## EXCERPT MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING.

Held in the Apartments of the Geological Society, Burlington House, London, W., January 20, 1920, at 4 p.m.

Dr. A. E. H. TUTTON, F.R.S., Past-President, in the Chair.

Mr. Edward William Tunbridge was provisionally elected an Ordinary Member of the Society.

Messrs. Butler and Campbell Smith were elected Auditors of the accounts of the year ending December 31, 1919.

The Secretary reported that, on the invitation of the Conjoint Board of Scientific Societies, in addition to Mr. Barlow, Messrs. Evans, Prior, and Spencer attended as delegates the special meeting of the Conjoint Board, held on January 8, to consider the formation of International Unions in Geology and other subjects.

It was resolved to contribute £5 towards the expenses of the Conjoint Board of Scientific Societies.

The resolution of the Council of June 19, 1917, on the subject of the publication of abstracts in the Journal was reconsidered, and in place of it the following resolutions were passed:—

- (1) That the publication of 'Mineralogical Abstracts' in separately-paged appendices be commenced in the next number of the Journal, and be carried on for a period of trial of at least three years.
- (2) That the papers abstracted be on scientific mineralogy and crystallography including that of organic compounds.
- (3) That papers on petrology, ore-deposits, and economic mineralogy be abstracted only when they are of interest from the point of view of scientific mineralogy.

A proposal brought forward by Mr. Campbell Smith and seconded by Dr. Prior to form a Committee of Petrographic Nomenclature was then discussed, and the following motions were carried:—

- (1) That the Society recommends the appointment of a committee of twelve petrologists to consider whether any standardization of British petrographic nomenclature is possible and desirable, and, if so, to make recommendations with that end in view.
- (2) That the Society is of the opinion that such a committee needs the co-operation of the Geological Society of London, and accordingly invites the Geological Society to appoint six petrologists to serve on a joint committee.
- (3) That a special meeting of the Council of the Mineralogical Society be called to receive the reply of the Geological Society and to proceed with the election of the remaining members of the committee.

### GENERAL MEETING.

Held in the Apartments of the Geological Society, Burlington House, London, W., January 20, 1920, at 5.30 p.m.

Dr. A. E. H. TUTTON, F.R.S., Past-President, in the Chair.

Twelve Members and three Visitors were present.

The election of Mr. E. W. Tunbridge as an Ordinary Member of the Society was confirmed.

The following papers were read:-

- 1. On gearksutite at Gingin, Western Australia: by Dr. E. S. Simpson (p. 23).
  - 2. Fibroferrite from Cyprus: by Mr. C. E. Barrs.
  - 3. On the classification of meteorites: by Dr. G. T. Prior.
  - 4. On torbernite: by Mr. A. F. Hallimond (p. 43).

Specimens were exhibited in illustration of the papers of Dr. Simpson and Mr. Barrs.

### SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING.

Held at the Natural History Museum, South Kensington, February 18, 1920, at 3.30 p.m.

Dr. F. H. HATCH in the Chair.

A letter from the Council of the Geological Society was read, stating that the following Fellows of that Society had been nominated to serve on the Joint Committee of Petrographic Nomenclature:—Dr. A. Harker, Sir Jethro J. H. Teall, Prof. W. W. Watts, Mr. G. W. Tyrrell, Dr. J. S. Flett, and Dr. H. H. Thomas.

The following Members of the Mineralogical Society were then nominated to serve on the same Committee:—Mr. W. Campbell Smith, Dr. J. W. Evans, Dr. F. H. Hatch, Dr. A. Holmes, Dr. G. T. Prior, and Mr. R. H. Rastall.

It was resolved to summon the first meeting of the Joint Committee for March 16, at the rooms of the Geological Society, Burlington House, at the hour of 2.30 p.m.; and the General Secretary was instructed to enclose with the notices copies of the terms of reference of the Committee.

It was also resolved that the Committee be empowered to fill vacancies if they occur and to add to its numbers by co-option of additional members (to serve on the Committee or on any Sub-Committee which may be set up).

It was decided to request the Committee to make an interim report of progress to the November meetings of the Mineralogical and Geological Societies.

# EXCERPT MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING.

Held in the Apartments of the Geological Society, Burlington House, London, W., March 16, 1920, at 5 p.m.

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

The death of Prof. E. S. Fedorov, Honorary Member, and of Dr. A. P. Young, Ordinary Member, and the resignation of Mr. H. F. Marriot were announced.

The audited Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31, 1919, submitted by the Treasurer, was approved.

The election by the Council of the Geological Society of Dr. J. V. Elsden to serve in place of Dr. Harker on the Joint Committee of Petrographic Nomenclature was announced.

On the invitation of the Conjoint Board of Scientific Societies to appoint delegates, Messrs. Evans and Prior were nominated to serve on a Committee of the International Research Council to consider the formation of a Union in Geology.

# GENERAL MEETING.

Held in the Apartments of the Geological Society, Burlington House, London, W., March 16, 1920, at 5.30 p.m.

Sir William P. Beale, President, in the Chair.

Nineteen Members were present.

The following papers were read:—

- 1. On the occurrence of cotunnite, anglesite, leadhillite, and galena on fused lead from the wreck of the fire-ship *Firebrand* in Falmouth Harbour, Cornwall: by Mr. Arthur Russell.
- 2. Riebeckite-rhyolite from northern Kordofan: by Mr. W. Campbell Smith (p. 48).
- 3. The meteoric iron of Mt. Ayliff, Griqualand East, South Africa: by Dr. G. T. Prior.

Specimens were exhibited in illustration of all the three papers.

# MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY.

# ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FROM JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 1919.

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