A Plan of this kind appeared to him likely to work well both by increasing the means for Ecclesiastical and Educational purposes, and also by stimulating the exertions of the Colonists themselves." The Meeting generally approved of this proposal; and a minute to that effect was ordered to be entered upon the proceedings. In answer to a question from Mr Brittan Mr Bowler stated that the Association had taken, and were taking every precaution in their power that the provisions might all be of the first quality, and assured the Colonists that they might depend on his most vigilant superintendence.

The Meeting then adjourned to Thursday Aug 15.

W J Brittan

General Meeting Thursday Aug. 15. 1850.

W. G. Brittan Esqre in the chair.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr Sewell announced that the Royal Assent had been given to the bill that had been introduced into Parliament to give the Association power to dispose of their land in the Canterbury settlement and that it was now therefore the Law of the land.

The Chairman then made the following announcements

1. That the Union Bank of Australia had definitively settled to establish a Branch office at Lyttelton

2. That the arrangements with respect to the Newspaper had been definitively settled and that Mr Thrumpton of Oxford had undertaken to conduct it.

3. That the Cabin passages of the four ships taken up by the Association had been already filled up. After some conversation on various subjects the Meeting adjourned to Thursday Aug 22.

W J Brittan

Transcribe original as well as corrections