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In commencing this, our second year of publication, we desire to thank our advertisers for giving their support to the journal. Without it, the "Gazette" would be an impossibility, and so we have no hesitation in again asking our subscribers to patronise those who are paying for space in our pages. It is an easy matter to purchase our wants from those retailers who conduct their businesses in our own district and it shows, in a practical manner, that we appreciate the part they have played in the foundation of our own journal. Now that we have passed the first milestone, it is more than ever necessary that we should encourage these advertisers, for without their very valuable help we cannot continue publication of a medium that is undoubtedly a useful and desirable link between subscriber and committee.

Once again we invite our subscribers to utilise more fully these pages for their own needs. There must be queries that occur to readers, perhaps relative to the management of the library or maybe suggestions for the betterment of conditions. The committee will welcome any such enquiries or hints on library matters, and bearing in mind that our subscribers own

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

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the library, will endeavour to respect their wishes in this direction.

With the advent of warmer weather, our register of subscribers shows the usual seasonal decline. There is no real reason why this should be, for summer reading is in no measure less enjoyable than that indulged in by the fireside. With the increased leisure that seems to be predestined for most folk in the Dominion, a good book will be found a fitting companion with which to share some of those extra hours. The summer reader in New Zealand is assured of a supply of the best books of the year, for the English publishers have a habit of placing on the market about Christmas time large numbers of novels by the most popular authors.

FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL CHAIR

"Our" magazine this month enters upon the second year of its life and "the chair" thought it fitting that the first anniversary of its birth should be briefly noted.

A year ago we were hoping that the conference between the Christchurch City Council and the Canterbury University College Library Board would produce some tangible result. It is not too much to say, that today we are in a chastened mood and more or less resigned to the "wait and see" policy of the Christchurch City Council. Is the belated gift of £250 an implication of recognition of their responsibility to the citizens to provide a city-controlled library with branch libraries? We fervently hope that "library spirit" will grow, and during this second year of "our" magazine's life, something really worth while will

During the past year we have had some excellent articles on our front page, by prominent people: The Rt. Hon. M. J. Savage, Prime Minis-ter, the Hon. D. G. Sullivan, M.P., Minister for Industries, Mrs Mona Tracy, a gifted authoress; Dr. Lester, well known in Christchurch; Mr E. J. Bell, Chief Librarian, Canterbury Public Library; Mr J. Norrie, Chief Librarian, Wellington Public Library; Mr J. Barr, Chief Librarian, Auckland

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