

NELSON PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

FIRST MEETING: 18th March, 1901.

The Bishop of Nelson, President, in the chair.

The question of amalgamation with the Nelson Institute, in the event of its becoming affiliated to the New Zealand Institute, was considered.

After considerable discussion the following amended resolutions were agreed to:—

1. That the Nelson Institute affiliate with the New Zealand Institute.
2. That when this is done the Nelson Philosophical Society amalgamate with the Nelson Institute.

3. That a scientific branch, to be managed by a special sub-committee, be formed from members of the Nelson Institute, with an extra subscription of five shillings per annum.

4. That the property belonging to the Nelson Philosophical Society, including the specimens in the Museum, the material and apparatus of the School of Mines, and the books and magazines in its library, be handed over to the committee of the Nelson Institute, but that certain books be reserved for the use of the scientific branch only.

5. That the cash balance in hand of the Nelson Philosophical Society at the time of amalgamation be reserved for Museum expenditure.

6. That the subscriptions to the scientific branch over and above any special expenditure be reserved for Museum expenditure.

Resolved, That Dr. Hudson and Mr. Kingsley be a committee to determine what books shall be reserved under recommendation 4.

Resolved, That the present officers of the Society be re-elected for the ensuing year, or until the proposed amalgamation is effected.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1901.—*President*—The Bishop of Nelson, *Vice-presidents*—A. S. Atkinson and Dr. Mackie; *Hon. Secretary*—R. I. Kingsley; *Hon. Treasurer*—Dr. Hudson; *Hon. Curator*—R. I. Kingsley; *Assistant Curator*—E. Lukins; *Council*—The first five *ex officio*, and F. G. Gibbs, E. Lukins, J. S. Chatterton, and J. G. Bartel.