The Council acknowledge the receipt of a grant of £45 10s. under the provisions of "The Public Libraries Subsidies Act." This amount has been expended in the purchase of standard scientific works. The Council received from Mr. J. T. Mackelvie a complete set of the publications of the "Royal Geographical Society," some 75 volumes in all.

The annual balance-sheet showed the receipts to be £454 15s. 1d., including the balance of £29 9s. 1d. carried from last year's accounts. The expenditure amounted to £436 16s. 3d.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1880:——President—F. D. Fenton; Council—G. Aickin, Rev. J. Bates, J. L. Campbell, M.D., J. C. Firth, Hon. Col. Haultain, Neil Heath, F.G.S., E. A. Mackechnie, J. A. Pond, Rev. Dr. Purchas, J. Stewart, M.Inst.C.E., S. P. Smith; Auditor—T. Macffarlane; Secretary and Treasurer—T. F. Cheeseman, F.L.S.