

The members of the family of Sir John and Lady Duncan propose to establish a residential college in affiliation with the University of Adelaide and in connection with the Presbyterian Church in South Australia. It is intended to transfer the former residence of Sir John and Lady Duncan at Mitcham, known as "Strathspay," with the grounds (about 19 acres in all) to trustees for the purposes of the residential college, under a name to be decided upon by the council of the college when formed.

The religious faith of the college is to be Presbyterian, but no religious test is to be administered to any person in order to entitle him to be admitted as a student, or to enjoy any of the privileges of the college. The council of the college is to consist of fifteen members (including the master of the college for the time being), at least eleven of whom are to be either members or adherents of the Presbyterian Church. The members of the first council are to be:—Messrs. J. G. Balfour, T. E. Barr-Smith, Professor Campbell, the Rev. Dr. Davidson, Mr. J. G. Duncan-Hughes, the Hon. W. G. Duncan, Messrs. M. A. Fotheringham, J. T. Gordon, N. M. G.

Gratton, and W. J. Isbister, Professor McKellar Stewart, Mr. J. W. Sandford, Dr. Malcolm Scott, and the Rev. Dr. Seymour, and the master of the college when appointed.

The Moderator of the Presbyterian Assembly for the time being is to be *ex officio* visitor of the college. The council is to have the entire management of the affairs of the college, with power to make such statutes and regulations as may be necessary. It is intended that in due course a trust deed shall be executed, and that regulations for the government of the college shall be made by the proposed council, and application will then be made for affiliation with the University.

The proposal was favorably received by the Council of the University at its meeting on Friday last. It received the approval of the General Assembly at a special meeting, which was held yesterday afternoon, when the following resolution was unanimously passed:—"The Assembly, having had laid before it by the members of the family of the late Sir John and Lady Duncan, through Mr. J. G. Duncan-Hughes, a proposal for the establishment of a residential college in affiliation with the University of Adelaide, and in connection with the Presbyterian Church in

South Australia, expresses its most cordial appreciation of the same, approves and sanctions the college as a Presbyterian college under the conditions named, and heartily thanks the donors for their munificent gift."

This is the second residential college to be founded in connection with the University of Adelaide. St. Mark's, which is connected with the Church of England, obtained affiliation with the University in 1924, and was opened for students in the following year. The generous proposal which is now made will help to bring the University of Adelaide more into line in this respect with the Universities of Sydney and Melbourne. In Sydney there are five colleges in connection with the various denominations, and in Melbourne there are four.

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The Rev. R. K. Sorby Adams, who has been appointed house master of St. Andrew's School, Singapore, left for Perth by the East-West express yesterday on his way there. Mr. Adams was on the St. Peter's College staff.