

# Toowoomba Philatelic Club

First General Meeting – October 1897

## TOOWOOMBA PHILATELIC CLUB.

The first monthly meeting of the above-named Club was held at Carrigg's (late Casper's) Rooms on Thursday evening last, when the following members were present: — Messrs Warren, Fortescue, C. Robertson, D. Provan, Tanner, Hall, Bennett, Scully, Ashton, Booth, Peters, and the Hon. Sec. A letter from Dr McDonnell accepting, with pleasure, the position of President for the year was read by the secretary. Mr Ashton's collection consisting of about 1500 specimens was exhibited for the benefit of the members. The principal features of this collection were some good specimens of British Guiana Provisional issue of 1862, catalogued from between £7 to £16 each. Stamps for exchange purposes were placed by various members before the meeting amounting to about £15, and a fair amount of business was transacted in these. The Club now consists of 24 members.

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