

giving effect to the said Resolution.

M^r Parris proposed that accompanying the above list one should be sent to the following effect.

"The undersigned considering the present financial difficulties of this Institute, and feeling desirous of relieving it from further trouble connected with our Shares do agree to cancel the same".

A paper was then prepared with the following heading

Christchurch Mechanics Institute
21st Sept^r 1864

"We the undersigned Shareholders of the Christchurch Mechanics' Institute, considering the present ~~position~~ financial position of the Institute, and desiring to assist it in its difficulties, agree to forego the Interest due to us on our Shares for the past year"

And signed by all the Shareholders at the meeting
* D^r Parris' proposition

The meeting then adjourned

Agreeable to the above instructions the Clerk has waited on nearly all the remaining Shareholders and obtained the signatures of 24 of them

making a total of 56 signatures and 165 Shares to the first proposition and 4 signatures and 9 Shares to the second

October 5th 1864

E. J. Reader
Clerk

Mechanics Institute

Christchurch, 21st March 1865.

Report of Sub Committee on Laws

To the Chairman of the General Committee

On the 1st March a Sub-Committee consisting of the following gentlemen:—D^r Parris, Mess^{rs} J. W. Smith, Deuham, Foley and E. B. Bishop was appointed by you to draw up a new code of Laws for this Institute

The undersigned beg to hand the accompanying draught of Laws and to state that D^r Parris did not attend any meeting, Mr Foley withdrew at the commencement as not concurring in the basis of the draught in question, which is founded upon the Laws of an Institute that has for many years been satisfactorily conducted by the same. We however found it necessary to modify them to some considerable extent, in order, as we conceive, to suit the requirements of this Institute; and notwithstanding this, we have reserved to ourselves the right to express our individual opinions upon some particular clauses