

ment of a course of scientific lectures, the funds from which might be made available for the purchase of scientific instruments.

A vote of thanks to the officers for the past year was carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: *President*—Sir D. Monro; *Vice-President*—The Bishop of Nelson; *Treasurer*—J. Holloway; *Secretary and Curator*—T. Mackay; *Council*—R. Lee, J. Shepherd, F. W. Irvine, M.D., Hon. Dr. Renwick, G. Williams.

On the motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Hunter-Brown, it was resolved, "That any member may make a requisition in writing to the Secretary for obtaining any scientific publication, or any piece of scientific apparatus, and that such suggestions be considered by the Council at its first sitting."

It was also resolved, "That a book be kept for the purpose of receiving such suggestions as are referred to in the previous resolution," and "That the Council be requested to make arrangements whereby the Association may have a room for its meetings and the reception of its property."

On the motion of Mr. Hunter-Brown, seconded by Mr. Huddleston, it was resolved, "That a complete copy of the *Transactions and Proceedings* for the last year be reserved for the President, Vice-President, and for each member who has supplied a paper or specimen to the Association, and that the remaining copies be supplied one to each member as applied for."

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SEVENTH MEETING. 13th September, 1871.

F. W. Irvine, M.D., in the chair.

*New member.*—W. Davis.

Several new members were proposed for election, and other business was transacted.

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EIGHTH MEETING. 11th October, 1871.

The Bishop of Nelson, Vice-President, in the chair.

*New members.*—A. D. Dobson, C.E., W. B. Sealy, R. P. Bain, T. M. Wright, L. Boor, M.R.C.S.

Dr. Irvine reported that Mr. T. Mackay and himself had waited on the Committee of the Nelson Institute, with whom they had arranged for the use of a room in the building of the Institute for a period of six months, for which a rent of £5 was to be paid, to be expended on books on the same terms and conditions as those on which the Association's contribution of one-third income was carried out.