MAWSON EXPEDITION.

COMMUNICATION ESTABLISHED BY WIRELESS.

Melbourne, December 13.

Advices have been received by the Central Administrative Office and by the New Zealand Postal Department that a wireless message was sent up on December 21 for Macquarie Island, which is now in touch with wireless by Dr. Mawson's expedition. Anyone desiring communicating with friends on the island may forward letters via Wellington without delay.

A UNIVERSITY RECORD.

Professor T. G. B. Osborne and his wife each hold the degree of Master of Science of the University of Manchester, and at the Commemoration Day gathering is connection with the University of Adelaide on Wednesday they were admitted to the rank of privy councilors of bachelor of science. In confirming the degrees, the Chancellor (Right Hon. Sir S. J. Way) remarked that the University had been at pains to get and graduating on the same day in the University of Manchester, they had had brothers and sisters, but this was the first in the history of the institution that a husband and wife had been admitted to a degree together. Mrs. Osborn repeated the record in another way in that she was the first wife of a professor of the University of Adelaide, upon whom they had had the honor of conferring a degree. Addressing Professor Osborn, the Chancellor said that all chair which you fill in the University has been formed since last Commemoration Day, and we owe that fact to the munificence of the Government of South Australia. When you were recommended by the board in London, to whom the responsible duty of selection was entrusted, we felt that this University was fortunate in securing the services of a gentleman of such high academic and scientific distinction, who had done so much work in original research that under such inspiring leadership the resources of the economic botany will achieve great success. We are aware that the researches of yourself and those who learn from you in this subject are a better knowledge of the fungus pests of plant growth, and this will be of great value to the material interests of South Australia, and especially of the agricultural producing interests.

A MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP.

THE LATE SIR HENRY AND LADY BUNDEY.

AN ACT OF FILL AFFECTION.

At the conclusion of the Commemoration Day gathering at the Elder Hall on Wednesday afternoon, the Chancellor (Right Hon. Sir S. J. Way) said:—Before we proceed to those proceedings it is incumbent upon me to mention an incident, the recollection of which will, to many of us, make Christmas and the new year more pleasant and agreeable. At the final meeting for the year of the council of the University, I received a letter from Miss Bundey, a graduate of this University, on the subject of the late Sir Henry and Lady Bundey. In order to found a prize in memory of the late Sir Henry and Lady Bundey, (Applause.) Those who may have had any acquaintance of their acquaintance will agree that their lives were well worthy of being remembered in the annals of the University of Adelaide. The late Sir Henry Bundey and I were friends from boyhood. He and I were colleagues on the Supreme Court bench, and I was best man at his wedding. The great reason, however, for our being grateful in the fact that but for the deceased judge probably the University of Adelaide would not have come into existence, if at all, for many years. He was Minister of Education at the time of those great gifts by Sir Walter Hughes and Sir Thomas Elder, which led to the foundation of the University. As Minister of Education, he had the University in his sight and drafted, and he piloted it through the House. It is with a feeling of profound gratitude to the memory of Sir Henry Bundey and the late Lady Bundey, however, influenced by the example of his establishment, I think the University would have a more generous contribution towards the establishment of University. (Applause.) I think you will agree that this is a tribute to the generous affection that the daughter of the late judge and Lady Bundey should have for this valuable gift. It is to be called the Bundey prize for English verse, which is similar to the Oxford prizes. I am aware that there is a literature in South Australia, and I am sure it is a source of joy to us in due time. To those who have a poetical affilius it will, no doubt, be a great object of their ambition to win this prize. I cannot give you a better new for Christmas, and I end this little story than by wishing you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. (Applause.)

Mr. Eric Goyne Stephenson, who was admitted to his degree of Bachelor of Science of the University of Adelaide yesterday, is the son of Mr. Eric N. Stephenson, master of the Nalaworth School. He received his education up to the graduation standard in his father's school at Mount. He studied then for three years at Prince Alfred College, passing the usual public examination. He has now spent five years in the university, and the subject of taking honors degrees in these subjects at a later date.