

MICROFILMING THE RECORDS OF THE LEGISLATIVE  
COUNCIL OF N.S.W.

A major microfilming project has been undertaken by the Trustees of the Public Library of New South Wales. By arrangement with the Legislative Council of New South Wales the Trustees are now having microfilmed in the Photographic Section of the Library the archival records of the Legislative Council. The project which is financed from the William Dixon Foundation commenced in September with the microfilming of the In Letters and Documents Tabled series, beginning with the year 1856.

The photographing is done two folios per frame. A reference slip is photographed with each frame and each reel is provided with a title page. The reels contain approximately 700 frames each.

The first few reels are already available for students in the Mitchell Library.

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NEW SOUTH WALES BRANCH CONFERENCE

A general Conference of the New South Wales Branch of the Library Association was held at the University of Technology in Kensington from 19th to 20th October. The Archives Section held three sessions during this period.

The afternoon of 19th was devoted to a symposium on the use of Records in local history. As the conference was late in starting this session was seriously curtailed but short papers were read by Dr. Kunz on cartographic records and by Miss Mander Jones on the Mitchell Library.

On the morning of 20th, Mr. F.H. Rogers, the Librarian of the New England University read a paper on archival developments in New Zealand. It is hoped to publish the text of this paper in the next issue of Archives and Manuscripts. The paper was followed by a keen discussion of archival legislation and of the techniques for surveying private archives which had been described by Mr. Rogers. Following the session, Mr. Rogers met the committee of the Section at lunch for a discussion of ways and means for a survey of local government records in New South Wales.