

into a negotiation with the committee of the Institute for taking the Institute under the control of the Government on the basis that the Government pay the present liabilities of the Institute and establish a free library. such committee to consist of Mr. Hanks, Mr. Preston, Mr. Bishop, Mr. Jans & Mr. S. D. Bishop and to report at the next monthly meeting.

That Mr. W. Montgomery be requested to cooperate with the above committee in carrying out the last resolution.

Read & confirmed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1867  
J. W. Bishop  
Chairman

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 1867

Present  
Mr. B. Bishop in the Chair  
Mr. Commander Mr. Pomeroy  
" Holmes " Preston  
" Mitchell & the Secy.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed

Balance in hand reported to be £2.15-11

The following bills were approved for payment. Mr. Daymond  
Postage for Advertiser 7/ from cut saw 4/ Press 18/ Hughes £5 0 0

Librarian reported donations of the <sup>yearly</sup> 'Quarterly' of 'the year round' & 'once a week' from Mr. J. P. Lee.

The Secy. to acknowledge the same in the usual way.

The Treasurer read reports of sub-committee appointed on 15 March to wait on the Provincial Government

Read & confirmed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 1867  
Edward Preston Chairman

Monthly Meeting

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 1867

Present  
Mr. Preston in the Chair  
Mr. Bishop Mr. Daymond  
Commander Wood  
& the Secretary

Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed

The following bills were authorized to be paid. Mr. Council £1-15-0  
Montgomery & Co 5/6 Stevens 3. 8-0 Broadwell £4-6-1 Press 1. 12-0  
Ward & Neaves 2/9. Hughes 1/7.

The Librarian reported the receipt of the following donations: vizt from Govt. Government Journals of the House of Representatives for 1866. Appendix to the Statutes of New Zealand 1866. & from Govt. Government Staps. Notes & Proceedings of the Provincial Council of Otago 1866. The Secy. to acknowledge the receipt of same.

Read and confirmed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of 1867  
Edward Preston  
Chairman

Wednesday

5 June 1867

Present Mr. Preston in the Chair  
Mr. Daymond  
Pomeroy & the Secy.  
Wood

Minutes of last meeting were read & confirmed

The following bills were approved for payment vizt  
Day Lamp Glasses 10/ Keeping Chimnies 5/

The Librarian reported the receipt of the following donations vizt Journal of the Legislative Council of N.Z.

Resolved that a sub-committee be appointed to draw up Annual Report, such committee to consist of the Treasurer, Mr. Preston & the Secretary.