

OTAGO INSTITUTE.

FIRST MEETING: 22nd May, 1894.

Mr. Edward Melland, President, in the chair.

New Members.—F. J. Bews, Henry Williams.

Professor F. B. de M. Gibbons read a paper on "The Appreciation of Gold."

SECOND MEETING: 19th June, 1894.

Mr. Edward Melland, President, in the chair.

Professor Parker gave an account of the characteristics and the life-history of the principal parasitic worms infesting man.

Mr. G. M. Thomson gave an account of the structure and systematic position of *Anaspis*, a newly-discovered annectant form of Arthrostracous Crustacea.

Mr. A. Hamilton read a paper on moa-feathers, summarizing the present information on the subject, and giving particulars of the finding of a large number of feathers of *Megalapteryx* in a cave on the Old Man Range, at the head of the Waikaia River. (*Transactions*, p. 232.)

THIRD MEETING: 17th July, 1894.

Mr. Edward Melland, President, in the chair.

The President read a paper "On the Financial Depression, its Cause and Remedy."

FOURTH MEETING: 14th August, 1894.

Mr. Edward Melland, President, in the chair.

New Member.—C. Howard Jackson.

Professor Parker drew attention to a large and valuable collection of ethnological specimens from New Guinea, recently presented to the Museum by the Rev. James Chalmers.

The Rev. Dr. Belcher read a paper "On some Female Characters in the Plays of Sophocles."