

"REFERENCE" BOOKS

On the motion of Mr. James Allen, it was decided by the Joint Committee last year that the Chief Librarian should have a list prepared showing which books ought, in his opinion, to be treated as "reference" books, and not allowed to be taken out of the Library. This list has been prepared, and is at the disposal of the Chairman.

DEATH OF AN EX-CHAIRMAN OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

During the recess occurred, I regret to say, the death of the Hon. M. S. Grace, M.L.C., for many years Chairman of the Joint Library Committee and of the Recess Committee. I thought fit to officially represent the Library staff at the funeral, as the deceased gentleman had always taken a great interest in the Library, and was a good friend to the staff.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES WILSON,
Chief Librarian.

The Hon. John Rigg, M.L.C.

APPENDIX.

BALANCE-SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1903.

1902.		<i>Receipts.</i>		£	s.	d.	1902-3.	<i>Expenditure.</i>		£	s.	d.
31 March.	Balance in hand	..	..	737	11	9		Purchase of books and periodicals in London	..	742	19	7
17 Nov.	Cash from Treasury—Annual grant	..	..	600	0	0	"	Purchase of books and periodicals locally	..	284	12	4
17 "	Cash from private Bill proceeds	..	..	45	0	0	"	Freight and marine insurance..	..	7	3	4
1903.							"	Fire-insurance premiums	..	20	0	0
9 March.	Refund Stamp imprest	..	..	30	0	0	"	Advertising	..	2	0	0
							"	W. F. Kennedy (photographs)..	..	4	10	0
							"	Wellington Tinware Company	..	1	0	0
							"	E. J. Le Grove, "Bar-lock" duplicator and typewriter fittings..	..	3	14	0
							"	Cash balance on 31st March, 1903	..	346	12	6
				<u>£1,412</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>9</u>				<u>£1,412</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>9</u>

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