

The following motions bearing on it were carried  
Moved by R. Paine seconded by Mr. Pale "That the Club's salary be raised to twenty five pounds per annum with the occupation of the cottage. In case of his refusal to accept of the reduction a quarterly salary to be paid him & applicants for the situation according to the following scale."

Moved by R. Paine seconded by Mr. de Witt "That the expenses be affected only in seven hundred and fifty pounds for Kitchens, Rooms and Furniture."

Moved by R. Paine seconded by Mr. Martin "That the Treasurer be directed to carry into effect his proposal to obtain houses for firing."

Moved by the Secretary seconded by Mr. Robertson "That Messrs de Witt and Pale be directed to ascertain on what terms the Newspapers, periodicals and news books required for the Institute can be obtained by indent, through some of the local booksellers."

Resolved That a Conversation be held <sup>on an early date</sup> similar to that of last year as an introduction to the weekly entertainments and lectures.

That Messrs. Kin, Pale, Martin and Robertson be a subcommittee to secure objects of interest.

That Mr. Kin, Mr. Paine and the Secretary be a subcommittee to arrange the programme of the evening - especially the readings, addresses and music.

That Messrs. de Witt, Robertson, Kin &c be a subcommittee to provide refreshments, tickets &c.

Each Committee to have power to add to their number both from the Committee and other quarters.

That the General Committee meet to consider above on Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> inst.

Resolved That the Chairman be authorized to open the use of the large room to the Musical Society on any evening but Monday at such a rate as he may see fit to arrange.

Resolved That Messrs. Kin, Pale and de Witt be directed to take steps for furnishing the upper room.

Moved by the Secretary seconded by Mr. Martin That Mr.

Mr. Robertson be empowered to canvass for subscribers to the Institute

Resolved That R. Paine be authorized to arrange terms with the old men club,

Resolved That the Committee's night of meeting be changed from Thursday to Monday.

The Secretary was directed to acknowledge receipt of the before mentioned donations with the thanks of the Committee for same.

A vote of thanks moved by Mr. de Witt seconded by Mr. Pale was carried by acclamation, to the Chairman for his conduct in the Chair.

Was and confirmed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May 1869.  
Charles Fraser  
Chairman

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May 1869.

Present Mr. P. President in the Chair  
R. Paine Mr. Martin  
Mr. Kin " Robertson  
" de Witt and the Secretary.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

An interim report of the Conversation Sub-Committee was given and after some conversation matters were committed back to the several Sub-Committees and the following motions carried  
Moved by Mr. Martin seconded by Mr. Paine "That the Sub-Committee be empowered to advertise through the Treasurer for objects of Curiosity for the Conversation."

Moved by R. Paine seconded by Mr. de Witt "That a series of fortnightly entertainments be held on the alternate two days with those of the Public Entertainments Committee, commencing immediately after the Conversation."

Moved by Mr. Kin seconded by Mr. Martin "That the various