senate.

* New Members.

LIST OF TASMANIAN SCHOLARS FOR THE YEAR 1890.

No.	Date of Election.	Name.	Age, 1 June, 1890.	No. of Marks.	School.	University chosen.	Scholarsh	aip tenable.
44 45	1890. 25 June 25 June	James Bellord Waldron Lyndhurst Falkiner Giblin	yrs. ms. 18 10 17 6	3621 2915	Church Grammar, Launceston Hutchins' School			To 30 Sept. 1894 30 Sept. 1894

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE LIST FOR THE YEAR 1890.

First Class.

No.	Name.	Age 1 June,		No. of Marks.	School.	Remarks.			
1	White, D. O	yrs.	ms. 9	3853	Hutchins'	Council's Gold Medal. First Prize Latin. First Prize Greek. First Prize French. Second Prize Mathematics (divided.) Prize Music.			
2	Giblin, W. W	18	0	8192	Hutchins'	Second Prize English. Prize Geology and Physical Geography (divided.) Prize Drawing. Second Prize Latin (divided.)			
3	Keating, John Henry	17	11	31 74	Officer College	Second Prize Italian. Second Prize Mathematics (divided). Prize Natural Philosophy.			
4	Picken, Samuel	17	1	3001	Church Grammar, Launceston	First Prize English. First Prize Mathematics. Second Prize Latin (divided.) Second Prize Greek. Prize Geology and Physical Geography (divided.) Council's Silver Medal.			
5	Hinds, Annie G		6 11	2786 2409	Ladies' College, Hobart Officer College	First Prize German. First Prize Italian. Second Prize French. Second Prize German.			
b	Deimer, D. H. C	10	11	,	nd Class.	Becond Prize German.			
7									
				Thir	d Class.				
8	Pitt, Caroline A.M	18	0	1620	Mrs. Barnard's	Prize Zoology and Botany.			

LIST OF EXHIBITIONERS OF THE YEAR 1890.

No.	. Name.	Date of Birth.	No. of Marks.	School sent up from.
1 2 3 4 5	Turner, Ernest William O'Brien, Eliza Nicholas, Harold Sprent Kemp, Alfred Joseph M'Mahon, Catherine C.	28 Nov. 1877 8 Jan. 1877 7 Aug. 1876	1047 914 871 852 816	Officer College, Hobart. Presentation Convent, Launceston. Hutchins' School, Hobart. High School, Launceston. Presentation Convent, Launceston.

NUMBER OF STUDENTS AWARDED THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF ARTS FROM THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COUNCIL IN 1859 TO 1890 INCLUSIVE.

,	First Class.	Second Class.	Third Class.	TOTAL.
Males*		75 14	58 31	286 68
Total	176	89	89	354

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

GEO. RICHARDSON, Registrar.

THE UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA.

STATEMENT of Receipts and Expenditure from 1st January to 31st December, 1890.

RECEIPTS.	£	s. d.	Expenditure.	£ s.			 . d.
Parliamentary Grant for 1890	3000 1	0 0	Salary of Registrar	•••	10	:0 O	0
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-			Scholarships. Examiners' Fees— Professor Irving Rev. T. J. Smith Rev. R. D. Poulett-Harris Rev. T. Kelsh. Mr. George Fagg Mr. J. Summers.	70 0 70 0 5 0 5 0 5 0 5 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	6 0 (
			Printing Examination Papers			31 11 76 0 4 1	8
			Tasmanian Scholarships. R. S. Stephenson, 1 Jan. to 31 May E. A. Lamprill, ditto	150 0 150 0 150 0 150 0 150 0 150 0	8 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	00 O	0
			Minor Scholarships.			<i>,</i> 0	U
			J. B. Waldron, 1 January to 30 June C. J. Gorringe, ditto L. F. Giblin, ditto F. V. Sullivan, 31 December	20 0 20 0 20 0 40 0	0 0 0		,
			Exhibitions. 1886. D. O. White, 1 Jan. to 30 June ,, Norman Lavers, ditto	10 0 10 0	0	00 0	0
			Sept. J. R. Rule, 1 Jan. to 31 Dec. W. H. Hudspeth, ditto A. C. Solomon, ditto Thomas Hogg, ditto Sept. Thomas Hogg, ditto Sept. Thomas Hogg, ditto Sept. M. Maloney, ditto Ada Bonnily, 1 Jan. to 30 June. M. M. Ansell, 1 Jan. to 31 Dec. A. E. Solomon, ditto Sept. H. S. Hurst, ditto Mary F. X. M'Mahon, ditto T. J. G. Wilson, ditto T. J. G. Wilson, ditto Sept. Eliza O'Brien, ditto H. S. Nicholas, ditto A. J. Kemp, ditto Catherine M'Mahon	15 0 20 0 20 0 20 0 20 0 20 0 20 0 20 0 2	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	5 0	0
			Examiners' Fees— Rev. R. D. Poulett-Harris Mr. G. W. Waterhouse Supervising Local Examination, Launceston	10 0 10 0	0		_
			Dry Scholarship, 1889–1890.	,		.5 0 .0 0	
•			L. F. Giblin	•••			
•			Books and stationery Printing and advertising Clerical assistance	•••		$egin{array}{cccc} 4 & 7 \ 4 & 19 \ 7 & 2 \end{array}$	
			Messengers (gratuity) Miscellaneous	•••		9. 15 2 8	. 2
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$Reconciliation\ of\ Balances.$

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Examined and found correct.

W. LOVETT, Auditor-General. 11th February, 1891.

GEO. RICHARDSON, Registrar.

UNIVERSITY TASMANIA. O F

Bequest made by late Mr. Arthur Leake.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

To the Chancellor and Members of the Council of the University of Tasmania.

THE Committee appointed to consider and report to the Council upon the best means of securing for the benefit of the University the three bequests made by the late Mr. Arthur Leake for the promotion of Painting, Sculpture, and Astronomy, have the honour to report as follows:-

1. The late Mr. Arthur Leake directed the trustees of his will (Messrs. C. J. Barclay and C. H. Elliston) to stand possessed of the sum of £10,000, part of the Trust Fund created by his will, upon Elliston) to stand possessed of the sum of £10,000, part of the Trust Fund created by his will, upon trust for the purpose of founding or establishing three scholarships tenable for three years for the promotion of Painting in any of the universities, colleges, or leading schools in either of the Australian cities of Hobart, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, or Brisbane, such scholarships to be paid out of the annual income arising from the investment of such sum; and the trustees are empowered to co-operate with any trustees or other governing body of universities, colleges, or leading schools in any such cities for the purpose of establishing and founding such scholarships, and as soon as the same should be established or founded the trustees should pay over the said sum of £10,000 to such trustees or other governing body, whose receipt should be a full discharge therefor.

It will be seen that this bequest contemplates the foundation of three scholarships tenable for three

It will be seen that this bequest contemplates the foundation of three scholarships tenable for three years, and precludes the establishment of a professorial chair in Painting or the employment of any teacher of Painting at a salary to be provided out of the income derived from the bequest. The foundation of these three scholarships might, however, be made the means of obtaining a properly qualified teacher by guaranteeing to him a certain minimum salary. We may take it that the income derived from this bequest will be about £500 per annum, and each scholarship would be worth, say, £160 a year. Assuming that the scholar could live on £80 a year, there would be left £80, which might be deducted annually from his scholarship and devoted to his education in the art of Painting. This would give from the three scholars a total of £240 a year to be applied as remuneration to the teacher. Now, if an arrangement could be arrived at with the Technical Committee whereby the same teacher could also attend the Technical School for the instruction of the more advanced classes there, and receive the fees from such classes, the salary a teacher the instruction of the more advanced classes there, and receive the fees from such classes, the salary a teacher might expect to receive from the scholarships and from the Technical School, to which would be added fees from private pupils, should be quite ample to induce a man of high attainments to take up the work. An art school would be established upon a better footing and with greater teaching power than at present exists in any other part of Australia, and pupils not only from Tasmania, but from the neighbouring Colonies anxious to pursue painting as an art or profession, would be before long attracted to this University by the superior inducements it could offer.

The holders of the scholarships should be compelled to matriculate before they could draw their scholarships, and should also be compelled to attend a prescribed course of instruction, for which certain fees would be payable to the teacher. In this way the payment of the teacher's salary would be secured, at the same time the proper application of the Scholarships would be assured. Upon failure on the part of any scholar to fulfil the prescribed conditions his scholarship would become forfeited. As an additional attraction, and to induce others to enter upon the same course of instruction as the scholars, the University might offer a degree or diploma to students in painting who complete the course successfully. The scholarships, if open to all who like to compete for them, irrespective of what part of the world they may come from should be quite sufficient inducement to ensure keen competition. part of the world they may come from, should be quite sufficient inducement to ensure keen competition, and no fear need be entertained that there will be any lack of candidates for such splendid prizes. The mode in which the scholars will be selected and all other details in connection with the scheme must be

matters for future consideration.

2. The will then contains a bequest of £10,000 for the purpose of founding or establishing three scholarships tenable for three years for the promotion of Sculpture.

This bequest is made in the same terms and subject to the same conditions as that made for the promotion of painting, and all the remarks already made with regard to the bequest for painting may be applied to the bequest for the encouragement of Sculpture. It may possibly be found practicable to obtain the services of some one man who would have the necessary qualifications to teach both Painting and Sculpture. If such a man could be found willing to accept the appointment, the salary that could be guaranteed to him would be very considerable.

With regard to both these bequests the Committee consider that the trustees might very fairly be asked to establish both scholarships in the University of Tasmania; but in the event of their declining to hand over the corpus of the bequests to the University, they might then be asked as a trial to give the University power to award the scholarships for a certain fixed period, say for five years. The trustees may possibly

consider that in the present state of the University they would hardly be justified in handing over to the Council the whole of the bequests without retaining some control over their future application. The University, on the other hand, might well be content to secure the power of awarding the scholarships for a limited period in the expectation that it could in that time show to the trustees that it was quite fitted to be permanently entrusted with the disposal of the bequests. If an arrangement were arrived at by which the scholarships were handed over to the University for a limited period, the trustees would have it in their power to resume the scholarships and the bequests at the termination of the fixed period and apply them elsewhere if they saw fit; the University, on its part, when engaging a teacher would know what terms they could prudently offer and what conditions they would have to impose.

3. The third bequest with which the Committee have to deal relates to the study of Astronomy.

The testator directed his trustees to stand possessed of a third sum of £10,000 upon trust for the purpose of founding or establishing a school for the practical teaching of Astronomy in any of the universities, colleges, or leading schools above mentioned, a part of such teaching to consist of demonstrative lectures with diagrams and instruments, and he declared that it should be lawful for the persons for the time being holding the said sum of £10,000 to lay out and employ the sum of £3000 part thereof in

purchasing and providing instruments in aid of such teaching.

In the event of the trustees declining to hand over this bequest to the University, they might very fairly be asked to lay out the sum of £3000 in the purchasing and providing the necessary instruments, which would remain the property of the trustees during such time as they should think fit, and would be temporarily lent to the University; and they might further be asked to allow the University to appoint a Professor in Astronomy (with the approval of the trustees) for a certain fixed period in order to carry out the practical teaching contemplated by Mr. Leake. An arrangement might with advantage be entered into with the Government, which would result in the Professor performing some of the duties carried out into with the Government, which would result in the Professor performing some of the duties carried out in the other colonies by the Government Astronomer, remuneration for such duties being provided out of the general revenue. In this way the means of obtaining higher remuneration would be offered to the Professor, and, in consequence, a man of greater attainments would be secured than could be expected if only the interest upon £7000 were named as his salary.

The Committee have not overlooked the claims made on behalf of the Technical School to have the three above-named bequests handed over to the Technical Committee. They consider however that, with regard to

above-named bequests handed over to the Technical Committee. They consider, however, that, with regard to Painting and Sculpture, the functions of the Technical Committee are properly confined to the teaching of the industrial classes the principles of design and decoration as applied to the industrial arts, and, with regard to Astronomy, to the teaching of the elements of that science in so far as it may be necessary to the study of navigation or surveying. If the Technical School should undertake the education of the very few who have the ability and the time to devote themselves to the more advanced principles of painting, sculpture, and astronomy, (and it is believed that Mr. Leake's wish was to make provision for teaching these arts and sciences in their highest forms), this can only be done at the sacrifice of the many who will have to go into the world properly fitted to earn their living in industrial pursuits. The purposes of the Technical School and of the University are quite distinct, though by no means antagonistic. The students from the Technical School will, no doubt, be caudidates for the scholarships, and the school itself will provide a most useful and necessary stepping-stone and feeder to the University. Those who have the leisure and ability to pursue the arts and sciences in the higher branches should look to the University to furnish them with

the means of satisfying their wishes and ambitions in these respects.

The trustees of Mr. Leake's will favoured the Committee with an interview, at which the whole subject of the bequests was fully discussed. The trustees state that they have received applications for the various bequests from institutions in the other colonies, which can now show excellent teaching power, but up to the present they have not arrived at any determination as to the ultimate destination of the money. They are accordingly still prepared to consider any claim put forward in favour of the Tasmanian University, but they consider that up to this present time it has not been proved to their satisfaction that the University is in a position to carry out the practical instruction evidently intended by the testator, and point to the absence of any art collection of an extensive character in Tasmania as a serious drawback to the possibility of enabling such instruction to be given in the near future. The Committee therefore suggest that the Council should consider the advisability of appropriating a sum not exceeding £250 for the purpose of establishing an Art School in connection with the University, provided the trustees will consent to hand over the interest derived from the funds at their disposal for the purpose to the University. They also recommend that the Government should be approached with a view to obtaining a grant such as Emplish Art the other colonies for the purchase of pictures and statuary, which would be a nucleus of a Public Art Gallery, and at the same time afford the students of art the proper means of prosecuting their studies. It is anticipated that the Councill will, both collectively and through its individual members, use every endeavour to secure, for the benefit of the University, and so for the benefit of Tasmania generally, the disposal of the bequests that have been the subjects of consideration.

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