

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.

REPORT of the COUNCIL of the UNIVERSITY of the CAPE OF GOOD HOPE for the Year 1878.

Presented to both Houses of Parliament by command of His Excellency the Governor.

1879.

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1. The Council of the University of the Cape of Good Hope has the honour to present to His Excellency the Governor, the following report of its proceedings during the year 1878.

2. Vacancies have arisen in the Council during the year by the absence from the Colony, for more than six months, of the Hon. S. Jacobs, Esq., Dr. Dale, and the Right Rev. Bishop Jones, D.D.; and by the resignation of C. B. Elliott, Esq., LL.B. To fill up these vacancies the Right Rev. Bishop Jones and the Hon. T. Uppington, Esq., M.A., have been appointed by His Excellency the Governor; and T. E. Fuller, Esq., and Dr. Dale have been elected by Convocation.

3. The following examiners were appointed by the Council for the year 1878 :—

Committee of Examiners in Literature.

Ven. H. Badnell, D.D. (Moderator)

Rev. Dr. Cameron.

Rev. H. M. Foot, B.A., LL.B.

J. G. Gamble, Esq., M.A.

Rev. J. Murray, M.A.

Committee of Examiners in Science.

Hon. C. A. Smith, Esq., M.A. (Moderator)

C. B. Elliott, Esq., LL.B.

Rev. J. Espin, M.A.

L. Marquard, Esq.

E. J. Stone, Esq., M.A., F.R.S.

Committee of Examiners in Law and Jurisprudence.

A. W. Cole, Esq. (Moderator).

F. Guthrie, Esq., B.A., LL.B.

Special Examiners.

H. J. Stollé, Esq. (French).

T. N. Risler, Esq. (German).

4. The fourth examination of candidates for certificates of proficiency in elementary subjects of instruction was held in April. The examination
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was entrusted by the Council to a special committee of examiners, consisting of the following gentlemen :—

Rev. Dr. Cameron (Moderator).
 Rev. F. W. Bindley, M.A.
 Rev. S. Bond, B.A.
 G. Maconachie, Esq.
 Rev. J. M. Russell, B.D.
 Rev. D. Smith, M.A.
 Rev. G. W. Stegmann, jun.

the Vice-Chancellor acting as Referee. The examination was conducted simultaneously, by commissioners appointed or approved by the Council, at twenty-seven different centres throughout the Colony. Two hundred and twenty-three candidates were registered for examination. Of these two hundred and thirteen were examined, fifty-nine passed in the first class, eighty-two passed in the second class, and seventy-two failed to satisfy the examiners. Bursaries were awarded to

Margaret Murray, Stellenbosch.
 Henry A. White, Graham's Town.
 Annie C. Van der Riet, Stellenbosch.

5. The fifth matriculation examination was held in July. The examination was conducted in the University Hall under the personal supervision of the examiners, and at the following centres under the superintendence of special commissioners :—Aliwal North, Bloemfontein (O. F. S.), Graaff-Reinet, Graham's Town, Rondebosch, Somerset East, and Stellenbosch. One hundred candidates presented themselves for examination, with the following results :—

14	Candidates passed with honours.
59	" "
1	" retired.
26	" failed.

The University Exhibitions were awarded to

Æq { P. A. Molteno, Diocesan College, Rondebosch.
 J. P. Van Heerden, Public School, Stellenbosch.

The Jamison Exhibitions were awarded to

Æq { H. Jones, South African College.
 J. W. Wessels, " "

6. The examinations for degrees and certificates were held in October with the following results :—

(a) For the degree of Master of Arts, two candidates presented themselves for examination. Of these, Mr. J. H. Hofmeyr obtained the degree in the department of languages and literature, and Mr. H. J. L. du Toit in the department of mathematics and natural philosophy.

(b) For the degree of Bachelor of Laws there was one candidate, Mr. J. H. M. Brown, who obtained the degree.

(c) For the degree of Bachelor of Arts there were fifteen candidates. Four presented themselves after private study, and the others from the following institutions :—The South African and the Diocesan Colleges, and the Public School, Stellenbosch. The eight following candidates passed the examination :—

G. Nieuwoudt,	honours in science and in literature.
C. E. Egan,	" literature.
L. F. Childe,	" "
F. Paver,	" science.

J. H. Krapohl.

W. H. Haw.

S. P. Helm.

W. G. Woodford.

(d) For the certificate of proficiency in law and jurisprudence there were three candidates, all of whom were successful.

(e) For the certificate of proficiency in the theory of land-surveying there were thirteen candidates, seven of whom were successful.

In connection with the examination for the degree of Bachelor of Arts, the University Scholarship in science, and the Jamison Scholarship, were awarded to Mr. Nieuwoudt, South African College. Mr. Nieuwoudt, as Jamison's Scholar, was disqualified for receiving the emoluments attached to the University Scholarship. The Maynard Scholarship, and a prize of £25 in literature, were awarded to Mr. L. F. Childe, South African College, and a prize of £25 in science was awarded to Mr. F. Paver, South African College. A special prize of £25 was awarded to Mr. C. E. Egan, private study and South African College, who was disqualified by age for the University Scholarship in literature.

7. The second competition for the Chancellor's Gold Medal has taken place this year ; but the medal was not awarded, as in the opinion of the examiners no essay of sufficient merit was presented.

8. The following graduates of other Universities have been admitted to degrees during the year 1878 :—

S. P. Townsend, Esq., B.A., Dublin.

Rev. Dr. J. Cameron, B.A., London.

James Rettie, Esq., M.A., Aberdeen.

Rev. T. H. Peters, M.A., Dublin.

Rev. Rice Thomas, M.A., Oxford.

Rev. G. H. Swinny, M.A., Oxford.

William Greswell, Esq., M.A., Oxford.

Francis Guthrie, Esq., B.A., London.

Rev. Robert C. Bailey, M.A., Oxford.

Rev. Eugene Arnould Casalis, M.D., Paris.

Rev. S. Bond, B.A., Cambridge.

9. The consent of His Excellency the Governor has been given to the following additions to the by-laws of the University adopted by the Council :—

(a) To section six of the by-laws relating to Mrs. Jamison's Scholarship, the following words :—*at such place and under such persons as aforesaid. The approval required by this section shall not be with respect to any religious standard or test.*

(b.) To section six of the Porter Studentship Regulations, the following words :—*at such place as aforesaid. The approval required by this section shall not be with respect to any religious standard or test.*

10. Arrangements were made early in the year for a second course of public lectures in literature and science in connection with the University ; but, prior to the date fixed for the opening of this course, the following resolution was passed by the Honourable the House of Assembly :—

"That in the opinion of this House, the money grant made in favour of the Cape of Good Hope University ought to be strictly applied to the purposes of that University, as incorporated by Act 16, 1873, and that the application of any portion of that grant for popular lectures delivered in Cape Town or elsewhere was neither authorised nor contemplated by this House."

In deference to this judgment the course of lectures was abandoned.

The following resolution, however, was adopted by the Council and communicated to the Honourable the Colonial Secretary :—

“That this Council, while fully concurring in the view that the money grant made in favour of the Cape of Good Hope University ought to be strictly applied to the purposes of that University, considers that in arranging for a course of lectures in connection with the University it was not making any improper application of that grant; but in deference to the resolution adopted by the Honourable the House of Assembly on the 20th of June, on that subject, resolves that no further steps shall for the present be taken with reference thereto.”

11. The Council has decided to extend the range of the examination in elementary subjects of instruction, by the addition of papers in the following subjects :—

1. Latin.
2. One modern language—French, or German, or Dutch.
3. Elementary mathematics.

Candidates who, having obtained sufficient marks to qualify them for a place in the first pass division, also satisfy the examiners in each of the above subjects, will be placed in the honours division.

The Council has now under consideration a scheme for the examination of girls, of a more advanced character than that provided by the elementary examination, and securing such modifications of the present matriculation examination as will enable girls to pass it without showing competent knowledge in subjects which are not usually taught in ladies' schools.

12. Through the kind offices of the Right Rev. Bishop Jones, the Council has had the gratification of receiving from the University of Oxford a grant of its publications in the “Clarendon Press Series” to the value of £100.

13. On the 20th of November Dr. Dale resumed his office as Superintendent-General of Education, and the Rev. Dr. Cameron, who had been Acting-Superintendent during the absence of Dr. Dale from the Colony, returned to his duties as Registrar of the University. The Council takes this opportunity of recording its sense of the valuable services rendered to the University by the Rev. H. M. Foot, LL.B., during his tenure of the office of Assistant-Registrar.

14. The annual ceremony of conferring degrees was held in the Public Library, courteously granted for the purpose by the Library Committee, on Friday the 13th of December, when the Vice-Chancellor, in the name of the University and in the presence of the Council and the Convocation, conferred degrees upon the several candidates whom the Council had declared qualified. The Vice-Chancellor afterwards addressed the congregation on the work of the University.

15. Appended to this Report is the financial statement of the University for the year 1878.

16. This is the last Report which the first Council of the University will have the honour of presenting to His Excellency the Governor, as the term of office of the Council expires by effluxion of time on the 30th of July next. During the five years for which the Council has already held office, the University has received a Royal Charter, passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom; the Hon. W. Porter, Esq., C.M.G., has been elected Chancellor; and the University has had the services of Dr. Dale and the Hon. C. A. Smith, Esq., as Vice-Chancellors, and of Sir J. H. de Villiers, as President of Convocation. Six candidates have taken the degree of M.A., four the degree of LL.B., thirty-nine the degree of B.A., and seventy-five Graduates of other Universities have been admitted

to degrees. Two hundred and forty-seven candidates have matriculated, twenty-two have obtained the law certificate, fourteen the survey certificate, and four hundred and eighty-five have passed the elementary examination. The numbers of candidates examined, together with the results of each examination, will be seen on reference to the accompanying table:—

YEAR.	M.A.		LL.B.		B.A.		Graduates of other Universities.	Matriculation.		Law Cert.		Survey C.		School C.	
	Examined.	Passed.	Examined.	Passed.	Examined.	Passed.		Examined.	Passed.	Examined.	Passed.	Examined.	Passed.	Examined.	Passed.
1874 ...	1	1	.	.	9	6	14	49	31	9	8	2	1	.	.
1875 ...	1	.	1	1	16	11	25	58	34	7	7	3	.	158	97
1876 ...	4	2	1	1	9	8	19	80	60	3	3	5	3	154	117
1877 ...	3	1	1	1	11	6	6	74	49	3	2	7	3	182	130
1878 ...	2	2	1	1	15	8	11	100	73	3	3	13	7	213	141
Totals ...	11	6	4	4	60	39	75	361	247	25	23	30	14	707	485

Total number of candidates examined ... 1,198

Total number of candidates passed ... 818

From these statistics it is clear that the influence of the University has been gradually and surely extending, and the Council believes that the University has given an impetus to education throughout South Africa which cannot be shown in any system of tabulation. While the Council has reason for satisfaction in the success which has attended the foundation of the University, it looks forward to greater results when the work, which it has had the honour of inaugurating, is carried on and consolidated under the auspices of its successors.

C. ABERCROMBIE SMITH,
Vice-Chancellor.

University Chambers, 5th March, 1879.

UNIVERSITY OF THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.

ASSETS THIS DAY, 31ST DECEMBER, 1878.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
General Fund of the University:									
Debentures	500	0	0						
School Fund	300	0	0						
Ebden „	200	0	0						
				1,000	0	0			
Balance in Bank and in hand ...	...	.	.	434	8	2			
							1,434	8	2
Porter Endowment Fund:									
Debentures and Stock ... ..	...	.	.	3,700	0	0			
Fixed Deposit, Cape Commercial Bank	...	.	.	2,350	0	0			
Balance in Bank ... ..	...	.	.	479	17	1			
							6,529	17	1
Jamison Endowment Fund:									
Fixed Deposit, Standard Bank ...	2,600	0	0						
Fixed Deposit, Cape Commercial Bank	1,015	12	6						
				3,615	12	6			
Debentures ... ..	...	.	.	1,900	0	0			
Balance in Bank ... ..	...	.	.	210	11	11			
							5,726	4	5
Maynard Endowment Fund:									
Fixed Deposit, Standard Bank ...	...	.	.	1,200	0	0			
Balance in Bank ... ..	...	.	.	100	13	9			
							1,300	13	9
							14,991	3	5

JAMES CAMERON, Registrar.

Audited and found correct,

ALFR. GEO. JONES, }
 L. MARQUARD, } Auditors.

25th February, 1879.

GENERAL FUND OF THE UNIVERSITY.

RECEIPTS.					PAYMENTS.				
1878.					1878.				
Balance on 31st December, 1877 :					Fees :				
Cape of Good Hope Bank ...	£490	3	10		To University Examiners ...	£600	0	0	
South African Bank, School Fund ...	7	12	0		„ School „ ...	157	10	0	
				497 15 10	„ Commissioners ...	61	0	9	
Contribution from the Colonial Government for									818 10 9
Three Quarters of the Year 1878 ...	1,450	0	0		Salaries and Allowances ...				572 8 5
Interest on Debentures :					Travelling Expenses of Examiners, Commissioners, and				
General Fund ...	22	10	0		Members of Council ...				32 18 3
School „ ...	13	10	0		Scholarships ...				150 0 0
Ebden „ ...	9	0	0		Exhibitions ...				82 10 0
				45 0 0	Bursaries ...				56 5 0
Fees :					Auditors ...				10 0 0
From University Candidates ...	457	0	0		Rent, Insurance, and Repairs ...				102 15 0
„ School „ ...	83	12	6		Printing Examination Papers, Freight, &c. ...				64 11 11
For Registration ...	8	0	0		Stationery, Printing, &c. ...				70 10 11
				548 12 6	Books and Calendars ...				28 5 0
					Expenses of Lectures and Degree Day ...				51 5 0
					Iron Safe ...				33 11 0
					Advertisements ...				20 16 0
					Fee of B.A. Candidate returned ...				5 0 0
					Contingencies ...				7 12 11
					Balance on 31st December, 1878 :				
					Cape of Good Hope Bank £494 4 11				
					Deduct Outstanding Cheques 62 10 0				
						£431 14 11			
					Cash in hand ...	2	13	3	
									434 8 2
				2,541 8 4					2,541 8 4

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PORTER ENDOWMENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	PAYMENTS.	£	s.	d.
1878.							1878.			
Balance in Cape Commercial Bank, 31st December, 1877		713	16	8	Cape Commercial Bank:			
The Colonial Government:							Fixed Deposit	850	0	0
Mr. Porter's Pension from 1st December, 1877, to 30th November, 1878 ...	500	0	0				W. P. Schreiner:			
Interest on Debentures	180	0	0				Porter Studentship for 15 Months, to 31st Dec., 1878 .	187	10	0
„ „ Stock	22	10	0				R. Gregorowski:			
							Porter Studentship for 6 Months, to 31st March, 1878	75	0	0
				702	10	0	Balance in Cape Commercial Bank, 31st December, 1878 ...	479	17	1
Interest on Fixed Deposit, Cape Com. Bank	159	19	4							
„ „ Current Account „ „ „	16	1	1							
				176	0	5				
				1,592	7	1				

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25th February, 1879,

MAYNARD ENDOWMENT FUND.

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UNIVERSITY OF THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 1878.

RECEIPTS.							£	s.	d.	PAYMENTS.							£	s.	d.
Balance on 31st December, 1877	...	...	...	...	...	...	14,243	2	6	General Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,107	0	2
General Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,043	12	6	Porter Endowment Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	262	10	0
Porter Endowment Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	878	10	5	Jamison	„	„	...	...	...	...	262	10	0
Jamison	„	„	372	8	11	Maynard	„	„	54	0	0
Maynard	„	„	139	9	3	Balance on 31st December, 1878	14,991	3	5
							17,677	3	7								17,677	3	7

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25th February, 1879.