

Motion seconded by Dr. Barker

"That a recommendation be made to Mr. Jodley to make the road passable to Riccarton Bush from Christchurch, and that ^{the making of} this road should have precedence of all others. ✓

The amendment was put & rejected

The original motion was then put & carried.

The Chairman then brought forward the Report upon the present Pasturage regulations in the settlement drawn up by a subcommittee of the Council. ~~It was adopted.~~

The Chairman then read letters which had been received from Mr. Ward & Mr. Wootly tendering their resignation of the Office of Hon. Secretaries.

^{PUCKLE} Mr. Dampier moved seconded by Mr. Puckle that the resignations be accepted, & that the warm thanks of the Society are due to ~~the gentlemen~~ Mr. Ward & Mr. Wootly for their attention to & conduct of the business of the Society both here & in England.

The Chairman then alluded to the question of the appointment of a paid clerk to fulfil the duties of Secretary, ~~as~~ ^{as} recommended in the Quarterly Report. He was happy to state that he had secured the services of a well-qualified gentleman who wd consent to undertake the office. The appointment of a Clerk to the Council at a salary of £25 a year was then agreed to on the motion of Mr. Dampier, sec^d by Mr. Ward.

^{BOWEN} Mr. Bowen moved Mr. Dampier seconded the motion "That a rate of subscription of 5/- be