

NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTE.

TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT, 1888-89.

DURING the past year Board meetings were held on the following dates: 23rd July, 1888; 15th January, 17th January, 11th February, 27th February, and 14th May, 1889.

The members elected by the incorporated societies for the year are—Mr. J. McKerrow, F.R.A.S.; Mr. W. Maskell, F.R.M.S.; and Mr. A. S. Atkinson, F.L.S.

The members now on the roll of the Institute are—

Honorary members	...	...	...	30
Ordinary members—				
Auckland Institute	...	...	...	216
Hawke's Bay Philosophical Institute	...			104
Wellington Philosophical Society	...			253
Philosophical Institute of Canterbury	...			108
Nelson Philosophical Society	...	...	...	36
Westland Institute	...	...	...	78
Otago Institute	...	...	...	140
Southland Institute	...	...	...	72

Making a total of ... 1,037

The volumes of "Transactions" now in stock are—Vol. I. (second edition), 275; Vol. V., 33; Vol. VI., 30; Vol. VII., 126; Vol. IX., 127; Vol. X., 160; Vol. XI., 47; Vol. XII., 53; Vol. XIII., 52; Vol. XIV., 75; Vol. XV., 187; Vol. XVI., 190; Vol. XVII., 225; Vol. XVIII., 170; Vol. XIX., 195; Vol. XX., 200; Vol. XXI., not yet fully distributed.

The Volume XXI. was issued in May last, and contains 60 articles; also addresses and abstracts of articles which appear in the Proceedings. The volume contains 583 pages of letterpress and 36 plates.

The following is a comparison of the contents with those of the previous year's volume :—

	1889.	1888.
	Pages.	Pages.
Miscellaneous	114	80
Zoology	148	140
Botany... ..	120	116
Chemistry	15	—
Geology	84	96
Proceedings	48	47
Appendix	54	49
	583	528

The expense of printing Vol. XX. of the "Transactions" amounted to £415 10s. for 528 pages, and that of Vol. XXI. to £248 11s. 4d. for 583 pages, the printing for the latter having been done under a fresh contract.

The statement of accounts for the year by the Honorary Treasurer is appended, and shows that there is a balance in hand of £95 14s. 11d.

JAMES HECTOR,
Manager.

Approved by the Board.

W. B. D. MANTELL,
Chairman.

5th August, 1889.

NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTE ACCOUNTS FOR 1888-89.

<i>Receipts.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Expenditure.</i>	£	s.	d.
Balance in hand on 23rd July, 1888	130	4	9	For printing Vol. XXI... ..	248	11	4
Grant by Parliament, 1st Dec., 1888.. ..	500	0	0	For extra volumes printed by Messrs. Lyon and Blair	60	5	0
Contribution from Wellington Philosophical Society, 24th Feb., 1889	24	17	0	Miscellaneous items	25	10	6
				Transfer to account for printing memoirs (see resolution, 13th May, 1885; report, 1885-86; and minutes, 5th Aug., 1889)	125	0	0
				Transfer to liability account for printing postponed papers	100	0	0
				Balance in hand	95	14	11
	£655	1	9		£655	1	9

W. T. L. TRAVERS,
Honorary Treasurer.