

Resolved. That at the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the above named gentlemen for their gift to this Institution.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Rae - and hand in a parcel of fossils received from him, and also the skin of a Wood-Hen.

Three of the Sub Committees appointed to canvass the Town of Christ Church, viz. Messrs. Brooks & Harrington, Messrs. Bishop & Johnston & Messrs. Shackleton & Clephane handed in their report.

Resolved. That an additional copy of each of the local papers be purchased for the Reading Room.

Resolved. That the Periodical "Temple Bar" be secured for the Institute.

D' Haast
Resolved. That Julius Haast Esquire be admitted an Honorary Member of this Institute.

Resolved. That a Lecture Sub Committee be appointed, and that such Committee consist of the three Officers of the Institute.

Read and confirmed
Wednesday 4th September 1861.

W. Wilson
Chairman.

Wednesday 4 September 1861

Monthly Meeting of Committee

Present

The Treasurer
The Librarian
The Secretary

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Harrington
" Brooks	" Ness
" Chisnall	" Peacock
" Foley	" Shackleton

Mr. North.

Mr. Wilson in the Chair

Minutes of the Committee meeting of 7th August 1861 were read and confirmed.

The Librarian reported the addition of 37 volumes by donation from Messrs. Mc Donald & Kerton to the Library of this Institute.

Also handed in a Specimen of Canterbury coal presented by Julius Haast Esq.

Resolved. That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the above named gentlemen for their donations to the Institute.

The Secretary read a letter from Julius Haast Esquire - thanking the Committee for the honor done him - and proposing to avail himself of the advantages offered by the Reading Room also of rendering the Institute any service in his power -

The Sub Committee appointed for the purpose of considering and reporting on the best ways and means of opening the Institute in the day hand in their report.

It was Resolved that the Report of the Special Sub Committee be adopted - and that the thanks of this Committee are due and hereby presented to the Special Sub Committee for their very excellent and carefully drawn report.

Resolved. That the Special Sub Committee in conjunction with the Officers of the Institute be empowered to take such steps as are requisite to open the Institute in the day with the least possible delay.

Another of the Sub Committees appointed to canvass the Town of Christ Church - M^s Messrs Foley & Ness handed in their report.