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Another step forward in library affairs has been made in the formation of the Canterbury branch of the New Zealand Library Association. It is generally acknowledged that the goal to be aimed at is a National Library System and one of the first steps to be taken in so far as our own local libraries are concerned is that of co-ordination. It is to be hoped that by bringing together the various libraries of Christchurch or Canterbury, the spirit of co-operation will soon result in great benefit to each separate unit. It is felt in some quarters that suburban libraries will lose their individuality if they become linked up with the central library. We do not view matters in that light; on the other hand we believe that nothing but good can come from a unified system. As we see it, each suburban library would, under the new system, still retain direct control of its own affairs, the voluntary librarianship that has been so successful in the past would be helped in its good work by close contact with trained librarians and their more efficient methods of administration.

As an indication of the esteem in which suburban libraries are held it may be mentioned that our own President, Mr A. Brettell, has been elected President of the Canterbury branch of the Dominion As-

Our readers' opinions upon any matter relative to Library matters are welcomed.

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