

EXCERPT MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING,

*Held at Trinity College, Dublin, on Wednesday, August 14th, 1878,*

H. C. SORBY, Esq., F.R.S., in the Chair.

The Report of the Council as sketched out by the Secretary was modified and ultimately adopted.

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THIRD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING,

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H. C. SORBY, Esq., F.R.S., *President*, in the Chair.

The following Report was adopted by the Members present.

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL.

“The Council has still to congratulate the Members upon the work and progress of the Society during the past year.

We regret that it has been necessary to strike off the names of no fewer than seven original members, they having never paid any contributions to the funds of the Society. As they did not add to the effective strength of the Society, their removal in no way weakens it—they are an apparent loss only. Our actual losses amount to 4, viz.: two members removed by death—the Right Hon. Lord Kinnaird, and the Rev. C. M. Edward Collins; and two by voluntary withdrawal.

Notwithstanding these losses, apparent and real, the List of Members now in preparation contains the names of 163 Members and Associates, against 150 in the last issued list.

The finances of the Society are in a satisfactory condition, as shewn by the Balance Sheet issued in the Spring of the year. This shews a balance of assets over liabilities of £39, besides a sum of £105 invested—together £144. The balance in favour of the Society in 1877 was £133 18s. 3d., or £10 1s. 9d less.

The first volume of the Magazine was completed last year, and consists of nearly 300 pages with eight plates. Two parts of the second volume, 102 pages and two plates, have been already issued to the members, and a third is in preparation. The high character of the Mineralogical Magazine has been widely recognized and acknowledged. Members and associates are, however, recommended to make more use of its pages as a means of effecting exchanges of duplicate specimens, of obtaining information on subjects connected with our science, or of discussing disputed points.

The Society now exchanges its Magazine with Societies and individuals in all parts of the world. Among others, the following publications are received in exchange :—

Transactions and Proceedings, Royal Society of New South Wales.  
 Reale Comitato Geologico d'Italia.  
 Zeitschrift für Krystallographie und Mineralogie.  
 American Journal of Science.  
 Reports, Department of Mines, Nova Scotia.  
 Annales, Société Géologique de Belgique.  
 Reports, Leeds Naturalists' Club.  
 Proceedings, Academy of Sciences, Philadelphia.  
 &c., &c.

We have now to recommend the following gentlemen as office-bearers during the coming year :—

**PRESIDENT.**

**H. C. SORBY, F.R.S.**

**VICE-PRESIDENTS.**

**PROFESSOR HAUGHTON, F.R.S.**

**PROFESSOR HEDDLE, M.D.**

**COUNCIL.**

**PROFESSOR A. H. CHURCH, M.A., &c.**  
**FRED. DREW, F.G.S., &c.**  
**MAJOR DUNCAN, M.A., D.C.L., &c.**  
**ARCHIBALD GEIKIE, F.R.S., &c.**  
**THOMAS DAVIES, F.G.S., &c.**  
**TOWNSHEND M. HALL, F.G.S., &c.**  
**M. HAWKINS JOHNSON, F.G.S., &c.**  
**DR. ROBERT OXLAND, F.C.S., &c.**  
**PROFESSOR T. G. BONNEY, F.G.S.**  
**DR. WALTER FLIGHT, F.G.S.**  
**PROFESSOR ROBERT HARKNESS, F.R.S.**  
**W. H. HUDLESTONE, F.G.S.**

(The last four in place of Messrs. Ansted, Marshall Hall, Rupert Jones, and R. H. Scott, who retire by rotation.)

**TREASURER.**

R. P. GREG, F.G.S.

**GEN. SECRETARY.**

J. H. COLLINS, F.G.S.

**FOREIGN SECRETARY,**

DR. C. LE NEVE FOSTER, F.G.S.

**AUDITORS.**

B. KITTO, F.G.S.

F. W. RUDLER, F.G.S.

In conclusion, we desire again to urge that every member should exert himself to increase the strength and income of the Society by proposing suitable persons for election as Members and Associates."

The attendance being very small owing to the numerous Meetings in connexion with the British Association being held at the same time, and the non-arrival of many members from England, the following papers were taken as read:—

By the President.—"Further improvements in studying the optical characters of minerals."

By Prof. M. F. Heddle.—"On the Geognosy and Mineralogy of Scotland. Part II, Islands of Uya, Fetlar, &c."

The following gentlemen having been proposed according to the Rules of the Society have been duly elected

**AS MEMBERS.**

PROF. O'REILLY of the Royal College, of Science, Dublin.

PROF. T. MCKENNY HUGHES, of Cambridge.

REV. S. LANGDON, of Galle, Ceylon.

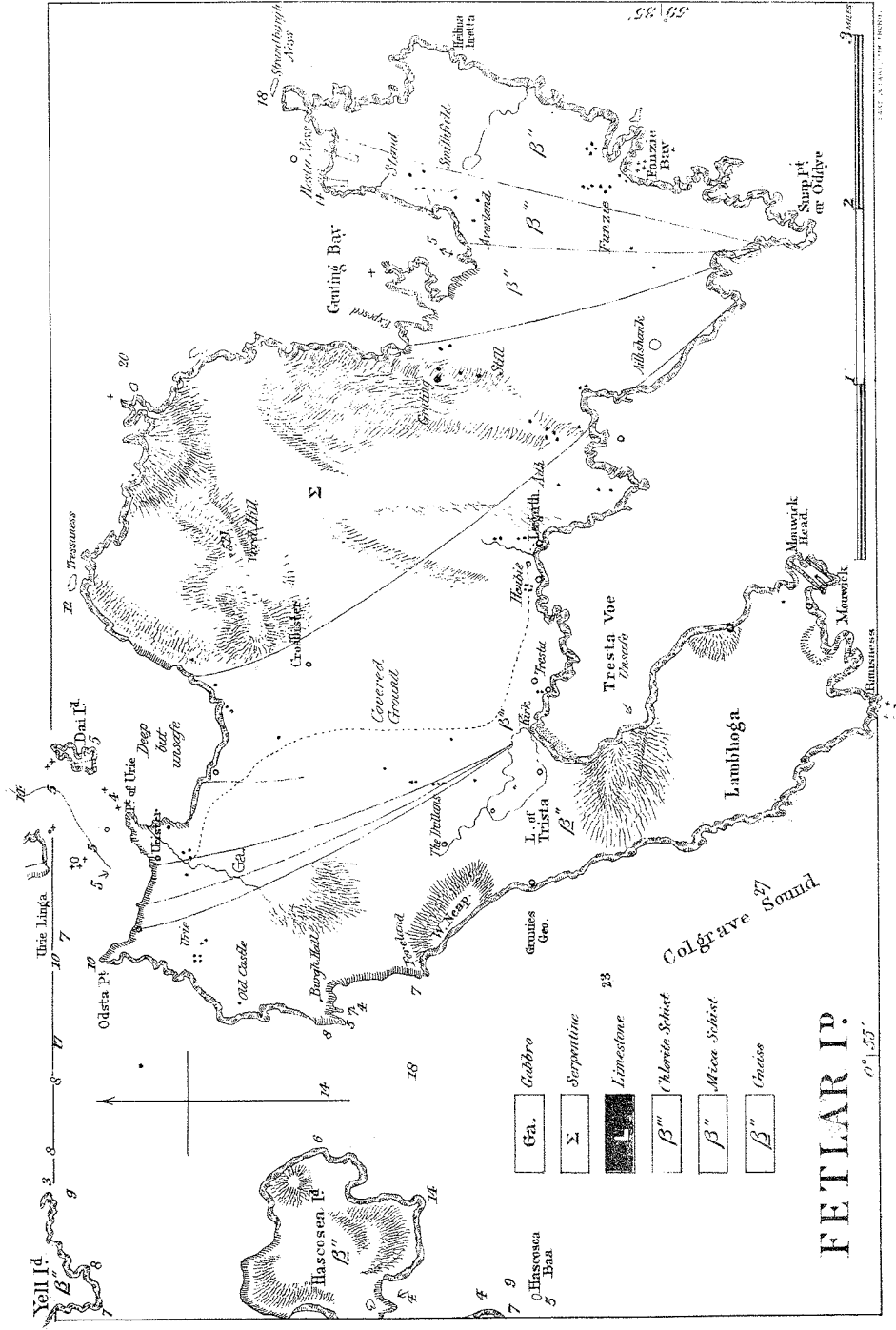
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**BOOKS RECEIVED.**

From *Prof. J. D. Dana*, Newhaven, American Journal of Science, Aug. to Oct., 1878.

„ *Prof. Groth*, Strasburg, Zeitschrift für Kryst und Min. Heft 4 and 5, Band 2.

„ *Reale Comitato Geologico*, Rome, Bolletino 5 to 8, 1878



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- Σ Serpentine
- Limestone
- β" Mica Schist
- β" Mica Schist
- β" Gneiss

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