

Librarians report.

of books had been submitted to him by Mr. Stansell who had them for sale.

Resolved, that the list of Mr. Stansell's books be referred to the Library Subcommittee with power to purchase.

Educational Classes.

The Educational Subcommittee proposed the establishment of certain Classes in accordance with the notices posted by them on the notice board in the reading room.

Public Lecture

The Rev. C. Frazer vacated the chair for a few minutes for the purpose of proposing that the introductory lecture to a course to be delivered by the Rev. C. Alabaster be advertised as a Public Lecture. This proposition having been seconded by Mr. Brooks was carried. nem. con.

List of Subsd. Read

Moved by Mr. C. W. Bishop that the list of the Subscribers names be read, which after some discussion was carried.

Formation of Discussion Class Deferred

Moved by Mr. C. W. Bishop and seconded by Mr. Lock, that the suggestion as to forming a Discussion Class, be considered at the next convenient opportunity of the Committee Meeting.

Carried unanimously

W. Moorhouse  
President

Nov. 2<sup>d</sup> 1859

Monday Evening, October 10<sup>th</sup> 1859.

Members present

At a special Meeting of the Committee Mr. Grosvenor Miles in the Chair. present Messrs Bishop, Brooks, Button, Connell Revd. C. Frazer. Messrs Alex. Johnstone, Lock, Jas. Johnstone, Mauritz, Stansell and Rae

Requisition

The following requisition having been read Christchurch October 8<sup>th</sup> 1859.

To Mr. Secretary Rae.

Dear Sir.

I request you to call a special meeting of the Committee of the Mechanics Institute, on Monday evening next at seven O'clock pm. to take into consideration the propriety of memorializing the Superintendent &c. as to a building site for the said Institute.

Yours truly.

Signed Grosvenor Miles. Treasurer

Memorial to & Suprd. agreed to.

Resolved, That it is desirable that a Memorial be presented to His Honor the Superintendent praying for a site of Ground in Christchurch upon which to erect a building for the purposes of the Institute.

A draft of a Memorial having been read the clauses were discussed seriatim and the following was unanimously agreed to and ordered to be fairly copied, to be signed by the members of the Committee and forwarded to the Provincial Secretary for transmission to His Honor.

Copy of Memorial

To His Honor the Superintendent of the Province of Canterbury in the Colony of New Zealand  
The Memorial of the Managing Committee of the Christchurch Mechanics' Institute

Shumbly Sheweth

That at a public Meeting held in Christchurch on the twenty-sixth day of May one Thousand eight Hundred and fifty-nine an Institution was established under the designation of the Christchurch Mechanics' Institute.