

General Meeting, June 6.

72 Gentlemen present, Mr. Brittan in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The minute of the proposed relations between the Association and the colonists being brought forward for final consideration, it was moved by Mr. Dampier, seconded by Mr. Ward.

"That the Secretary be instructed to write to the Committee of Management expressing the cordial approbation and concurrence of this Society in the views taken by the Association and expressed by their minute of the 24th of May 1850 concerning the present and future relations of the Association and the colonists and in regard to the future management of the internal affairs of the colony."

Mr. Brittan moved, in pursuance of notice to that effect

"That this Society, considering that the time has properly arrived when the name of the future capital of the Canterbury Settlement may be definitely fixed, and feeling convinced from the general character of their intercourse and relations with the Association that that body are always anxious to pay every attention to the expressed wishes of the colonists on any practical question affecting their interests and feelings, venture to express to the Managing Committee of the Association their anxious desire that the capital of the settlement may be called by the name of "Lyttelton". He (Mr. Brittan) disdained any idea of interfering with the Assocn. in their privilege of naming the chief town: on the contrary he felt satisfied that it was their wish to consult the opinions of the colonists on this as on every other matter affecting their interests and feelings. He had reason to know that there were a great many who objected to the name of Christ-Church ^[sic] and who would prefer the name which he proposed, viz. that of Lyttelton.

^[sic] Mr. Fitzgerald explained that the origin of the name of Christchurch was in the fact of its being part of the scheme that the settlement should contain a large college, and partly because that was the name of the Cathedral church of Canterbury. He did not wish to oppose Mr. Brittan's motion, but he wished that more time shd. be given for discussing it, and therefore he moved, and Mr. Sewell seconded, "That the question stand adjourned for consideration till Thursday the 13th inst - which being assented to by Mr. Brittan was accordingly adopted.