December, at which the Treasurer's accounts shall be presented for audit - officers chosen and all vacancies and all reports of the Committee of management or other questions relating to the organisation or management of the Society considered; but no members shall be nominated or elected."

It was further resolved that the presence of Members of the Press at the Society's Meetings will be agreeable.

The President then invited those present to become Members, when the following gentlemen gave in their names. Messrs Woodford, Cuff. J. Newton H. Wadman, McNicoll. Newton A.C., Shackelton, Mark, Bowie, Guthrie, Smith, Lucas, Jameson J., Watson Turrell, Woodfar, Baynon, Lewis W. Fisher T.B., Aldridge, Woodham, A. Gee, Elvines, Dexter, Rymill, Mould Fisher W.J., Hewitt J.J. ~~and~~ Cox, Jameson & Jameson

The following were elected Office bearers for the ensuing six months.

Secretary Mr. J. Cuff. Treasurer Mr. J. W. Shackelton. Committee. Messrs Jameson, Cox, Guthrie, Mould, March & Turrell

The Meeting closed with the Doxology

Read and confirmed 5 Jany 1865.

Chas E. Vertie

Chairman

Congregational Church

Thursday December 29th 1864

The President in the Chair.

The Meeting opened with prayer

Dr. Foster L.L.D. delivered an opening Lecture on the Art of Public speaking.

A vote ~~of thanks~~ was passed ~~for~~ thanking the Lecturer for his kindness in delivering so able an address.

The following gentlemen were nominated as Members. namely

Mr. Robert Symington proposed by Revd W. J. Habens seconded by Mr. A. C. Newton.

Mrs. R. W. Morley. W. H. Morley and C. Morley proposed by Mr. Woodham seconded by Mr. Cox.

Mr. S. C. Farr proposed by Mr. Cox seconded by Mr. Cuff.

Mr. Mac Nee proposed by Mr. Bowie seconded by Mr. Guthrie.

The Meeting closed with the Doxology.

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Chairman