

EXCERPT MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING.

Held in the Apartments of the Geological Society, February 1st, 1898.

N. S. MASKELYNE, Esq., F.R.S., President, in the Chair.

The death of Professor Heddle, Past President, was announced.

Professor Church was elected, by co-optation, to the office of Vice-President vacated through the death of the Rev. Prof. S. Haughton.

Mr. E. G. J. Hartley was elected an Ordinary Member of the Society.

The resignation of Dr. Robert Oxland, Original Member of the Society, was reported.

GENERAL MEETING.

Held in the Apartments of the Geological Society, February 1st, 1898.

N. S. MASKELYNE, Esq., F.R.S., President, in the Chair.

Eighteen Members were present.

The following papers were read:—

1. Canfieldite from Bolivia: Specific identity of so-called “Crystallised Brogniardite” and Canfieldite: by Mr. G. T. Prior and Mr. L. J. Spencer.

2. On Atacamite from Sierra Gorda, Atacama: by Mr. G. F. H. Smith.

Mr. Bowman showed specimens of stibnite in which the differences of conductivity for heat in different directions were proved by the volatilisation of a thin layer of ammonium chloride from the neighbourhood of a heated point, and specimens of gypsum from which the water had been driven off in the vicinity of a heated point.

Mr. Prior showed some balls of oolitic limestone from Turk’s Island, Bahamas, and Mr. Hutchinson an enlarged photograph of the late Professor Miller, of Cambridge.

EXCERPT MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING.

Held in the Apartments of the Geological Society, April 5th, 1898.

Dr. HUGO MÜLLER, F.R.S., Vice-President, in the Chair.

The resignation of Mr. John Gill was accepted.

The audited Balance Sheet for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1897, was

submitted and approved: the Secretary was instructed to insert it in the Minutes as usual, and to issue a printed copy with the next number of the Journal.

GENERAL MEETING.

Held in the Apartments of the Geological Society, April 5th, 1898.

Dr. HUGO MÜLLER, F.R.S., Vice-President, in the Chair.

Eleven Members were present.

The following papers were read:—

1. Sphærostitbite: by Mr. G. T. Prior.
2. On the occurrence of Monazite, and niobates and tantalates of the rare earths, in Swaziland: by Mr. G. T. Prior.
3. On a cubic modification of silver iodide from Broken Hill, New South Wales: by Mr. I. J. Spencer.
4. On peculiar quartz-pseudomorphs found at the Owera Mine, Opitonui, New Zealand: by Prof. G. H. F. Ulrich (communicated by Professor Judd).
5. Crystallographic notes on Laurionite and Phosgenite: by Mr. Herbert Smith.
6. On Senaite, a titanate of iron, lead and manganese, from Brazil: by Dr. E. Hussak and Mr. G. T. Prior.

Specimens were shown illustrative of the Senaite (by Mr. Prior), the silver iodide (by Mr. Spencer), and of the quartz pseudomorphs from New Zealand for Prof. Ulrich.

Mineralogical Society—Abstract of Receipts and Payments from 1st January to 31st December, 1897.

	RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Balance from year 1896		49 18 0		
Subscriptions:—				
(1) In advance		1 1 0	Printing and Stationery	
(2) Current		43 0 10	Illustrations	30 0 10
(3) In arrear		10 10 0	Purchase of Serials for Library	17 12 6
			Binding Books for ditto	0 13 0
Entrance Fees and Compositions		54 11 10	Clerical Expenses, $\frac{7}{2}$ Removal and Care of Stock	19 0 9
Sale of Publications:		48 6 0	Attendants' Fees at Meetings	2 2 0
(1) From Publishers		25 7 0	Commission on Cheques	1 1 0
(2) In Office		3 14 0	Investments and Brokers' Commission	0 3 0
Authors' Extra Copies of Papers		29 1 0	Balance at Bank	59 6 3
Prof. O'Reilly for Illustrations		5 9 9	" in Office	£77 18 2
Dividends on Stock		11 7 0		78 0 6
		9 6 3		
		£207 19 10		£207 19 10

Examined and compared with the vouchers and found correct.

February 16th, 1898.

(Signed)

BENEDICT KITTO, }
J. H. COLLINS, } *Auditors.*

	LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Printers' Account		46 12 9	Balance as above	78 0 6
Secretarial Postage for 1897		1 4 1	Subscriptions unpaid	20 0 0
			Stock in 2½ Consols: £339 6s. 7d. at 112	447 8 7
Excess of Assets over Liabilities		521 2 1	Dividend on Stock, January 1898	2 13 2
		£568 19 9	Sale of Journals, due from Publisher	11 7 6
			Due for Authors' Copies	9 10 0
		£568 19 9		£568 19 9

The number of Life Members on December 31st, 1897, was 44.

Memo.—The Stock and Publications and the Library are not included in the above assets.

(Signed) F. W. RUDLER,
Treasurer.