

The following letter referring to the 7th clause
of the 1st resolution at the first meeting
was received on the 2^d of May from the
Secretary of the Canterbury Association -

41 Charing Cross

1st May 1850

Sir,

I am instructed by the Committee of Management
of the Canterbury Association, to acquaint you that
they have had before them your letter of the 27th
acquainting the Committee that some of the first body
of Colonists have formed themselves into a Society
called "The Society of Canterbury Colonists" for the
purpose of cooperation and mutual assistance and
discussion amongst themselves upon questions of
interest to the general welfare of the Settlement.

The Committee have received with great pleasure
the announcement of the formation of this Society,
which they hope will have the effect of maintaining
a unity of feeling amongst the Colonists and will
prove of great general service to the Colony.

The Committee have much pleasure in placing
the Colonists Rooms at the disposal of the Society
of Colonists, for their General and Committee Meetings.

I have the honor to

(Signed) A. J. Alston ALSTON

Secretary

W. G. Brittan Esq^r