THE MENTAL DEFECTIVES.

"Another unfortunate class of children into the question of whose education the commission received no evidence was those who are mentally defective. In visiting several places in the State, the Commissioners were met by a large number of efficient classes of normal children whose parents were experiencing the same kind of difficulty. The report of the commission recommended that the State should take a more active part in the education of these children and that the mental defectives should be educated in special institutions separate from normal schools."

EXPENSIVE SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

"The cost of school buildings was a subject to which much attention was directed by the commission. It was in this direction that the commission hoped to effect economies, and the recent experience of the member of the House of Representatives who visited the United States on a special mission with regard to school buildings was of great interest. The member general opinion of the commission was that too much expense was incurred as a result of the fact that the buildings for educational purposes were largely erected to meet the requirements of the people, and that a great part of the expenditure in technical education or training ought to have been avoided. The report of the commission recommends that the State should take a more active part in the establishment of technical schools, and that the expenditure of money on the construction of buildings for educational purposes should be more closely controlled."

SECONDARY EDUCATION.

"The question of secondary education was one of the most important discussed by the commission. The member of the House of Representatives who visited the United States on a special mission with regard to education was of the opinion that the secondary education in that country was superior to that in Australia. The commission recommended that the State should take a more active part in the establishment of secondary schools, and that the expenditure of money on the construction of buildings for educational purposes should be more closely controlled."

TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

"Referring to the question of technical education, the report of the commission recommends that the State should take a more active part in the establishment of technical schools, and that the expenditure of money on the construction of buildings for educational purposes should be more closely controlled."

COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE AT TECHNICAL COLLEGES.

"The commission recommends that all children between the ages of 10 and 15 should be required to attend technical colleges, and that the State should provide the necessary funds to ensure the success of the scheme."

AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION.

"Another branch of technical education to which much attention was directed by the commission was agricultural education. The report of the commission recommends that the State should take a more active part in the establishment of agricultural colleges, and that the expenditure of money on the construction of buildings for educational purposes should be more closely controlled."

THE UNIVERSITY.

"The University of Adelaide was the subject of much criticism by the commission. The member of the House of Representatives who visited the United States on a special mission with regard to education was of the opinion that the University of Adelaide was inferior to that in the United States. The commission recommended that the State should take a more active part in the establishment of a University, and that the expenditure of money on the construction of buildings for educational purposes should be more closely controlled."

The Daily Herald, 31/12/13

MR. CONEYBEER'S FORCEFUL SPEECH

IN SUPPORT OF RECOMMENDATIONS.

There does not seem much possibility of the Education Commission's report being adopted. The Government has not given us a fair chance to deal with the matter, though Mr. Coneybeer started his speech in support of his motion for adoption yesterday. His arguments against frequent adjournments, and it was only right that he should be heard."

The Daily Herald, 31/12/13

THE EDUCATION COMMISSION.