

satisfactory to the Committee.

Letter alluded to -

Provincial Secretary's Office

May 29th 1861

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Sir

By direction of His Honor the Superintendent I have the honor herewith to transmit to you a copy of a minute of the Executive Council, in answer to the Resolutions of the Christchurch Mechanics Institute, submitted by you to the Provincial Government.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedient humble servant,

(S^r) Thomas H. Maude

Prov^l Secretary

To C. H. Bishop Esq

Secretary to the Clerk

Mechanics Institute

Extract from Minutes of Executive Council 29 May 1861.
Mechanics Institute.

A copy of minutes of Resolutions of the Committee of the Christchurch Mechanics Institute relative to the site for the Institute is read.

The Council having considered the question are of opinion that a sum of money in lieu of a site be granted to the Institute, and direct the Secretary to be informed that as soon as the Estimates come under the consideration of the Government, due provision will be made that this item shall be submitted to the Provincial Council for their approval and sanction.

True Extract

(S^r) G. Turner

Resolved That Mr. Rar's donation of some Fossils be accepted and means taken for their preservation until a convenient place be found for them; and that the thanks of the Committee be communicated to Mr. Rar through the Secretary.

Resolved That the Secretary's record of the attendance of Office bearers and Committeemen for the past year be read by the Secretary. — Read accordingly.

The Chairman having read over the list of members of the Institute, the following were selected to form the Suggestive List of Officers and Committeemen for the year 61-62.

viz:

President	Will ^m Sifton Moorhouse Esq.
Treasurer	Grosvenor Miles Esq.
Librarian	William Wilson Esq.
Secretary	Doctor Prins.

— as Members of Committee —

Messrs R. Clephane	Messrs A. Johnstone
C. Worth	W. D. Wood
J. Johnston	Rev. C. Alabaster
J. Lock	Rev. C. Fraser
J. Anderson	Messrs C. H. Bishop
J. Daymond	J. W. Shackleton
W. Harrington Jr	W. Swale
W. H. Phillips	J. Saunders
C. Allison	G. Chisnall
W. Brooks	C. Preece
	T. J. Joynt

Resolved That the attention of members be particularly called to Rule 32 regarding the Election of Committee, by the Clerk being instructed to attach a notice to this effect at the foot of the Suggestive List.

Resolved That the Secretary be instructed to draw up a draft of the Annual Report to be submitted to the adjourned meeting of the Committee.

Resolved that this meeting do adjourn to Wednesday 19th Inst.

Read and confirmed, 3rd July 1861. W Wilson

Chairman.