

able, and the completion of this work would leave the way open to make the collection thoroughly comprehensive by the use of photographic reproductions. It could then be made available as part of the Library's service of providing illustrative material for the press and others requiring it.

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FRIENDS OF THE TURNBULL LIBRARY

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

HELD ON 28TH MAY, 1952

Your Committee, not having been elected to office until 24th October, 1951, on the verge of the summer recess, are unable to record any considerable activities, but many routine matters have engaged their attention.

A final general meeting for 1951 was held on 29th November, when Mr. J. K. Baxter gave an address on modern English verse, and Mr. E. C. Simpson spoke on the Book of Kells, his address being accompanied by references to pages of the facsimile print of that work recently acquired by the Library, and placed on view to members at the meeting.

The successful sales of copies acquired by the Society of the Tasman Chart issued by the Mitchell Library have led your Committee to arrange for the publication for sale at the Library of a reproduction of Captain Cook's Chart of New Zealand, with the route of the *Endeavour*. Following the practice of similar libraries in other countries it is also proposed to print picture postcards and reproductions suitable for purchase by visitors to the Library. For a start, two postcards in monochrome (an exterior view of the Library, from a photograph, and an interior view), and two prints in colour-process (reproductions of Heaphy water-colours hanging on the walls), are being printed. A free copy of each of these publications will, of course, when ready, be distributed to each member.

The Committee is glad to notice that some members have donated to the Library material of a kind suitable for its collections; and commends to individual members a continuance of this proof of their interest.

An issue (No. VIII) of THE TURNBULL LIBRARY RECORD was published in November, and has been distributed to members.

A number of copies of the Catalogue of the Centennial Exhibition of New Zealand Art, including reproductions in colour and monochrome, have been made available to the Society for free distribution to members by the Department of Internal Affairs, by which the exhibition was organised. Members desiring to receive a copy, whilst the stock lasts, are asked to make application to the Secretary.

For the Committee,

A. E. CURRIE,
President.