

## Mechanics Institute

June 21. 1866.

Committee met at 7 o'clock Dr Foster in the chair - all members present except Mr Wheeler -

Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Dr Foster stated that he had written to His Honor the Superintendent but on account of the latter having had to go to Wellington no reply had at present been received.

After some discussion it was unanimously agreed that the committee should advise that the Society do not hire a room for more than one night in the week.

It was also agreed that it would not be advisable to send to Australia for a copy of the Encyclopaedia Britannica

By a majority of 5 (five) to 3 (three) it was agreed to propose to the Society - to send to England for a copy of the above mentioned work.

It was also the opinion of the committee that the Society should not otherwise attempt to form a library -

Read & confirmed on the 16<sup>th</sup> day  
of August 1866

L. M. Wheeler

Chairman

## Mechanics Institute

Aug 16. 1866

Committee met at 7 o'clock Mr Wheeler in the chair - present Messrs A. C. Newton. H. Newton. Guthrie Baynon. Miss Cox. Montgomery. Shackleton

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed  
The Secretary then brought forward the programme the subjects on which were brought discussed one by one and agreed to - orders being given that the programme should be printed -

The Secretary stated that the Encyclopaedia Brit had arrived in Christchurch when he was appointed to give notice for behalf of the Committee that the subject of what should be done with the books would be brought before the general meeting next Thursday.

Read and confirmed on the 16<sup>th</sup> day  
of August 1866

Chas. J. Foster

Chairman

## Mechanics Institute

Aug 23. 1866

Committee met at 7.10 Dr Foster in the chair - present Messrs Wheeler. A. C. Newton. H. Newton. Guthrie Baynon. Bowie. Miss Cox. Shackleton Montgomery -  
The minutes of the last meeting were read and