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# Obituary.

JOSEPH MILLIGAN, born in Dumfrieshire, 1807, died in London, 1884. Obtained Diploma of the R.C.S., Edinburgh, 1829. Appointed Surgeon, in 1830, to the Van Diemen's Land Company at Surrey Hills, where he remained 10 or 12 years. Was then, by Sir John Franklin, appointed Inspector of Convict Discipline, and subsequently Superintendent of the Aborigines, which position he held from 1843 to 1855, with the interval of one year, 1846-7, when he proceeded to Macquarie Harbour in charge of a large party of convicts. He was Secretary to the Royal Society from about 1847 to 1859, when he returned to England, where he acted as Commissioner for Tasmania at the Exhibition of 1862. During his long rule over the Aborigines he compiled a valuable Vocabulary of their language, which was published by the Royal Society.

Other Members who had died during the year were the Hon. Thomas Daniel Chapman, M.E.C., President of the Legislative Council, and Mr. Henry John Buckland.

# MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting of the ROYAL SOCIETY OF TASMANIA, held at the Museum on Monday ecening, 26th January, 1885,—JAMES BARNARD, Esquire, Vice-President, in the Chair.

THERE was a fair attendance of Fellows. Professor Lucas, M.A., and Mr. H. R. Brookes, of Melbourne, were present as visitors.

The under-mentioned gentlemen were duly elected Fellows of the Society ; viz., Rev. F. Shann and Geo. Richardson, Esquire.

The Chairman called upon the Hon. Secretary, the Hon. Dr. Agnew, M.D., to read the Annual Report.

The Report for 1884 was then read.

Colonel W. V. Legge moved, and Mr. Leonard Rodway seconded, the adoption of the Report. Carried unanimously.

# VOTES OF THANKS.

Mr. T. Stephens, M.A., Chief Inspector of Schools, said the reading of the Report had suggested something to him-a duty which they ought not to separate that night without performing. The motion he was about to propose was of a character which was usually made in a formal way, but in connection with the Royal Society it was not to be taken as a mere form, but as expressing the heartfelt thanks and gratitude of the Fellows to one who had always been their helper, patron, supporter, and valued officer. The only difficulty in dealing with the subject was that the Fellow to whom he referred was one who objected most strongly to any enconiums being passed upon him in his presence. For that reason he did not intend to say much about it, but simply that the Society owed a hearty debt of gratitude to Dr. Agnew (applause) for having so kindly, at a time, too, when he might have retired on his laurels, reassumed the work which he had so long discharged as Honorary Secretary of the Society, and for his having been at its head during what he had himself spoken of as the most successful session or campaign since it was founded, whether they

regarded the donations which had been received, the accession of new Fellows, or the work done in the Museum with the aid of their energetic Curator. (Applause.) The Society was now more prosperous than it had ever been on any previous occasion; and they could not think of its prosperity without remembering how much of it they owed to their Honorary Secretary. He begged to move a vote of thanks to that gentleman for his valuable services as Secretary during the past 12 months. (Applause.)

Mr. C. H. Grant seconded the motion. Having been a constant attendant at the meetings of the Society, he could bear testimony to the great zeal which Dr. Agnew had always shown in its proceedings. To that gentleman's generosity the Society was greatly indebted; and he (Mr. Grant) congratulated him on having been assisted during the past year by such an able Curator as Mr. Morton, who had metamorphosed the Society altogether by the energy of his exertions. They had no doubt the best officers that any scientific society could possess, and it was impossible, therefore, but that it should go on and prosper.

The Chairman said he was sure he had only to put the motion to secure it a most cordial and enthusiastic reception.

The motion was carried by acclamation.

Dr. Agnew said he had returned thanks on previous occasions to similar votes of approval, and he could hardly add anything to what he had said previously in so doing. He did feel highly gratified, and he was sure it must be a source of satisfaction to every Fellow present, to see the fresh start which the Society had taken during the past year. For the first time the papers and proceedings had been laid on the table at the annual meeting, which was altogether unprecedented, and marked a considerable amount of energy in their officer who was responsible for it. Though the papers for 1884 had been very valuable, he believed they might fairly assume that those of the ensuing year would be equal to them. A great deal of energy had been thrown into every branch of the Society, and this was to a great extent due to the valuable exertions of their Curator, Mr. Morton. (Hear, hear.) The Society had a great acquisition in that gentleman ; and his labours had been well supplemented by those of Mr. Johnston and other Fellows who had contributed papers on various subjects. He

hoped that this year and all subsequent years would bring as much success to the Society as the last one had done. (Applause.)

Mr. Morton proposed, and Mr. Johnston seconded, a vote of thanks to the Press, and especially to the *Mercury*, for the valuable assistance rendered in the reporting of their proceedings in a way which was far beyond the ordinary course of business. The motion was carried with applause.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

On the motion of Mr. E. D. Swan, seconded by Mr. R. M. Johnston, the following gentlemen were re-elected Members of the Council :--Mr. Justice Dobson, Messrs. J. W. Agnew, M.D., C. H. Grant, and Russell Young.

On the motion of Mr. E. D. Swan, seconded by Colonel Legge, Messrs. John Macfarlane and Frank Butler were re-elected Auditors of the Society.

# PAPERS AND PROCEEDINGS.

The Hon. Secretary said he desired to mention that the Papers and Proceedings of the Society for the year 1884 had been already printed. Copies were now on the table, and were ready for circulation. This was the first time such a thing had been done since the Society first commenced publishing its proceedings. (Applause.) The book this year contained several valuable and interesting papers.

### CONTRIBUTIONS.

The Chairman drew attention to a large collection of books and pamphlets which had been received from America and Canada from different learned Societies that day, and which were then on the table before members.

Mr. Stephens suggested that those Fellows who were members of Parliament should try to get a vote of money for the extension of the building, or otherwise they would soon have no room for their possessions.

#### CATALOGUE OF BIRDS.

Colonel Legge intimated his intention of preparing a catalogue of the birds of the Colony during the next year, and hoped the Society would accept it as part of its proceedings.

The Chairman (on behalf of the Council), Dr. Agnew, and Mr. Johnston spoke in favour of the necessity of such a compilation, and of the value it would be in spreading the science of ornithology in the Colony.

Colonel Legge also commented on the absence of a proper collection of skins in the Museum, and expressed the hope that residents in the country districts would send in contributions, as there was no fear now of anything being thrown away.

Mr. Morton spoke in favour of the proposed catalogue, believing it would be the means of doing away with the practice of giving local names to specimens which had no meaning perhaps beyond their present owners.

The proceedings then terminated.

# REPORT.

THROUGHOUT the Session of 1884 the attendance of Fellows at the evening meetings has been larger, and the papers brought forward have been more numerous than in any previous period. The papers were : -- " References to Baron C. Von Ettingshausen's recent observations on the Tertiary Flora of Australia; also "A complete Census of the Flora of Deal Island in Kent's Group :" by Baron F. Von Müeller, K C.M G., M.D., F.R.S., &c.-" Notes of spectroscopic observations of the comet Pons, 27th January to 2nd February, 1884;" " Report of spectroscopic observations of the Twilight Glows during February and March, 1884;" "Observations on Mr. R. M. Johnston's Vital Statistics:" by A. B. Biggs .- "Notes regarding certain Fossil Shells occurring at Table Cape, supposed to be identical with living species;" "Notes on Fossils from Maria Island;" "Notes on three Tasmanian Fish;" "Additions to the list of Table Cape Fossils, together with further remarks upon certain fossil shells supposed to be identical with living species;" "Notes on a fossil Cypris alburyana;" " Description of a new Vitrina from the Travertin beds, Geilston ;" " Notes on description of a new species of Odax;" " Description of a new Fossil Shell from the Eocene beds, Table Cape;" " Remarks on the observed periodicity of the Death-rate, with suggestions as to its possible relation with the periodicity of solar and other super-terrestrial phenomena;" " Notes on the discovery of two rare species of Ferns new to Tasmania;" "Description of a new species of Crepidula, from the Eocene beds, Table Cape;" "Observations on six rare Fishes recently captured in Tasmanian waters;" "A rejoinder to Mr. A. B. Biggs' criticism of observations made in respect of the observed periodicity of the Death-rate,"

&c.: by R. M. Johnston, F.L.S.-" Results of a certain critical examination of the Mollusca of the older Tertiary of Tasmania allied to some living representatives; "Description of some new Fossil Mollusca from Table Cape:" "On the community of species of aquatic pulmonate Snails between Australia and Tasmania;" "Description of new species of Mollusca of the Upper Eocene beds at Table Cape:" by Professor R. Tate, F.L.S., F.G.S.-"Notes on boring operations in search of coal in Tasmania:" by T. Stephens, M.A., F.G.S., &c.-" Osteosarcoma, or so-called Cancer of the Jaw in Cattle :" by H. A. Perkins, M.D.-" Notes on a Sapphirina and a Salpa, caught off the Cape of Good Hope:" by J. M'Cance, F.R.A.S.-"The River Derwent; Note upon the flood of September 23, 1884 :" by A. Mault .- "Tentative list of Navigators who visited Van Diemen's Land prior to September, 1803:" by J. R. M'Clymont, M.A .- " Notes on the Œstrus Ovis, or Gadfly of the Sheep : " by A. Morton.-" Notes on the Infusorial Parasites of the Tasmanian White Ants: " by W. Saville Kent, F.L.S , &c .- " On the determination of a true Meridian :" by H. C. Kingsmill, M.A.-" Earthquake Shocks in Tasmania during the year 1883-84: by Commander Shortt, R.N.

At the evening meeting of September, Mr. Robert Henry, jun., Superintendent of Telegraphs, delivered a lecture on "Submarine Cables," giving a practical illustration of means by which the localities of breaks or faults in the cable are determined.

# LIBRARY.

The Library, in addition to the ordinary periodicals, has been enriched by valuable donations from the Hon. W. Macleay, of Sydney, the Trustees of the British Museum, the Royal Society of Canada, and other scientific bodies. The Curator has done excellent work in properly classifying all the books and pamphlets, and compiling a complete catalogue. This compilation has long been a desideratum, and it is very gratifying to be able to record its accomplishment. The manuscript of the catalogue is now in the hands of the Government Printer.

# DOMAIN.

The Domain Improvement Committee has not been idle. A considerable length of new road has been made, and tree planting has been carried on. It is unpleasant to have to report that a few of the young trees have been wantonly destroyed, but, generally speaking, the trees are doing well.

# Fellows.

Fifty new Fellows, an unprecedented number, have been elected, and six have been lost through death or resignation. One of these deaths, that of Mr. Joseph Milligan, claims special notice. If Sir John Franklin must be called the first, Mr. Milligan may certainly be reckoned as the second founder of the society. It was entirely owing to his exertions that the present building was erected, and it was chiefly due to his great abilities and fostering care that at one period the society was safely carried through difficulties which threatened its existence. The number of Fellows is 150.

# METEOROLOGY.

Meteorological observations have been carried on as in last year.

# COUNCIL.

One death, that of Mr. H. J. Buckland, an old and valued member of the Council, took place. The vacancy was filled by the appointment of the Right Rev. Dr. Sandford, Bishop of Tasmania.

# FINANCE.

The income has been:—Government grant-in-aid to Museum, £200; grant to Gardens, £600; annual subscriptions to Royal Society, £196–10s.; sale of plants, £128–3s. 2d.; making, with balance from 1883, £1199–11s. 2d. The expenditure amounted to £1169 1s. 5d., leaving a balance to credit £30–9s. 9d.

It is a matter of deep satisfaction that the grant for 1885 to the Museum has been augumented by  $\pounds 100$ , and that to the Gardens by  $\pounds 200$ . These additions have been long and urgently needed.

# MUSEUM.

In the early part of the year some cases and jars which had been used at the Fisheries Exhibition in London were offered to the Society on the condition in the first place that certain claims upon them should be paid. Subsequently, however, Government courteously waived all claims on the cases, and they are now utilised in the Museum. We have to acknowledge with best thanks our indebtedness to Mr. E. P. Ramsay, F.R.S.E., F.L.S., and the authorities of the Sydney Museum, for the very great liberality they have shown in presenting to us the numerous and valuable specimens, the names of which appear in the list of donations. The Queensland Museum is also a liberal donor.

On the part of the public, a marked increase of interest in the Museum has been shown by the unusually large number of donations from divers parts of the colony. In the collection special to Tasmania, the objects have been re-arranged according to their natural orders, and many new ones have been prepared and mounted by the Curator, Mr. A. Morton, whose zeal, energy, and ability demand special recognition.

The collection is thus gradually approaching to that condition, so much to be desired, in which it will fairly represent the geology, the flora, and the fauna of Tasmania.

To the donors of plants and seeds, and to the owners and captains of vessels and others who have gratuitously assisted in making the usual exchange, the best thanks of the Society are due.

# GARDENS.

Many of the plants suffered severely from the drought during the early part of the year, and some apparently acclimatised were quite destroyed. Dahlias, Asters, Stocks, Phloxes, and other autumn flowering plants, either did not flower at all, or did so in a very imperfect manner. The want of an adequate supply of water was never more severely felt. Included in the plants introduced during the year are many of great interest. Seedlings have been raised of the following choice coniferæ:—Abies ajanensis, polita, concolor, grandis, noblis, sechalinensis,

Veitchii, and Albertiana; also of helesia tetraptera (the Caroline snowdrop tree), Parkinsonia aculeata (the Jerusalem thorn), Adansonia digitata (Monkey bread or Baobob), a tree remarkable for its great size of trunk, sometimes measuring 80ft. in circumference, Nyssa aquatica and capilata, and several species of American forest trees, including Sycamores, Ashes, Betulas, etc. Hitherto the greater number of the introduced plants have been procured by exchange, effected by sending Norfolk Island pines and Tree ferns (Dicksonia antartica) to Europe. By late advices, however, we learn that the Tree Fern can now be purchased in London for less than the freight from Tasmania, and that the Norfolk Island pine is propagated by cuttings, in France, to such an extent as to keep the Home market fully supplied. So few Tasmanian plants would now be accepted as exchanges that we shall have to depend principally on purchases for any future acquisitions to our collection. The North American cranberry, Paccinium racroearpum, which has been in the Garden for some time, has this vear "set" several dozen fruit. This valuable plant. which is suited for growing in bogs unsuited for any other culture, is very prolific when properly cultivated. It is worthy of a careful trial in our lake districts, where it would probably thrive. Cones have been produced on Cedrus deodara and Auricaria Bidwilii for the first time. and from the former several dozen seedlings have been raised. The printed labels, first used upwards of two years ago, have stood fairly well.

The estimated number of visitors to the Gardens was 67,000.

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Chrysanthemum.-140 new.

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Cannino Grossa Maro Royal Orange Greave's Pippin Hoover Jewett's Best John Toon Marston's Red Winter Munroe's Favourite New England Pigeon

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# EXCHANGE OF PLANTS AND SEEDS DURING 1884.

## January.

From Mr. Wm. Bull, New Plant Merchant, London-Case containing 100 chrysanthemums.

From W. J. Latham, Hobart-Collection imported Dutch bulbs.

To Major Jacobs, Jeypore, India-1 package seeds.

# February.

From the Botanic Gardens, Saharanpur, India-50 packets seeds. From Baron Ferd. Von Müeller, Government Botanist, Victoria-2 packets seed.

From Mr. Oliver, New Plymouth, New Zealand-2 packets seeds.

To Mr. G. Brunning, Melbourne-36 nymphæ plants.

To Mr. A. James, Department Mines, Sydney-Bag sphagnum moss.

#### March.

From the Chamber of Agriculture, Washington, United States-60 packets seeds.

From Miss Owen, Ireland-7 packets seeds.

From Mr. A. James, Sydney-13 packets seeds.

To Messrs. De Smet Frères, Ghent, Belgium-1 case pines.

#### April.

From Mr. A. Thompson, Dunedin-1 case ferns. From Baron Ferd. Von Müeller, Government Botanist, &c. Victoria-2 plants; 2 packets seeds.

To Messrs. Shepherd & Co., Sydney-Case sphagnum moss.

### Man.

From Mr. G. Brunning, Melbourne-40 chrysanthemums.

From Mons. A. Van Geert-5 packets seeds.

From Baron Von Müeller, Government Botanist, Victoria-290 packets seeds.

From the Chamber of Agriculture, Washington, United States-75 packets seeds.

From Mr. G. Brunning, Victoria-2 cases of plants.

From Messrs. Shepherd & Co., Sydney-14 packets eucalypti.

To Dr. R. Schomburg, Botanic Gardens, Adelaide-Sphagnum moss.

To Messrs. Shepherd & Co., Sydney-Sphagnum moss.

To Queensland Acclimatisation Society-Spagnum moss.

To Mr. J. Smith, Riddell's Creek, Victoria-Spagnum moss. To Botanic Gardens, Queensland-Sphagnum moss

To Mr. G. Brunning, Victoria-Sphagnum moss.

To Messrs. Law & Somner, Melbourne-Sphagnum moss.

To Mr. C. F. Cresswell, Melbourne-Lily bulbs.

#### June.

From the Brisbane Botanic Gardens-18 varieties seeds.

From Mr. J. Smith, Riddell's Creek, Victoria-Case of plants.

From Messrs. Shepherd & Co., Sydney-Case of plants.

From Mr. J. Harris, South Yarra, Victoria-Case of plants.

From the Botanic Gardens, Saharanpur, India-Package seeds.

From Major Jacob, Jeypore, India-Package seeds.

From the Botanic Gardens, Calcutta-Package seeds.

From Baron Ferd. Von Müeller, Government Botanist, Victoria-8 papers seeds.

To Mr. John Smith, Riddell's Creek, Victoria-Case plants and package of seeds.

To Mr. Joseph Harris, South Yarra, near Melbourne-Package seeds.

To Mr. G. Brunning, St. Kilda, near Melbourne-Case plants and seeds.

To Mr. S. Purchase, Parramatta, N.S.W.-Package seeds.

To Messrs. Shepherd & Co., Sydney - Package seeds.

To the Chamber of Agriculture, Washington, United States-Package of seeds.

To Messrs. Vilmorin, Andrieux, et Cie., Paris-Package seeds.

To the Royal Gardens, Kew, near London-Package seeds.

To Baron Ferd, Von Müeller, Government Botanist, Victoria-Package seeds.

To Mr. C. F. Creswell, St. Kilda, Victoria-Package seeds.

To Messrs. Heyne & Co., Adelaide-Package seeds.

To Messrs. Law, Somner, & Co., Melbourne-Package seeds.

To W. R. Guilfoyle, Esq., Director Botanic Gardens, Melbourne -Pine seeds.

To Mr. Wm. Bull, New Plant Merchant, London-Package seeds.

#### July.

From Mr. Joseph Harris, South Yarra-Package trees.

From Messrs. Law & Somner, Melbourne-Case of plants.

From Mr. S. Purchase, Parramatta, N.S.W.-Case of plants.

From the Botanic Gardens, Brisbane-Case of ferns.

From Messrs. Heyne & Co., Adelaide-Package seeds.

To the Botanic Gardens, Rome—Package seeds. To Mr. J. Harris, South Yarra—Case of plants.

To Messrs. Law & Somner, Melbourne-Case of plants.

To Mr. C. F. Creswell, Melbourne-Box of plants.

## August.

From Messrs. Heyne & Co., Adelaide—Package seeds. From Baron Ferd. Von Müeller, Government Botanist, Victoria—Nymphæ gigantea.

From the Botanic Gardens, Rome—Package seeds. From James Grant, Esq., Queensland—Package seeds. From Mr. J. Smith, Riddell's Creek, Victoria—Package plants. From the Botanic Gardens, Melbourne—Case of plants and seeds.

November.

To Mr. G. Brunning, St. Kilda- Case Chrysanthemums.

### December.

From Mrs. G. Oliver, New Plymouth, New Zealand-Package seeds.

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F. ABBOTT, Superintendent Royal Society's Gardens.