

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Tuesday, the 19th Day of August, 1902.

NEW ZEALAND UNIVERSITY ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

Hon. Mr. W. C. WALKER, in Committee, to move the following amendments:—

Clause 4. To omit "A group of eight members shall be appointed by the Court of Convocation of the University," and to substitute "Eight members shall be elected by the District Courts of Convocation, to wit, a group of two by each such Court."

Clause 5. For subclause (2) substitute—

(2.) The election of members by the District Courts of Convocation shall be by sealed voting-papers, which may be delivered either personally or by post, or otherwise; and the Registrar of the affiliated institution in each University district shall be the Returning Officer to conduct elections of such members.

In subclause (3) substitute "June" for "April."

Clause 6. Substitute "three years" for "two years."

Clause 7. Omit all words of subclause (1) from "and the Court of Convocation," and substitute "and the District Courts of Convocation respectively, one-half of the members shall retire from office on the thirtieth day of June in each third year, beginning with the year one thousand nine hundred and *six*." In subclause (2) substitute "June," "third" and "*six*" for "April," "alternate" and "*five*."

Clause 8. Substitute "six years" for "four years."

Clause 10. Substitute "May" for "March."

Clause 14. Add "and in particular the principal Act is hereby amended as follows:—

"(1.) By repealing section eight thereof;

"(2.) As to section nine thereof, by repealing all words after the words 'entitled to vote'; and

"(3.) As to section twenty-four thereof, by repealing all words after the words 'as *ad eundem* degrees.'"

New clause.

3A. (1.) The General Court of Convocation of the University shall consist of all those persons who are members of the four District Courts of Convocation as hereinafter defined.

(2.) Wherever the words "Court of Convocation" or "Convocation" occur in the principal Act they shall mean the General Court of Convocation, which shall have all the powers assigned to Convocation in the principal Act except the power of electing Fellows to the Senate.

(3.) For the purposes of this Act and of the principal Act the colony shall be divided into four University districts as described in the Schedule hereto; but the Governor may by Order in Council at any time adjust the boundaries of such districts.

(4.) There shall be four District Courts of Convocation, one for each of the aforesaid University districts.

(5.) Each District Court of Convocation shall consist of the persons whose names are enrolled on a register to be kept by the Registrar of the affiliated institution in such district.

(6.) Every person shall be entitled to have his name enrolled (without fee) on the Register of a District Court of Convocation who—

(a.) Is a graduate of the University (by examination or *ad eundem*) above the degree of bachelor or a bachelor (by examination or *ad eundem*) of two years' standing; and

(b.) Is on the books of the affiliated institution in the University district, or has resided in the district for not less than three months immediately preceding his enrolment:

Provided that any person having the requisite qualification may have his name transferred from one register to another.

(7.) The Senate of the University may make regulations for the keeping of the Registers of the District Courts of Convocation and for the holding of elections of members of the Senate by the District Courts of Convocation; and, subject to the Act and such regulations, each District Court of Convocation shall have power to make such rules for the conduct of its business as it deems fit.

(8.) Any District Court of Convocation may make representations to the Senate on any matter concerning the interests of the University.

SCHEDULE.

UNIVERSITY DISTRICTS.

The Auckland University District, comprising the Provincial District of Auckland.

The Victoria University District, comprising the Provincial Districts of Wellington, Nelson, Westland, Marlborough, Hawke's Bay, and Taranaki.

The Canterbury University District, comprising the Provincial District of Canterbury.

The Otago University District, comprising the Provincial District of Otago.