

*Stated Meeting, June 21.*

Present, thirteen members.

Dr. PATTERSON, President, in the Chair.

Letters were read:—

From the Royal Society of London, dated Somerset House, 20th March, 1850, acknowledging the receipt of Nos. 42 and 43, of the Proceedings of this Society:—

From the Royal Society of Göttingen, dated Göttingen, 4th March, 1850, acknowledging the receipt of Vol. IX. Part 3, and Vol. X. Part 1, of the Transactions, and of Nos. 35 to 42, inclusive, of the Proceedings of this Society:—

From the Royal Academy of Sciences at Berlin, dated Berlin, 11th August, 1849, acknowledging the receipt of Vol. X. Part 1, of the Transactions, and Nos. 38 to 42, of the Proceedings of this Society:—

From the same, dated Berlin, 15th September, 1850, announcing the transmission of a donation to this Society from the Academy:—

From the Cambridge Philosophical Society, dated Cambridge, February, 1850, announcing that the Society has sent as a donation, Vol. VIII. of their Transactions: and—

From the Connecticut Historical Society, dated Hartford, 1st June, 1850, acknowledging the receipt of the several numbers of the Proceedings of this Society, published from January, 1849, to March, 1850:

The following donations were announced:—

FOR THE LIBRARY.

Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society of London, for the year 1849. Part II. London, 1849. 4to.—*From the Royal Society.*

List of the Council and Fellows of the Royal Society, Nov. 30, 1849. London. 4to.—*From the same.*

Address of the Right Honourable the Earl of Rosse, &c. &c. the President; read at the Anniversary Meeting of the Royal Society, on Friday, Nov. 30, 1849. London, 1850. 8vo.—*From the same.*

- Magnetical and Meteorological Observations made at the Royal Observatory, Greenwich, in the year 1847, under the direction of George Biddell Airy, Esq. Astronomer Royal. London, 1849. 4to.—*From the same.*
- Appendix to Greenwich Observations; being a Catalogue of 2156 Stars, formed from the Observations made during twelve years, from 1836 to 1847, at the Royal Observatory, Greenwich. London, 1849. 4to.—*From the same.*
- Transactions of the Cambridge Philosophical Society. Vol. VIII. in 5 Parts. Cambridge, 1844 to 1849. 4to.—*From the Society.*
- Journal of the Royal Geographical Society of London. Vol. XIX. Part 2. London, 1849. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Memoirs of the Royal Astronomical Society. Vol. XVIII. 1848-9. London. 4to.—*From the Society.*
- Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society. Vol. IX. 1848-9. 8vo.—*From the same.*
- Reports of the Proceedings of the Geological and Polytechnic Society of the West Riding of Yorkshire, 1848. Leeds, 1849. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Twenty-eighth Report of the Council of the Leeds Philosophical and Literary Society, at the close of the Session, 1847-8. Leeds. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Nachrichten von der George Augusts Universität, und der Königlich Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften zu Göttingen, vom Jahr 1849. Nos. 1 to 14, inclusive. Göttingen. 8vo.—*From the Royal Society of Science, Gottingen.*
- Abhandlungen der Königl. Akademie der Wissenschaften zu Berlin, aus dem Jahre 1847. Berlin, 1849. 4to.—*From the Royal Academy of Sciences, Berlin.*
- Verzeichniss der Abhandlungen der Königl. Acad. der Wissenschaften zu Berlin, aus den Jahren 1822 bis 1846. Berlin, 1848. 8vo.—*From the same.*
- Monatsbericht der Königl. Preuss. Akademie der Wissenschaften zu Berlin. July to Dec. 1848, and Jan. to June, 1849. Berlin. 8vo.—*From the same.*
- The Artizan. Vol. VIII. No. 4. April 1, 1850. London. 4to.—*From the Editor.*
- Review of the Report of the late Commissioners for Investigating the Affairs of the Joint Companies, and of the Operations of the Managers of those Companies. By a Citizen of Burlington. Philadelphia, 1850. 8vo.—*From Henry C. Carey, Esq.*

- Report to the Corporation of Brown University, on Changes in the System of Collegiate Education. Read March 28, 1850. Providence. 8vo.—*From an Unknown Donor.*
- Report to the Smithsonian Institution on the History of the Discovery of Neptune. By Benj. Apthorp Gould, Jr. Washington, 1850. 8vo.—*From the Smithsonian Institution.*
- The Annals and Magazine of Natural History, including Zoology, Botany and Geology. Vol. V. Nos. 28, 29. April and May, 1850. London. 8vo.—*From Sir William Jardine, Baronet.*
- Catalogue of the Skulls of Man and the Inferior Animals, in the Collection of Samuel George Morton, M.D., &c. &c. 3d Edition. Philadelphia, 1849. 8vo.—*From Dr. S. G. Morton.*
- Contributions to Conchology. No. 7. By Prof. C. B. Adams. New York, 1850. 8vo.—*From the Author.*
- The African Repository and Colonial Journal. Vol. XXVI. No. 6. June, 1850. Washington. 8vo.—*From the American Colonization Society.*
- Journal of the Franklin Institute. Vol. XIX. No. 6. June, 1850. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From the Institute.*
- The Plough, the Loom and the Anvil. Vol. II. No. 12. June, 1850. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From J. S. Skinner, Esq., Editor.*
- The Medical News and Library. Vol. VIII. No. 90. June, 1850. Philadelphia, 8vo.—*From Messrs. Lea & Blanchard.*

Mr. B. W. Richards announced the death of Wm. Vaughan, of London, a member of this Society, who died at London, on the 5th May, 1850, in the 98th year of his age.

Mr. Trego announced the death of M. Ducrotay de Blainville, of Paris, a member of this Society, who died in May last, in the 73d year of his age.

Dr. Franklin Bache announced the death of Dr. Samuel Betton, of Germantown, a member of this Society, who died on the 9th inst. in the 65th year of his age.

On motion of Dr. Bache, Mr. Petty Vaughan, of London, was requested to prepare a biographical notice of the late Mr. Wm. Vaughan.

Mr. Lea exhibited to the Society some specimens of *Unios* taken by him in the little Miami River, near Cincinnati, Ohio. They are remarkable for their very great size. The largest of them, a specimen of *U. Multiplicatus*, weighs 2 lbs. 9½ oz.

Pending nominations were read.