

Third Annual Meeting

Wednesday 25th June 1862

Present
The Treasurer The Librarian The Secretary
and 30 Members.

Mr C. W. Bishop in the Chair

The Minutes of the last Quarterly General Meeting were read and confirmed.

The following Report of the Committee was brought up and read by the Secretary and received.

Third Annual Report of the Committee of the Christchurch Mechanics Institute.

Iron Hall Christchurch 25th June 1862

Your Committee have the honor of laying before you this the Third Annual Report, and in doing so your Committee entertain a hope that through the support received by a large accession to the list of subscribers from amongst the inhabitants of this City, a much more favourable result will be noticed in the financial position of the Institute than was shown in the last Report.

In the first Year the number of subscribing Members were reported to you as being 87 - 0 - 20 5.

producing an Income of £108. 18. 6

In the second year the subscribers were - 47. 0. 20. 74
producing an Income of £75. 10. 0

In this the third Year the subscribers have been 125. 1. 21. 76
producing an Income of £213. 1. 0

It is true that the expenses of the Institute are heavier than upon previous years, in consequence of the reading rooms being thrown open to subscribers during the day as well as in the evening, but that that this has been and is a source of great accommodation and benefit to the Members must be admitted on all sides - the items of Revenue will be more fully particularized in the Treasurer's Report accompanying

this - but your Committee would wish here to notice that in the general receipts to the Income during the past Year arising from Lectures appears a sum of only £2. 2. 6 - but as nearly all the Lectures that have been given, were given for the benefit of the Library Fund alone, the bulk of the receipts from Lectures during the Year, or £23. 1. 9 have been carried to that particular account.

Your Committee have again the pleasure of Reporting favourably with regard to the Library. Your Committee have already alluded to the receipt from Lectures of £23. 1. 9; it has now the receipt of £150. 0. 0 voted to this Institute by the Provincial Council, this sum has been a noble addition to the Funds of the Library, and with it, your Committee have to acquaint you that a well considered list of about 500 Vols. selected by a very efficient Sub-Committee has been prepared, and despatched to England, so that in a short space of time a most valuable addition will be made to the Number of Books.

Already this year have been added	Vols	
to the number by purchase		292
and by donation - viz: by Mr Stee	9	
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Mr McDonald & Weston	37	
Mr Bolton	1	
- J Lucas	1	
- Oswald	1	
- Hughes	10	
- Lucas	1	
- Hillier	1	
- Strike	1	
- St Thomkins	1	
- Wm Thomson	13	
Messrs Bealey	65	142
Together		434

The General Government at Auckland have had the liberal condescension to send to the Institute the Statistics, Journals of both Houses, & Statistics. For the last Year also the Gazette for the present Year with promise to continue the whole gratis, for the future.