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PROCEEDINGS
AT THE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE
ETHNOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON.

Preceded by a Special General Meeting.

MAY 24TH, 1870.

Professor T. H. HUXLEY, LL.D., F.R.S., President,
in the Chair.

THE Honorary General Secretary read Articles 18, 19, and 20 of the Laws of the Society, in accordance with which the Special General Meeting had been convened.

It was then proposed by Mr. H. G. Bohn, seconded by Mr. F. Hindmarsh, and carried unanimously :—

That the last clause of Article 10 of the Laws of the Society, whereby “Fellows residing permanently at a distance of not less than twenty miles from London are entitled to the privilege of paying a subscription of only £1 1s. annually,” be repealed, and that all Members elected after the date of the present Meeting shall pay an annual subscription of Two Guineas each.

The following Report of the Council was read by the Honorary General Secretary :—

ANNUAL REPORT, 1870.

THE Council is enabled to make a satisfactory report of the progress of the Society during the past year. The number of new

Members shows an increase upon previous years. The following names have been added to our list since the Anniversary Meeting of 1869 :—

Sir Walter Elliot, K.C.S.I.	The Earl of Dunraven and
C. T. Gardner, Esq., F.R.G.S.	Mountearl, K.P., F.R.S.
Joseph Prestwich, Esq., F.R.S.	David Duncan, Esq., M.A.
James Bonwick, Esq., F.R.G.S.	J. F. M'Lennan, Esq.
J. Smith, Esq.	Henry Baylis, Esq.
Sir William Vernon Guise, Bart.,	John Edwards, Esq.
F.L.S., F.G.S.	Lord Rosehill.
The Rev. W. A. Jones, F.G.S.	Walter Morrison, Esq., M.P.
The Rev. Richard Kirwan, M.A.	J. W. Barnes, Esq.
The Rev. Henry H. Winwood,	R. L. Nash, Esq.
M.A., F.G.S.	Sir Charles Wentworth Dilke,
Robert D. Darbishire, Esq., B.A.	Bart., M.P.
J. W. Jeffcott, Esq., M.H.K.	The Rev. A. S. Farrar, D.D.
William Long, Esq., M.A.	Morton Coates Fisher, Esq.
M. Moggridge, Esq., F.G.S.	Francis Kerridge Munton, Esq.
Dr. Gustav Oppert.	F. Beresford Wright, Esq.
John Platts, Esq.	Edward Backhouse, Esq.
Major-Gen. Alex. Cunningham.	Capt. Walter Campbell, R.E.
Jonas Hewitt, Esq.	R. S. Newall, Esq.
The Rev. James Simpson.	E. Bonavia, Esq., M.D.
George Campbell, Esq., D.C.L.	P. O'Callaghan, Esq., LL.D.,
Dr. Nicholas, M.A., F.G.S.	D.C.L., F.S.A.

The Council regret to have to announce the deaths of Mr. J. H. Backhouse and Mr. Thrupp, Members of the Society. Four resignations have also been received during the past year. Deducting deaths and resignations, this makes an increase of 33 Members during the past year. Dr. Carl Semper, of Würzburg, has been elected an Honorary Member; and Lieut. Oliver, R.A., a Corresponding Member.

The following is a list of the papers &c. which have been communicated to the Society during the past year :—

1869.

- June 8.* On the Permanence of Type in the Human Family. By Major-Gen. Sir William Denison, K.C.B.
On Cromlechs in Nagpore. By Major Pearce, R.A.
- June 22.* On the Cranium and its Deformities in Relation to Intellect and Beauty. By Dr. R. King, F.R.C.S.
- Nov. 9.* On the Proposed Exploration of Stonehenge by a Committee of the British Association. By Col. Lane Fox, Hon. Sec.
On the Chinese Race, their Language, Government, Social Institutions, and Religion. By C. T. Gardner, Esq., F.R.G.S.

- Nov.* 23. On Quartzite Implements from the Cape of Good Hope.
By Sir George Grey, K.C.B.
On the Races and Languages of Dardistan. By Dr.
Leitner, M.A.
- Dec.* 7. On a Stone Implement found beneath the Bed of a
River in the Co. Wicklow. By F. Acheson, Esq.
On the Stature of the North-American Indians of the
Chipewyan Tribe. By Major-General Lefroy, R.A.
Report on the Prehistoric Remains of the Channel Is-
lands. By Lieut. Oliver, R.A.
- Dec.* 21. On the Meneam of Dr. Livingstone. By Hyde Clarke,
Esq.
On an Ancient Calvaria from China. By Prof. Busk,
F.R.S.
On the Koords and Armenians. By Major Millingen,
F.R.G.S.

1870.

- Jan.* 11. On the Use of the Mere or Pattoo-pattoo of New Zea-
land. By Col. Lane Fox, Hon. Sec.
On the Kitai and Kara-Kitai. By Dr. Gustav Oppert.
On some Prehistoric Remains from New Zealand. By
Dr. Julius Haast, F.R.S.
- Jan.* 25. On a Collection of Clay Models of Figures by a Native
Zulu. By Dr. Hooker, C.B., F.R.S.
On some Stone Mullers of similar form from various
Localities. By Col. Lane Fox, Hon. Sec.
On the Origin of the Tasmanians geologically considered.
By James Bonwick, Esq., F.R.G.S.
On a Frontier Line of Ethnology and Geology. By H.
H. Howorth, Esq.
On the Nicobar Islanders. By G. W. Atkinson, Esq.
- Feb.* 8. On the Discovery of Flint and Chert-flakes under a sub-
merged Forest in West Somerset. By W. Boyd Daw-
kins, Esq., M.A., F.R.S.
On a Stone Hammer from the Ancient Copper-Mines of
Ruy Gomes in Portugal. By F. W. Rudler, Esq.,
F.G.S., Assist. Sec.
On Prehistoric Remains in the Neighbourhood of the
Crinan Canal, Argyllshire. By the Rev. R. J. Maple-
ton. With Introductory Note. By Dr. A. Campbell.
- Feb.* 22. On an Ancient Calvaria from China. By Prof. Busk,
F.R.S.
On some Prehistoric Remains from recent deposits in
Yorkshire. By C. Monkman, Esq.
On the Natives of Naga, Island of Luzon, Philippine
Islands. By Dr. Jagor.
- Mar.* 7. On the Opening of Two Cairns, near Bangor, N. Wales.
By Col. Lane Fox, Hon. Sec.

- On the Earliest Phases of Civilization. By Hodder Westropp, Esq.
- Mar.* 22. On Current British Mythology and Oral Tradition. By J. F. Campbell, Esq., of Islay.
- On a Cist with Inscribed Stones from the Neighbourhood of the Crinan Canal. By the Rev. R. J. Mapleton.
- Exhibition of Stone Implements from England and France. By W. Topley, Esq., F.G.S.
- April* 12. On the Ancient Tribal System and Land-Tenure in Ireland. By Hodder Westropp, Esq.
- On the Danish Element in the population of Cleveland in Yorkshire. By the Rev. J. C. Atkinson.
- April* 26. On the Philosophy of Religion among the Lower Races of Mankind. By E. B. Tylor, Esq.
- On the Brain in the Study of Ethnology. By Dr. Donovan.
- May* 10. Address on the Ethnology of Britain. By Prof. Huxley, LL.D., F.R.S., President.
- On the Influence of the Norman Conquest on the Ethnology of Britain. By Dr. T. Nicholas, M.A.

By a division of the subjects into sections as arranged in the report of last year, the following shows the number appertaining to each section, viz. :—

General Ethnology	7
Biology	4
Comparative Psychology	1
Sociology	12
Archæology	13
Philology	1

Reports on the megalithic monuments of the Channel Islands and of Argyllshire have been received; others are in course of preparation, and will be communicated to the Society during the present year.

In conformity with the arrangements made at the last Anniversary Meeting, extra sectional meetings have been appointed for the reading of papers relating to Prehistoric Archæology, on which subject a large number of valuable papers have been communicated to the Society during the past year.

Considerable success has attended the publication of the Quarterly Journal. All the copies of the first number which were printed (with the exception of a few copies which have been reserved for Members) have now been sold, as also the whole of the copies of the first volume of the new series in which this number was included. The Council propose, when the funds enable them to do so, to reprint the first number, and thus to continue the circulation of the volume. Meanwhile a

few copies of the first number have been retained for future Members, who will thus be enabled to complete their series. Little or nothing has been done as yet in the way of advertisements ; but, judging from the sale already effected, there appears to be no reason for doubt that it will obtain a wide circulation when the character of the work becomes better known.

Following the precedent of last year, special meetings have been appointed for discussion of subjects calculated to interest the public. One of these, held in the Theatre of the Museum of Practical Geology, by permission of Sir R. I. Murchison, Bart., the Director-General of the Geological Survey of Great Britain and Ireland, has been largely attended ; one other is to be held in the same place, and two in the Theatre of the Royal United Service Institution, by permission of the Council of the Institution. Cards of invitation to these meetings have been printed for the use of Members.

The accounts of the Society are presented as usual, and show a balance of £120 5s. 4*d.* in the hands of the bankers on the 16th inst.

The attention of the Members is earnestly directed to the advisability of increasing the number of new Members. The Council have already been enabled to make considerable addition to the number of maps, lithographs, and woodcuts in the new series of the Journal ; but the majority of the papers offered to the Society are upon subjects requiring illustration, and they hope by enlarged funds to be able to meet this requirement on an extended scale in the future numbers of the Journal.

After this Report was read, the Honorary Treasurer submitted his account (p. xv).

It was then proposed by Mr. Hyde Clarke, seconded by Mr. J. W. Flower, and carried unanimously :—

That the Report of the Council and the Treasurer's Account be adopted.

The President observed that, in conformity with the Laws of the Ethnological Society, the property of the Society should be vested in three Trustees, of whom the Treasurer is one ; but it appeared that on the decease of the original Trustees no successors had been appointed.

It was then proposed by Col. A. Lane Fox, seconded by Mr. J. Heywood, and carried unanimously :—

That Sir John Lubbock, Bart., and Mr. W. Spottiswoode, be elected Trustees of the Ethnological Society of London, to act with the Honorary Treasurer.

After the President had delivered the Anniversary Address,

(see p. xvi), it was resolved, on the motion of Dr. R. King, seconded by Col. A. Lane Fox, that the thanks of the Society be accorded to the President for his Address, and that it be printed.

The following resolution was then proposed by Mr. J. Heywood, seconded by Mr. H. G. Bohn, and carried unanimously—

That the Fellows present hereby express their concurrence in the sentiments of the President's Address, and their continued desire to promote an amalgamation between the Ethnological and Anthropological Societies.

Mr. J. Heywood and Mr. T. M^cK. Hughes were appointed scrutineers of the ballot for Officers and Council for the following Session, and a vote of thanks was accorded to the six retiring Councillors.

The ballot having been open one hour, the report of the scrutineers was read, and the following gentlemen were declared duly elected as Officers and Council of the Ethnological Society of London for the Session 1870-71 :—

OFFICERS.

President—Professor T. H. Huxley, LL.D., F.R.S.

Vice-Presidents—Archibald Campbell, Esq., M.D., F.L.S.; Sir John Lubbock, Bart., M.P., F.R.S.; Edward Burnett Tylor, Esq.; Thos. Wright, Esq., M.A., F.S.A.

Honorary Treasurer.—H. G. Bohn, Esq., F.R.G.S., F.R.S.L.

Honorary General Secretary.—Col. A. Lane Fox, F.G.S., F.S.A.

Honorary Foreign Secretary.—Hyde Clarke, Esq., &c.

COUNCIL.

William Blackmore, Esq.; Professor G. Busk, Esq., F.R.S.; George Campbell, Esq., D.C.L.; J. Barnard Davis, Esq., M.D., M.R.C.S., F.R.S.; W. Boyd Dawkins, Esq., M.A., F.R.S., F.G.S.; John Dickinson, Esq.; Robert Dunn, Esq., F.R.C.S.; J. W. Flower, Esq., F.G.S.; David Forbes, Esq., F.R.S., F.G.S., F.C.S.; A. W. Franks, Esq., M.A., D.S.A.; Rev. Canon Greenwell, M.A., F.S.A.; A. Hamilton, Esq.; F. Hindmarsh, Esq., F.R.G.S., F.G.S.; T. M^cK. Hughes, Esq., M.A., F.G.S., F.S.A.; Richard King, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.S.; J. F. M'Lennan, Esq.; Sir Roderick Impey Murchison, Bart., K.C.B., F.R.S.; Rev. Dr. Nicholas, M.A., F.G.S.; S. E. B. Pusey, Esq., F.R.G.S.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT OF H. G. BOHN, Esq., Treasurer, with the ETHNOLOGICAL SOCIETY from May 31, 1869,
to May 16, 1870.

To Balance at Bankers, May 31st, 1869	£	s.	d.	By Rent (one year and a half)	£	s.	d.
" Subscriptions received from Members during the Session of 1869-70, less Collector's Commission	52	5	2	" Salary of Secretary and Assistant-Secretaries:—	60	0	0
Contribution towards Lithograph, by Sir G. Grey	283	2	11	Mr. Wright	£10	0	0
" Sale of Society's Transactions. Cash received from Mr. Murray:—	3	0	0	Mr. Lamprey	25	0	0
July 7, 1869			6	Mr. Rudler	7	10	0
March 9, 1870			10	Printing (Mr. Richards), on account	42	10	0
			8	" Lithographing:—	50	0	0
			9	Mr. Jobbins	£3	9	9
			16	Mr. Stanford	4	5	0
			18	Mr. Hanhart	14	18	9
			4	Mr. Weller	3	7	6
				Photographing (Mr. Pedroletti)	26	1	0
				" Stationery:—	10	0	0
				Messrs. Bruce & Ford	£3	9	10
				Mr. Stanford	0	18	0
				Attendance at Special Meetings at Museum of Practical Geology	4	7	10
				Postage and Incidental Expenses	3	14	0
				" Balance at Bankers, May 16th, 1870	38	8	3
					120	5	4
					£355	6	5

Examined.

FREDERICK HINDMARSH. }
J. W. FLOWER. } Auditors.