

ANNUAL MEETING: 4th February, 1895.

ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL REPORT.

Six ordinary meetings were held, and were well attended. The number of papers read was fourteen. The financial position of the Institute continues to be satisfactory. The Council regret, however, a considerable decrease in the membership, which now stands at 84, the smallest number for many years past. The same decrease is apparent in other branches of the Institute. During the year twenty volumes have been added to the library.

A fine portrait of the founder and former Secretary of this branch, the Rev. W. Colenso, F.R.S., F.L.S., &c., which was painted by Herr Lindauer to the order of the Council, has been presented by Mr. Colenso to the Institute, and now hangs on the wall of the Museum. The likeness is a capital representation of one of the pioneers of science in this colony.

The accounts show that the total receipts were £76 7s. 11d., and that the assets were valued at £827 18s. 3d.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1895.—*President*—J. W. Car-
lile, M.A.; *Vice-president*—H. H. Pinckney, B.A.; *Council*—
T. Humphries, J. W. Craig, H. Hill, B.A., F.G.S., J. S. Large,
G. Pitcaithley, B.A., Dr. A. Milne-Thompson; *Hon. Secre-
tary*—W. Dinwiddie; *Hon. Treasurer*—G. White; *Auditor*—
J. Crerar.
