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NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTE, 1882-83

(FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF).

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

THE Board held meetings on the following dates: 8th August, 25th October, 1882, 15th January, and 20th March, 1883.

The members elected under clause 7 of the Act are: The Hon. Mr. Rolleston, Mr. J. McKerrow, and Mr. Martin Chapman. The following gentlemen were elected honorary members of the New Zealand Institute: Sir William Thomson, F.R.S., Dr. W. B. Carpenter, F.R.S., C.B., and Mr. R. L. Ellery, F.R.S.; there now being twenty-seven honorary members and three vacancies.

The members now on the roll of the Institute are: Honorary members, 27; ordinary members—Auckland Institute, 320; Hawke's Bay Philosophical Society, 108; Wellington Philosophical Society, 289; Westland Institute, 87; Philosophical Institute of Canterbury, 163; Otago Institute, 178; Southland Institute, 62: total, 1,234.

The printing of Volume XV. was commenced on the 10th January and finished early in April,

the first issue of the volumes being made about the 17th May. The volume contains sixty-two articles, also Presidents' addresses and abstracts of papers, which appear with the Proceedings and Appendix. There are 586 pages of letter-press and forty plates. The following is a division of the contents of the volume for comparison with that of last year:

					1883.		1882.	
					Pages.		Pages.	
					90		200	
• • •				• • •	236		144	
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					60		52	
					26		54	
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					586		610	
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The volumes now in stock are: Vol. I. (second edition), 400; Vol. II., none; Vol. III., none; Vol. IV., none; Vol. V., 48; Vol. VI., 47; Vol. VII., 146; Vol. VIII., 18; Vol. IX., 150; Vol. X., 8; Vol. XI., 60; Vol. XII., 65; Vol. XIII., 68; Vol. XIV., 90; Vol. XV., not yet fully distributed.

From the Honorary Treasurer's statement of accounts it will be seen that there is a balance in hand of £77 14s. 7d.

The annual reports of the various departments connected with the Institute are appended.

Approved by the Board.
WM. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS, Chairman. 3rd August, 1883.

JAMES HECTOR, Manager.

NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTE ACCOUNTS, 1882-83.

Receipts. To Balance in hand, 8th August, 1882 Vote for 1882–83 Williams an Philosophi		11		Expenditure. By Balance due for printing Vol. XIV. Printing Vol. XV. Binding	19 5 08	-	$\frac{2}{0}$
Contribution from Wellington Philosophical Society, one-sixth of annual revenue Sale of volumes Draft from London agents, sale of		17 5		Binding Purchase of second-hand volumes of Transactions, New Zealand Institute, 4 volumes		17	
volumes	80	0	0	Miscellaneous items, contingencies, &c Balance		2	1
	£619	14	4		£619	14	4

ARTHUR STOCK, Honorary Treasurer.