

information to the Committee that would convict any one that might steal books from the Reading Room. He thought a similar notice in our Reading Room might put a stop to the stealing of news papers & periodicals. The Committee did not think it desirable to put up such a notice, but decided to post one up stating that it was against the rules to remove either books, papers or periodicals from the Reading Room.

### Secretary's statement.

Subscriptions for the month £ 101. 15. 0

Total revenue of - - - 292. 2. 0

- - - 11 months £ 3627. 7. 5

New members during the month 17  
- - - 11 months 299

Balance in Bank £ 461. 18. 4  
Fined deposits £ 3925. 0. 0

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Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January 1891

The General Committee met at 8 pm.  
Mr Hugo Prew (chair)  
Hayter V. Pres  
Pennic Treasurer  
Diffe  
Ridley  
Downward  
Dawson  
Good  
Lush  
Barlow  
Sangster  
Levi  
Severs  
Munks

Minutes of the previous meeting read and confirmed.

The Library sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to recommend the following for addition to the Library:-

Replace Books	
From Geo Robertson 1 vol	£ 0. 10. 0
E A Petherick 1 vol	18. 0
Melville, Shatto & Slade 9	1. 5. 8
New Book	

Collins' Epitome of Philosophy 12. 6

Accounts amounting to £ 36. 14. 2 examined & found correct

Resolved, on motion of Mr Hayter & Mr Lush, that the Report be adopted.

The House sub committee reported as follows:-

The House sub committee report that the supply of gas in the Large Hall is still very unsatisfactory; they have instructed the Secretary to write to the Secy of the Gas Co on the subject. The following bills have been examined & found correct amounting to £ 2. 8. 7. 6

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Resolved, on motion of Mr Hiffe and Mr Langster,  
that the report be adopted.

The Finance sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that a Fixed Deposit  
in the City of Melbourne for £1000 falls due 18<sup>th</sup> inst.  
It is recommended that it be redeposited.

Balance Sheet The Balance Sheet be submitted to the Finance  
Committee for their report before being presented to the  
General Committee.

The following Expenses are recommended for payment:-

Salaries and Wages	£ 25. 1. 8
as	2. 14. 2
Electric light	10. 11. 10
G Cauldon Newspapers	11. 1. 0
Melville, Muller & Slade Books	10. 0. 7
City Treasurer, Front Lamp	6. 5. 0
W Hutchinson Bros Binding	5. 16. 9
Wm Detmold Binding	2. 19. 6
C A Petherick. Books	1. 9. 0
Sundry Expenses	13. 3. 4
	<u>£ 153. 2. 10.</u>

Resolved, on motion of Mr Rennie & Mr Meeks,  
that the Report be adopted.

Death of Mr Bates The President informed the Committee of the death  
of Mr Bates which took place on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Inst.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Hiffe & Mr Langster,  
that a letter of Condolence be sent to Mrs Bates.

The Balance Sheet was read and was  
referred to the Auditors.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Meeks and Mr Bush,  
that the Library be closed on Foundation  
Day, Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Inst.

The Report of the Committee was read and  
adopted.

Secretary's statement.

Subscriptions for the month	£ 112. 10. 0
Total revenue of	316. 17. 0
"        12 months	3997. 10. 1

New members during month	17
"        12 months	316

Balance in Bank	£ 115. 15. 7
Fixed deposit	3925. 0. 0

W H Hiffe.

Annual General  
Meeting  
Held in the Large Hall Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> Jan'y  
1891

The chair was taken by the President  
Mr Henry Ruge at 18 p.m.  
The following members of Committee were present.—  
Mr Hayter  
Millie  
Ridley  
Levi  
Parlow  
Dancon  
Langston  
Downward  
Tivers  
Starlin  
Rennie

Apologies for absence were received from Mr Meeks & Mr Tiffey.  
There were a few members of the Institution present besides

The Secretary read the Advertisement concerning the meeting. The said advertisement had been published twice in the daily journals, and had been posted in the Reading Room in conformity with Rule No.

The Minutes of the last Annual meeting and also of the special general meeting held Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April were read and confirmed

The Secretary then read the Annual Report

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

OF THE  
MELBOURNE ATHENÆUM,  
For the Year 1890.

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The revenue has not reached the average of the past few years. This is no doubt to be attributed, in a great measure, to the causes which have had a similar effect on the finances of many other public institutions.

It will be seen from the Balance Sheet that the gross receipts for the year amounted to £3997 10s. 1d., and the expenditure to £3822 2s., giving a surplus of £175 8s. 1d., and bringing the cash balance up to £4040 15s. 7d. Of the last mentioned sum, £3925 is deposited at interest.

The following are the details of the receipts:—Subscriptions, £1436 19s. 6d.; rent of large hall, £702 15s. 6d.; small hall, £260 3s.; rooms, £239 11s.; front shops, £1165; sales, £19 18s. 2d.; interest, £173 7s. 11d.

The principal items of expenditure are:—Salaries and wages, £1031 10s.; interest on mortgage, £990; books, magazines, and newspapers, £678 8s. 6d.; repairs and furniture, £355 12s. 3d.; lighting, £273 19s. 4d.; rates, £127 10s.; binding, £92 18s. 3d.

Despite the casual decrease in the receipts, the Committee deemed it their duty to add to the attractiveness of the Institution, by having the whole of the new portion of the building painted and decorated. The cost was £270.

The number of members on the roll is 1492, of whom 316 joined during the year.

The number of books added to the Library during the year was 670; the total number of works issued to subscribers was 30,699, and 7142 magazines.

STATISTICAL STATEMENT OF TRANSACTIONS FOR THE  
LAST TWENTY YEARS.

YEAR.	No. of Subscribing Members.	No. Members.	Volumes Added.	Volumes Circulated.	Magazines Circulated.
1871	547	168	627	19,603	11,927
1872	640	252	426	20,226	12,447
1873	1139	655	705	34,866	15,176
1874	1236	547	1414	39,729	12,323
1875	1287	480	657	45,002	10,697
1876	1488	567	980	43,115	10,500
1877	1571	481	746	45,293	11,900
1878	1525	444	654	46,262	11,115
1879	1410	361	771	58,450	6,096
1880	1400	364	543	*36,317	6,399
1881	1398	326	552	*34,291	6,642
1882	1333	341	582	*34,342	7,268
1883	1330	329	560	*35,016	7,209
1884	1334	277	711	*35,120	7,231
1885	1311	254	680	*29,653	7,200
1886	1468	351	700	*29,382	7,000
1887	1568	376	613	*28,241	7,150
1888	1535	355	618	*29,697	7,108
1889	1515	312	698	*30,601	7,209
1890	1492	316	670	*30,699	7,142

\* Works.

The following return shows the number of works of various classes that have been issued during the last four years:—

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History and Historical Memoirs .....	761	785	723	635
Jurisprudence and Legislation .....	5	10	0	9
Medical Science and Chemistry .....	3	6	7	1
Miscellaneous and Collected Works .....	738	812	725	700
Natural History and Botany .....	50	36	76	37
Works of Fiction .....	21,830	22,848	24,081	24,263
Music .....	3	0	0	4
Periodical Literature .....	1,782	1,830	1,805	1,783
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	28,241	29,697	30,601	30,699

The number of visitors introduced by members, under the provision of Rule 19, was 35.

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Victorian Parliamentary Debates.

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Tivers  
Karlins  
Rennie

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The proprietors of the principal metropolitan and provincial newspapers have also each contributed one copy of their journals.

The annual election of honorary office-bearers resulted in the return of the following gentlemen:—President, Mr. Henry R. Fuge; Vice-President, Mr. H. H. Hayter, C.M.G.; Treasurer, Mr. Charles Rennie; Committee, Messrs. W. Bates, W. Ivers, J. Iliffe, J. Levi, H. Meeks, J. S. Ridley, and D. Sangster. Mr. H. S. Barlow was subsequently elected to fill the vacancy caused by the election of Mr. Hayter as Vice-President.

There have been 12 meetings of the General Committee during the year:—

<i>The President,</i> Mr. HENRY R. FUGE	... attended	10
<i>The Vice-President,</i>	... "	7
<i>The Treasurer,</i>	... "	8
<b>COMMITTEE:</b>		
Mr. Bates ...	attended 7	Mr. Barlow ... attended 11
Mr. Ivers* ...	" 1	Mr. Danson ... "
Mr. Iliffe ...	" 0	Mr. Downward ... "
Mr. Levi ...	" 5	Mr. Elkington* ... "
Mr. Meeks ...	" 7	Mr. Harlin ... "
Mr. Ridley ...	" 7	Mr. Lush* ... "
Mr. Sangster ...	" 9	Mr. Millie ... "
		Mr. Goode ( <i>ex officio</i> ) "

\* Mr. Ivers was absent from the colony for the greater part of the year, and Mr. Lush for more than three months. Professor Elkington met with an accident, which rendered him unable to attend.

The following are the attendances of the Sub-Committees:—

LIBRARY.	HOUSE.	FINANCE.
No. of Meetings, 11.	No. of Meetings, 11.	No. of Meetings, 11.
Mr. Millie - 8 (Chairman)	Mr. Bates - 10 (Chairman)	Mr. Rennie - 8 (Chairman)
Mr. Fuge - 11	Mr. Iliffe - 9	Mr. Downward - 4
Mr. Hayter - 7	Mr. Ridley - 7	Mr. Goode - 5
Mr. Harlin - 4	Mr. Sangster - 2	Mr. Danson - 9
Mr. Lush - 3	Mr. Levi - 9	Mr. Ivers - 2
	Mr. Meeks - 4	Mr. Levi - 3
	Mr. Barlow - 8	

It is with extreme regret that the Committee have to record the death of the Hon. William Bates, who for some years was an energetic member of the Committee, and was

very few however used it

Chairman of the House Sub-Committee at the time of his decease.

The President, Vice-President, and the following members of the Committee retire from office, but are eligible for re-election, viz.:—Messrs. Barlow, Danson, Downward, Elkington, Harlin, Lush, and Millie. There is also a vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Bates.

In accordance with the wish expressed by some members at the last general meeting, a room was set aside as a smoking and chess room, and the Committee thinking it undesirable to continue to sacrifice the rent that could be obtained for the room, decided to close it.

A special general meeting of members was held on 10th April last, for the purpose of passing a new rule empowering the Committee to create a "Sinking Fund," to be applied to the liquidation of the mortgage of the real property of the Institution, and defining the mode of investing the moneys of such fund. All the money belonging to the fund is now invested in accordance with the new rule.

A supplementary catalogue has been printed, containing the names of the books added to the Library during the past four years.

It is a subject of considerable annoyance that newspapers and periodicals are frequently taken in a clandestine manner from the Reading Room. It is to be hoped that the members generally will assist the Committee in their efforts to discover the perpetrators of such unworthy practices. Should detection take place, the Committee will prosecute the offenders.

The Committee would once more urge upon members the claims which the Institution has to their support. The amount of yearly subscription is very small when compared with the advantages of membership. It is hoped that all will consider it a duty to co-operate with the Committee in widening the scope and membership of the Institution, and thus adding to its prosperity and usefulness.

HENRY R. FUGE,  
President.

### THE TREASURER IN ACCOUNT CURRENT WITH THE MELBOURNE ATHENÆUM.

For the year ending 31st December, 1890.

To Balance, 31st December, 1889	£3,865 7 6	
Subscriptions	£1,436 19 6	By Salaries and Wages £1,031 10 0
Rent of Front Shops	1,165 0 0	Interest on Mortgage 990 0 0
" Large Hall	702 15 6	Books, Magazines, and Newspapers 678 8 6
" Small Hall	260 3 0	Repairs, and Furniture 355 12 3
" Rooms	239 11 0	Gas and Electric Light 273 19 4
Interest on Fixed Deposits	178 7 11	Rates 127 10 0
Sale of Papers	13 13 2	Binding 92 18 3
" Catalogues	6 0 0	Advertising and Printing 82 10 0
	3,997 10 1	Goods and Sundries 57 7 8
		Bonus to Officers 50 0 0
		Postage and Petty Cash 87 0 0
		Insurance 86 0 6
		Stationery 5 1 6
		Auditors 4 4 0
		Balance, Fixed Deposits 3,925 0 0
		" in Bank 115 15 7
		4,040 15 7
		£7,862 17 7

### APPROXIMATE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

ASSETS.	LIABILITIES.
Estimated value of the Property of the Institution	£45,000 0 0
Value of Library	1,750 0 0
" Furniture	1,000 0 0
Cash in Current Account	£115 15 7
" Fixed Deposits	3,925 0 0
	4,040 15 7
	£51,790 15 7

Audited and found correct.

CHAS. RENNIE, HONORARY TREASURER.  
J. H. B. CURTIS, SECRETARY.

MELBOURNE, 24th January, 1891.

ANDREW BURNS, } AUDITORS.  
W. THOMPSON, }

Printed copies of the Balance Sheet having been circulated, it was resolved that it be taken as read.

The President, Mr. Henry R. Fuge, then moved that the Report and Balance Sheet be received and adopted. The motion was seconded by the Vice President, Mr. H. H. Hayter being, and carried.

Resolved, on motion of Mr. Levi and Mr. Harlin, that the following Gentlemen be appointed Scrutineers to conduct the election, if required: Messrs. Blackwood, Hooper, Lee, & White

Resolved, on motion of Mr. Sangster and Mr. Hayter, that Mr. Andrew Burns and Mr. Walter Thompson be re-elected auditors.

Resolved, on motion of Mr. Rusden and Mr. Hooper, that a vote of thanks be accorded to the retiring President, Vice President, Treasurer & members of Committee. The President returned thanks.

Resolved, on motion of Mr. Harlin & Mr. Hayter, that a vote of thanks be given to the paid officers of the Institution. The Secretary returned thanks.

Resolved, on motion of Mr. Sangster and Mr. Ivers, that a vote of thanks be given to the Chairman.

The Chairman announced that the Secretary would be in attendance till ten o'clock p.m. to receive nominations for Officers and members of the Committee, and that, should an election be required, it would take place on Monday second of February.

The meeting then closed.

The following Nominations were made:

President H H Hayter Esq CMG

Vice President J S Ridley Esq

Treasurer Charles Rennie Esq.

Committee

Mr H F Barlow

R S Dawson

C Downward

J Harlin

G Lush

A Millie

J Goode

W A Callaway.

These not being in excess of the number required were duly elected.

H H Hayter

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February 1891

The General Committee met at 8 p.m.

For H H Hayter Chf (President) Chair

J S Ridley Vice President

Chas Rennie Treasurer

For Duke

Millie

Lush

Devers

Harlin

Downward

Sangster

Goode

Levi

Callaway.

Minutes of the previous meeting read & confirmed.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting read for information, and considered to be correct.

Apologies made for absence of Messrs Meeks, Dawson, Barlow, & Stiff

Letter of thanks from Mr Bates for the letter of condolence.

Letter read from Mr Julius Herz, manager of the Victorian orchestra enquiring on what terms he could have the Upper Hall for rehearsal on Wednesday evening in each week.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Ridley & Mr Sangster, that the charge be 30/- per night.

Notice read from the City of Melbourne Valuators for Latrobe Ward, <sup>which had the maximum</sup> is valued at £ 650 per year.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Harlin & Mr Sangster that the valuation be agreed to.

The Secretary, Mr Curtis, applied for his usual annual holiday of three weeks, which was granted.

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The Night of Meeting for the Committee was fixed for the first Thursday of the month at 8 o'clock.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Lush & Mr Lye that the following Sub committees be appointed:

<u>Finance</u>	<u>Library</u>	<u>House</u>	<u>Emergency</u>
President	President	President	President
Vice President	Vice President	V. President	V. President
Treasurer	Lye	Slyffe	Slyffe
Mr Downward	Harlin	Sanger	Weeks
Gooder	Lush	Seve	Severs
Dawson	Hillie	Weeks	Lye.
Severs	Callaway		
Barlow			

Mr Martin Hood was nominated by Mr Sanger & seconded by Mr Severs to fill the Vacancy on the Committee caused by the election of Mr Ridley as Vice President.

The next night of meeting was fixed for 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday in March.

Resolved that an electric light be placed in the Ladies' Retiring Room.

Mr Lye spoke of the offensive smell that still proceeds at times from the Laboratory. The matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

M. H. S. Ayliffe.  
12/3/91.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 1891

The Committee met at 8 p.m.

Mr H. H. Sayer C.M.G. President (Chair)  
Rennie Treasurer.

Lye  
Gooder  
Lush  
Harlin  
Hillie  
Downward  
Dawson  
Levi  
Callaway  
Barlow  
Hood

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

Apologetis made for the absence of Mr Weeks, Mr Slyffe and Mr Ridley.

M. Hood

Mr Martin Hood was declared duly elected a member of the Committee, and was placed on the Library and House sub committees.

The Library Sub Committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have elected Mr Harlin chairman of the Library sub committee for the current year. The following are recommended for addition to the Library:-

From Melville Muller & Slade 39 vols £ 12. 0. 4	
G. A. Petherick & Co 7 "	3. 1. 0
G. W. Robertson & Co 4 "	1. 1. 0

£ 6 amounting to £ 190. 6. 4 examined & found correct.  
Resolved, on motion of Mr Harlin & Mr Hood that the report be adopted.

The House sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have elected Mr Levi chairman of the House Committee for the current year. They have considered the question of the improvement of the lavatory referred to them by you, and wish to take advice about it before making any recommendation. Accounts amounting to £81. 9. 6 have been examined and found correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Levi & Mr Dawson that the Report be adopted.

The Finance Sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have re-elected Mr Rennie chairman of the sub committee for the current year. The A/c's for January & February have been audited & found correct. It is recommended that a S/c'd Deposit in the City of Melbourne Bank for £250 be re-deposited at the best rate of interest obtainable. The following A/c's have been examined & are recommended for payment:-

Salaries	£ 85. 1. 8
Mr Whitehead & Co. Serials	75. 0. 10
Wm Dawson & Sons per Whitehead. Papers	30. 6. 7
George Robinson & Co Books	33. 14. 4
McKeehan & Co Co	12. 3. 10
The New Austral Electric Co Ltd.	23. 16. 8
David Grafton. Gas alterations	16. 0. 0
John Dickie. Gas fitting	16. 7. 4
Melbourne Water Supply	17. 10. 0
John Armstrong & Sons	15. 10. 0
McNeville Mullens & Glass Books	9. 1. 4
Auditors	4. 4. 0
E A Petherick & Co Books	1. 4. 0
Mc Hatchessan Bros. Binding	4. 5. 3
Wm Detmold. Binding	3. 16. 6
Sundry A/c's & Petty Cash	21. 12. 0
	£ 378. 5. 4

Resolved, on motion of Mr Rennie & Mr Parham, that the Report be adopted.

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Resolved that the Library be closed on the Saturday before Easter & the Tuesday after Easter, as well as on Good Friday & Easter Monday.

Resolved that the next night of meeting be 9<sup>th</sup> instant of 2<sup>nd</sup> April.

### Secretary's Statement

Subscriptions for the month	£ 139. 8. 0
Total revenue of a	288. 3. 0
" " 2 months	586. 10. 9

New members during month	20
" " 2 months	47

Balance in Bank	£ 453. 16. 10
S/c'd Deposits	£ 3925. 0. 0

Resolved that the matter of the falling off in the receipts be referred to the Finance Sub committee.

D. H. Taylor.

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April 1891

The Committee met at 8 p.m.

Mr H H Hayter C.M.G. President (Chair)  
 Ridley Vice President  
 Luge  
 Millie  
 Barlow  
 Hood  
 Meeks  
 Callaway  
 Downward  
 Cliffe  
 Harbin  
 Lush  
 Severs

Apologies were made for the absence of Mr Rennie  
 Mr Levi and Mr Dawson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed  
 The Library sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to recommend the following  
 for addition to the Library:-

From Melville, Muller, & Slade 27 vols £ 8.16.4  
 (List of new books read)

Accs amounting to £ 84.10.8 examined and found correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Luge and Mr Callaway,  
 That the Report be adopted.

The House sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that the matter  
 of the improvement of the Observatory is still engaging  
 their attention, and they will soon be in a position

to make a definite recommendation thereon. The amounting  
 to £ 20.4.8 have been examined & found correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Ridley and Mr Cliffe, that the  
 report be adopted.

The Finance sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have audited  
 the accounts for April and found them correct. They have  
 examined into the cause of the falling off in the receipts, and  
 find that it is to be attributed to the diminished number of the  
 lettings of the large Hall. The following Accs are recommended  
 for payment:

	£ 05.1.8
Melville, Muller & Slade. Books	58.7.10
Gas	6.19.4
Electric Light	11.10.4
Shillwell &c. Printing	12.1.6
C. A. Petherick &c. Books	2.15.0
Wm Delmold. Binding	2.12.6
Mc Hutchinson &c. Binding	2.16.6
Melbourne Punch	2.8.0
H Wise & Co. Directory	2.0.0
Sundry Accs.	2.16.4

Resolved, on motion of Mr Severs and Mr Meeks, that the  
 report be adopted.

#### Secretary's statement.

Subscriptions for the month	£ 92.9.0
Total revenue of the month	267.7.0
" " " 3 months	853.17.9

New members during month 15

" 3 months 61

Balance in Bank £ 342.10.6

Fixed Deposits £ 3925.0.0

Mr Hayter

7/5/91.

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 1891

The Committee met at 8 p.m.

Mr H F Hayter C. M. G. President (Chair)  
 Ridley Vice President  
 Rennie Treasurer  
 Divers  
 Grade  
 Harlin  
 Hiffe  
 Langster  
 Millie  
 Hood  
 Lush  
 Levi  
 Callaway  
 Tuge

Minutes of the previous meeting read & confirmed.

A letter was read from Mr W R Cooker dated 27<sup>th</sup> April giving notice of his intention to give up his tenancy of the Front Shop.

A letter was read from Mr C. F. Roberts applying on behalf of the Australasian Secular Association to rent the Hall on Sunday nights for Freethought Lectures. The application was refused.

A letter was read from the Revd P B Ruddock asking on what terms the Large Hall would be let on Sundays for a period of not less than three months for a religious service to be given by the Revd Mr Currie, an independent Minister. The Secretary was instructed to reply that the terms would be at the rate of £2.10.0 for each Sunday afternoon, £3.3.0 for the evening, & £4.4.0 for afternoon and evening.

The Library sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to recommend the following

for addition to the Library:-

From Melville, Mullany & Glade 33 vols £6.19.9  
 " C A Petterick 8 vols 5 " 14.6

(List of new books laid on table)

Accounts amounting to £26.4.6 examined & found correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Lush & Mr Callaway that the Report be adopted.

The House sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have examined Ops amounting to £123.14.4 & found them correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Levi & Mr Ridley that the Report be adopted.

The Finance sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have audited the Ops for April & found them correct. A fixed Deposit for £1000 in the City of Melbourne Bank fell due 2<sup>nd</sup> inst. It is recommended that it be redeposited. The following Ops are recommended for payment:

Salaries & Wages	£ 05.1.8
Gas & Lighting Rates	61. 2. 6
Gas & Electric Light	22. 10. 1
Melville, Mullany & Glade Books	10. 4. 6
J B Aspinwall. Newspapers	11. 1. 0
Renewal premiums. Insurance	30. 0. 0
Alexn Lamp. Repairs	0. 0. 0
W Hutchinson Book Binding	3. 2. 0
Sunday Op & Petty Cash	0. 13. 9
	£ 940. 3. 6

Resolved, on motion of Mr Rennie & Mr Grade, that the Report be adopted.

Secretary's Statement

Subscriptions for the month £15.0.0

Total revenue of £93.12.0

£1 months 12.4.0.1

New members during month 22

4 in 84

Balance in Bank £457.3.5. Fixed Deposit £3925.0.0

H. F. Hayter.

29  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 1891

The Committee met at 8 p.m.

Mr H. H. Hayter C.M.G	Chair
Ridley	Vice Pres
Rennie	Treasurer
Marks	
Barlow	
Gallaway	
Hartin	
Danson	
Downward	
Hiffe	
Millie	
Suge	
Hood	

Apologetis for absence received from Mr Lush, Levi, and Sangster.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed

A letter was read from Mr C. J. Roberts of the Australasian Secular Association.

The Secretary stated that Mr Varley, Evangelist, wished to know if the Large Hall would be let to him on Sunday evenings for a religious service. It was decided that Mr Varley's application should be made in writing.

The Library sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to recommend for addition to the Library 30 vols (a) £ 7. 14. 0 (list of new works laid on the table) Accounts amounting to £ 70 examined and found correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Millie & Mr Suge, that the report be adopted.

The House sub committee reported as follows:-

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Your Committee beg to report that the animal in the laboratory is now being reconstructed on a plan which it is believed will be found efficacious. Accounts amounting to £ 33. 17. 2 have been examined & found correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Hiffe & Mr Ridley, that the Report be adopted.

The Finance sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have audited the Accs for May and found them correct. It is recommended that the Junior Assistant shall receive an increase of 5/- per week to his salary from the 1<sup>st</sup> of June. It is recommended that the Fixed Deposit in the City of Melbourne Bank for £ 250 due 9<sup>th</sup> June be re-deposited. The following Accs are recommended for payment:-

	£	93. 6. 8
George Robertson & Co. Books	34. 4. 10	
John Armstrong Newspapers	15. 10. 0	
Melville, Muller & Slade Books	13. 0. 5	
Jas & Electric Light	29. 0. 8	
Draper & Sons. Closets	2. 14. 0	
Mr Hutchinson Bass & Dethmold Building	3. 6. 6	
C. A. Petherick & Co Books	1. 8. 3	
Sundry Accs	4. 12. 6	
Interest on Mortgage	<u>£ 495. 0. 0</u>	
	<u>£ 692. 8. 10</u>	

Resolved, on motion of Mr Rennie and Mr Danson, that the report be adopted.

### Secretary's statement

Subscriptions for the month	£ 92. 6. 6
Total revenue of	373. 6. 4
" " 5 months	1531. 6. 0

New members during the month 20

" " 5 months 104

Balance in Bank £ 590. 6. 3. Fixed Deposit £ 3925. 0. 0

H. H. Hayter.

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 1891

The Committee met at 8 p.m.

Mr A H Taylor C.M.G (Chair)

Responsible Treasurer

Millie

Meeks

Barlow

Hood

Duge

Galloway

Downward

Sangster

Ridley

Severs

Apoloies received for the absence of Mr Ridley, Bliffle,  
Levi, and Dawson

Minutes of previous meeting read & confirmed.

The Library sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to recommend that an advertisement be inserted every Saturday in one or more of the morning journals giving a list of the principal works added to the Library. It is recommended that 36 vols @ £7.12.4 be added to the library (list of new works read) A/c's amounting to £63.11.8 examined and found correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Millie & Mr Duge,  
that the report be adopted.

The Secretary was instructed to insert an advertisement of two inches in each of the morning papers.

The House sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have examined A/c's amounting to £45.14n 9 are found

then correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Hood & Mr Meeks that the Report be adopted.

The Finance sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have audited the A/c's for June & found them correct. Payment is recommended of the following A/c's.

Salaries & wages	£ 86.1.8
Fees & Electric Light	£ 1.8.10
Books	28.5.2
Pinding &c	20n 9.0
Leasolden & Papers	11n 1.0
Repairs	11n 17.2
Printing	2.12.6
Milkhouse Punch	1.4.0
Coals	1.3.0
Sunday A/c's & Petty Cash	7.5.9
Secretary's Guarantee	1.10.0
	<u>£ 202.18.1</u>

Resolved, on motion of Mr Rennie & Mr Downward  
that the Report be adopted.

Secretary's Statement.

Subscriptions for the month £ 110.00

Total revenue of " 422.8.4

" 6 months 19.5.3.14.4

New members during month 18

" 6 121

Balance in Bank £ 320.10.9

Closed Deposits 3925n 0.0

James S Ridley  
6 August 1891

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August 1891

The Committee met at 8 P.M.

Mr Ridley Vice President Chair  
 Rennie Treasurer  
 Hodge  
 Meeks  
 Sangerer  
 Callaway  
 Barlow  
 Hood  
 Millie  
 Harlie  
 Stiffe  
 Lish & Downward

Apologies made for the absence of Mr Hayter, Mr Sevi, & Mr Dawson

Minutes of the previous meeting read & confirmed.

A letter was read from Mr Fisher, Secretary of the Public Service Association asking for the consent of the Committee to reduce the rent of the Odontological Society to £6 per annum.  
 Resolved, on motion of Mr Barlow & Mr Sangerer that the consent be given.

The Library sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to recommend that leaflets be printed, with a list of the most popular & interesting books added to the Library since the publication of the Supplementary Catalogue, together with the general information regarding the Institution as contained in the weekly advertisements, and also a notice regarding subscribers to circulate the leaflets, one of which shall be placed in each book as given out. It is also recommended that the newspaper entitled "Money" be discontinued, and the "Financial News" substituted. It is recommended that 24 vols of books (at £5. 7. 9) be added to the Library. Accounts amounting to £158. 4. 3 examined

and found correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Harlie & Millie that the Report be adopted.

The House sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to recommend that, for the purpose of improving the Acoustics of the Upper Hall, and curtains adding to its attractive appearance, the windows be fitted Upper Hall with curtains & valances at a cost not exceeding £20. Accounts amounting to £42. 6. 4 examined & found correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Stiffe and Mr Sangerer, that the Report be adopted.

The Finance sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to recommend that the sum of £102.5 placed as a Fixed Deposit in the City of Melbourne Bank and falling due on 11<sup>th</sup> inst. be re-deposited. The following A/c's are recommended for payment:-

Salaries & Wages	£	86. 1. 8
C Whitehead & Co Magazines	£	5. 9. 3
Mr Dawson & Sons T'papers (Mr Whitehead)	£	8. 17. 8
Gordan & Gatch T'papers	£	14. 16. 2
Mhopkin Gas Co	£	19. 7. 9
New Australian Electric Co Ltd.	£	10. 11. 10
Melville Driller & Glade, Books	£	10. 7. 8
W. Hutchison Bro & Binding	£	9. 7. 6
Mr D'Arnold Binding	£	2. 7. 0
John Armstrong Advertising	£	7. 0. 0
C. & J. Maxwell, Australian Law Cases	£	3. 3. 8
Graper & Sons Closets	£	1. 14. 0
J. Gaunt Binding Blocks	£	1. 0. 0
Sundry A/c's	£	5. 0. 9
	£	286. 12. 3

Resolved, on motion of Mr Rennie & Mr Downward, that the Report be adopted.

Secretary's Statement

Subscriptions for the month	£ 139. 9. 0
Total revenue of	438. 6. 0
in 7 months	2392. 0. 0

New members during month	24
in 7 months	146

Balance in Bank	£ 585. 10. 0
Fined Deposits	3925. 0. 0

M H Hayter.

Thursday 3rd September 1891

The Committee met at 8 p.m.

Mr H H Hayter C. M. G (Chair)  
 Ridley T. P.  
 Rennie Treasurer.  
 Sangster  
 Hood  
 Barlow  
 Downward  
 Callaway  
 Harlin  
 Shiff  
 (Signed)

Apologies were made for the absence of Mr Levi, Mr Hillie,  
 Mr Dawson, Mr Marks & Mr Bush.

Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

The Library sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to recommend the following  
 for addition to the Library:

From Melville, Muller & Slade 34 vols £ 7. 5. 0  
 & A Petterick & Co 5 vols 3. 11. 6  
 (List of new works submitted)

Accounts amounting to £ 40. 9. 1 examined & found correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Callaway & Mr Harlin  
 that the report be adopted.

The House Sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they  
 have examined A/c's amounting to £ 31. 3. 1 and found  
 them correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Ridley & Mr Hood  
that the Report be adopted.

The Finance Sub Committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have audited  
the Accs for August & found them correct. Payment is recommended  
of the following Accs:

Salaries & wages	£ 96. 1. 8
Gas & Electric Light	29. 13. 1
Melville, Mullay & Slade. Books	13. 4. 1
John Armstrong A'Papas Advertising	15. 10. 0
Picnics	7. 1. 0
Hot Dean & Co Coal	4. 14. 0
Sundry Accs & Petty Cash	1. 1. 6
	5. 0. 6
	<u>£ 172. 13. 10</u>

Resolved, on motion of Mr Rennie & Mr Barlow  
that the report be adopted.

*Front Shop*  
The Secretary reported that the front shop was still unlet.  
Resolved that if a suitable tenant shall offer £5.10 per  
week, the Secretary shall confer with the emergency Committee  
with power to act.

### Secretary's statement

Subscriptions for the month	£ 121. 16. 6
8 months	951. 10. 6
Total revenue of month	374. 16. 0
8 months	2766. 16. 4
New members during month	24
8 months	170
Balance in Bank	£ 644. 2. 5.
Hired Deposits	3925. 0. 0

*W H Hayter*

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October 1891

The Committee met at 8 p.m.

Mr H H Hayter CMG President chair.  
Buge  
Lush  
Tiffey  
Hood  
Barlow  
Ballaway

Apologies were made for the absence of Mr Rennie & Mr Levi  
through sickness, and also for Mr Weeks & Mr Ridley.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The House sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have examined  
the following Accs and found them correct, amounting to £91. 17. 4

Resolved, on motion of Mr Tiffey & Mr Hood that the  
report be adopted.

The Library sub committee reported as follows:-

The following are recommended for addition to  
the Library:-

Ivan G. Robertson 8 vols	£ 1. 12. 6
" C. A. Petterick 4 "	1. 6. 0
, Melville, Mullay & Slade 4 "	1. 8. 7
" " " " 13	2. 5. 0

Accounts amounting to £ 58. 10. 3 examined & found correct  
Resolved, on motion of Mr Lush & Mr Ballaway, that the  
report be adopted.

The Finance sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have audited

the A/c's for September & found them correct. A fixed deposit of £ 400 in the City of Melbourne Bank falls due 3<sup>rd</sup> October, it is recommended that it be redeposited. The following A/c's are recommended for payment:-

Salaries and Wages	£ 84.11.8
Town Rate City of Melbourne	40.15.0
Melbourne Electric Board of Works. Water Supply	10.12.6
Tho <sup>r</sup> D <sup>r</sup> Taylor & Co. Curtains	17.10.0
The New Australian Electric Co <sup>r</sup> t Ltd	11.18.4
Gordon & Gotch Newspapers	13.16.2
George Robertson & Co Books	10.5.3
Mr Hutchinson Book Binding	7.12.6
Melville, Muller & Slade Books	7.10.0
John Armstrong Advertising	3.8.0
C. A Petherick & Co Books	3.0.10
Wm Detmold Binding	2.5.0
Charles Fredel Painting	2.5.0
Renewal premium Post Office Victoria 1894	2.11.6
19120 South Street	1.19.0
Sundry A/c's	5.6.6
Melbourne Gas Co	14.19.3
	<u>£ 250.6.6</u>

Resolved, on motion of Mr Barlow & Mr Fuge,  
that the Report be adopted.

Mr Mouray. The Secretary reported the death of Mr Mouray one of the Trustees, and also of Mr Danson Sir Hanson a member of Committee.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Lush & Mr Fuge,  
that a letter of Condolence, to be neatly engraved and  
enclosed in a book case, be sent to Mrs Mouray.

To fill the vacancy on the Trust caused by the death  
of Mr Mouray, it was decided to take nomination.  
Mr Henry Meeks was then nominated by Mr Lush

and seconded by Mr Fuge.

Closed Day It was resolved to close the Library all day on Cup  
day, and to close the Reading room from 12 noon to 3 p.m.

The next Monthly meeting of the Committee was postponed till the second Thursday in November.

### Secretary's statement.

Subscriptions for the month	£ 96.7.0
- 9 months	1047.17.6

Total revenue of the month	£ 335.5.0
- 9 months	3102.1.4

New members during the month	11
- 9 " "	181

Balance in Bank £	£ 806.13.7
Fixed Deposits	£ 925.0.0

M.J. Taylor.

Mr Meeks

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November 1891

The Committee met at 8 p.m.

H H Hayter CMG (Chair)

Ridley V. President

Levi

Sliffe

Millic

Barlow

Downward

Harlin

Hood

Rennie (Treasurer)

Apologies were made for the absence of Mr Gage, Mr Lush,  
Mr Favers & Mr Ballaway.

Minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed.

Mr Meeks  
President  
duly elected a Trustee of the Constitution.  
Trustee

The Library committee reported that they had examined accounts amounting £ 33. 15. 4 and found them correct.

Resolved on motion of Mr Harlin Mr Millic  
that the report be adopted.

The House sub committee reported that they had examined accounts amounting to £ 55. 2. 4 and found them correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Ridley and Mr Hood  
that the Report be adopted.

The Finance sub committee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have

audited the accounts for October & found them correct, it is recommended that a sum of £ 300 be placed as a Fixed Deposit at the City of Melbourne Bank. The following A/c's are recommended for payment:-

Salaries of Waps	£ 94. 1. 0
Alexander Keny. Alterations & Repairs	26. 0. 0
Gas & Electric Light	24. 16. 4
Cassette News paper	11. 1. 0
Mr Hutchinson Pro & Building	0. 0. 0
McLville Muller & Glade Books	6. 5. 4
Wm Dextmola Building	3. 0. 9
& A Pethick & Co Books	1. 0. 0
Draper & Sons Closets	2. 14. 0
Glingworth Sundries	1. 11. 6
Sundry A/c's & Petty Cash	10. 2. 3
	£ 189. 9. 4

Resolved, on motion of Mr Rennie & Mr Levi that the report be adopted.

The Secretary said that he had received an application for the vacant Boot Shop for the Sale of Colonial Wine. Resolved on motion of Mr Harlin & Mr Rennie that the shop may be let for such purpose.

The Secretary laid on the table the illuminated address to be presented to Mrs Moubray. The Committee requested the President & Secretary to present the address.

#### Secretary's Statement

Subscriptions for the Month £ 131. 7. 6

10 months 1179. 5. 0

Total revenue of the Month £ 362. 0. 2

10 months 3464. 1. 6

New members during Month 26

10 months 20

Balance in Bank £ 918. 7. 3. Fixed Deposit £ 392. 5.

Thomas Harlin;

Chairman;

3/12/91.

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Decr 1891

The General Committee met at 8 p.m.

Mr Martin (chair)  
 Ridley, V. P.  
 Rennie Treasurer  
 Barlowe  
 Lush  
 Stiffe  
 Meeks  
 Levi  
 Saenger  
 Hood  
 Downward  
 Callaway  
 Millie.

An apology was made for the absence of the President.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.

A letter was read from Mr Meeks thanking the Committee for electing him a Trustee.

The Library subcommittee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to recommend for addition to the Library:-

Iowa McVille Muller & Slade 25 vols £7.3.6

" C. A. Petherick & Co 7 " 1.0.5

After amounting to £27.15.11 examined & found correct.

Resolved, on motion of Mr Lush & Mr Hood that the report be adopted.

The House subcommittee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have examined the following A/c's & found them correct amounting to £90.13.6

Resolved, on motion of Mr Levi & Mr Stiffe, that

the Report be adopted.

The Finance subcommittee reported as follows:-

Your Committee beg to report that they have audited the A/c's for November & found them correct. Payment is recommended of the following A/c's:-

Salaries & Wages	£ 86.1.8
Gas & Electric Light	26.2.6
John Armstrong Newspapers	15.10.0
Mcville, Muller & Slade / Books	7.3.6
John Cockie Repairs	£ 19.0
William Detmold. Building	2.6.0
Mr Hatchinson Bro Building	1.16.0
C. A. Petherick & Co Books	1.0.5
Hoop & George. Louisa	11.6
Interest on Mortgage	£ 195.0.0
	£ 639.10.7

Resolved, on motion of Mr Rennie & Mr Barlowe,  
 that the Report be adopted.

Resolved, that the President, V. President with Secretary  
 be appointed a Sub committee to draft the Annual Report.

Resolved that the next night of meeting be Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January.

Holidays

Resolved that the Library shall be closed on Saturday  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan 14.

### Secretary's Statement

Subscriptions for the month £ 67.12.6

11 months 1246.17.6

Total revenue of month £ 239.4.6

11 months 3701.6.0

New members during month 17

11 months 224

Balance in Bank £ 668.2.5 Fixed Deposit £ 402.5-

James Ridley chairman  
 14 Jan 1892