

he had not the same confidence, as it was possible that they had become mixed with the Moa bones through the blowing away of a stratum of sand in which they had been buried, and which stratum might be of long subsequent age to the period of the formation of the kitchen middens amongst which the Moa remains were found.

2. "On the evidences of recent changes in the elevation of the Waikato district," by J. Stewart, C.E.

The President said that the course of the Waikato was full of interesting problems from its exit from Lake Taupo to its entrance into the sea. One curious feature was that, instead of running along the valleys, as was usual with rivers, it crossed the mountain ranges at right angles, thus forming deep gorges, of which that at Taupiri was a good example.

Dr. Purchas said that no doubt the Waikato ran into the Thames or Piako before the gorge at Taupiri was removed, and allowed the river to find its way into the Middle Waikato Basin.

3. "Notes on the Introduction and Acclimatization of the Salmon," by James Stewart, C.E. (See *Transactions*, page 205.)

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. 21st February, 1876.

J. C. Firth, President, in the chair.

*New Members.*—J. Taylor, Rev. Dr. Wallis.

The list of donations to the Library and Museum during the last two months was read by the Secretary.

The Annual Report and Financial Statement was then read by the Secretary, when it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Firth, seconded by Mr. Goodall, "that the report, as read, be adopted, and printed for circulation among the members."

Election of Officers for 1876:—President, His Honor Mr. Justice Gillies; Council, R. C. Barstow, J. L. Campbell, M.D., J. C. Firth, J. Goodall, C.E., Hon. Col. Haultain, T. Heale, Rev. J. Kinder, D.D., G. M. Mitford, Rev. A. G. Purchas, M.R.C.S.E., J. Stewart, C.E., F. Whitaker; Secretary and Treasurer, T. F. Cheeseman, F.L.S.; Auditor, T. Macfarlane.

A vote of thanks to the retiring President concluded the business.

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