

NELSON PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

FIRST MEETING: 12th February, 1894.

Mr. A. S. Atkinson, Vice-president, in the chair.

New member.—Mr. W. Davies.

Dr. J. Hudson gave a description of a trip to the neighbourhood of Mount Cook.

Exhibits.—Photographs of Mount Cook, &c., by Mr. F. W. Gibbs. Pair of *Spondylus* shells from Red Sea; pair of living *Paryphanta hochstetteri*, from Mount Duppa; living *Nautinus pulcherrimus*, by Mr. E. Lukins. Nest of *Bombus terrestris*, with comb, by Mr. A. S. Atkinson. Stems of *Plantago lanceolata*, showing peculiar variations, by Mr. R. I. Kingsley.

SECOND MEETING: 12th March, 1894.

Mr. A. S. Atkinson, Vice-president, in the chair.

Papers.—1. "On the Presence of some Noxious Weeds in Nelson District"—*Carduus arvensis*, *Arctium minor*, and *Melilotus arvensis*—by R. I. Kingsley. (*Transactions*, p. 407.)

2. "Zoological Notes: (1.) Arboreal Nests of Bush-rat (*Mus maorium*); (2.) *Paryphanta hochstetteri* found at Low Levels at West Wanganui," by R. I. Kingsley. (*Transactions*, p. 238.)

3. "Botanical Notes: Plants new to Nelson Province, &c., from West Wanganui," by R. I. Kingsley. (*Transactions*, p. 407.)

A quantity of plants and New Zealand land-snails, also spherical iron-ore from West Wanganui, were exhibited by Mr. R. I. Kingsley.

A lamprey was presented by Dr. Hudson.
