## REPORT

OF THE

## ROYAL SOCIETY

OF

## **TASMANIA**

FOR THE YEAR

1909.



Gobart.

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## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The Annual General Meeting of the Royal Society was held in the Society's Room, Museum, on Thursday, 3rd March, 1910.

In the absence of the President (His Excellency Sir Harry Barron) Mr. Thomas Stephens, M.A., F.G.S., the senior Vice-President, occupied the chair, and the Annual Reports for 1909 were submitted.

## RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

There being no other nominations, the retiring members of the Council (Messrs. R. M. Johnston, Russell Young, Dr. Noetling, and Dr. Webster were re-elected.

## ELECTION OF FELLOWS.

Messrs. Robert C. Kermode and H. Minchin Nicholls were elected Fellows of the Society.

## AUDITOR.

Mr. H. W. W. Echlin was reappointed Auditor.

## REPORTS OF SECTIONS.

The Medical Section reported, through their Secretary (Dr. E. W. J. Ireland) that the Section had a membership of twenty-one during the year, three of the members being resident in the country. Two had resigned at the end of the year on their departure from Hobart. Two new members were elected. The Annual Meeting and six Ordinary Meetings were held, and were well attended. Several meetings were devoted to the discussion of the Midwifery Act, and some suggested amendments were submitted to the Hon. the Chief Secretary for consideration. The Section thanks the Royal Society for the annual grant of £12, which has been devoted to the purchase of books. Their accounts of receipts and expenditure showed a credit balance of £14 178.

## ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1909.

The Council of the Royal Society have the honour to present their Report for 1909 to the Annual General Meeting of the Society.

His Excellency Sir Harry Barron, K.C.M.G., shortly after his arrival to assume the office of Governor of the State, was

pleased to intimate his acceptance of the position of President of the Society.

Seven Monthly General Meetings and one Special General Meeting were held during the year. Eleven Ordinary Meetings and four Special Meetings of the Council were held during the same period.

Twenty-nine Fellows were elected, one Associate became a Fellow, and thirteen Fellows and one Associate allowed their membership to lapse, and the deaths of three Fellows were recorded. The total number of Members of the Society were one hundred and thirty-nine Fellows, including nine Life Members and two Associates. Sir Ernest Shackleton was elected an Honorary Member.

Two vacancies occurred in the Council through the resignation of Sir Elliott Lewis and Dr. Elkington, and were respectively filled by the election of Dr. G. A. Webster and Dr. Arthur Clarke.

At a Special General Meeting on August 9, 1909. Rule 44 was altered by striking out the last paragraph, which referred to an Address by the President at the first Monthly General Meeting in each year.

The Committee appointed to arrange the Library Fund found it necessary to sort out the Society's own publications before attempting the work in the Library Room, because it was discovered that the set of the Society's own publications in the Library was incomplete.

This task proved to be more difficult than it was anticipated, because the back numbers had got mixed up with all sorts of useless printed matter, and stock had apparently not been taken for years.

After a considerable amount of work the Committee succeeded in bringing together a complete set of the Society's publications from 1845 up to date; the volumes were bound in their original covers, and the set now in the Library is probably the only complete set of the Publications of the Royal Society of Tasmania, Copies of the missing Annual Reports were also found, and two complete sets from 1845 to 1892 were bound.

The aggregate number of the back volumes is 2,759 in all, which, valued at 1s. per volume, represent an asset of £137 19s.

The following Papers were read during the Session of 1909:— Records of Tasmanian Botanists, by J. H. Maiden, F.L.S. (Corresponding Member).

A Peculiar Group of Tronattas, by Fritz Noetling, M.A., Ph.D.

Red Ochre and its Use by the Aborigines of Tasmania, by Fritz Noetling, M.A., Ph.D.

The Minerals of Tasmania, by W. F. Petterd, C.M.Z.S.

The Tasmanian Onagraceae, by L. Rodway.

The Speech of the Tasmanian Aborigines, by Hermann B. Ritz, M.A.

Notes on the Occurrence of a Fossil Tree embedded in Drift on the North-West Coast of Tasmania, by T. Stephens, M.A., F.G.S.

Rocks Used in the Manufacture of Tronattas by Fritz Noetling, M.A., Ph.D.

On the Applications of Multenions to Metageometry, by Prof. Alex. M'Aulay, M.A.

Notes on the Names given to Minerals and Rocks by the Aborigines of Tasmania, by Fritz Noetling, M.A., Ph.D.

A Contribution to the Geology of Tasmania, by L. Keith Ward, B.A., B.E.

Note on Brachycome melanocarpa, Sonder, by L. Rodway.

Notes on the Glacial Beds at Freestone Bluff, Sandy Cove, near Wynyard, by Fritz Noetling, M.A., Ph.D.

Geological Notes on the Country traversed by the Derwent Valley Railway Extension, by T. Stephens, M.A., F.G.S.

Points in the Anatomy of Certain Megapodes, by T. Thomson Flynn, B.Sc.

A Balance-sheet, duly audited, showing the receipts and expenditure for 1909, is appended.

The Report was adopted without amendment.

## RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE, 1909.

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## BERNARD SHAW, Hon. Treasurer.

I have this day examined the Books and Vouchers of the Royal Society of Tasmania, and found them correct and in accordance with the Balance-sheet.

Hobart, February 9, 1910.

H. W. W. ECHLIN

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