cal Specimens," by T. Kirk, F.L.S. (read by Mr. Joynt). (Transactions, p. 318.)

Presentations.—Empty artillery-shell from Haerangi Pa, by Mr. Victor Glanville; basket from Fiji, by Miss Martin.

Annual Meeting: 10th December, 1894.

The Bishop of Nelson, President, in the chair.

Paper.—" On New Forms of Celmisia," by T. Kirk, F.L.S. (read by the Hon. Secretary). (Transactions, p. 327.)

Exhibits.—Mr. E. Lukins exhibited specimens of birds and their eggs, land and marine shells, and Maori implements from Stephen's and D'Urville Islands.

Presentations.—Specimen of tin-ore from the Buller, by Mr. G. Pitts; a fish, a species of trout, by Mr. Thorpe.

## ABSTRACT OF ANNUAL REPORT.

The report of the Hon. Secretary showed an increase in the number of meetings held, but regretted that the attendance had not improved.

The Hon. Curator's report showed the Museum to be in fair condition, considering that it is not endowed.

The Hon. Treasurer's report showed a small balance carried forward.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1895.—President—The Bishop of Nelson; Vice-presidents—Mr. A. S. Atkinson, Dr. J. W. Mackie; Hon. Secretary—Mr. R. I. Kingsley; Hon. Treasurer—Dr. J. Hudson; Council—Dr. Boor, Messrs. E. Lukins, F. Worley, J. Holloway, and J. G. Bartell; Hon. Curator of Museum—Mr. R. I. Kingsley; Assistant Curator—Mr. E. Lukins.

The President gave a short address "On the Importance of the Study of Natural History, &c."