EXCERPT MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING.

Held in the Apartments of the Geological Society, Burlington House, London, W., June 18, 1918, at 5 p.m.

Mr. W. BARLOW, F.R.S., President, in the Chair.

The following changes in the list of Officers and Council were approved for recommendation to the Members of the Society: President-Sir William P. Beale, in place of Mr. Barlow; Treasurer, Dr. J. W. Evans, in place of Sir William P. Beale; Ordinary Members of Council----Sir Jethro J. H. Teall, Messrs. Holmes and Rastall, and Miss Porter, in place of the four retiring Members of Council, Messrs. Barker, Barrow, Cullis, and Mennell.

GENERAL MEETING.

Held in the Apartments of the Geological Society, Burlington House, London, W., June 18, 1918, at 5.80 p.m.

Mr. W. BARLOW, F.R.S., President, in the Chair.

Fifteen Members and one Visitor were present.

The following papers were read :---

1. On the origin of septaria : by Mr. W. A. Richardson (p. 327).

2. The composition of the nickeliferous iron of the meteorites of Lodran, Powder Mill Creek, and Holbrook: by Dr. G. T. Prior.

Specimens of septarian nodules and lantern-slides were exhibited by Mr. Richardson in illustration of his paper.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY.

EXCERPT MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING.

Held in the Apartments of the Geological Society, Burlington House, London, W., November 5, 1918, at 5 p.m.

Sir WILLIAM P. BEALE in the Chair.

The death of Mr. J. S. Merry was reported.

Mr. William Howson Wilcockson, Mr. Arthur Stanley Williams, and Lieut. Arthur Broughton Edge were provisionally elected Ordinary Members of the Society.

The following were selected as the dates of the meetings in 1919: Tuesdays, January 14, March 18, June 17, November 4 (Anniversary).

The draft Annual Report of Council, submitted by the Secretary, was read and approved.

Mr. Barlow was reappointed to represent the Society on the Conjoint Board of Scientific Societies for 1919.

A vote of thanks was passed to Dr. G. F. Herbert Smith for sending notices of the meetings of the Society to 'Nature' and other periodicals.

ANNIVERSARY MEETING.

Held in the Apartments of the Geological Society, Burlington House, London, W., November 5, 1918, at 5.30 p.m.

Sir WILLIAM P. BEALE, President-elect, in the Chair.

Sixteen Members and one Visitor were present.

The Chairman nominated Messrs. Gordon and Hilton to act as scrutineers of the voting-papers for the election of Officers and Council. The scrutineers reported that twenty-nine voting-papers had been returned to the Secretary, and that the list as nominated by the Council was approved, namely:----

President. Sir William P. Beale, Bart., K.C., M.P., F.G.S., F.C.S.
Vice-Presidents. Prof. H. L. Bowman, M.A., D.Sc., F.G.S.
A. Hutchinson, M.A., Ph.D., F.G.S.
Treasurer. J. W. Evans, LL.B., D.Sc., F.G.S.
General Secretary. G. T. Prior, M.A., D.Sc., F.R.S.
Foreign Secretary. Prof. W. W. Watts, LL.D., Sc.D., F.R.S.
Editor of the Journal. L. J. Spencer, M.A., F.G.S.

Ordinary Members of Council.

H. Collingridge, B.Sc., F.G.S.	Prof. H. Hilton, M.A., D.Sc.
T. Crook, F.G.S.	Lieut. Arthur Russell.
G. F. Herbert Smith, M.A., D.Sc.,	A. Holmes, D.Sc., F.G.S.
F.G.S .	Miss M. W. Porter.
H. H. Thomas, M.A., Sc.D., F.G.S.	R. H. Rastall, M.A., F.G.S.
H. F. Collins, A.R.S.M., M.I.M.M.	Sir Jethro J. H. Teall, M.A., D.Sc.,
J. P. De Castro, M.A., F.C.S.	LL.D., F.R.S.

The elections of Mr. W. H. Wilcockson, Mr. A. Stanley Williams, and Lieut. A. B. Edge as Ordinary Members of the Society were confirmed.

The following ANNUAL REPORT OF COUNCIL was read :---

During the Session 1917-18 four ordinary meetings have been held (by kind permission) in the Apartments of the Geological Society, Burlington House, W., at which eleven papers were read. A special meeting of the Council was held on January 7, 1918, at the Natural History Museum, at which a resolution was passed protesting against the proposal to make use of the Natural History Museum for other Government Departments. One number of the Journal containing seven papers has been issued, viz. No. 85, published in August 1918.

The balance-sheet of the year ending December 31, 1917, shows that the financial position of the Society continues to be satisfactory. The assets (exclusive of the Library and stock of the Journal) amounted to £924 6s. 10d., and the liabilities to £15 11s. 10d. The value of the Stock invested in the names of the Trustees of the Society was on that date £795 0s. 0d., corresponding to £16 11s. 3d. for each Life-Member.

During the Session the death of one Life-Member, Mr. J. S. Merry, has been reported. Two Ordinary Members have been elected. The total number of Members on November 4, 1918, was 184, of whom fifteen are Honorary. Of the Ordinary Members forty-eight are Life-Members.

The Council has to congratulate the Society on its continued scientific activity and prosperity during the war.

On the motion of Dr. J. W. Evans, seconded by Dr. A. P. Young, the Report was adopted.

A vote of thanks to the Council of the Geological Society for permission to meet in the Apartments of the Society was carried.

The dates of meeting for 1919, proposed by the Council, were approved. The following papers were then read :---

1. On a plagionite-like mineral from Dumfriesshire: by Dr. G. F. Herbert Smith and Dr. G. T. Prior.

2. The chromite deposits in the island of Unst, Shetlands: by Lieut. Arthur Russell.

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3. The nickeliferous iron of the meteorites of Bluff, Chandakapur, Château Renard, Cynthiana, Dhurmsala, Eli Elwah, Gnadenfrei, Kakowa, Lundsgård, New Concord, Shelburne, and Shytal : by Dr. G. T. Prior.

Specimens of the plagionite-like mineral were exhibited by Dr. Herbert Smith, and a fine series of minerals from Unst by Lieut. Russell.

EXCERPT MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING.

Held in the Apartments of the Geological Society, Burlington House, London, W., January 14, 1919, at 5 p.m.

Mr. W. BARLOW, F.R.S., Past-President, in the Chair.

Lieut. William Argus McIntyre, Lieut. George Sheppard, and Mr. Richard Hansford Worth were provisionally elected Ordinary Members of the Society.

Messrs. F. H. Butler and T. Crook were elected Auditors of the accounts for the year ending December 31, 1918.

GENERAL MEETING.

Held in the Apartments of the Geological Society, Burlington House, London, W., January 14, 1919, at 5.30 p.m.

Mr. W. BABLOW, F.R.S., Past-President, in the Chair.

Sixteen Members and two Visitors were present.

The elections of Lieut. W. A. McIntyre, Lieut. G. Sheppard, and Mr. R. H. Worth as Ordinary Members of the Society were confirmed.

Mineralogical characters of turite (= turgite) and some other ircnores from Nova Scotia: by Mr. L. J. Spencer (p. 339).