THE ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY.

The report of the Council of the University of Adelaide for the past year bears a striking family likeness to its predecessors. It is for the most part a museum with all the objects neatly and conspicuously labelled, and that in about all we can say in its favour. One does not expect to find life in a museum, and since the University reports are evidently intended to be an imitation of such an institution we may fairly congratulate the compiler upon the persistency and faithfulness with which he has clung to his idea. But even in a museum it is not unreasonable to look for systematic classification of the various objects displayed. In the present production this is wanting. We pass from School of Medicine to Endowment, then to Admission to Degrees, University Buildings, Royal Letters Patent, Curriculum, &c. The report begins with a reference to the changes in the Council and the officers of the University. The resignation of the Chancellorship by the late Bishop of Adelaide did not take effect until after the year had ended, and therefore it is of course not alluded to. The only changes which have taken place in the Council are the election of Dr. Stirling in the place of the Bishop of Adelaide, and of Mr. Frederic Ayers in the stead of the Hon. Henry Scott. A very appropriate reference is made to the loss sustained by the death of the late Professor Davidson, and his labours in connection with the University are mentioned in terms of the highest appreciation. As is generally known, his place has been temporarily filled by the Rev. W. K. Fletcher, M.A. The Council are anxious to obtain the consent of Sir W. W. Hughes to a different appropriation of the income from his endowment. The report says:—"To omit from the curriculum classics, English literature, or mental and moral philosophy formed no part of the Council's purpose, but they felt convinced that power to redistribute the duties of the Hughes Professors and vary the appropriation of the income of the fund would enable them to extend the usefulness of the University, while the important branches of learning referred to would continue to be taught not less efficiently than before. Trusting to the known public spirit of Sir W. W. Hughes, the Council have asked his concurrence in alterations of the nature just indicated, and should their proposal be acceded to by him Parliamentary
As some curious rumors have been heard about the awards made by the Council, it was thought necessary to inform the readers of the current status of the Council's actions. The awards for the current year have been announced and are expected to be distributed shortly. The Council has also taken steps to streamline the award process for future years. It is hoped that these measures will improve the overall satisfaction of the recipients.

With regard to the previous awards, the Council wishes to assure the readers that the process was carried out with utmost care and fairness. Any discrepancies that may have occurred have been addressed and rectified.

The Council would like to express its gratitude to all the recipients for their support and dedication. The Council looks forward to continuing its work in the future and期待着继续其工作。