

# UNIVERSITY OF NEW ZEALAND.

The ceremony of presentation of diplomas to the graduates of the year took place at the Provincial Council Chamber at noon yesterday. There was a large attendance of visitors, especially ladies. The body of the chamber was full, and the gallery was occupied by the students of the College, who, after ancient custom, saluted their especial favorites with loud plaudits, a bevy of "sweet girl graduates" especially coming in for loud and continued cheering as they took their seats. The Chancellor and the professors also received the same compliment as they appeared on the dais.



The following passed the second examination for the LL.B. degree:—James Hay, M.A., Canterbury.

The following passed the examination for honors:—Helen Connon, Canterbury College, first class in languages and literature; William Henry Herbert, Canterbury College, first class in mathematics and mathematical physics, third class in chemistry and experimental physics; James Ronaldson Thornton, Canterbury College, third class in chemistry and experimental physics.

The following gained the Bowen prize:—Robert Francis Ervine, Canterbury College.

Professor Haslam then proceeded to present the graduates of the year in the following terms:—

Mr Chancellor, — I have to present to you, for admission to the degree of Master of Arts, Miss Helen Connon and Mr James Ronaldson Thornton. Miss Helen Connon gained an Exhibition at Canterbury College in 1879, was admitted to the degree of B.A. in

1880, and gained a first class in Latin and English in the University Honors Examination for the present year. I may add that I believe Miss Connon will be the first female student to receive the degree of M.A. from an English University. Mr James Ronaldson Thornton was admitted to the degree of B.A. in 1880, and gained a

~~UNIVERSITY~~ ~~IN~~ ~~CHEMISTRY~~ and experimental physics in the University honors examination for the present year. I have further to present the name of Mr William Henry Herbert, who is now in England, for admission to the degree of M.A. in his absence. Mr Herbert gained a Junior University Scholarship (in classics and mathematics) in 1875, an exhibition in mathematics, and also one in chemistry and physical science at Canterbury College in 1878; a Senior University Scholarship in mathematics in the same year, and another in chemistry and experimental physics in 1879; was admitted to the degree of B.A. in 1880, gained a first class in mathematics and mathematical physics, and a third class in chemistry and experimental physics in the University honors examination for 1881. Mr Herbert also obtained the Gilchrist Scholarship in 1880, and in the matriculation examination held in New Zealand in connection with the University of London, obtained marks which would have entitled him to the eighth place in the honors division, and to a prize, if he had been examined in England. Mr Chancellor,—I have to present to you for admission to the degree of B.A. Mr Benjamin Michael Connal, Mr Charles Chilton, Miss Margaret Lilian Florence Edger, Mr William Fidler, Mr Thomas Scholfield Foster, Mr John Innes, Mr Basil Keith Senior Lawrence, Mr Edwin Watkins, Mr James Reeve Wilkinson, and Mr O. F. Wykesmith, who have all passed the final University examination held