

The Medical News and Library. Vol. X. No. 110. February, 1852. Philada. 8vo.—*From Blanchard & Lea.*

Twenty-fourth Annual Report of Managers of the House of Refuge. Philada. 1852. 8vo.—*From James J. Barclay, Esq.*

The Committee to which was referred the Meteorological observations made at Napa-Keang, Loo Choo, by Dr. Bettelheim, made report, recommending the publication of the paper in the Transactions of the Society, which was accordingly ordered.

Mr. Trego announced the decease of Harmar Denny, Esq., of Pittsburg, a member of this Society, who died on the 29th of January last, in the 58th year of his age.

On motion of Prof. Frazer, the communication from Lieut. Maury was referred to a Committee, consisting of Prof. Frazer, Mr. Cresson and Mr. Justice.

On motion of Prof. Frazer, the Secretary was directed to transmit to P. A. Browne, Esq., the thanks of the Society for his offer to exhibit the specimens of fine Saxony wools sent to him by the king of Saxony,—and to inform Mr. Browne that the Society will be happy if he will exhibit them at their rooms on Friday next, at 4 o'clock, P. M.

There being in the Cabinet of the Society, a collection of coins and medals, deposited 21st June, 1816, by Mr. David Parish, since deceased, the Secretary was directed to write to Mr. George Parish, of Ogdensburg, N. Y., inquiring of him whether there is any legal representative of the late Mr. David Parish.

New nominations, Nos. 271 and 272 were read.

Stated Meeting, February 20.

Present, thirteen members.

Dr. PATTERSON, President, in the Chair.

Judge King, a member recently elected, was presented and took his seat.

Letters were read:—

From the Royal Bavarian Academy of Sciences, dated Munich, 1st February, 1850, and 25th June, 1851, acknowledging the receipt of Vol. X. Part 1, of the Transactions, and Nos. 36—44 of the Proceedings of this Society;—and also announcing a donation from the Academy for the Society's Library.

The following donations were announced:—

FOR THE LIBRARY.

- Abhandlungen der Mathematisch—Physikalischen Classe der Königl. Bayerischen Akademie der Wissenschaften. Band V. Abth. 3. Band VI. Abth. 1. München, 1850, 1851. 4to.—*From the Royal Bavarian Academy of Sciences.*
- Bulletin der Königl. Akademie der Wissenschaften. 1849, 1850. München. 4to.—*From the same.*
- Gelehrte Anzeigen: Herausgegeben von Mitgliedern der Königl. Bayerischen Akademie der Wissenschaften. Vols. 28, 29, 30, 31. 1849, 1850. München. 4to.—*From the same.*
- Almanach der Königl. Bayer. Akad. der Wissenschaften, für das Jahr 1849. München. 8vo.—*From the same.*
- Annalen der Königl. Sternwarte bei München. Bande II. III. IV. München, 1849, 1850. 8vo.—*From the same.*
- Schilderung der Naturverhältnisse in Süd Abyssinien. Fest Rede, &c. Von Dr. J. H. Roth. München, 1851. 4to.—*From the same.*
- Ueber den Antheil der Pharmacie an der Entwicklung der Chemie. Fest Rede, &c. Von Dr. Ludwig Andreas Buchner, jr. München. 1849. 8vo.—*From the same.*
- Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society. Vol. XII. No. 1. Nov. 1851. London. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Quarterly Journal of the Chemical Society. Vol. IV. No. 16. Jan. 1852. London. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Memoirs of the Literary and Philosophical Society of Manchester. Second Series. Vol. IX. London. 1851. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Mémoires de l'Académie Impériale des Sciences de St. Petersburg. VI. Série. Sciences Mathématiques, Physiques et Naturelles. Tome VI. Première Partie. Sciences Mathématiques et Physiques.

Tome IV. Livraisons 3 and 4. St. Petersburg, 1850. 4to.—
From the Academy.

Mémoires présentés à l'Académie Impériale des Sciences de St. Petersburg. Par Divers Savants, et lus dans ses assemblées. Tome VI. Livraisons 5 and 6. St. Petersburg, 1851. 4to.—*From the same.*

Smithsonian Contributions to Knowledge. Contributions to the Natural History of the Fresh water Fishes of North America. By Charles Girard. I. A. Monograph of the Cottoids. Washington, 1851.—*From the Smithsonian Institution.*

Fifth Annual Report of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution to the Senate and House of Representatives, showing the Operations, Expenditures and Condition of the Institution during the year 1850. Washington, 1851. 8vo.—*From Hon. James Cooper, U. S. Senate.*

The Plough, the Loom and the Anvil. Vol. IV. No. 8. Feb. 1852. N. Y. and Philada. 8vo.—*From J. S. Skinner, Esq.*

The Committee, consisting of Mr. Trego, Dr. Demmé and Dr. Dunglison, to which was referred the Philological Paper, by Professor Alexander, of Baltimore, made their report and asked to be discharged from a further consideration of the subject,—which was agreed to.

Mr. Lea read a note from Dr. Burt, who presented the report of meteorological observations made at the Loo Choo islands, which was recommended for publication at the last meeting,—and asked to have the note, or a part of it, appended to the report,—which was agreed to.

Professor Frazer drew the attention of the Society to a remarkable display of aurora borealis, observed last night, and described the characters which it presented: its chief peculiarity consisting in the immense and magnificent pulsations or gushings of light, which he had never seen in any other case of the aurora.

The phenomena, as witnessed by them, were also described by Mr. Lea, Dr. Coates and Dr. Hays.

The minutes of the Board of Officers and Council at their last meeting were read.

Pending nominations, Nos. 271 and 272,—and new nominations, Nos. 273 to 279, were read.

On motion of Mr. Trego, a Committee was appointed to examine further, and report upon the specimens of fine Saxony and other wools submitted to the inspection of the Society on Friday last, by P. A. Browne, Esq. The Committee consists of Mr. Trego, Mr. Justice and Dr. Elwyn.

Stated Meeting, March 5.

Present, nineteen members.

Dr. FRANKLIN BACHE, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Letters were read:—

From the Linnean Society, dated Soho square, London, Jan. 22, 1852, returning thanks for Vol. V. No. 46, of the Proceedings of the Society:—and

From Townsend Ward, Librarian of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, dated Philadelphia, March 4, 1852, requesting permission, on behalf of that Society, to have taken a copy of the portrait of the late P. S. Duponceau, belonging to the American Philosophical Society.

The following donations were announced:—

FOR THE LIBRARY.

Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, Vol. XII. No. 2. Dec. 12, 1851. London. 8vo.—*From the Society.*

A Notice of the Origin, Progress and Present Condition of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia. By W. S. W. Ruschenberger, M. D. (Read before the Academy, Feb. 10, 1852). Philada. 1852. 8vo.—*From the Academy.*

An Address on the Occasion of the Centennial Celebration of the Founding of the Pennsylvania Hospital, delivered June 10, 1851, by George B. Wood, M. D. Philada. 1851. 8vo.—*From the Managers of the Pennsa. Hospital.*

Another Copy of the same.—*From Dr. G. B. Wood.*

Report of the Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane, for the year 1851. By Thomas S. Kirkbride, M. D., Physician to the Institution. Philada. 1852.—*From the Author.*