

April 25 1850. At a meeting held this day in the Canterbury Colonists' Rooms - the following gentlemen or their proxies being present:-

Mr. Hart, Mr. Sewell, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Rowley,
 Mr. Felix Wakefield, Mr. Porter, Mr. Townsend,
 Mr. E. Gibbon Wakefield, Mr. W. Lawrance, Mr. J^{do}.
 Townsend, Mr. Edward Townsend, Mr. C. L. Rose,
 Mr. Edward Ward, Mr. W. Brittan, Mr. Clifford,
 Mr. J. Longden, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. W. F. Edlin,
 Mr. H. Draper, Mr. Wm. Burdett, Mr. C. Fooks,
 Mr. C. B. Fooks, Mr. Carrington, Mr. Alfred Wills,
 Mr. J. B. Austin, Mr. C. J. W. Cookson, Mr. Dampier.
 Lieut. Col. Campbell, Mr. Harman, Mr. Gerard Spooner,
 Mr. Jos. Dickin, C. T. Moule, Mr. H. F. Way, Rev. J. Paulson,
 Mr. Henry Ward, Mr. H. Le Cren, Mr. Edward Power,
 Capt. Martin (Mr. Brittan in the chair) Mr. Henry Barrett
 Mr. Arthur Jackson.

It was moved by Mr. Sewell
 seconded by Mr. Rose - and resolved

1. That this meeting do constitute itself a body, to be called "The Society of Canterbury Colonists" and that the following rules and regulations be adopted by the Society.
 1. That all the gentlemen present at this meeting, either in person or by proxy, or who shall send in their names within one week from the present date, do constitute the First members of the Society.
 2. That the following gentlemen be appointed a Committee of Management (~~with power to add to their members~~):- viz.
 - Mr. W. ^G. Brittan
 - Lieut. Col. Campbell
 - Mr. Jas. Edward Fitzgerald
 - The Rev. Dr. Rowley
 - Mr. Henry Phillips
 - Mr. C. L. Rose
 - Mr. Henry Sewell
 - Mr. Edward Ward

(with power to add to their number)

and that Mr. Edward Ward be requested to act for the present as honorary Secretary at their meetings.