

thought that it was opportune that a conclusion on these lines should be passed by the Conference.

Mr. SIMPSON stressed two points: Firstly, that the greater the staff that was working at Amani, the greater would be the requirement in the various territories for scientific men; secondly, that it must be understood that no Director of Agriculture, who was responsible to his Government, could hand over such responsibility to any institute—however eminent it might be.

Although he had stated that he agreed with the Chairman's proposal to defer a conclusion by the Conference, he thought it would be useful if a vote of confidence in the Report of the Directors of Agriculture of 1921 were taken.

The following Committee representative of Departments of Agriculture, including scientific officers, was appointed to draft a conclusion in keeping with the consensus of opinion of the Conference:

Mr. Holm (Chairman), Messrs. Simpson, Kirby, Wortley, Kirkham, Parnell, Koch, Hargreaves, Ritchie, Beckley, Burton, and McDonald.

The following conclusion, submitted with the unanimous approval of the Committee, was endorsed *nem. con.* by the Conference:—

- (a) That the re-opening of Amani under a competent Director is likely to be of value to East Africa, provided that its activities are confined to those for which the natural resources of the Institution render it suitable.
- (b) It is desired to emphasise the principle that the activities of Amani should be concerned primarily with fundamental research work, designed to supplement and in no way to supplant the work of the scientific officers of the Departments of Agriculture in the East African Territories.
- (c) Further, it is recommended that the organisation should not be laid down until the Director has had an opportunity of studying the conditions and requirements of these territories, and the methods which should be adopted for the co-ordination of research work.

CHAPTER XIII.

PUBLICATION OF REPORT.

The form of the Report was discussed, and it was agreed to leave this matter to the discretion of the Secretary, it being understood that the Report would be divided into four Parts, *i.e.*:—

- (1) Agriculture.
- (2) Cotton.
- (3) Entomology and Mycology.
- (4) General.

And that the more important papers should be included in the records of proceedings; those of less importance, which had been submitted with a view only to promoting discussion, being placed in an Appendix. It was the general opinion that probably about 1,000 copies of the proceedings would be required.