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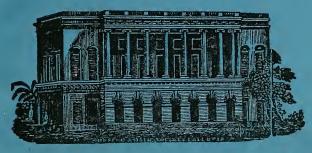
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### PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL,

FOR JANUARY, 1893.

The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was held on Wednesday, the 11th January, 1893, at 9 P. M.

The Hon'ble Sir C. A. Elliott, K. C. S. I., C. I. E., President, in the Chair.

The following members were present:—

Babu Gaurdás Bysack, Babu Sarat Chandra Chatterjee, E. C. Cotes, Esq., Babu Sarat Chandra Dás, P. Donaldson, Esq., R. C. Dutt, Esq., The Most Rev. Dr. Paul Goethals, G. A. Grierson, Esq., Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle, C. Little, Esq., C. J. Lyall, Esq., R. D. Mehta, Esq., W. H. Miles, Esq., T. R. Munro, Esq., L. de Nicéville, Esq., R. D. Oldham, Esq., The Rev. G. Sandberg, Pandit Haraprasád Shástri, C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Visitors:—F. L. D. Elliott, Esq., A. B. Patterson, Esq., C. Saunders, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Twenty-three presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen, duly proposed and seconded at the last meeting of the Society, were ballotted for and elected Ordinary Members:—

His Highness the Maharajah Scindia.

E. A. Gait, Esq.

E. D. Maclagan, Esq.

P. Sundaram Pillay, Esq.

The following gentlemen are candidates for election at the next meeting:—

A. A. Caspersz, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, proposed by C. Little, Esq., seconded by J. Mann, Esq.

P. Nolan, Esq., C. S., Commissioner, Rajshaye Division, proposed by H. Beveridge, Esq., seconded by C. Little, Esq.

Babu Sarat Chandra Lahiri, proposed by Pandit Haraprasád Shástri, seconded by C. Little, Esq.

The Rev. O. Bodding, proposed by Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle, seconded by the Rev. L. O. Skrefsrud.

The Philological Secretary read reports on the following finds of Treasure Trove Coins:—

(I) Report on 271 gold mohurs, forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of Delhi, with his No. 338, dated 28th April, 1892. See Report No. VIII of this series.

The mohurs are stated in the Deputy Commissioner's letter to have been found during the progress of railway excavation work near Delhi, and to have been appropriated by Government, as the finders attempted to keep the coins themselves, and did not at once report the discovery of the treasure trove.

On examination I find that the mohurs belong to the following Mughal Emperors of Delhi: Akbar (7 specimens), Jahângîr (16), Shâhjahân (89), Aurangzîb (159), total 271 coins, ranging over a period of about 150 years (1556–1707 A. D).

The following is a detailed statement:

I.	AKBAR, $963-1014$ A. H. = $1556-1605$ A. D.		
	Type 1: obv., oblong area, rev., square area; mint		
	Láhor; dates 981, 983, 985; indifferent speci-		
	mens	3	
	Type 2: obv., oblong area, rev., round area; mint		
	Agrah; dates 972, 974; fair specimens:	2	
	Type 3: two round areas; mint —púr; date 976;	_	
	indifferent specimen	1	
	Type 4: small, round, jaljalâl; mint Burhânpûr;	_	
	date regual 48: good specimen	1	
		Т	
	· Total -		7
II.	Jанángír, 1014–1037 А. Н. = 1605–1627 А. D.		
	Type 1: lettered surfaces, ornamented; mints and		
	dates Agrah, 1020, 62, 1021, 73, 1022, 83, 1026,		
	121, Barhánpúr, regnal 203; good specimens	11	
	Type 2: two oblong areas; mint Ahmadábád;		
	date 1028, 14; good specimen	1	
	, , 5 1		

Ty

Akbarábád, 'Alamgírpúr, Aurangábád, Barhán-		
púr, Kábul, Kambáyat, Láhor, Lucknow, Mul-		
tán, Ránajain (?), Sháhjahánábád, Sholápúr,		
Súrat. Dates 1070, 11, 1070, 37, 1071, 31, 1072,		
4 ⁴ , 1073, 5 ³ , 1073, 6 ⁴ , 1074, 6 ⁶ , 1074, 7 ³ , 1075, 7 ⁴ ,		
1076, 810, 1076, 92, 1077, 94, 1077, 101, 1078,		
104, 1079, 113, 1080, 123, 1081, 132, 1082, 147,		
1082, 15 ¹ , 1083 ¹ , 1084, 17 ⁶ , 1085, 17 ¹ ; illegible		
77;	155	
pe 3: two lettered surfaces, uncommon kind,		
with Abul Muzaffar (like Br. Mus. Cat. No.		
728); mint Akbarnagar; date regnal 13, hijrah		
illegible:	2	
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Total --- 159

Grand total ... 271

(II) Report on 95 old silver coins, forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of Gujranwala, with his No. 40, dated 8th April, 1892.

The date and place of finding are not specified in the Deputy Commissioner's letter.

The coins belong to the following Mughal Emperors of Délhi; Aurungzíb, Bahádur Sháh, Jahándár Sháh, Farokh Siyar, Muhammad Sháh, Ahmad Sháh Bahádur and 'Alamgír Sání, covering a period of about one century, from 1658–1769. The following is a detailed statement of them:—

I.	Aurangzíb, 1068–1118 A. H. = 1658–1707 A. D.		
	Type 1: ordinary lettered surfaces,		
	Var 1, badr munir, 2 sub-varieties	11	
	Var 2, mihr munir; 1070, 1; mint Multán	1	12
$\Pi$ .	Вана́дик Shah, 1118-1124 А. Н. = 1707-1712		
	A. D.		
	Type: lettered surfaces; 2 varieties	6	6
III.	Jана́ndár Sháн, 1124 A. H.=1712 A. D.		
	Type: lettered surfaces; 1124, Tattah	1	1
IV.	FEROKH SIVAR, 1124-1131 A. H. = 1712-1719 A. D.		
	Type: lettered surfaces; 3 varieties	15	15
V.	Минаммар Shah, 1131-1161 А. Н. = 1719-1748		
	A. D.		
	Type 1 : Bádsháh Ghází	25	
	Type 2: Sáḥib Qirán, 2 varieties	33	58
	Type 2: Samo Giran, 2 varieties	33	58

VI.	AḥMAD SHÁH BAHÁDUR, 1161 1754 A. D.	–1167 A. H. = 17	48-		
	Type: lettered surfaces			2	2
VII.	'Alamgir Sáni, 1167-1173	A. $H. = 1754-1$	759		
	A. D.				
	Type: lettered surfaces	•••	• • •	1	1
		Total			95

(III) Report on 94 old silver coins forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of Balaghat with his No. 1575, dated 16th June, 1892.

The coins are said to have been dug up in a field which was being ploughed in Mouza Dhapewara, District Balaghat, on a date not specified.

They are described as Akbarsháhí Rupees. On examination, however, I find that they belong to the following Mughal Emperors of Delhí: Akbar, Jahángír, Sháh Jahán, and Aurangzíb, covering a period of about a century and a half, from 1556 to 1707 A. D.

The following is a detailed statement of them :-

I.	AKBAR, $963-1014$ A. H. = $1556-$	-1605 A. D.			
	Type 1: round	•••		2	
	Type 2: square			4	6
II.	Jahángír, 1014-1037 A. H., equa	d 1605–1627 A.	D.		
	Type 1: months of the Iláhí yea			3	
	Type 2: lettered surfaces		•••	2	5
III.	Sна́н Јана́н, 1037–1068 А. Н., =	= 1627-1658 A.			
	Type 1: var. 1, two square line			24	
	var. 2, two square dot			1	
	Type 2: one round area			5	
	Type 3: lettered surfaces, 2 var	rieties		11	41
IV.					
	A. D.	1			
	Type 1: ordinary lettered surf	aces.			
	Var. a, badr munir with 4 su			38	
	Var. b, mihr munir	•••		1	
	Type 2: 2 square areas	***		2	
	Type 3: Abul Muzaffar	•••		1	42
	- J P • • •	•••			
		Total			94
			-		

(IV) Report on 14 old silver coins, forwarded by the Collector of Malda, with his No. 154-G, dated 26th May, 1892, and reported in his No. 66-G, dated 25th April, 1892.

The coins are stated to have been found together with a number of gold, silver, and brass ornaments by some persons digging earth for bricks in the midst of the ruins of Gaur. The treasure was contained in an earthen pot which broke during the operations. The ornaments were small and of no antiquarian value, and accordingly were not forwarded. The coins, however, one of which was broken and incomplete, were sent for identification. They are all silver coins.

Thirteen of them belong to the following independent Sultáns of Bengal:—

1:			
I.	'Aláu-d-dín Ḥusain Sháh, 892-925 A. H. = 1493-		
	1578 A. D.		
	Type 1: lettered surfaces, like Br. Mus. Cat., No.		
	115; mint: Husainábád, date 899	1	
	Type 2: lettered surfaces.		
	First variety, like Br. Mus. Cat., No. 123,		
	mint Fathábád, no date	1	
	Second variety, like Br. Mus. Cat., No. 129,	_	
	mint Husainábád, date 94 (for 924)	1	
	Type 3: lettered surfaces, broken and of doubtful		
	identity	1	
TT	Total -		4
II.	Násíru-d-dín Nasrat Sháh, $925-939$ A. H. = $1518-1532$ A. D.		
	Type 1: lettered surfaces, like Br. Mus. Cat. No. 138, and Journ. As. Soc. Beng. XLIII, No. 7-9,		
		1	
	Type 2: lettered surfaces, within dotted border,	L	
	like Br. Mus. Cat., No. 137, and Journ. As.		
	Soc. Beng., XLIII, No. 5; mint Nașratábád,		
	date 2 (for 922)	1	
	Total -		2
III.	Gніуа́ди-д-ді́м Манми́д Shah, 933-944 А. Н =		
	1526–1537 A. D.		
	Type 1: lettered surfaces, within dotted border;		
	new; no mint and date; good specimen	1	
	Type 2: lettered surfaces, within ornamental bor-		
	der; new; mint <i>Ḥusainábád</i> on rev.; date 940		
	on obv	1	
	N. B. The styles of types 1 and 2 are exact		
	imitations respectively of Náșiru-d-dín's		
	coins No. 137 and 134 in the Brit. Mus.		
	Catalogue.		

and Journ. As. Soc. Beng. XLIII, No. 10;

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mint Nasratábád, dates 938, 941, and 912	
(a wrong date, though quite distinct) 3	
Second variety, like Br. Mus. Cat., No. 149;	
mint Naṣratábád; dates 933, 934 2	
Total —	7
	-
Total of Bengal coins 1	و
The remaining coin is of doubtful identity. It bears, on both	
sides, Nágarí inscriptions, arranged in 5 lines, within a lozenge,	
which itself is enclosed within a circle, the segments being filled	
with ornamental scrolls. Outside the whole there is an ornamental	
border. The legend is partially illegible, but śri, rája and Nárá-	
yaṇa are distinguishable. It is probably a Nepalese coin.	]
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Grand total 1	-
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(V) Report on eight gold mohurs forwarded by the Secretary t	(
the Chief Commissioner, Central Provinces, with his No. C. 64 (Gen	1
Dept.). dated the 7th April, 1892.	
The coins belong to the following Mughal Emperors of Delhi:	
I. Aurangzib, 1068-1118 A. H. = 1658-1707 A. D.	
Ordinary type with lettered surfaces; date 1115,	
47; mint Ahsanábád	
II. Bahádur Sháh, 1118-1124 A. H. = 1707-1712 A. D.	
Type: Bahádur in middle; date 1120, 3; mint	
Dáru-s-Saltanat Láhor	
III. Farrokh Shán, 1124-1131 A. H. = 1712-1719 A. D.	
Type: Farrokh in top-line; date —, 4; mint	
Dáru-l- <u>kh</u> iláfat Sháhjahánábád	
IV. Muḥammad Sháh, 1131-1161 A. H. = 1719-1748	
A. D.	
Type 1: Bádsháh Ghhází, date 1148, 17; mint	
Etáwáh (?) 1	
Type 2: Sáhib Qirán; date 1151, 20; mint Dáru-	
l- <u>kh</u> iláfat Sháhjahánábád 1	
	4
V. Анмар Sháh Bahádur, 1161-1167 А. Н. = 1748-	
1754 A. D.	
Type: name in top-line; date —, 5; mint Dáru-	

l-khiláfat Sháhjahánábád

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VI. 'ALAMGÍR SÁNÍ, 1167-1173 A. D. = 1754-1759 A. D.  Type 1: name in top-line; date —, 4; mint Barhánpúr (?) 1  Type 2: name in middle line; date —, 5; mint Dáru-l-khiláfat Sháhjahánábád 1	
Total	8
(VI) Report on 220 Mughal Rupees, forwarded by the Assistant to Agent, Governor-General, Central India, with his I No. 6832, dated 19th December 1891, to Honorary Secretary to Trustees, Indian Museum.  Akbar, 963-1014 A. H. = 1556-1605 A. D.  No. I, rupees of the months of the years of the Iláhí era; various years and mints; only one complete set of months; total 40  No. II, type: Malik-i-Mulk 1	etter the
Total of Akbar's  Jahángír, 1014–1037 A. H. = 1605–1627 A. D.  No. III, rupees of the months of the years of the Iláhí era; various years and mints; only one complete set, but some varieties; total 97  No. IV, type with short legend ,, 10  No. V, type struck by Jahángír as rebel ,, 10  No. VI, type ordinary; some varieties ,, 15	41
Total of Jahángír's Shán Jahán, 1037–1068 A. H. = 1627–1658 A. D. No. VII, type: lettered surfaces, short legend, total 1	132
No. VIII, type: lettered surfaces, long , , , 10 No. IX, type: two linear areas , 3	

Total of Sháh Jahán's 14 Aurangzíb, 1068-1118 A. H. = 1658-1707 A. D. No. X, type: ordinary, but with mihr munir,

total 13 XI, type: 'Abul Muzaffar, like Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 728, all dated 1071 17 total

No. XII, a new type No. XIII, another new type	"	2 1
Total of Auraugzíb's		33
Grand total		220

(VII) Report on 8 silver coins forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of Palamow, with his No. 821-J, dated the 8th November 1892.

The Deputy Commissioner states that the coins were confiscated under the Treasure Trove Act; but the exact place and circumstances of their finding are not told.

They are coins of the so-called Pathán Sultán of Delhí, Mu'izz-d-dín Kaiqobád, who reigned from 686-689 A. H. = 1287-1290 A. D. The margin, which gave the mint and date, is gone on five specimens, and very imperfect on the remaining three. On the latter the date appears to be 688, and the mint Hasrat Delhí.

(VIII) Report on 48 gold mohurs, forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of Delhi, with his No. 845, dated 30th November, 1892.

These mohurs are stated by the Deputy Commissioner to have formed part of the original find connected with the Railway Excavations, on which I submitted a report in April last. See No. I of these Reports.

The coins now forwarded for examination belong to the following Mughal Emperors of Delhi: Akbar (2 specimens), Jahángír (4), Sháhjahán (12), Aurangzíb (30). The following is a detailed statement:—

I.	Аквар, 963–1014 А. Н. = 1556–1605 А. D.		
	Type: obv. oblong area, rev. scolloped area; mint		
	Láhor; dates 970, 973		2
II.	$J_{AHANGÍR}$ , 1014–1037 A. H. = 1605–1627 A. D.		
	Type 1: lettered surfaces, two varieties: orna-		
	mental and plain; mints Agrah, Burhánpúr;		
	dates 1020, 6, 1021, 7 and 22, month $mihr$	3	
	Type 2: zodiacal Cancer, mint Agrah, date 1030,		
	16, very good specimen	1	4
III.	Sна́н Јана́n, $1037-1068$ А. Н. = $1627-1658$ А. D.		
	Type 1: two square linear areas, 3 varieties; mints		
	Aḥmadábád (2), Multán (1), illegible (2); dates		
	1045, 7, 1059, 22, 1060, 23, 1068, 32	5	
	Type 2: two dotted square areas; mints illegible:		
	dates 1052, 16, 1062	2	

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Type 3: two scolloped areas, two varieties; mint Daulatábád; dates 1042, 6, 1047, 11, —27 Type 4: lettered surfaces, mint Aḥmadábád, date	4	
1038, 2	1	12
IV. Aurangzíb, 1068–1118 A. H. = 1658–1707 A. D.		
Type ordinary; lettered surfaces, three varieties;		
mints Sháhjahánábad (9), Multán (13), Auran-		
gábád (2), Sholápúr (1), Tattah or Patnah (1),		
Súrat (2), illegible (2); dates 1070, 33, 1071,		
3 ² , 1074, 6 ⁴ , 1074, 7 ¹ , 1075, 7 ¹ , 1076, 9 ² , 1077,		
9 ⁵ , 1078, 11 ¹ , 1081, 13 ² , 1082, 15 ¹ , 1083, 15 ¹ ,		
1083, 161, 1084, 174, 1085, 172		30
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Total ...

(IX) Report on 28 old silver coins forwarded by the Collector of Champaran, with his No. 1139-G, dated 25 March 1892, and No. 683-G, dated 12th September 1892.

The Collector states that a pot, containing a large number of old coins as well as a "hasuli" or necklace of coins, was found by some women who were digging in a chaur in the village Kesariyá in the Belliah Sub-Division of the Champaran District. Only 28 of the coins were recovered from the finders and transmitted for examination.

These 28 coins are Rupees of the following Mughal Emperors of Delhi: Akbar, Jahángír, Sháh Jahán and Aurangzíb, covering a period of about one century and a half, from 1556 to 1707 A. D.

The following is a detailed statement:

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I.	AKBAR $963-1014$ A. H. = $1556-1605$ A. D.		
	Type 1: square, with usual inscriptions, dates 987,		
	988, 993, ³ 1000, ² mints lost	7	
	Type 2: square, jaljálál, dates 33, 4*, mint		
	Aḥmadábád	2	9
II.	Jahángír, 1014-1037 A. H. = 1605-1627 A. D.		
	mint Hápur, Láhor; date 1030		2
III.			
4	Tyye 1: two square areas, 4 varieties; dates 1042,		
	1055, 1059, 23, 106*, others illegible; mints		
	illegible; among them one $\frac{1}{4}$ Rupee	13	
	Type 2: peculiar lettered surfaces; date and mint		
	illegible,	1	14
IV.	Aurangzíb, 1068-1118 A. H. = 1658-1707 A. D.		
	Type 1: ordinary lettered surfaces, dates and		
	mints illigible	2	

Type 2: Abul Muzaffar, date ahad, mint Zafará	bád,		
like Br. Mus. Cat., No. 728	•••	1	3
Total	•••		28

(X) Report on 11 old copper coins forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of the Delhi District, with his No. 807, dated the 15th November, 1892.

These coins are stated to have been found "in a field in the Delhi District."

They are mere pieces of copper, 9 of a squarish, and 2 of a roundish shape, without any trace of inscription on them, to serve as an indication of their age. They are, no doubt, of a comparatively modern date.

(XI) Report on 75 silver and 92 copper coins, forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of the Kangra District, with his No. 997, dated 16th September 1892, and No. 1053, dated the 12th October, 1892.

The silver coins are stated to have been found enclosed in a pot in the *debris* of a landslip, near the village of Tappa Mewa, Tahsil Hamirpur; while the copper coins were found buried under ground in an earthen pot in the forest near the village of Pat Saliana, Tahsil Palampur. The date of finding is not mentioned.

The silver coins belong to two different classes: 21 are Bactrian, and 54 are Old Hindú; total 75 coins. The copper coins also belong to two different classes: 10 are Pathán, and 82 Kángrá; total 92 coins.

I. The Bactrian coins belong all to Apollodotus II, who reigned about 150 B. C. in the Panjáb and N. W. India; they are also all of the type with the legend βασιλεως σωτηρος και φιλοπατορος Απολλοδοτου described and figured in the British Museum Catalogue, p. 37, Nos. 2–6; plate X, fig. 2, 3. Four varieties are represented in the find:

Variety 1, with monogram, as on Br. M. C.,

No. 3., ... ... 6

, 2, with monogram, as on Br. M. C.,

No. 4, ... ... ... 11

, 3, with monogram, as on Br. M. C.,

No. 5, ... ... 9

, 4, with monogram, as on Br. M. C.,

No. 2, ... ... 1 21

II. The Old Hindú coins belong all to the Kuninda class, of king Amoghabhúti, who ruled in the

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	hill district on both sides of the Satlej, about the middle of the 2nd centary B. C. His coins have been described and figured by Major General Sir Alexander Cunningham, in his Coins of Ancient India, pp. 71, 72. There are three varieties.  Variety 1, with symbols as on A. C., pl. V,		
	fig. 1,	17	
	fig. 2,	29	
	", 3, unpublished, svastika, between legs		
	of deer,	8	54
	Total		75
III.	Of the Pathán coins there are:		
	Aláu-d-dín Muhammad Sháh, 695-715 A. H. =		
	1295-1315 A. D., type as described and figured		
	in the British Museum Catalogue, pp. 41, 42,		
	Nos. 182–194. Dates illegible	9	
	Firúz Sháh III, 752-790 A. H. = 1351-1388 A.		
	D., type as described and figured in the British		
	Museum Catalogue, p. 73, No. 369	1	10
IV.	The Kángrá coins are of several kings, but all in		
	inferior condition	82	82
	Total	,	92

(XII) Report on 17 old silver coins forwarded by the Collector of Dacca with his No.  $\frac{1450}{XXVII}$ , dated 8th August, 1892.

Grand total

The Collector in his report No.  $\frac{1205}{\text{XXVII}}$ , dated 15th July 1892, states that the coins were dug out at the Hazigunge Road near Nawab Asanulla Bahadur's building in Dacca, at a depth of two cubits.

The coins are Rupees of the two Mughal Emperors of Delhí Sháh Jahán and Aurangzib, and the following is a detailed statement of them:—

Ι.	JAHANGIR: Type: months of	Iláhí vea	r: Is-		
	fandermiz	•••	•••	1	
II.	Sиа́н Јана́н, 1037-1068 А. Н. :	= 1627-1658	3 A. D.		
	Type 1: square linear areas	•••	***	6	
	Type 2: one round area	***	•••	1	8

Mr. E. C. Cotes exhibited a gold medal of the old College of Fort William.

The following papers were read:-

1. The original Rajah of Rajshaye: A forgotten episode in the history of Bengal.—By H. Beveridge, Esq., C. S., with a note on the etymologies of Ambar and Rajshaye.—By E. McL. Smith, Esq., Sub-divisional Officer of Pakour.

It is singular how the name Rajshaye has become transferred to a district east of the Ganges. In Rennell's Atlas it is marked as lying on the west bank, and as covering a large part of what is now Murshidabad. Grant, in his analysis of the revenues in the Fifth Report, tells

us that Udai Narain, the original owner of Rajshaye, committed suicide, and that thereupon Murshid Quli Khan conferred his estates on the Nattore family. The estates seem to have been on the west side of the Ganges, and in what is now the Pakour Sub-division of the Sonthal Parganas. Perhaps it was their transfer to a family residing east of the Ganges which caused the name Rajshaye to be given to the present district of Rajshaye. Formerly it was known as Nattore or as Lashkarpur, and Bhituria. The name Rajshaye still adheres to the west side of the Ganges as that of a pargana. The Statistical Account of Bengal does not mention Rajshaye among the parganas on fiscal divisions of the district of Rajshaye, but includes in the lists of parganas for Birbhum and Murshidabad. In fact, however, pargana Rajshaye lies chiefly in the Sonthal Parganas, viz. in sub-division Pakour.*

Mr. Blochmann suggested that the name was connected with Rajah Kans or Gonesh, and alluded to his being half Hindu and half Muhammadan. It meant, he thought, the Rajah who was also a Sháh, and observed that otherwise the compound was inapplicable. The hypothesis of a connection with Rajah Kans is, I think, inadmissible, for the name is comparatively modern, and was originally given, as we have seen, to a tract of country far away from Rajah Kans's territory of Bhituria, and on the other side of the Ganges or Padma Buti. Mr. Blochmann's remark may still be a key to the etymology. It is quite possible that the name alludes to the Rajahs of Birbhum who were originally Hindus. According to tradition the old Hindu family was supplanted by a couple of Afghan adventurers. But, even if this was the case, the members of the new dynasty also called themselves Rajahs, and their wives Ranis, and perhaps the true version is that given by the translator of Siyar Mutakherin when he says that the Rajahs of Birbhum were converts from Hinduism. It was a practice with Murshid Quli Khan to compel Hindu zamindars who fell into arrears of revenue to turn Muhammadans, and perhaps this is what happened to the Rajahs of Birbhum.

In the Riyaz-us-Salatin, p. 256, it is stated that Udai Narain was zamindar of Chakla Rajshaye in the time of Murshid Quli Khan. Udai Narain, the writer says, was an up-countryman and an able man and in charge of the Khalsa or Exchequer collections. He had 200 horsemen which were commanded by one Ghulam Muhammad. He rebelled and Murshid Quli sent his chela or disciple, Muhammad Jan against him with an army. A battle took place near Udai Narain's palace, and

^{*} In the Pandit's Chronicle, App. D. of the Rural Annals of Bengal, Birbhum is described, as bounded on the east by Rajshaye. This must be the original Rajshaye.

Ghulam Muhammad was killed. Thereafter, Udai Narain being in fear of Murshid Quli's displeasure committed suicide, and Murshid Quli gave the zamindari to Ram Jivan and Kala Kuar of Nattore. The story is told somewhat differently in the Narrative of Transactions in Bengal, translated by Gladwin. It is stated there, p. 61, that Udai Narain's family had long enjoyed the zamindari of Rajshaye, and that as Udai Narain had the management of the Khalsa collections Murshid Quli had placed under his orders Ghulam Muhammad jemadar with 200 horse. Ghulam Muhammad demanded his pay in a riotous manner, and Murshid Quli sent an army to punish him. In the battle that ensued Ghulam Muhammad was killed, and then Udai Narain committed suicide. I think that there is some confusion here. Probably Ghulam Muhammad demanded his pay from Udai Narain, and Murshid Quli sent troops to support him, and not to act against him.

Neither of the above accounts tells us when the battle took place, further than that they say it was near the Rajbari. But this defect is supplied by the Chronicle of the Family of Raja Krishna Chandra of Nadiya, which has been edited and translated by Dr. Pertsch (Berlin, 1852). The story of the fight with Udai Narain is told there with great detail. At p. 41 of the translation we read as follows:—

"At this time it happened that all kings having been one after another taken prisoners by Jáfar Khan, governor of Murshidabad, by the employment of treachery, Raghuráma was present then in the city to attend upon his father who was likewise in prison. Just then the governor sent a General called Láhari Malla with a great army against Udayarája, king of Rájásár, who in consequence of a quarrel with the governor had taken his position with a considerable force near the village Vírakáti."

The date is not given, but it appears that the occurrence was before 1710.

There can be no doubt that Vírakáti is the same as Bírkáti, the Birkooty of Rennell, and which he places in Awmore (Ambar). I applied for information on the subject to my friend Mr. Carstairs, the Deputy Commissioner of the Sonthal Parganas, and he kindly inquired through the sub-divisional officer of Pakour. The latter gentleman Mr. E. McL. Smith, has sent me the following valuable note:—

"The village Birkhiti derives its name from the Sanscrit word, Bir valour and Khiti land, i. e., the land of the brave (the same as Birbhum, bhu, bhum, or bhúm means land). In Sonthali bir means jungle and kati, clearing, but this village did not take its name from any sonthal word as it has been in existence long before the santhals emigrated into the country—it is situated on the south-east of Mohespur and west of Murawi, and is in the Bengali tract of Pargana Sultanabad; the inhabitants are Mahomedans and Hindus, the former preponderate. In the 17th†

century Udai Narain was the Rajah of the country, his Rajbari was at Dehinagar. which is on the west of Birkhiti, and about 8 miles from it, he had fortresses at Dumdama (formerly called Jaggannathpur). Birkhiti and Naraingor-all being on a line with Debinagor (the distance from Birkhiti to Naraingor being about 6% miles, and from Naraingor to Debinagor about 1 mile, it is possible that the village Dumdama or Jaggaunathpur did not exist in those days, and that the portion now within Dumdama was in Birkhiti. There was also a fortress at Garbari, north of Birkhiti, but it is not known whether it was in existence in Udai Narain's time. The soil in Dumdama and Birkhiti, where these trenches were excavated, is hard laterite, no bricks appear to have been used in these two places; the former appears to have been composed of earthen breast works forming a large square within which was a smaller square (a Pir's grave which is now in the centre, is kept in repairs by the Hindu zemindar, offerings are made at it both by Mussalmans and Hindus) the latter is much higher, but smaller in size, and the moats are deeper. The Rajah is supposed to have kept his treasure in the smaller entrenchment (the centre is now dotted with holes said to have been made by people in search of silver), but his forces remained in the larger one, which commanded the plains in front, as well as over-looked the outpost which was pushed out on a hillock on the side of a road leading from Murshidabad; a battle was fought in the plains close to this hillock (hence it is called to this day, "Murmuriadanga," field of skulls or "Munda Mála," garland of heads) between Murshid Quli Khan and Rajah Udai Narain in which the latter was victorious, the former sent a large force to subjugate him, fearing that another encounter might be disastrous to him. Udai Narain and his family entered a boat and drowned themselves in the centre of a lake, in Debinagor, which still exists. To this day cultivators find ballets-sling, stones and pellets made of burnt clay lving about in Birkhiti.

There is no village called Rajshaye in Pargana Sultanabad, but Pargana Rajshaye adjoins Sultanabad, and a village called Kanakpur is not far from the spot where the battle referred to above, was fought, a large tract of country beyond the borders of Sultanabad, which is now in Pargana Rajshaye belonged to Udai Narain. In a village called Kulla 6 miles north-east of Birkhiti, there is a tank called Kodar Roidighi, an outpost is said to have existed on its mound. Kodar Roi belonged to the family of Udai Narain, many tanks here are named after him. There is a detached village of Pargana Sultanabad called Rajbari on the south of Muraroi, and west of the Railway lines, it is about 6 miles from Birkhiti, but the people do not think any battle was fought there."

It will thus be seen how very remote from the present district of Rajshaye was the original pargana or chakla of that name. No doubt Murshid Quli had more trouble with the landholders on the west of the Ganges such as the Rajahs of Birbhum, and Rajshaye than with those on the east bank. The latter were under better discipline because the country was less hilly and wooded, and because it had been controlled from Dacca. The Persian work already referred to as having been translated by Gladwin, says that after Udai Narain had killed himself "The zamindari of Rajshaye was then conferred upon Ramjewun and Kanookhanwar, two zamindars on the east side of the Ganges, in consideration of their having been more exact in the payment of their rents than the other zamindars of Bengal."

The name Ambar, as that of a pargana is the Sonthal Parganas, is interesting, as it seems to be a relic of the name Andambar which was a synonyme for Sarkar Tandar. Perhaps the first syllable is from Udai which may have been a family name of the Rajahs. The name Udai also may explain the title, land of Oedapore, given in Broncke's Map to the west side of the Bhágírathí. Ambar means a store house in Hindi so that the whole name may signify the storehouse and treasury of Udai. There is, however, also the direction from a species of big tree which has been mentioned by Sir A. Cunningham. Ambar is mentioned in the Ain Akbari, p. 403 as a Mehal, but it is placed in Sarkar Pinjra. In Rennell's Atlas, it appears under the spelling Awmore.

It may here be remarked that a difficulty occurs in identifying the names in Todar Mall's lists with those in Hunter owing to the fact that the former includes bazars and fisheries as well as tracts of country. In old revenue language all sources of income were called Mehals. It appears too that the distribution of Bengal into Sarkars was sometimes very arbitrary (perhaps from want of knowledge and want of maps) though it generally proceeded in second era with geography. For instance, though Sarkar Jinnatabad or Zahhnanta was for the most part confined to the east and north of the Ganges, yet we find Handoor in it, and even Garhi, i. e., Teliyagarhi which is south of the Ganges and a few miles east of Sahibganj, and which was known in Abul Fazl's time as the door of Bengal.

## Note by Mr. E. McL. SMITH.

Pargana Ambar does not exist in the neighbourhood of Birkhiti, but is about 18 miles from its borders. Birkhiti is in Pargana Sultanabad and so are the villages Dumdama, Naraingor and Debinagor. Pargana Sultanabad adjoins on the east, Pargana Rajshaye, a village in Rajshaye called Kanakpur, is about half mile east of the battle-field referred to in my notes.

Pargana Ambar adjoins Pargana Sultanabad on the south. The last A in Âmbâr is short. In a document of the year 1755 A.D. the name is entered as Ambari (i.e. Âm-bâri, a Mango garden, named after the numerous mango trees planted by the early settlers) and contracted to Ambar; it is sometimes pronounced by Bengalis Âmóir, as in Sanskrit the vowels o (ज्ञो) and u (ज) and the consonant b (ज) often change places, hence in Ambar, the letter b has been changed to o, and the akar in the joined letter ज्ञा has been dropped, thus the word आजाइ is often pronounced आजोइ or आगोइज, possibly this is how it came to be written in Rennell's Atlas as Aumori, only Sonthals pronounce it as Ambár—a long.

No one can give me any information as regards the origin of the names Ambar and Audner and Rajshaye. Shaye was a title conferred by the Emperor of Delhi on one of the proprietors of Ambar, whose successors assumed it, till the time of the British accession, when the title, being no longer recognised by the Government, was retained as an appendage after the name (instead of as a prefix, as formerly) of each male descendent, who succeeded to the Zemindari, the last holder of the name having died without any male issue, the affix was dropped by his successors. The Ambar family had no connection with Rajshaye, but possibly the first proprietor of that Pargana similarly held the title of Shaye, as Rajshaye means dominion of a prince. Udai Narain was an up-country Kayastha, and is spoken of here as Lala Udai Narain.

### 2. Notes on some old Mughal Mint Towns.—By W. IRVINE, Esq.

On p. 114 of the Proceedings of the Society for August 1891 (received by me a month or two ago) Dr. Hoernle expressed a doubt as to the identity of Aurangzeb's mint town Zafarábád. I would suggest that it was the town of that name, the capital of Súbah Zafarábád Bidar in the Dakkin. On page 62 of the index to the Ma'asir-i-'Alamgírí in the Bibliotheca Indica, there will be found three entries opposite the name of Zafarábád Bidar (or semetimes in the text Bídar). One of the entries against Zafarábád, that for page 158, year 1088 H., is really in the text "Zafarabad Bídar," and I have little doubt that the other ten entries also refer to the same place, Bídar. According to Thornton's Gazetteer (Ed., 1862), p. 78, Bidar was once an important place. It is in Haidarábád territory, 75 miles north-west of the city of Haidarábád. The names of Bidar and Zafarábád are also found coupled on p. 34 of James Fraser's "History of Nádir Shah" (London 1742).

On p. xxxi of the Introduction to Mr. S. Lane-Poole's "Catalogue of Indian Coins in the British Museum," vol. 3, (a reprint of which has been published by A. Constable and Co., and from this I quote) I find that Mr. Poole without any hesitation places Zafarábád in the province of Allahábád. He does not give his reasons, and although my opinion may possibly be held of little value against that of such an authority, I think he must be wrong. It is quite true that there is a Zafarábád in the North-West Provinces; it lies 6 miles south-east of Jaunpur town. It was the name of a Mahal (or parganah) in Sirkár Jaunpur of Súbah Allahábád (see Jarrett's translation of Vol. II of the 'Aún-i-Akbarí, pp. 89 and 164). As Zafarábád Bidar was not conquered by the Mughals till 1653, it naturally is not named in the 'Aún, a work compiled about 1590. Is it probable that a mint would be established at

Zafarábád in Sirkár Jaunpur, an obscure provincial town, quite close to three other mint towns, Jaunpur, Banáras, Allahábád? On the other hand, Zafarábád Bidar was the chief town of a recently conquered province, and, as Thornton says, the former "capital of a principality and "the residence of kings." What would be more likely than that 'Alamgír should issue coins from such a place as one of the usual marks of conquest?

On p. liv Mr. Poole states that Akbarnagar is a name given to Rájmahal by Jahángír. Blochmann ('Aín, Vol. I, p. 340), apparently quoting the Akbarnámah, says that Rájah Mán Singh Kachhwáha built Akbarnagar at Rájmahal in the 40th year of Akbar.

I have only glanced through Mr. Poole's book, but I have noticed one or two slips or oversights.

P. xxxvii. As the site of Muḥammad Sháh's battle against Nádir Sháh he has *Karnól* for Karnál.

P. xxxviii. Aḥmad Sháh, son of Muḥammad Sháh, did not occupy the throne for fourteen but for six years. Mr. Poole's other dates show this, Muḥammad Sháh's death being rightly given in April 1748, and 'Alamgir II's accession in June 1754 being also correctly stated.

Same page. Muḥammad Sháh is said to have died of grief. Did he not rather die of apoplexy or paralysis? See Elliott "Historians," vol. viii, p. 111.

P. xxxix. In a passage from Mr. H. G. Keene's "Sketch of the History of Hindustan," Mr. Poole interpolates, after the name of Safdar Jang, the words [son of the Nizám]. If by Nizám he means Nizám-ulmulk Aṣaf Jáh, it is quite erroneous to say that Safdar Jang (a Persian and a Shia') was his son.

Same page. <u>Gh</u>ázíuddín, that is <u>Gh</u>ázíuddín <u>Kh</u>án (III) 'Imád-ulmulk, grandson of Nizám-ul-mulk, is called the "nephew of Safdar Jang." This again is a mistake.

P. xxxvii. Nizám-ul-mulk Aṣaf Jáh is said to have been over 100 years of age when he died. There is some authority for this assertion, but I fancy it is founded on popular error. Beale (Oriental Biographical Dictionary, p. 212) gives him 104 lunar years, but a very competent authority, the Ma'aṣir-ul-Umrá (printed text III, 838), says he was born in 1082 H. This gives him 79 years at his death in 1161 H. Another very good authority, a contemporary, Mírza Muḥammad, in his Táríkh-i-Muḥammadí, makes Nizám-ul-mulk's age 77 years and a fraction. A modern work, published at Haidarábád, the Táríkh-i-Khurshed Jáh gives the year of his birth as 1082 H. as in the Ma'aṣir-ul-Umrá.

The Táríkh-i-Muhammadí states that Fírúz Jang (Nizám-ul-mulk's father) was 62 years of age at his death in 1122 H. Therefore he was

born about 1060 H. Reckoning Nizám-ul-mulk's birth from that year (1060), he would have been 101 at his death in 1161 H. If it is allowable to make a guess, I should say that this is the origin of the error as to Nizám-ul-mulk's real age. At one period the son Nizám-ul-mulk bore his father's title of Ghází-ud-dín Khán (also borne by Nizám-ul-mulk's son and his grandson), and this partial identity of titles may have originated the mistake. In such an authoritative work as a British Museum Catalogue, even trifling matters like these are worth correction.

Besides Zafarábád I have also traced with some certainty three other mint-towns: Sháhábád-Kannauj (which Mr. Poole made out to be Shahabad in Audh, with the meaningless word bifollowing), Mu-'azzamábád, and Naṣratábád. And I have suggested an 'Alámgírnagar as perhaps the 'Alamgírpúr that is required. I have been placed in communication with Mr. R. S. Poole, the keeper of the coins, B. M., and general editor of the Catalogues, but it remains to be seen what attitude Mr. S. Lane Poole assumes towards me. I have challenged the accuracy of some twenty-seven or twenty-eight other statements in the historical part of his monograph.

3. On the Marriage Customs of Tibet, Sikkim and Bhutan,—By Sarat Chandra Das, C. I. E.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part III.

4. Reminiscences of Sea-voyage in ancient Bengali Literature.—By Pandit Haraprasád S'ástrí.

I have received five Bengali poems, two in manuscript and three in print, which contain description of sea-voyages. These poems were written between the years 1495 and 1595. The oldest of them, that by Bipradás Pippalái, of whom we heard something at the last meeting, gives the following description of a sea-voyage made by Chánd, the princely merchant of Champáinagar. After storing his vessels with fresh water from the Badariká Kuṇḍa near Ságar Island, the merchant proceeded to Sankar Mádhab. Here is an exact translation of what followed:—

"He worshipped Sankar Mádhab with devotion, performed the Srádh ceremony, peculiar to holy places and offered Tarpana to the manes. In the vicinity of that place the fleet entered the confluence, where the king with great pleasure performed the ceremonies peculiar to holy places. The Madhukar, that is the chief vessel of the fleet, entered the sea, and they began to row day and night, all the 8 prahars or 24 hours. [There are two lines here which are unintelligible]. The king passed

by the country of the kirátas who ate living human beings. He passed the cities inhabited by people with faces like those of horses, and by people with faces like those of elephants. From these places he passed into the country inhabited by men with only one leg. He was disgusted with their manners, so contrary to those of his own countrymen, and left the country as soon as possible. Then the fleet entered Hádiadaha where no land could be perceived, the wide expanse of water surrounding the fleet on all sides. The gulf of leeches, the gulf of serpents, the gulf of cowries, and the gulf of conches, he passed merrily. He captured many cowrie and conch shells in the course of his voyage. He passed the gulf sacred to the goddess of serpents, as well as the gulf of Lions, and entered the Peerless city, his destination."

There is much that is fabulous in this, but in later works, the fabulous element appears in greater abundance. The fleet seems to have passed by the Arracan Coast describing the country of cannibals, who were to be found till very recent times in the Andaman and other islands in the Bay of Bengal. Anupam Pátam seems to have been a city in Ceylou.

The 2nd manuscript which contains an account of sea-voyage, has been received from Dacca by the favour of Babu Tárákiśor Ráy, Deputy Inspector of Schools. The book is so worm-eaten, and so full of lacunæ, and the leaves have been so much damaged that very little can be made out of it. All that I can make out is that, after entering the confluence of the Ganges, the fleet steered towards the Nilakshyer Bánk, that is, a place from which nothing can be seen. After much trouble the fleet arrived at the capital of an island, the king of which was so great a fool as to give large quantities of pearls and gold in exchange for gunny cloth, which was described to him by the clever merchant as the best warm clothing that India could produce.

Of the printed books, the first comes from Chittagong. It is called Báis Kabir Manasá Mangal, that is a poem in honor of the goddess of serpents, compiled from the works of 22 poets. It appears that all these 22 had each a complete work in honor of Manasá, and a clever compiler has put in the best things from the work of every one of these into his collection. Two of these complete works are known to me; one is Padmá Purán by Náráyan Kavi, and the other by Dvija Banśidás, who is the author of the worm-eaten manuscript just noticed. Some of the facts in connection with the Sea-voyage in Báis Kabir Manasá Mangal comes from Dvija Banśidás; but the version of the manuscript and the version of the printed work do not agree. The version of the manuscript has been already given. In the printed work the merchant on entering the sea had to encounter obstacles thrown in his way by the

goddess of serpents whom he hated. The sea was covered with crabs, some of which were as big as mountains. They completely blocked the way of the fleet, Chánd held a council of the voyagers, and it was determined that as crabs were very much afraid of the barking of the jackals the whole crew should howl like them. The experiment proved successful, and the crab-difficulty was got over. Then came the leeches, of huge dimensions, and the fleet could not pass through them. Chánd was advised to throw lime on them, and they disappeared. Then came the crocodiles who fled away when Chánd began to fire his cannons. The fleet passed Rámeswar and anchored off the island of Lanká ruled by Bibhíshan, the brother of the ten-headed monster Rávaṇa killed by Rám. The merchant lulled the suspicion of Bibhíshan by telling him that he came from Ajodhyá, and got rich presents from him.

The voyage from Ceylon to the Southern City is exceedingly interesting. Leaving Ceylon to the right, and the Malaya Hills, the Western Ghats (Sahyagiri) (here wrongly spelt as Satyagiri) with the land of Parasuráma to the left, the fleet proceeded in a southerly direction. This is, by the bye, a geographical impossibility. Because if the fleet passed through the Pox's Channel, Ceylon would be on the left and India on the right. But the topographical idea of these poets was awfully confused. After a long voyage they arrive, at the Bay of Nilaksha, where nothing but water can be seen. The poet here gives the following description of the sea:—

"In a short time the fleet rowed to the Bay of Nilaksha. Fear took possession of the merchant's mind at the sight of this terrible bay. They could not distinguish to which quarter they were steering. It was all a wide expanse of water. They knew neither the east, nor the west. nor the north, nor the south. There was no distinction of day and night. People knew each other by the voice only. The terrible roaring of the water was heard on all sides. The peaks of submarine mountains were seen every now and then: and big marine animals such as the whales, the crocodiles, and the sharks roamed over the water in all their pride. Each wave of the sea gave a push to the vessel and it tossed to and fro as a lump of cotton in high wind. People despaired of their lives, and at this juncture Chánd was beside himself with fear. He sent for the Pandit and asked him to read the Chandi as quickly as possible. He entreated Captain Dulai, the commander of the fleet, to be careful, and to watch the direction of the Southern City. Dulai replied that he remembered on a previous occasion to have steered 13 vessels belonging to Chánd's father "Kotíśvara," that is, the Millionaire, to the southern city. Keeping the points at which the sun rises and at which he sets at equal distance in the right and in the left, the vessel is to go direct to the

south with the speed of a shooting star. So saying he ordered his rowers to do their best, and within a short time reached the Southern City."

Dulai's idea of navigation appears to be a very simple and primitive one. He considers the earth to be flat and fixed. The points in the horizon at which the sun rises and at which it sets are to him fixed for ever, and so he calculates the point bisecting the line joining these two points, and gives direction to his rowers.

The writers had no idea of the sea, they were acquainted of course with river-navigation, and so were very fond of using the words Daha and Bánk. Daha is a small deep water in a shallow river; and the Bánk is the place where a river takes a turn. The sea is regarded by the authors, as a broad river, only much broader than the Padmá.

The king of the southern city got immensely frightened at the sight of so large a fleet, and considered it to belong to a foreign enemy. Without waiting to hold a council, he sought safety in flight, and hid himself in the women's apartments, where he considered himself safe, dressed in female attire. Chánd, of course, showed no disposition to fight. He gradually ingratiated himself in the favour of the king and succeeded in driving a very advantageous bargain. He gave the king cocoanut, bháng, plantains, and got in return plenty of valuables in gold, silver, jewellery, &c.

The second printed work also comes from Chittagong. It was written in the year 1579 at Saptagrám, the great emporium of trade in Bengal at that time. The copy from which the book has been printed, seems to have been very defective. Leaving Hadiadaha, the fleet arrived at a Bánk named after that place. It was a wonderful place. There was pure water below, and the head of sand above. Búran, the commander of the fleet, was very intelligent. He fixed swords in front of the boat, and thereby cut the head of the sand and made a passage for the vessels. Then the fleet came to where the river breaks into a hundred streams, and a little beyond that is Magrá. At Magrá the fleet is overtaken by a severe storm, because the navigator had previously incurred the displeasure of the Goddess Chandí, six of his vessels were drowned; with one vessel, the Madhukar, he steers for Sinhal. After Magrá, is mentioned Gangáságar, and then the broad sea. The merchant passed Setubandha Rámeśvar, the vessel being steered only by its oars; no sail is mentioned in any one of these books. The shell-fish, courie, as soon as they smelt the vessel, began to float on the surface of the sea. The merchant captured a large quantity of them, because cowrie was then a medium of exchange. As soon as he proceeded a little, he found conches floating on the sea. He captured some of them. Then came the leeches, as big as palm trees. They are made to go away by throwing a quantity of lime on them. Then came big crabs which were propitiated with a sacrifice of goats to them. Then came the mosquitoes, as big as pigeons. The merchant threw arrows on them, which produced a large quantity of smoke and thus got rid of the mosquitoes. He then went to Kálidaha, and found there a beautiful girl, coming out of a lotus, and holding an elephant in her hand. She was swallowing the elephant and throwing it out again. In a short time she disappeared, and the vessel reached Ratnamálá Ghát in Sinhal, whence the merchant Dhanapati proceeded to pay his respects to the king of the island.

The third printed work is Kavi kankan Chandi, written about the year 1595. In this work the sea-voyage of Dhanapati Sadágar commences at Magrá as in the previous work. He is overtaken there by a storm, the consequence of the wrath of the Goddess Chandi, whom he hated. Six of his vessels are drowned, with one vessel he proceeds to the sea. He passes by Sanketa Mádhab, with its gold image of Mahesha. On his right he leaves Médini malla, on his left Bírkháná, covered with foam. He passes by Káuhátá and Dhuligrám and Angarpur. Then came the country of the Firingis, the Portuguese pirates. They rowed day and night for fear of these non-believers. After a voyage of twenty days they reached Drávida where there was a temple with a disc of gold and a spire of silver. The merchant halted there in order to acquire the merit of eating the dainties offered to the deity, and to pay his respects to the king of the place. From Drávida he successively passes the fabulous gulfs of the shrimps, of the serpents, of crabs, of cowries (which he captured, and buried on the sea shore with a view to take them away on his return voyage) of conches, and of crocodiles. Then he comes to a place called Hadiadaha-from Hrad, a lake. This is a lake completely covered over with weeds on which men and cattle can pass. The captain fastened axes and knives in front of the vessel and cut his way through the weeds. At the end of this region, is Buhitála (वृद्धिताल) with Shetubandha on the left. Passing Shetubandha, the vessel reached Markut Chitrakúta, inhabited by Yakshas. The merchant halted at a ghát belonging to the yakshas. and then entered the straits of Ceylon. It is called the Ananga Ságar. After rowing day and night for sometime the merchant reached Kálidaha where he saw the same girl on the lotus as described above, and reached thence to Ratnamálá ghát of the capital of Ceylon.

5. Note on an inscribed gun in the armoury of the Nawab of Murshidabad,—By Pandit Haraprasád S'ástrí. Communicated by H. Beveridge, Esq., C. S.

Mr. Beveridge found in the armoury of the Nawab of Mursbidabad a brass gun of native manufacture. It is mounted on a carriage, and

stands in the armoury on the ground floor of the palace. It is some three feet in length and is of small bore, 4 or 6 pounds. It has floral decorations. The head and the mouth are in the shape of a demon, or of a monster's head with long pointed ears, a human face and a crocodile's jaws. There is an inscription on it in raised Bengali letters in a shield on the upper part of the gun and about the middle. The inscription, as read on the gun by Babu Sasibhúshan Datta, Deputy Magistrate, Berhampur, runs as follows:—

ज कार्ति य ॐ तत	त का
श्रीदृता कृष्ण	ऋीयुक्त
चन्द्र राय	रूप रा
महाराजा	स चट्टो
सहाश्य	पाध्याय
स्रीराज	मुदाङ्कित ।
किशोर दास	कमीकार।

From the rubbings that were sent to me, the reading appears to be tolerably correct, except in the third line. अ तत्वत was rarely used as a मङ्गलाचरण during the last century. जय कालिका is the formula used by Krishna Chandra in his prayers and invocations. What Babu S'asibhúshan reads as श्रीराज may be भीराज because that is the corrupt form in which the word string is sometimes spelt. It appears that the gun was east by one Kiśordás Karmakár, a blacksmith, and the inscription was put upon it by Rúprám Chatterji. The gun belonged to Maharaja Krishna Chandra Ray of Nadia, who played an important part in the revolution which ended in the battle of Plassey. Mr. Beveridge thinks that the gun may have been presented to the Mahárájá by one of the Governors of Calcutta, who always held friendly relations with the Nadia family in whose extensive zomindaries Calcutta was situated. In the chronicles of the family of Raja Krishna Chandra Ráy, translated by Dr. Putsch. Berlin, 1852, we read at page 39 that Rám Krishna, grandfather of Krishna Chandra, lived in friendship with the "Barasahib," i. e., the Governor of Calcutta, and that the latter showed continual friendship

towards him, and placed a garrison of 500 so-called soldiers who were skilled in the use of all kinds of missiles and weapons at Krishnaghar, to execute the plans of Rám Krishna. Perhaps the gun was sent to his successor Krishna Chandra on a similar occasion at a subsequent time. It is also a well-known fact that Lord Clive presented the Maharaja with five of the guns captured at Plassey. These are still to be found at Krishnaghar, and are exempted from the operation of the Arms Act.

As I am on the subject of inscribed guns, I should take this opportunity of informing the Society of the new light which has been thrown on the history of the gun which is lying in their compound by recent Assamese publications. Svargadev Jayadhvaja Sinha mentioned in the inscription on the gun, was the reigning Ahom prince of Assam, when Mir Jumla, the Commander-in-chief of Aurangzebe's forces invaded that country. The result of that disastrous expedition is well known. Floods and epidemics compelled Mir Jumla to beat a hasty retreat. leaving everything behind; the king harassing him at every step. The gun was captured at that time; so says the inscription on it. It was perhaps plundered by the Burmese who took possession of Assam during the early years of this century, and the English got it from the Burmese during the first Burmese war. In the year 1838 it was brought to False Point where it was used to hold a flagstaff till it was brought by the Port Officer to Calcutta. I examined the inscription at Capt. Petley's compound whence it has since been transferred to the Society's premises.

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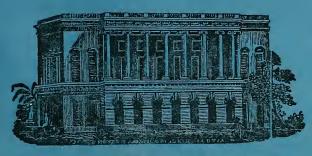
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OF THE

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FOR FEBRUARY, 1893.

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The Annual Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was held on Wednesday, the 1st February, 1893, at 9 P. M.

DR. WILL. KING, B. A., in the chair.

The following members were present:-

H. K. W. Arnold, Esq., Bábu Sarat Chandra Chatterjee, Bábu Sarat Chandra Dás, Bábu Bhupendra Sri Ghosha, Moulvie Golam Sarwar, Bábu Rajanikánta Gupta, A. Hogg, Esq., T. H. Holland, Esq., W. A. Lee, Esq., C. Little, Esq., Kumár Rameswar Maliáh, J. Mann, Esq., Bábu Panchanan Mukharji, L. de Nicéville, Esq., R. D. Oldham, Esq., The Hon. Dr. Mahendralal Sarkar, Pandit Hara Prasád Shástri, C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Visitor:—Vety.-Capt. W. D. Gunn.

According to the Bye Laws of the Society, the President ordered the Voting papers to be distributed for the election of Office-Bearers and Members of Council for 1893, and appointed the Hon. Dr. Mahendralal Sarkar and L. de Nicéville, Esq., to be Scrutineers.

The CHAIRMAN then called upon the Secretary to read the Annual Report.

# ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1892.

The Council of the Asiatic Society have the honor to submit the following report on the state and progress of the Society's affairs during the past year.

#### Member List.

During the year under review 30 Ordinary Members were elected, 10 withdrew, 3 died, and two were removed from the list under Rule 40, being more than 3 years absent from India; of the Members elected, 1 was an old member who rejoined. The total number of Members at the close of 1892 was thus 310 against 295 at the end of the preceding year; of these, 115 were Resident, 127 Non-Resident, 11 Foreign, 22 Life, 33 absent from India, and 2 special non-subscribing Members, as will be seen from the following table which also shows the fluctuations in the number of Ordinary Members during the past six years:—

		Pay	ing.		Non-Paying.			-:	
Year.	Resident.	Non-Resident.	Foreign.	Total.	Life.	Absent.	Special Non-Sub- scribing	Total.	Grand Total.
1887	98	137	15	250	17	44	2	63	313
1888	98	136	15	249	20	34	2	56	305
1889	108	135	13	256	22	27	2	51	307
1890	105	140	10	255	21	25	2	48	303
1891	101	134	10	245	21	27	2	50	295
1892	115	127	11	253	22	33	2	57	310

The three Ordinary Members, the loss of whom by death during the year we have to regret, were, Mr. Ashutosh Gupta, Mr. A. V. Nursing Rao, and Pandit Prannath Sarasvati.

Intimation of one death amongst the Honorary Members was received, viz., Sir G. B. Airy. The number now stands at 23.

Two Associate Members were elected during the year. Pandit Satyavrata Samasrami, Calcutta, on account of his being a distinguished Vedic Scholar; and Mr. P. J. Brühl, Howrah, in recognition of his attainments in Physics and Botany. The number now stands at 10, there having been no casualties.

The lists of Special Honorary Centenary Members, and Corresponding Members continue unaltered from last year, their numbers standing at 5 and 6 respectively.

During the year, one member, the Hon'ble Raja Ooday Pratab Singh, Raja of Bhinga, compounded for his future subscriptions.

#### Indian Museum.

In accordance with the provisions of Act XXII of 1876, a copper vessel sent by the Officiating Collector of Monghyr was presented to the Indian Museum.

There was only one change among the Trustees, caused by the resignation of the Hon'ble Sir A. W. Croft, in consequence of his leaving India on furlough, and the Hon'ble Dr. Mahendralal Sircar was appointed to fill the vacant place.

The other Trustees on behalf of the Society were:-

Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle.
A. Pedler, Esq.
Dr. D. D. Cunningham.
C. Little Esq.

#### Finance.

The accounts of the Society are shown in Statement No. 1 in the Appendix under the usual heads.

Statement No. 8 contains the Balance Sheet of the Society, and of the different funds administered through it.

The Budget Estimate for 1892 was taken at the following figures:—Receipts Rs. 14,988. Expenditure Rs. 13,378.

The actual results were found to be:—Receipts Rs. 15,599-6-9. Expenditure Rs. 13,670-11-9.

The Receipts thus show an increase of Rs. 611-6-9, and the expenditure an increase of Rs. 292-11-9 on the Budget Estimate, leaving a balance in favor of the Society of Rs. 1,928-11-0.

The increase in Receipts is under the head of "Sales of Publications" which were estimated at Rs. 400, whilst the actual receipts were Rs 1,698-12-0. This large increase is due to the adjustment of Messrs. Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner's account for two years and three months.

The number of absent or non-paying Members during the past year was somewhat larger than usual, consequently the receipts from subscriptions are below the estimated amount by Rs. 155-0-0.

The difference between the estimated and actual miscellaneous receipts is due to the refund of income tax not having been granted.

On the expenditure side, the items of "Repairs," "Books," "Binding," "Proceedings" and "Printing Circulars," &c., show an increase. No repairs were contemplated during the year and Rs. 25 was set aside for such petty repairs, as might prove necessary. During the rains, the roof was found defective in certain places, and Rs. 40-8-0 was spent in the stoppage of leaks. "Books" show an increase of Rs. 1,003-15-3. This also is due to the adjustment of Messrs Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner's account for two years and three months for supplying new books to the Society during the period. "Binding" was estimated at Rs. 500, whilst the actual expenditure was Rs. 826-10-9. In September, the Council sanctioned a grant of Rs. 1,000 for four book cases for the

Library. After re-arranging some old books according to sizes, only one new book case was found necessary, the cost of it being Rs. 250. The balance of Rs. 750 remains unexpended; but in carrying out the examination of the Library which has been in progress during the greater part of the past year, it was found that in numerous cases periodicals were still unbound, and that many old books required rebinding. The above balance has been freely drawn on for this purpose, and now about Rs. 400 remains. The binding is not yet completed, and on this account it is thought advisable to increase the usual allowance by what remains unspent from the special grant for the library, so that the sum set apart for the coming year is Rs. 900 instead of Rs. 500 the usual amount. 'Proceedings' show an increase of Rs. 194-3-0, this is due to the payment of printing charges for twelve numbers of the Proceedings, instead of ten as usual, during the year. Owing to the proposed Investment of the Society's Permanent Reserve Fund, a larger number of circulars than usual, were required, and thus there is a slight increase of Rs. 25-15-0 under the head of "Printing Circulars."

The actual expenditure on the "Journal" and "Proceedings" was as follows:—

which is less than the Budget Estimate by Rs. 854-7-0.

The Budget Estimate of Ordinary Receipts and Expenditure for 1893 has been fixed as follows:—Receipts Rs. 16,236; Expenditure Rs. 15,698.

On the receipts side, the estimate for Interest on Investments has been slightly increased owing to purchase of Government Securities.

There is a new item of Rs. 2,000 in the receipts under the head of "Government Allowances." This amount has been granted by the Government of Bengal for a third section of the Society's Journal dealing with Anthropology, Ethnography and Folklore.

On the expenditure side the items "Stationery" and "Printing Circulars," &c., have been slightly increased.

Postage has been reduced by Rs. 100. There will be a considerable reduction under this head as the postage on Foreign covers, book-packets, &c., has been greatly reduced. Rs. 600 has been fixed, as the amount is intended to cover postage for the third part of the Journal.

There will, however, be two extraordinary items of expenditure to be dealt with during the year 1893. Extensive repairs to the Society's building had to be undertaken at the end of last year.

The gas fittings in the Society's rooms are not very satisfactory, and it is intended to complete the necessary gas fittings at a total cost of Rs. 426-6-0.

The details of the Budget Estimate are as follows:-

		RECEIPTS	s. '				
Subscriptions		•••		Rs.	7,400	0	0
Sale of Publication	ons	•••	•••		400		0
Interest on Invest	tments	•••	•••	•••	5,456	0	0
Rent of Rooms		•••	•••		720		0
Government Allo	wances	•••	•••		2,000	0	0
Miscellaneous	•••				350		0
							-
				Total Rs.	16,326	0	0
		Expenditu	RE.				
Salaries				Rs.	3,400	0	0
Commission	•••	•••	•••		400	0	0
Stationery		•••	•••	•••	100	0	0
Lighting		•••	•••	•••	80	0	0
Municipal Taxes	•••	•••	•••		819	0	0
Postage		•••	•••	•••	600	0	0
Freight		•••	•••	•••	10	0	0
Meeting				•••	83	0	0
Contingencies				•••	150	0	0
Books					1,800	0	0
Local Periodicals			•••		31	0	0
Binding		***			900	0	0
Journal, Part I	,		•••				
" Part II	}	•••	•••	•••	4,200	0	0
,, Part III	•••	•••	•••		2,000	0	0
Proceedings		•••		•••	1,000	0	0
Printing Circulars	s, &c.				125	0	0
**							
				Total Rs.	15,698	0	0
	Ext	RAORDINARY EX	PENDITU	RE.			
For repairs to Hor	ıse	***		Rs.	9,480	6	6
Gas fittings			•••	•••	426	6	0
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				Total Rs.	9,906	12	6

#### London Agency.

Messrs. Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner's Statement of Accounts with the Society from July 1890 to September 1892, was received during the year. The Statement shows a debit balance of £63-5-6. This amount was remitted in December last.

The sales of the Society's publications effected by Messrs. Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner during the period amounted to £82-3-4 and of the Bibliotheca Indica to £34-3-0.

The numbers of copies of parts of the Journal, of the Proceedings, and of the Bibliotheca Indica sent to the Agents during 1892 for sale were 66, 80, 277 respectively, valued at Rs. 397-10-0.

Eight invoices of books purchased, and of publications of various Societies sent in exchange, were received during the year. The value of the books purchased amounted to £62-16-1.

### Continental Agency.

Mr. Otto Harrassowitz, Bookseller, Leipzig, was appointed by the Council as Agent to the Society for the Continent, on the same terms as allowed to Messrs. Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner and Co.

A complete set of the publications both of the Society and of the Oriental Publication Fund has been sent to Mr. Harrassowitz.

## Library.

The total number of volumes, or parts of volumes, added to the Library during the year was 2,020, of which 667 were purchased, and 1,353 presented or received in exchange for the Society's publications.

The second fasciculus of the Catalogue of the Persian Works in the Oriental Library has been published. It will be completed in the third fasciculus which is in press and expected to be ready very shortly.

#### Publications.

There were published during the year, nine numbers of the Proceedings, (No. 10 of 1891 and Nos. 1 to 9 of 1892), containing 215 pages of letterpress; four numbers of the Journal, Part I (No. 3 of 1891 and Nos. 1 to 3 of 1892), containing 321 pages of letterpress and 9 plates; and three numbers of the Journal, Part II (No. 4 of 1891 and Nos. 1 and 2 of 1892), containing 366 pages of letterpress. The Index to the Journal, Part II for 1891 was also published.

#### Coin Cabinet.

During the year 38 coins were added to the Cabinet, of which 15 were of gold, 22 of silver, and 1 of mixed metal. 34 of these coins were acquired under the Treasure Trove Act. The remainder were

presentations by the Bombay Government under the Treasure Trove Act. They comprise 32 (14 gold, 18 silver) moghul, 2 silver Independent Sultans of Bengal, 1 gold fanam, 1 silver Gupta, 1 silver Guddaha, and 1 mixed Portuguese coin. They all belong to well-known types, and detailed notices of them will be found in the Society's Proceedings.

#### Building.

The expenditure on the building during the year was Rs. 40-8-0. This was spent in the stoppage of leaks.

#### Office of Secretaries.

Mr. C. R. Wilson took charge of the duties of Philological Secretary and Editor of the Journal, Part I, in January, from Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle who was engaged with the publication of the Bower Manuscript—Dr. Hoernle, retaining the numismatic work.

Dr. J. H. Tull Walsh carried on the duties of Natural History Secretary and Editor of the Journal, Part II, during the year except for three months, from July to September, when he left for Europe on leave, and Dr. D. Prain took charge of the work during his absence.

The Hon'ble H. H. Risley was appointed Anthropological Secretary and Editor of the Journal, Part III, in August last.

Dr. W. King carried on the duties of Treasurer during the year except for three months, from the middle of June to the middle of September, when he left for Europe on furlough, and Colonel J. Waterhouse undertook the work during his absence.

Mr. C. Little carried on the duties of General Secretary and Editor of the Proceedings during the year, except for three months, from May to July when he was absent on leave, and Mr. Wilson took charge of the work in addition to his duties as Philological Secretary to the Society.

Mr. J. H. Elliott continued Assistant Secretary and Librarian throughout the year.

Babu Jogesh Chandra Chatterjee was appointed Assistant Librarian in September vice Babu Sarat Chandra Chatterjee resigned.

Babu Nani Lal Mannu was appointed copyist in May last. There were no other changes in the office establishment.

#### Bibliotheca Indica.

Twelve fasciculi were published during the year, of which one was in Arabic-Persian, ten in Sanskrit, and one in the Tibetan Series. They belong to eleven different works, of which one is in Arabic-Persian, one in Tibetan, and the rest in Sanskrit. There were no new publications during the year. Two only in the Sanskrit Series were completed, namely, the Brihad-Devata, and the English translation of Aniruddha's Commentary.

In the Annual Report for 1891 it was estimated that 24 fasciculi would be published; the actual out-turn has been less by twelve. Only those works were allowed to be proceeded with which had the prospect of being completed in a short time. The Philological Secretary exercised complete control over the publication of these works. The Press was ordered not to undertake a fresh fasciculus without his orders.

The expenditure out of the Oriental Publication Fund during the year was Rs. 12,675 which includes printing charges for 26, and editing charges for 25 fasciculi, giving the average as Rs. 497 for each fasciculus. By publishing only 12 fasciculi during the year debts to the extent of the cost of publishing about 14 fasciculi have been paid off.

The following is a descriptive list of the publications issued during 1892:—

#### A. ARABIC-PERSIAN SERIES.

1. Ain-i-Akbari, a well-known work in Persian. It is something like an Imperial Gazetteer compiled by Abul-Fuzl, one of the most learned men in Akbar's Court, under Akbar's special order. Translated by Col. H. S. Jarrett, No. 818 Vol. III. Fasc. I.

#### B. SANSKRIT SERIES.

- 1. Brihad-devatá or the Index of Gods in the Rigvedas, is a very ancient work attributed to Saunaka, the precepter of Aśvaláyana. Edited by the Late Rájá Rájendralála Mitra who added the Arshánukramani, the Chhandonukramani, and the Anuvákánukramani in the form of appendices to the work. The last 21 pages had not the benefit of revision by the Rájá; No. 819 Fasc, IV. This brings the work with its appendices to a close.
- 2. Madana-párijáta, compiled under the patronage of Madanapála, a Rájá of Káshthá or Kachchá near Delhi, during the fourteenth century by Višeśvara Bhatta. Edited by Pandit Madhusúdana Smritiratna, Professor of Hindu Law, Sanskrit College, Calcutta. Advanced by one Fasciculus, No. 816 Fasc. X.

Brihad-dharma-puráṇa showing the latest phase of Pauraṇic development in India, edited by Paṇḍit Haraprasád S'ástrí, has advanced by one fasciculus only, No. 822 Fasc. III.

Chaturvarga Chintámani by Hemádri the oldest Smriti compilation of which the date has been ascertained to be 1246 A. D. has advanced by one Fasciculus only under the joint editorship of Pandits Jogesvara Smritiratna and Kámákyánáth Tarkavágísa, No. 823 Vol. III. Part II. Fasc. X.

Taittiríya Samhitá or the Samhitá of the Black-Jajurveda, has advanced by only one Fasciculus under the editorship of Mahámahopádhyáya Mahesa Chundra Nyáyaratna, C. I. E., No. 820 Fasc. XXXVI.

S'rauta S'útra of S'amkháyana is being edited by Professor Dr. Alfred Hillebrandt of Breslau in Germany. The text with all the various indices has been published in the first volume. The second volume which contains the commentary on the text by Anártiya, the son of Baradarája, comes to a close in No. 817 in Fasciculus IV published during the year. It conains the commentary to the end of the eighth chapter of the text. The third volume will commence with that on the ninth chapter.

Paráśara Smriti one of the twenty Institutes of Hindu Law of undoubted authority, with the commentary of Mádhavácháryya has advanced by two Fasciculi, Nos. 814, 821 Vol. II, Fasc. VI. and Vol. III Fasc. IV. Vol. II treats of Vyavahára and Vol. III of Práyaschitta. Volume second comes to an end with the sixth fasciculus. The edition is in the charge of Mahámahopádhyáya Chandrakánta Tarkálankára.

Aniruddha's Commentary on the Sámkhya aphorisms, edited by Professor Dr. Garbe of Königsburg, comes to a close with the third Fasciculus No. 825. The learned doctor has given in these three Fasciculi a complete English translation of the text of the aphorisms, of Aniruddha's Commentary on these and of such portions of Vedántí Mahádevas Commentary as are not taken from Vijnánabhisksbu's work. In the preface the doctor shows the relation in which the Samkhya system stands to Buddhism.

Tulsi Sátsái containing seven hundred verses with double meaning, has advanced by one Fasciculus only under the editorship of Pandit Vihárilál Dube of the Patna College, No. 824 Fasc. IV.

#### C. TIBETAN SERIES.

Pag Sam Thi Sin is a prose abstract in modern Tibetan of the Avadána Kalpalatá by Kshemendra, a great Sanskrit Poet of Káśmír in the 10th century. It has advanced by one Fasciculus only, No. 815 Fasc. III, under the editorship of Babu Saratchandra Das.

- List of all Societies, Institutions, &c., to which the Publications of the Asiatic Society have been sent during the year, or from which publications have been received.
- * Societies, &c., which have received the Asiatic Society's publications, and have sent their publications in return.
- † Societies, &c., which have received the Asiatic Society's publications, but have sent none in return.
- § Societies, &c., whose publications have been received, but to which nothing has been sent in return.
- * Allahabad:—Editor, Pioneer.
  † Amsterdam:—Royal Zoological Society.

  * ———:—Koninklijke Akademie van Wetenschappen.
  † Angers:—Société d' Etudes Scientifiques d' Angers.

  * Baltimore:—Johns Hopkins University.
  † Batavia:—Society of Arts and Sciences.

  * ———:—Kon Natuurkundige Vereeniging in Nederlandsch-Indië.

  * Berlin:—Gesellschaft Naturforschende Freunde zu Berlin.

  * ———:—Royal Academy of Sciences.
- § —— :—Entomologische Verein. † Berne :—Société Suisse d' Entomologie.
- * Bombay :—Anthropological Society.

  † ————:—Bombay Branch, Royal Asiatic Society.
- + ---: Editor, Indian Antiquary.
- † ————:Editor, Times of India.

  * —————:—Natural History Society.
- * Bordeaux:—L' Académie Nationale des Sciences, Belles-Lettres et Arts.
- * ----: Société Linnéenne.
- * Boston :- Natural History Society.
- § ——:—American Philological Associations.
- † Brisbane:—Royal Geographical Society of Australasia, Queensland Branch.
- † Brookville: Society of Natural History.
- † Brunswick:—Verein für Naturwissenschaft.
- * Brussels :—L' Académie Royale des Sciences.
- † ----:-Société Entomologique de Belgique.
- * ----:-Société Royale Malacologique de Belgique.
- * Buda Pest:-Royal Hungarian Academy of Sciences.
- * Buenos Ayres:—National Museum.
- † -----:-Academia National de Ciencias de la Republica Argentina.
- † Cacn:—Société de Linnéenne de Normandie.

* Calcutta: - Agri-Horticultural Society of India. * -----: Geological Survey of India. * ____:-Editor, Englishman. * ----:-Editor, Indian Daily News. † ----:-Editor, Indian Engineer. § ——:—Editor, Indian Engineering. * ----: Editor, Indian Mirror. * ---:-Indian Museum. † ----:-Mahabodhi Society. † ----:-Mahommedan Literary Society. § ——:—Photographic Society of India. * ____; Survey of India. * ----: Tuttobodhini Shova. † ——— :- University Library. * Cambridge: - University Library. † Cassel:—Der Verein für Naturkunde. * Cherbourg:—Société Nationale des Sciences Naturelles. * Christiana: — University Library. * Colombo: - Ceylon Branch, Royal Asiatic Society. * Copenhagen:—La Société Royale des Antiquaires du Nord. † Cuttack :- Cuttack Library. † Danzig:-Naturforschende Gesellschaft. * Dehra Dun: -Great Trigonometrical Survey. § Dorpat:-Naturforscher-Gesellschaft der Universität. * Dresden: - Entomologischen Vereins "Iris." † -----:-Königlichen Zoologischen und Anthropologisch-Ethnographischen Museums zu Dresden. * Dublin :- Royal Dublin Society. * -----: Royal Irish Academy. + Edinburgh: -Royal Society. * Florence:—Società Italiana di Anthropologia, Etnologia e Piscologia Comparata. * ----:-Società Africana d' Italia. * Frankfurt: - Senckenbergische Naturforschende Gesellschaft. * -----:-Naturwissenschaftlichen Vereins des Regierungsbezirks † Geneva:-Société de Physique et d' Histoire Naturelle. † Genoa:-Museo Civico di Storia Naturale. * Giessen:—Oberhessische Gesellschaft für Natur und Heilkunde. * Graz:—Naturwissenschaftlicher Verein für Styria.

§ Hague:-Koninklijk Instituut voor de Taal-Land-en Volkenkunde

van Nederlansch-Indië.

*	Hamburgh:—Naturhistoriches Museum zu Hamburgh.
	:-Naturwissenchaftlichen Verein.
	Halifax:—Nova Scotian Institute of Science.
	Halle:—Deutsche Morgenländische Gesellschaft.
	:-Kaiserlichen Leopoldinisch-Carlinische Akademie.
	Hamilton (Canada):—Hamilton Association.
	Havre :—Société de Géographie Commerciale du Havre.
	Helsingfors:—Societas pro Flora es Faunna Fennica.
	Ithaca (U. S. A.);—Cornell University.
_	Irkutsk:—La Société Impériale Russe de Géographie.
	Jassy:—Societătii Stüntifice Literare.
-	Kiev:—Société des Naturalistes.
	Königsberg:—Die physikalische-Oekonomische Gesellschaft.
	Lahore:—Editor, Civil and Military Gazette.
	:Agricultural Society.
	Leipzig:—Deutsche Morgenländische Gesellschaft.
	Leyden:—Royal Herbarium.
	Liége :—Société Géologique de Belgique.
	Liverpool:—Literary and Philosophical Society.
	London:—Anthropological Institute.
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	:—British Museum.
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**	London:—Institution of Mechanical Engineers.
	:—Editor, Nature.
*	:-Linnean Society.
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*	:-Royal Institution of Great Britain.
*	:-Royal Microscopical Society.
*	:-Royal Society.
	:Statistical Society.
*	:-Zoological Society.
+	Lyons: -La Société d'Agriculture, d'Historie Naturelle et des Arts
	Utiles.
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* Lyons:—La Société d' Anthropologie. † Madras: - Literary Society. * ---:-Government Central Museum. † Melbourne: -- Royal Society of Victoria. * Manchester:—Literary and Philosophical Society. * Mendon, Ill: -Editor, American Antiquarian and Oriental Journal. * Mexico:—Sociedad Cientifica "Antonio Alzate." † Minnesota:—Academy of Natural Sciences. * Moscow:—Société Imperiale des Naturalistes. * Munich:—K. Bayerische Akademie der Wissenschaften. * Nantes :- Société des Sciences Naturelles de L'ouest de la France. * Naples:—Società Africana d' Italia. † New Haven :- Connecticut Academy of Arts and Sciences. † Newport (R. I.):—Natural History Society. * New York:—American Museum of Natural History. * Ottawa: - Geological and Natural History Survey of the Dominion of Canada. † Oxford :-Bodleian Library. † ----: Indian Institute. * Paris: - Société de Géographie. * ----: Société d' Anthropologie. * ---:-Société Asiatique. * ---:-The Editor, Revue Géographique. * ----:-Musée Guimet. † ---:-National Library. * —— :—Société Zoologique. † --- :-- Société Académique Indo-Chinoise. ---:-Museum d' Historie Naturelle. * Philadelphia:—Academy of Natural Sciences. † ----:-American Philosophical Society. * ----:-Journal of Comparative Medicine and Surgery. * Pisa:—Societé Toscana di Scienze Naturali. § Prague:—K. K. Sternwarte. § Rio de Janeiro:—Museu Nacional. § ————:—Imperial Observatario. § Rome:—Societé degli Spettroscopisti Italiani. Roorkee:—Editor, Indian Forester. * St. Petersburgh:—Comité Géologique. † ---:-Imperial Library. * ----:-Russian Geographical Society. 

-----:-Jardin Impériale de Botanique.

- * San Francisco: Californian Academy of Arts and Sciences. * Santiago:—Deutsche Wissenchaftliche Vereines. § Schaffhausen:—Swiss Entomological Society. † Shanghai:—China Branch, Royal Asiatic Society. † Simla: - United Service Institution of India. + Stettin: - Entomological Society. * Stockholm: - Entomologische Tidskrift. * Sydney:—Royal Society of New South Wales. * ---: Linnean Society of New South Wales. * Taiping: -Government of Perak. * Toronto: - Canadian Institute. * Tokyo:-Imperial University of Japan. * ---: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Natur-und Völkerkunde Ostasiens. * Trieste: - Societé Adriatica di Scienze Naturale. † ----:-Museo Civico di Storia Naturale. * Turin :- Reale Accademia delle Scienze. † Ulwar :-- Ulwar Library. * Vienna:—Anthropolgische Gesellschaft. * ----: K. K. Akademie eer Wissenschaften. * ---:-K. K. Geologische Reichsanstalt. * ---:-K. K. Naturhistoriche Hofmuseums. * ----:-K. K. Zoologisch-Botanische Gesellschaft. † ---: Ornithologische Verein. † Washington: - Commissioners of the Department of Agriculture. * -----:-Smithsonian Institution. * ----:-United States Geological Survey. * ----:--United States National Museum. * Wellington:-New Zealand Institute.
- * -----:—Polynesian Society.
- † Wisconsin:—Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters.
- * Württemberg:—Natural History Society.
- * Yokohama:—Asiatic Society.
- * Zagreb:—Archæological Society.
- * Zurich:-Naturforschenden Gesellschaft.

# Abstract of Proceedings of Council during 1892.

January 28th, Ordinary Meeting.

The Secretary, Institution of Mechanical Eugineers, London, was informed in reply to an application asking for the Society's Journal, Part I, from 1886 to 1890, that in June 1886, when the exchange list of Societies was revised by the late Mr. E. T. Atkinson, then President of the Society, the Institution was placed on the list to receive Journal, Part II, and Proceedings only; and not Journal, Part I, as it related to Philology, Antiquities, &c.

An offer from the Editor of the "Caucacus," Tiflis, in Russia, for an exchange of publications with the Society was declined.

Read a letter from Dr. Hoernle enclosing a memo from Pandit Satyvrata Samasrami with the following request:—

1st. To edit the Aitareya Brahman, a vedic work for the Bibliotheca Indica.

2nd. To be made an Honorary Member of the Society.

3rd. To receive, free, copies of Notices of Sanskrit Manuscripts. It was resolved as follows:—

1st. Regret that no fresh engagements can be undertaken at present.

2nd. Propose at the next meeting, stating that he is one of the most distinguished vedic scholar in India, and who has edited a number of works for the Bibliotheca Indica.

3rd. The Secretary might take the necessary action with the view of complying with the request.

On an enquiry from the Calcutta Municipal Corporation, Mr. E. C. Cotes was appointed to vote for Ward No. 16 on behalf of the Society.

The appointments of Pandit Rakhal Chandra Kavyatirtha as a temporary additional travelling Pandit on Rs. 30, and Pandit Binod Behary Kavyatirtha as the second Pandit, permanently, in the place of Babu Upendra Lala Mitra, from the 1st December 1891, were recorded.

An explanation from Pandit Ram Nath Tarkartna, showing the work done in search for Sanskrit Manuscripts for two and a half years was accepted. The Pandit was allowed an increment of Rs. 10 per month from 1st January 1892.

A letter from the Superintendent of Stationery informing that instructions have been received from the Home Secretary that the order directing the transmission of the forty copies of each of the Society's publications was a standing one and that the supply of the publications may be continued as usual, was recorded.

The death of Sir G. B. Airy, an Honorary Member of the Society, was ordered to be announced at the General Meeting.

With reference to Council order, dated 18th December 1890, to

revert to the practice of electing Honorary Auditors to audit the Society's accounts, it was resolved that the carrying out of the new rule be postponed for the present, and that paid auditors be appointed as usual for the accounts of 1891.

The report showing the progress made in the search for Sanskrit Manuscripts in the Lower Provinces of Bengal, since 25th September 1888, was ordered to be forwarded to Government.

## February 25th, Ordinary Meeting.

On the recommendation of the Natural History Secretary an exchange of publications for the Society's Journal, Part II, and Proceedings, with the Naturforschenden Gesellschaft in Zurich, was sanctioned.

### March 31st, Ordinary Meeting.

Pandit Ram Nath Tarkaratna was informed in reply to an application for gratis copies of the Bibliotheca Indica, that his request cannot be granted.

With reference to Babu Sarat Chandra Das' request to revive the question regarding the purchase by Government of the Tangyar collection of 225 volumes, he was asked for further information with

the view of applying to Government for the purchase money.

The Honorary Secretary, Calcutta Reading Rooms and Literary Institute, was informed in reply to an application for free copies of future publications of the Society, and such of the publications that can be spared; that the rules of the Society do not permit the request being granted.

On the recommendation of the Philological Secretary, the remuneration to Babu Sarat Chandra Das for editing the text of the

"Avadana Kulpalata" at Re. 1-8-0 per page, was accepted.

The accounts of the Society for 1891 audited by Messrs Meugens and King, were recorded.

# April 28th, Ordinary Meeting.

The Chief Librarian of the Giessen University was supplied with certain works of the Bibliotheca Indica asked for.

A letter from the Secretary to the Government of Bengal conveying the approval of the Government of India to the name of Pandit Satyavrata Samasrami being included in the list of persons to whom Catalogues of Notices of Sanskrit Manuscripts are sent, was recorded.

In consequence of the resignation of the Hon'ble Sir A. W. Croft as President of the Society, the Secretary was requested to write to the Hon'ble Sir C. A. Elliott, Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, asking him if he would be willing to accept the office of President.

On the recommendation of the Philological Committee, a copy of

a Persian Manuscript entitled "Dastan-i-Mesih," price Rs. 25 was ordered to be purchased for the Oriental Library.

Read an application from Mr. J. H. Elliott, the Assistant Secretary, asking to be allowed to draw the sanctioned yearly bonus of Rs. 150 from the Sanskrit Manuscript Fund. It was resolved that the amount be paid, and that the Member of the Council in charge of Sanskrit Manuscript submit a report as to the circumstances under which this grant was first sanctioned.

## May 26th, Ordinary Meeting.

On an enquiry from Pandit Satyavrata Samasrami whether the copyright of the Commentary of "Nirukta," and the dissertation headed Niruktalochanam, which were his production belong to the Society or to the public, or to himself, he was informed that the Society has no objection to his making use of any original matter written by him in his edition of the "Nirukta."

An offer from Pandit Vaman Shastri forwarding specimen pages of an ancient Sanskrit work entitled "Gautama Dharma Sutra," and requesting permission to publish it in the Bibliotheca Indica, was referred to the Philological Committee.

An offer from Bahadur Shah forwarding two Persian Manuscripts entitled "Zeech Ulugh Baigs" and "Usool Ushtar Washure" for sale, price Rs. 100 and Rs. 30 respectively, was referred to the Philological Committee.

The report of the Philological Committee, to the effect that the Members were not in favor of the purchase of the Persian Manuscript entitled "Horoscope of Emperor Shah Jehan," was accepted.

On an application from Babu Deno Nath Banerjee, Collecting Sircar to the Society, praying for a pension, the Council accepted the Finance Committee's recommendation that for the year 1892, the interest on the servants' pension fund be granted to him, and the balance from current revenue, making up the amount to Rs. 8 per mensem from the 1st May 1892.

The acceptance of the Hon'ble Sir C. A. Elliott, Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, of the Presidentship was ordered to be reported at the next General Meeting.

In consequence of the resignation of the Hon'ble Sir A. W. Croft as a Trustee for the Indian Museum on behalf of the Society, the Hon'ble Dr. Mahendralal Sircar, was appointed to fill the vacant place.

The following Office arrangements were confirmed:—

1. Babu Sarat Chandra Chatterjee to Officiate as Assistant Librarian on Rs. 40 per mensem, on probation.

- 2. Babu Jogesh Chandra Chatterjee to be temporary clerk for Cataloguing the Library books from 1886 to 1890 on Rs. 30 per mensem for six months.
- 3. Babu Nani Lal Manna to officiate as copyist on Rs. 10 per mensem for six months.

## June 30th, Ordinary Meeting.

Mr. G. A. Grierson was allowed permission to attend the meeting of the Council on the 30th June 1892 to bring forward, in person, the question of the abolition of the India Office Library. It was decided that the two Vice-Presidents, Messrs. Wood-Mason and Pedler, jointly draw up a representation to the Government of India against the proposal to abolish and disperse the valuable library now located in the India Office, and that this be signed by the Members of the Council and of the different Committees; also that a copy of this representation be sent unofficially to the President of the Royal Asiatic Society of Great Britain and Ireland.

A circular letter from the Honorary Secretaries, Royal Society of New South Wales, offering medals, &c., for the best communication containing the result of original research or observation on certain subjects, was ordered to be read at the next meeting.

On an enquiry from the Secretary, Society of Geography, Lisbon, he was informed that the Society cannot depute a representation at the 10th International Congress of Orientalists at Lisbon on the 9th September 1892.

The Appointment of Dr. D. Prain to act as the Natural History Secretary in the place of Dr. Walsh, leaving India on leave for three months, was approved.

An exchange of publications for the Society's Journal, Part II, with the Wisconsin Academy of Science, Arts and Letters, was sanctioned.

In reply to a letter from Dr. E. Windisch on behalf of the Royal Saxon Society, the Society's Journal, Parts I and II and the Proceedings were offered in exchange.

Read a letter from Professor R. Pischel, recommending bookseller Otto Harrassowitz of Leipzig as Agent for the Society. It was resolved to find out what had been done in previous cases with a view to a report at next meeting.

Mr. G. W. Forrest was informed in reply to his letter, asking the Society to cancel their letter to the French Consulate for copies of some valuable maps of the Calcutta, Bombay and Madras Forts deposited in the Archives of Pondicherry, that should the request of the Society for copies of these plans lead to any difficulty in the supply of

a copy to Mr. Forrest and the Society, the Society will then withdraw its application and avail itself of Mr. Forrest's offer of copies. Meanwhile the Society awaits the answer of the Government of Pondicherry.

On the report of the Philological Secretary as to the circumstances under which the yearly bonus of Rs. 150 from the Sanskrit Manuscript Fund is allowed to Mr. J. H. Elliott, the Assistant Secretary of the Society, it was ordered that the allowance of Rs. 150 be continued having been sanctioned by the Government of India.

An exchange of publications for the Society's Journal, Part I, with the Polynesian Society, was sanctioned.

The question of appointing a Member of Council as Honorary Librarian to the Society, was referred to the Library Committee.

## July 29th, Ordinary Meeting.

It was agreed at the request of Mr. Otto Harrassowitz, bookseller, Leipzig, to establish a depôt for the publications of the Bibliotheca Indica, and the Society's publications in Leipzig and to entrust the work to his management.

In reply to a letter from the Royal Asiatic Society of Great Britain and Ireland, Sir G. Birdwood was informed that Sir Alfred Croft had been asked to represent the Society at the Oriental Congress in London in 1892.

The request of Pandit Satyavrata Samasrami (an Associate Member) to be allowed to borrow books from the Library, was sanctioned.

A letter from the Consul General for France covering copy of a letter from the Government of Pondicherry, expressing their willingness to supply copies of some valuable maps of the Calcutta, Bombay and Madras Forts deposited in the Archives of Pondicherry, was acknowledged with thanks.

Pandit Vaman Shastri was informed in reply to a letter requesting permission to sanction the publication of an ancient Sanskrit work entitled "Gautama Dharma Sutra" for the Bibliotheca Indica, that the present condition of the Oriental Publication Fund makes it impossible to agree to the request.

The recommendation of the Finance Committee to spend Rs. 1,000 on Almirahs for the English Library was agreed to.

## August 25th, Ordinary Meeting.

An exchange of publications with the Oriental Siberian Section of the Russian Imperial Geographical Society was sanctioned.

On a resolution of the Monthly General Meeting that a third section of the Society's Journal dealing with Anthropology, Ethnography and Folklore be added to the Society, it was resolved to enter into negotiation with the Government of Bengal for a grant in connection therewith.

In consequence of the resignation of Dr. D. Cunningham of his seat on the Council, the Hon'ble H. H. Risley was appointed to fill the vacant place. The Hon'ble H. H. Risley was also appointed Ethnographical Secretary to the Society.

The appointments of Pandit Benod Behary Kavyatirtha at Rs. 30 in the place of Pandit Ram Nath Tarkaratna and Pandit Kunja Behary Kavyatirtha in the place of Benod Behary Kavyatirtha at Rs. 20 from the 1st of August 1892, were confirmed.

## September 22nd, Ordinary Meeting.

A letter from Sir Alfred Croft, expressing great regret at being unable to represent the Society at the forthcoming congress of Orientalists at London, was recorded.

The nomination of Mr. P. J. Brühl, as an Associate Member of the Society was ordered to be announced at the next Monthly General Meeting.

The appointment of Babu Jogesh Chandra Chatterjee to act as the Assistant Librarian to the Society in the place of Babu Sarat Chandra Chatterjee, resigned, was confirmed.

## October 27th, Ordinary Meeting.

Mr. Otto Harrassowitz, bookseller, Leipzig, was informed in reply to a letter suggesting sundry proposals, that his name will be printed in the Society's publications as Agent; and all conditions agreed to. Messrs. Kegan Paul, Trench, Trübner & Co., were informed accordingly.

It was resolved to thank the Government of Bengal for the Grant of Rs. 2,000 a year for the third section of the Society's Journal, dealing with Anthropology, Ethnography and Folklore.

# December 1st, Ordinary Meeting.

Read a letter from the Secretary to the Government of Bengal covering copy of a letter from the Private Secretary to the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, intimating that Sir Charles Elliott has offered to vest in the Treasurer of Charitable Endowments under Act VI of 1890, a sum of Rs. 5,000 with the object of creating an endowment for the encouragement of original research in Physical Science in Bengal, and has suggested that under section 5 of the Act, the President of the Society be appointed one of the trustees to administer the property. It was resolved that the Council anthorises the President to act as a Trustee, and agrees to the prize being awarded at the Annual General Meeting. Report at the next General Meeting.

Read a letter from the Officiating Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, covering copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, intimating that no proposal for the transfer of the Oriental Manuscripts and works now in the Library of the India Office, to the custody of the British Museum, has been brought to notice, but should such a proposal be hereafter submitted, the representations of the Asiatic Society will receive due consideration. It was ordered to be read at the next General Meeting and published in the Proceedings.

A letter from Babu Govinda Das, suggesting certain rules as regards editing the Bibliotheca Indica was ordered to be circulated to the Philological Committee.

On an estimate of Messrs. Mackintosh Burn & Co., for Rs. 6,617-13-0 for the necessary repairs to the Society's Buildings, it was resolved that Colonel Waterhouse, Mr. Pedler and the Honorary Secretary form a Sub-Committee to make the necessary arrangements.

The proposal of the Hon'ble H. H. Risley to take with him to Ceylon an Anthropological Assistant at a cost of Rs. 200 was sanctioned.

# December 29th, Ordinary Meeting.

On the recommendation of the Natural History Secretary an exchange of publications for the Society's Journal, Part II, from 1891, with the Société des Sciences Naturelles de l'ouest de la France, was agreed to.

The copy of the Proceedings of the Joint Committee of the Native Members of the Council of the Asiatic Society of Bengal and of the Trustees of the Indian Museum, regarding the removal to Calcutta of the Navagraha Stone at Konarak, submitted by Pandit Hara Prasad Shastri, was recorded.

An estimate from Messrs. J. B. Norton and Sons, Calcutta, for the necessary gas fittings to the Society's rooms at a total cost of Rs. 426-6-0 was referred to the Sub-Commutee for necessary action.

Another estimate from Messrs. Mackintosh Burn & Co., for Rs. 3,794-10-0 exclusive of the cost of beams, burgahs or any other work which may be found necessary during the progress of the repairs was referred to the Sub-Committee for necessary action.

## Report.

The Chairman announced that the Scrutineers reported the result of the election of Office-Bearers and Members of Council to be as follows:—

#### President:

The Hon'ble Sir C. A. Elliott, K. C. S. I., C. I. E.

#### Vice--Presidents.

J. Wood-Mason, Esq.

A. Pedler, Esq., F. R. S.

C. J. Lyall, Esq., B. A., C. I. E.

#### Secretaries and Treasurer.

G. A. Grierson, Esq., C. S.

Dr. J. H. Tull Walsh.

The Hon. H. H. Risley, C. I. E.

C. R. Wilson, Esq., M. A.

Pandit Haraprasád Shástri, M. A.

Dr. W. King, B. A.

## Other Members of Council.

Bábu Pratápa Chandra Ghosha, B. A.

L. de Nicéville, Esq., F. E. S.

Colonel H. S. Jarrett.

The Hon. Dr. Mahendralal Sarkar., C. I. E.

E. C. Cotes, Esq.

The Hon. Justice Amir Ali, C. I. E.

Colonel J. Waterhouse, B. S. C.

Mahámahopadhyaya Mahesa Chandra Nyayaratna, C. I. E.

Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle.

The meeting was then resolved into the Ordinary Monthly General Meeting.

Dr. Will. King, B. A., in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

One Hundred and Nineteen presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen, duly proposed and seconded at the last meeting of the Society, were ballotted for and elected Ordinary Members:—

A. A. Casperez, Esq.

P. Nolan, Esq., C. S. Bábu Sarat Chandra Lahari.

The Rev. A. Bodding.

The following gentlemen are candidates for election at the next meeting:—

Bábu Bhupendra Nath Vasu, Solicitor, Calcutta, proposed by Bábu Pratápa Chandra Ghosha, seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Maharaja Kumara Sirdar Bharat Singh, C. S., District Judge, Mirzapur, N. W. P., proposed by Bábu Pratápa Chandra Ghosha, seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Dr. Paul Deussen, Professor, University of Kiel, proposed by Mahamahopadhyaya Mahesa Chandra Nyayaratna, seconded by Bábu Nilmoney Mukherji.

C. R. Marriott, Esq., B. C. S., proposed by T. H. Holland, Esq.,

seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.

The following gentlemen have expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society:—

W. H. Jobbins, Esq. J. S. Gamble, Esq.

The Secretary reported the death of the following members:—
Lieutenant General George Byres Mainwaring.
Pundit Haridas Shastri, M. A.

The following papers were read :-

1. Note on flaked and chipped stones from Kon in the Mirzapur District.—By Dr. W. King, Director, Geological Survey of India.

The parcel of stones which I treat of this evening, was sent up to the Society by Mr. W. Crooke, C. S., of Mirzapur, who writes that he found the scraps in a ravine near the town of Kon, south of the Sone river. He states that Mr. J. Cockburn found some of a similar nature a few years ago, and that that gentleman believes them to be palæolithic stone implements. Mr. Crooke refers to them as flint, but they are, more properly speaking, chert or silicified argillaceous rock.

These scraps or fragments of stone have, at first sight, the appearance of being a collection of very ordinary bits of chert, such as may be picked up in any feld where the rock of the country is of this kind; but a few of them show undoubted evidence of having been chipped by human hands with an intent to produce something in the shape of an implement for cutting or scraping purposes, while most of them show, at least, indications of having had portions or flakes knocked off them by other forces than any we know of in the domain of natural wear and tear; in other words, they show that man must have been tapping or pressing off flakes or longish chips of convenient form for implements, such as arrow heads, small knives, or scrapers, which he appears to have used in an early period of his history.

The essential feature about the kind of stone of which these fragments consist, and indeed of nearly all the stone which early men elected for this object, is the property of breaking with what is called a conchoidal fracture, which they, however, learned to adapt to their own ends: and it is in the resultant facets produced by their manipulation that we recognize a remarkable variation from the chips and flaked surfaces produced by natural blows or splittings-off by water or weather. Under the latter conditions the conchoidal surfaces are generally more roundly ovoid, and more regular in shape, while they have more of a family likeness on each fragment of stone: and that peculiar bulbous protuberance, continued sometimes into a re-entrant concave hollow which has been found to characterize surfaces produced by artificial fracture, is scarcely ever seen with any distinctness in natural stones. On the other hand, artificial flaking is productive of long or short chips, as convenience or the quality of the stone permits; and a bulb of percussion is very often present on the flake, or its complement, and well marked.

Some of these specimens show this bulb of percussion very clearly, and the complements of the flakes, which have evidently been knocked off some of the larger fragments, have their axes in different and sometimes opposite directions.

A further feature in some of these flakes, is a sort of supplementary smaller chipping along some of the edges of the larger flaked surfaces, giving a kind of saw-like edge, which is a common feature in some manifest arrow heads and other prehistoric weapons. It is notable that in these specimens the secondary small chipping is as old as the larger flaking, whereas, such newer fracturing as there is, is quite clearly new and unweathered; while this is, as it were, aimless in its regularity.

I am unfortunately unable to specify any particular fragment in the lot as being certainly an implement, though there are one or two which might be considered very rude attempts at small hatchets or scrapers; so that the lot is not of value except as indicative of human manufacture, which perhaps hardly requires further corroboration, since better samples of such manufacture have already been found in the same neighbourhood. At best, we can only say from these specimens, that they are in part probably the refuse of palæolithic implement manufacture which seems to have been an industry, however small and scattered, in a district where the raw product occurs in tolerable abundance.

At the same time I have thought that the receipt of them, afforded an opportunity for illustrating a few of the peculiarities which are considered as characteristic of stones bearing traces of human handiwork; and that such illustration will help to keep up the spirit of enquiry after the traces of early man in India. An inscription in the Tughrá character.—Communicated by Henry Beveridge, Esq., I. C. S.:—

The Philological Secretary exhibited a rubbing of an inscription in the Tughrá character received from Mr. H. Beveridge, I. C. S. It was found in the Masnad-i-auliyá or shrine of the Apostles of Islám at Chnákhalí, in the district of Murshidábád. It is of value, as it seems to be the only evidence we have to prove that the reign of Saifu'd-dín Abu'l-muzaffar Fírúz Sháh (II) extended into 896 A. H. See Journal, Vol. XLII, Part I, p. 287. The following is the translation of the inscription:—

Verily God the Most High said, "Mosques belong unto Himself. Ascribe Godhead to none else." The Prophet—blessed be his memory—said, "Whoever erects a mosque in this world, for him God will raise up seventy palaces in Paradise." This mosque was erected—in the reign of Saifu'd-dunyáu'd-dín Abu'l-muzaffar Fírúz Sháh, the just, the munificent, may he be spared to reign long!—by his grand vazír. May God ever elevate him high! This engraving was done on the 2nd Muharram, 896 Hijra (Sunday, Nov. 15th, 1490, A. D., O. S.)

3. Study of Sanskrit in Ceylon.—By PANDIT HARIMOHAN VIDYÁ-BHÚSAN. Communicated by the Philological Secretary.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part I.

4. A 16th Century Account of Indian Buddhist shrines by an Indian Buddhist Yogi, translated from the Tibetan.—By L. A. Waddell, M.B., M.R.A.S.

It is now becoming more clearly evident that although Buddhism was forcibly expelled from its primitive home in the Gangetic Valley by the wholesale massacre of its monks, and the destruction of its monasteries by the Muhammedan invaders at the end of the twelfth century of the Christian era, it still continued to linger for several centuries longer in the more remote parts of India—in the Dakhan, Central India, the Sub-Himalayan highlands, and in the more secluded parts of the Peninsula generally. In Orissa, it is specially stated by the great historian Lama Táránátha, to have existed up till the middle of the fifteenth century A.D., and Táránátha's information in regard to the later history of Indian Buddhism was largely derived from the lips of the Indian Yogi Buddhagupta Nátha, a disciple of Tirthi Nátha who visited Tibet at the end of the 16th century.

The account of the Indian wanderings of Buddhagupta Natha is a well-known though rare book in Tibet, and its publication is usually attributed to Táránátha. As it indicates a survival of some living ves-

¹ VASSILIEF'S Le Buddhisms: La Coinme's transl. p.

descriptions of little known places, such as Udayána, the Indian Potála, &c., and suggestive groupings of names of places, contemporary kings and Yogis, and also some notes on the School of Gorakhnath, which are of interest, I here present an abstract of its contents.

From this it will be seen that while Tirthi Nátha and Buddhagupta Nátha are held by the Lamas to have been truly Indian Buddhists—and they certainly were born in India, and made their pilgrimages chiefly to Buddhist shrines—their form of religion was of the most highly Tantrik and Saiva type and scarcely recognizable as Buddhism, although it is practically, if not wholly, identical with the Buddhist Yoga in its latest development amongst the Northern Buddhists of Kashmir, Nepal and Tibet. These two Yogis indeed seem to belong to the same school as Gorakhnath or Gorakshanatha, noted leader of the Kánpháta or ear-slit Yogis, who is placed about the fourteenth2 or fifteenth3 century A.D., and usually considered a Buddhist Yogis. Like him these two Yogis possess the title Nátha or leader, a special title of Yoga teachers and Saivic leaders. And Táránátha's own religions name seems founded on the same model, and indicating his personal tendencies in the same direction. The date of the composition of this account is placed before the composition of Tārānāthā's History of Indian Buddhism, i. e., some years anterior to 1608 A.D.

The reverend Buddha-gupta Nátha, the pupil of the reverend Tirthinátha, was born in the city of Indralinga near Rasmishvara on the seacoast of the Dakhan, as the youngest of eight sons of a merchant named Krishna. While a lad, he became a follower of Tirthinátha on the latter's visit to his native town, and he was then given the religious name of Buddhanátha. He accompanied Tirthinátha during several years in the countries of Kachali, Kongkum, and Tvasuráti, during which time he was instructed by Tirthinátha in the principles of yoga philosophy. He was also taught by Dipanátha, a Brahman yogi, the following books, viz. sGra-mdo-tsan-tra-pa, sDeb-sbyor-gyi-bstan-bchos known as dmar-ser-snyan-snagags, Alankara, Amarakekha, &c.

The superior⁷ Tirthinátha ate nutritious food and had remarkably long hair and a beard. He went with his retinue to the Middle Country and stayed for a time at Bānaraši. From thence he went to Bikrama,⁸ the forest of wealth, near Dili where he began to obtain bchin-len upon which his hairs fell off.

The reverend master (Buddhaguptanatha) was empowered by the

² H. H. Wilson. Asiatic Researches, xvii, p. 190. 3 Indian Antiquary, vii, p. 299.
4 rje-btsm. 5 Skt. 6 Skt. 7 Skt. 3 Bla-ma. 7 LN

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Superior (Tirthinātha) in Sanghyantaparama after the customs of Gôraksha⁶ and he also learned the means of Gorakhnath Schoo. obtaining 'those gods who have passed from this world.' He stayed for nine years, 9 in Dili, Gôrakhatari, 10 and Haridvara meditating on the rlung-kyi-rnal-hbyor, and receiving advice from two yogis named Guruprahmanátha and Kridhnanátha, (from whom he learned that) Gôraksha had said that Mahābada and Svasibada are two theoretical treatises which show "one's knowledge." Pranašimkha is known in Tibetan as Srog-lu-khur-ragyad and shows the states of the world and the body; while Pranatantra is known as Srog-gi-rgyud. Following Gôraksha were twelve orders of Yogis, viz., Nathapanthi, Pawapanthi, Pakkhapanthi, Gopalapanthi, Pagalapanthi, Ayipanthi, Chalipanthi, Hetupanthi, Magalapanthi and Sattanāthapanthi. There is another order called Nādeśvari Jogi which still exists in the Buddhist system. And the superior Tirthinátha, Prāmanátha and Krishnanátha are of the Nādeśvari order.

The reverend (Buddhagupta) then six months in the country of Malawa obtaining the bchud-len of Nimba; and afterwards spent four months in each of the following places:—Singaladvip, Jhamigiri and Jagatnatha, ¹¹ from which latter place he went to Maru.

While staying at the great shrihe in the city of Nagarathatha in the western country of Sindh he was seized with an almost mortal sickness, on recovery from which he always practised the meditation of gdal-stong and the physical exercises of swimming &c. From Nagarathatha he went for nine days through a robber-haunted desert to the shrine of the goddess Hingalachi. On his return he proceeded northwards to the cities of Molatana¹² Kabhela, ¹³ Khorasāna, Bajasāna, and Goshala, the inhabitants of which countries were Mongols, Turks, Savage Muhammadans¹³ and Persians.

Thence he went to the Western Uroyan country (the land of Padma sambhava or Urgyan Rimpochhe the founder of Lamaism). In Sanskrit it is called Odiyana, but it is better known by its Muhammadan name of Gajani. 15 Here are some remains of the cave grub-chhen-lta-wai-na gzah-chan 16 and of the palace of King Indrabhuddha the father of Prince Ti-med-Kun-7dan (Vessantāra of the Jātaka Tales). Then he visited the great shrines of Ilo Carpata (parvata). The chief place in Urgyan is Dhumasthira. 17 He first went to the city of Duba, and thence proceeding

⁹ sGrub-thobs. 10 ? Gorkha Tarai. 11-? Vikramasila, a celebrated mediavial Tantrik Buddhist Monastery in the Gangetic Valley. 12 = Puri in Orrissa.
13 = Multan, 14 ? Kabul. 15 KLa-KLo litterally 'Savages,' 16 'Ghazni' of maps. 17 Skt.

eastwards for two days and south for four days, he reached the isolated town of Dhumadthira. It is for India a very small and narrow city resembling Ghāghā and had four gates. Although Urgyan is now under the Muhammadans there is still some observance of virtue by the inhabitants among whom are Yogis, Upasākas, Tirtankaras and Savage (Muhammadans). The female devotees were Khecharas (witches) 18 who possessed the power of injuring people, working miracles, and changing their form. The place is bounded on the south, east and west by three lakes. By travelling between the south and east lake you reach Bhalagkha¹⁹ the country of the Savage Turks, where in a corner is an incarnation of Acharya Aśva.²⁰ ...... named Mabsdus-pa.²¹

Thence he went to Khachhe (Kaśmir) passing through several countries of the Upper Turks. 22 He visited the Tirthaka shrines of Sardha, and Daradhad. Thence he proceeded to those Upper Turk eountries bordering on Tibet, viz., Dharatabhota and Kaskara. 23 After which he returned to his master Tirthinaáth in Central India.

He then went southwards to visit a temple of Isvara named Bhiseśvara, and proceeding further south, reached Usira where there was a celebrated temple of Vajra Bhairab (?) Thence he visited the temple of Hevajra erected by Padma Vajra. After which he went to the Tirthankara dwelling of Abhu (Mt. Abu). From Kadcharu, he went to Sobanátha or Isvara ...... the country of Sorasta, and the self-created stone images there. He thence visited the countries in and around the Central Dakhan, viz. Marthatta, khanddes, Tangala, Bidranagara, Kartanaka, Trilinga, Tripala, Chincha, Malajara, Charitra, Marwara, Konkunada, Janachambrahara, Chandradura, Panchabhajar, Charamandal, Mermandal, Jalapandala, Talamandal, Rundmandal, Bhogamalyara, Kalinka, &c. From Konkuna he went through the ocarn in a ship to Damidodvipa (?) called Samlornaso by the natives and the Muhammadans. In that Island the esoteric doctrine prospered exceedingly. They possessed the books named Phurbu. The ten phro tantras, Heruka tantra and Vajrapani. The clergy are numerous, but none observe the Vinaya. The monks were black robes and many drank wine. During his stay in that island for one year, the chief priest died. Then he returned by way of Sankhadwip or the Conch-shell island, there was a shrine in the hill named Mangalasambhava,24 In that island he saw visitors from the island of Gatjanasa.

¹⁸ Litterally 'sky-goers,' ¹⁹ ? Balk, ²⁰ rta-mehhoy. ²¹ In another place it is spelt Dhumasrira. ²² Skt.

²³ Stod-hor. 24 ? Kasghar.

Thence he proceeded to the island of Palata, and thence to Singaladvip where he remained for five Ceylon. years. Singala religion prospered exceedingly. The clergy were rich and possessed of great comfort; quite in keeping with the saying :- Jala muktitalu manika! Rane bane kunja gharighari padmauí nári! Bhala desá Singala! "The waters are full of pearls, the earth of jewels. The forests teem with elephants, and the women are like lotus flowers. A truly blessed country is Ceylon!" Buddhanátha prayed for seven days at Buddhá's foot-print known as Sripáduka. In a retired corner of the country named Kardala Buddhanátha visited a cave which had formerly been occupied by Maśakaraśanti, the pupil of the great teacher S'antipa when he visited Ceylon. Buddhanatha preached the religion to Rahesingkhapandarala and afterwards departed in a merchant ship to the small island of Ugalinga, and thence to the small island of Amuka which took thirty days to reach.

Thence proceeding southwards after four months they reached Jamegiri and Nagarjuna.

Jamegiri, where Buddhanatha stayed for about a year. Here are many great stone-images of Buddha, and also the seat of Acharye Nagarjuna on his visit to this place. There are many temples where offerings are being largely made, and one of the temples

was erected by Nagarjuna.

From this, going in a merchant ship for about one month's journey he reached Potala 'the king of mountains.'

This Potala is by some said to be the smaller one, but it seems really to be the Potala of the Buddhist texts. Here the pilgrim visited the following shrines, namely: 'the crystal cave of Basnbhadra.'25 Tára, with the frowning brows 26 'the golden......27 cave of the Asuras,' Tára the seng-ldeng-gi-nags 23 and the shrines of Brahma, Vishnu and Maha Isvara, and the temple of the hill. Around Mounttain Potala were a few scattered towns containing Buddhists, Muhammadans and Toitankaras. Most of the people worshipped 'Ponala Kala.'

From here he sailed northwards, and reached Javadvipa,

where there were a great many classes of clergy. Without staying here he continued the voyage to another island in mid-ocean named Bandvipa or

²⁵ rdo-rje-hjigs-byed. ²⁶ Hang-phagug-gi-ghug-pa.

²⁷ Hgro-lding-gi-ghing.

²⁸ bde-hbyung.

'the forest island,' which had formerly been visited by Gurn Padma Sambhava. Here amid hills is a square temple containing a self-created stone-image of Hevajra. Then sailing towards the north he returned to Ceylon and Konkuna, in which latter place he saw the self-sprung image of Manjuśri called Gyannakaya.

Proceeding to Malyara southwards in a ship he reached the small country of Sambudha which Tipperah, &c. adjoins Malyara. Here he heard the Vaira-Yogun Dinaganga. Thence he went to Bhangala via Jaganátha and Trilinga. Thence to Pundavarta-gavasadni from which in twenty days he reached the shrines of Kasramgaram and Devikota in the upper part of Tripura (Tipperah) where he remained in the monastery (?) formerly built by the great Siddhi Krishnakara 30 He also visited Haribhanja, Phukhrad and Palgru. In these countries the clergy and holy books were numerous and the religion prosperous. While there he heard a variety of esoteric teachings from the life of a great pundit named Dharma of the Haribhanja Chaitva believed to be a pupil of the great Siddhi ....... 1—and also found a pandit Upasika named Hetagarbaghanna. He also learned here the original authorities of may of the Sutras. Then he visited the ...... Chaitya. 31 And he saw the magic circles of Janakaya and Sidhanyakadaka.

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Padala and visited the island of Paigu (Pegu) where nutmegs and cloves grew and several other islands named Sādadvipa, Mahasiwarnabhumi, Suryadvipa, Chandradvipa, and Sarpadvipa. And in a small island in the Gangasagara formerly visited by Krishnacharinbala. 32 and Bhuwa 33 ...... he mediated one point of the Mahamudra for three months.

On returning to India proper Buddhanátha visited Trilinga Bidyanagar, Karnadaka, (Karnatic) and Bhamdva. At the latter place he met the great Siddhi Sāntagnpta. 34 Henceforth the pilgrim Buddhagupta known as Buddhagupta Nātha. He was especially empowered by the yogini Dinakara and the great guru Gambhiramati. And he had taken instructions from the Superiors (Skt. Uttara) Sudhigarbya, Gantapa, Betatikshana, Bhirabandhu, and Ghaghapa, all of whom were followers of the aforesaid

²⁹ Nor-bzang. 30 Khre-gnyer-chan-ma. 31 sGo-gser. 32 seng-ldeng gi-nags. 33 hphrog-byed hod. 34 gtsug-lag-knang.

great Siddhi Santa Gupta. He then went to the Mahabodhi in the Middle Country and made a small house for meditation close to the north of the the Vajrasana. Afterwards he visited the eight great shrines and the Gridhakutigiriguha, and Prayaga. Fortysix years had now elapsed since his last meeting with Tirthinátha. Then he built an assembly house on Khagendri hill to which many yogis resorted, and he received royal patronage.

Afterwards he proceeded by Jagatñatha to the country of Dhimigśvara near Chigaipura where he stayed at the temple of ..... ..... 35 erected by Kayamtha. Thence he went to Kāmaru (Kāmarupa), whence he went to Lhasa visiting bSam-yas enroute. At Lhasa he saw Lord S'akye Muni's image; and he prayed to the eleven-headed (Avalokita) and to Kasarpāsi, and then went on to gTsang (Western Tibet). At this time he knew the following works: - Kyevaira, Sambuddha, Buddha.....³⁶ Mahāmāya, ......³⁷ .............³⁸ Taratántra, Sambhāramadala ...... kāla.39 .....,40 Vajrāsanamula, ..... ...41 Kurnkulle, Mahākala and other tantras. After visiting several other parts of Tibet he left by skyid-grong to Nepal, where during two or three months he visited the chief shrines, and thence went to the country of Bhata also called Tsambrangna. After which he returned to Khagendra for about a month; and then proceeded by way of Bhangala to Tripura and Devikota, in which last named place it is believed he died.

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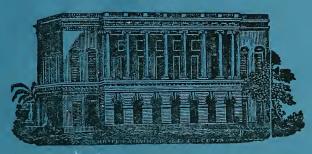
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The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was held on Wednesday, the 1st March, 1893, at 9-15 p. m.

The Hon'ble Sir C. A. Elliott, K. C. S. I., C. I. E.,

President, in the Chair.

The following members were present:-

A. Casperez, Esq., E. C. Cotes, Esq., Babu Sarat Chandra Das, Babu Narsingh Dutt, The Most Rev. Dr. Paul Goethals, Moulvie Golam Sarwar, G. A. Grierson, Esq., Babu Rajani Kanta Gupta, Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle, T. H. Holland, Esq., The Rev. H. B. Hyde, Dr. W. King, C. Little, Esq., J. Mann, Esq., R. D. Mehta, Esq., Babu Panchanan Mukerjee, T. R. Munro, Esq., L. de Nicéville, Esq., J. D. Mimmo, Esq., Pandit Haraprasad Shastri, Dr. J. H. Tull Walsh, C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Visitor:—Thomas Miller, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Thirty-two presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen, duly proposed and seconded at the last meeting of the Society, were ballotted for and elected Ordinary Members:—

Babu Bhupendra Nath Vasu. Maharajah Kumara Sirdar Bharat Singh, C. S. Dr. Paul Deussen. C. R. Marriott, Esq., C. S. The following gentlemen are candidates for election at the next

meeting:-

Raja Bhupendra Bahadur Sinha, Raja of Bijoypur, Mirzapur, N. W. P., proposed by Babu Pratapa Chandra Ghosha, seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Umes Chandra Batabyal, Esq., C. S., Joint Magistrate of Howrah, proposed by G. A. Grierson, Esq., seconded by Babu Narsingh Dutt.

The following gentlemen have expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society:—

A. Simson, Esq. Raja Ram Narain Singh. T. W. H. Hughes, Esq.

The Secretary reported the death of the following member:—Henry F. Blanford, Esq., A. R. S. M., F. R. S., F. G. S.

Mr. Alex. Pedler, Vice-President, read a note on the death of Mr. Blanford:—

Mr. Blanford was born in London in 1834, and was 58 years old when he died. He was one of the students who entered the Royal School of mines at its commencement in 1851, and he had a distinguished career in that institution, taking the first Duke of Cornwall's scholarship. He subsequently studied at Freiburgh in Saxony, and in the year 1855 he came to Calcutta to take up an appointment in the Geological Survey of India. His connection with the Asiatic Society commenced soon after this, for he was elected a member in March, 1857. Mr. Blanford continued in the Geological Survey for about 6 years, and was engaged principally in investigating the geology of Southern India, and his most important work, while engaged in the Survey, was the examination of the cretaceous beds of the neighbourhood of Trichinopoly, and also separation of the Talchir strata, with their remarkable boulder bed, from the true coal-bearing or Damuda Rocks.

In 1862, owing mainly to ill-health, contracted during exposure incidental to geological surveying in India, he resigned his appointment, but when in England in the same year, he was offered an appointment in the Bengal Educational Department, and from 1862 to 1874 he was Professor of Physical Science at the Presidency Coliege, Calcutta. Soon after his return to India, he became an active worker for the Society, and from 1863 to 1868 he acted as General Secretary to the Society, and it was during this period that he commenced the work by which his name will be best known. Mr. Blanford appears to have taken a keen interest in Meteorological matters from the time of his appointment to the Presidency College, and after the great Calcutta cyclone of 1864

he, in conjunction with Col. Gastrell, prepared an exhaustive account of the storm, which was published in 1866. About this time he was appointed one of a small committee of three gentlemen, which organized The first system of storm warnings for the port of Calcutta, and made a commencement of the systematic study of Meteorology in Bengal, by establishing observatories and collecting Meteorological data. His services in this direction were shortly afterwards recognized by the Government of Bengal, who appointed him the first Bengal METEOROLOGICAL REPORTER in 1867, in which appointment he continued to work until in 1875 he was appointed to organise the Meteorological Department for the whole of India, and received the first APPOINTMENT OF METEOROLOGICAL REPORTER TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, and he continued in this post up till the date of his retirement in May, 1889. The advance of Meteorological work in India during recent years is the best proof of the value of Mr. Blanford's labours in organizing and directing the Meteorological Department, and it is not too much to say that by his original Meteorological investigations Mr. Blanford also earned a well-deserved European Reputation. During the whole of his career Mr. Blanford continued to take the greatest interest in the well-being of our Society, and he acted as Vice-President in 1882 and 1883, and again in 1885; while he was President of the Society in 1884. He was also elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of London in the year 1880.

His principal original communications have been naturally in connection with Meteorology, and one of his latest and most valuable out of many very valuable investigations which he published, was an admirable Monograph on "The Rainfall of India." His name will also be long remembered in connection with his work on cyclones, and their periodicity, and also from the fact that he found it possible to forecast the nature of the monsoon seasons in India, some months in advance. Even up to his last illness, Mr. Blanford was engaged in prosecuting original meteorological researches, and he had in the press at the date of his death a paper for the "Indian Meteorological Memoirs" called "The Diurnal variation of the atmosphere in India;" which, however, he did not live to finish.

His original communications to science were very numerous, and they are published, some by the Royal Society of London, a large number in the Asiatic Society's Journal and Proceedings, also a large number in the Indian Meteorological Memoirs, and in other places.

The extent of his communications, to the Asiatic Society may be judged by the fact that, in the "Centenary Review," published by the Society at the beginning of 1884, the titles only of papers, &c., communicated by him to the Society, occupy nearly a whole page, and since

that date he has contributed three other papers. It is clear therefore, that to describe even the chief results of his investigations, would require a much longer space than is available. He was also the author of several valuable works, some of the best known of which are, the "Physical Geography of India," "The Climate of India," and "The Indian Meteorologist's Vade Mecum."

In Mr. Blanford therefore, the Society has lost one of its most distinguished members and, one who did much towards its well-being.

The Members of the Asiatic Society of Bengal desire to place on record their deep sense of the very great loss which the Asiatic Society of Bengal and Indian Physical Science have sustained by the death of their former President, and Vice-President, Mr. Henry F. Blanford, and to express their great sorrow at the sad event that has deprived the Society of one of its most active and enthusiastic supporters and its members of a much esteemed colleague and friend.

The Secretary read the names of the following gentlemen who had been appointed to serve on the various Committees for the present year:—

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The Hon'ble Sir Charles Elliott, President, exhibited a copy of the Buddhist Golden Book, Kamma Vácha, a collection of ecclesiastical formularies.

Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle exhibited a collection of ancient Central Asian MSS.; and read a note on them.

The note will be published in the Journal, Part I.

The following papers were read:—

1. Further Antiquities in the Hutwa Raj and its vicinity.—By BABU GERINDRA NATH DUTT.

#### (Abstract).

Belwa Sirsea has been several times visited by me since it was last reported on to the Society. The place was excavated at the request of Dr. Hoernle but only a few fragments of mutilated figures were found in it. Photographs of the principal image and of the door-frames were taken by Babu Narendra Náth Dutt amidst a shower of rain and so they did not turn out as desired. The photographs are in the possession of the Society.

When cleansing the well at a depth of three feet, I found walls probably those of the old temple which was divided into two rooms, the small one in which the big image was located and the larger one at the N. E. of the former enclosing the well and the peepul tree.

Cheroos' ghát mentioned in my last paper is a silted up jhil of about one hundred bighás frequented by aquatic birds. Strong masonry works, still bristle on its sides. The Cheroos are the remnant of an aboriginal race still to be found in this part of the country. Many of them have got jagirs from the Bethia Raj for their services as guards and peons. There is another aboriginal race in these parts called Moosahars who were very fine huntsmen, who killed wild pigs and even fish with their bows and arrows.

While digging a tank in the vicinity of Kusonudhee, a small figure was found. It has four hands, (chakra) and the small figure of Nri Sinha, tearing Hiranyakashipu, on his lap. The figure is placed outside Sivaji's temple at Kusondhee five miles from Hutwa. At a place

between Gopalgung and Hutwa named Thaway there is a small image exactly resembling the big image of Belwa called alike *Bhairoji's Murty* by the people placed on the outer wall of the famous temple of Durgá. People cannot say whence the image was obtained. There is a fine legend in connection with the temple of Durgá.

Mahárájá Jubaráj Sáhi Báhádur, ninty-fifth in descent from the founder of the Hutwa raj, was several times defeated in his wars with the neighbouring rájá Kabul Mahammed of Burhuria. After his last defeat the Maharaja was fleeing through the jungles with a handful of followers when the goddess Bhavání appeared to him in a dream and complained that she was very miserable under the Muhammadan rule. She encouraged the Maharaja to fight and promised her aid. "The moment you commence your journey," she said, "you will see a jackal and a serpent, bow down to the former and kill the latter." The Mahárájá acted according to her instructions and gained a complete victory over his adversary at the battle of Ramachandrapur, a mile east of Thaway. The image of Durgá was found in the forest of Thaway under a singular and peculiar tree. The leaves of the tree were sent to the Society for identification. It is reported that one of the feet of the goddess has sunk to a fathomless depth and the other is out resting on the figure of a lion. The Mahárájá of Hutwa has raised a splendid temple for the goddess and still regards the jackal with very kindly feelings. are given Balibhog by the Raj on the Chait-navami day. The Maharaja still holds the pergunna Sipa which his ancestors conquered from Kábul Mahammad whose descendants still live in a decayed fort close by. Kabul Mahammed perhaps belonged to a Pathan family whom, it was the policy of Akbar and his son, to suppress by encouraging neighbouring Hindu chiefs to quarrel with them.

I often doubted whether these relics of antiquity were of Hindu or of Bhudhistic origin. But an inspection of the Nirvána statue of Buddha and other remains at Kushinagara leaves no doubt in my mind of their Buddhistic origin. These have been so well described by Cunningham, Carlleyle and Garrick that I need not repeat the description here. The only thing that I wish to mention in connection with this is, that the temple has now found a guardian and small fee is levied from every visitor. Fixed on the walls of the temple is the mutilated figure of a female devotee in meditative posture. And on the outer side of the temple is fixed the image of Ganeśa with four hands elephantine proboscis and the rat as his conveyance. A slab containing an inscription lies close by. A few yards off a big statue of Buddha in meditative posture sitting on padmásava, was found under a peepul tree. Its nose, eyes and chin are mutilated. The figure is enclosed in an arch

resting on ornamented pillars on both sides, of which are figures of elephants ridden over by a form like the fabulous unicorn, which in its turn is again ridden over by male human figures, by tight reins. On the head of elephants stands a human figure keeping one of its feet there and the other on the tusk. Both these figures are mutilated. Above the unicorn and on both the sides of the arch are figures of sharks with yawned mouth catching hold of the right legs of two human figures down to the knee. The whole figure is greatly mutilated. The whole image is cracked right through and daubed with vermillion by the villagers who call it Matha Kunwar as the image at Kushi Nagara is called Bodh Kunwar. Both as regards workmanship and rangement of figures it resembles the Belwa Buddha figure.

At Garshikhal there is a finely chiselled phallus of Mahadeva quite unimpaired, of excellently polished black marble dug out of some four

feet under-ground along with several Budhistic images.

At Bellia-Bhagalpur, there is an ancient pillar with an inscription which has already been given in Carlleyle's report. The inscription is mutilated. The villagers say that a portion of it was cut away by the Emperor Akbar who was terrified to see blood coming out of it. They consider the pillar to have been the flag-staff of an ancient king named Bhagadanta.

The figure at Kushinagara is twenty-one feet long, and I think that as people believed Buddha to belong to the Dvápara age when men had a height of 14 cubits, his worshippers gave him exactly that dimension. It appears to have been erected not immediately after Buddha's death but at a much later date.

2. Note on the Mausoleum of Job Charnock and the Bones recently discovered within it.—By The Rev. H. B. Hyde, M. A.

The Charnock Mausoleum in St. John's Churchyard is a massive structure, octagonal in form with a double dome. In each face there is a low and narrow archway. It was placed so as immediately to front the original entrance to the Burying-ground, which opened north of it. It is fair to assume that the date of the structure, which has every appearance of great antiquity, is that of the cutting of the inscription in memory of Job Charnock himself. This date is ascertainable within narrow limits. There are 4 black stone slabs now within the tomb, two of them certainly removed thither from other parts of the ground. Of the remaining two, one, of surprising thickness, is to the memory of Catherine White, the youngest daughter of Job, who died on the 21st January 170° to this slab a fellow is found outside the mausoleum, exactly like it in size and

details of ornament; this latter is to the memory of Jonathan White, 2nd of Council, Catherine's husband, who died January 3rd, 170\frac{3}{4}. It is one of 30 or more more retailed which were removed from other parts of ground when the ruinous tombs were dismantled in 1802. As Catherine's epitaph and this one must have originally been set close together, we may therefore reject her's also from being, as is usually supposed, one of the proper occupants of the mausoleum. It must be acknowledged that this slab to Catherine is so strikingly like, both in size and ornament, to that of her father, beside which it is now fixed upright, that it would never occur to the casual observer, especially if he had not tice are husband's epitaph outside, that the memorials to Job and Catherine, are not originally intended to lie side by side. A close-er observer will readily detect a striking difference in the style of lettering.

One slab only therefore now remains for consideration that which bears the name of the Father of Calcutta himself. This slab contains two inscriptions, the former is to Job Charnock, who died January 10th, 1693, and the latter to his eldest daughter, Mary, wife of Charles Eyre, Charnock's next successor but one in the Bengal agency; she died on February 19th, 1695. A close inspection of this slab and comparison of the lettering of the two inscriptions make it abundantly plain that they are not contemporaneous works but that the lower half of the slab had been purposely left blank to receive such an inscription as it now exhibits. Thus the mausoleum with originally one epitaph must have been completed some time prior to the year 1697, and the addition made to it prior to the early part of 1698 when Mr. Eyre returned home, for it is to be presumed, from the terms of the epitaph, that he was at the time when it was written actually "prefect of the English." It is true he returned in 1700 and for a few months resumed his former charge, but it was with the title of knighthood which does not distinguish his name in the epitaph.

Charles Eyre, as Charnock's son-in-law, and successor in the agency, is the likeliest person to have erected the mausoleum. It is possible that he may have done so at the charge of the Company, for the court had certainly avery high opinion of the worth of its old servant, but no evidence of this is forthcoming, and it is likely that so exceptional a testimonial of good opinion as the dedication to his memory of this costly monument by the company would have found some expression in the epitaph.

As an argument that the mansoleum is not likely to have been built within a good twelve month and more of Charnock's death, may be adduced the disorderly condition of the factory at that period. On the 12th of August 1693, Sir John Goldsborough, the Company's Supervisor,

Commissary-General and Chief Governor in East India, visited the settlement, and has left an account of the deplorable state of affairs he found there. Charnock's place was filled by Mr. Francis Ellis, an old servant of the Company, who had done nothing to reform the licentious and riotous living of the resident English which had strangely disgraced the two years and five months of Charnock's government of his new settlement. These disorders require some explanation, seeing that Charnock in Hughli and Cossimbazar was certainly a man of will and of honour in his discharge of his duty towards his masters. They may be partly explained by supposing that his physical and mental constitution had, after an abnormally long and trying residence in Bengal, at length broken down. An indolence crept over him which became marked by a timorousness strange to his former self-reliant character. "The law tation of the formation of the rival company daunted him. courts at Madras scared him exceedingly, so that he was afraid to think of meddling with any body." "Everyone did that which seemed good in his own eyes." He never even planned out the premises of a factory: everyone built houses, enclosed lands, or dug tanks just as and when he chose. His feebleness was accompanied by a restless temper and savage Tradition, as it came to Captain Hamilton a few years later, said that he loved to inflict the chabuk on his native subordinates for transgression of his arbitrary commands, and that "the execution was generally done when he was at dinner, so near his dining room that the groans and cries of the poor delinquents served him for music." Some said he turned heathen and sacrificed a fowl on the grave of his native wife at each anniversary of her death. Sir John Goldsborough asserts that he developed a fancy for encouraging quarrels between his subordinates; and leaving his business affairs in the hands of the Captain of his little garrison, (now reduced to a sergeant, two drummers and twenty sepoys,) he used to amuse himself with the help of the said sergeant in arranging duels out of the quarrels he had fomented. While the worshipful agent led the disorders, the Captain pandered to the debaucheries. He kept, without being required to pay the fees for a license, a public punch-house and billiard table, and he let his wife turn papist without control."

It is quite likely that in the markedly devout mould in which Charnock's epitaph is couched, we should trace a strain of vindication on Eyre's part as against detractors of the estimable qualities which marked his father-in-law's true character ere his mind became clouded in his last two years. It is remarkable that the epitaph attributes his Christian burial to the will of the deceased himself and the Christian hope express ed is uttered in Charnock's name.

The epitaph reads as follows:—

1893.

D. O. M.

Jobus Charnock, Armiger
Anglus, et nup. in hoc
regno Bengalensi dignissim, Anglorum
Agens. Mortalitatis suæ exuvias
Sub hoc marmore deposuit, ut
in spe beatæ resurectionis ad
Christi judicis adventum obdormirent.
Qui postquam in solo non
Suo peregrinatus esset dice.
Reversus est domum suæ æternitatis decimo die Januarii 1692.

Mr. Eyre took charge of the agency on the 25th January  $169\frac{3}{4}$ , and since the inscription slab was in situ, with its lower half vacant in February  $1.69\frac{6}{7}$ , the erection of the mausoleum cannot therefore be dated many months earlier or later than the year 1695. We may certainly therefore claim it to be the oldest example of British masonry now existing in Calcutta. The original Fort William itself was not begun till 1696 and was 3 years in building.

In the year 1696, then, we may assume the mausoleum stood as we see it now and contained within it a table monument bearing on its upper face the black slab with the inscription, brought, it is usually thought, from Madras. We may assume that the monument was of table shape from the fact that the slab is worked in mouldings on the under-side of its edge, suggesting that it was to project somewhat all round beyond a base of masonry.

There can be no doubt therefore that whoever else may have been afterwards interred within the great tomb, the body of Charnock must have occupied the central position. It had been the general impression derived from the resonance of the floor of the mausoleum when struck by the foot about the centre that it contained a hollow vault. This floor having become decayed and the whole edifice being in November last under repair by the Department of Public Works, it was thought well to take advantage of the opportunity before a new floor was put in and ascertain by some small excavations whether such a vault existed or not. Legend affirmed that Charnock had been interred in the same grave with his native wife, and the vault might contain some evidence in support or refutation of this legend, or perchance coffin-plates or other objects that might afford historical interest. About 4 foot of earth was accordingly opened but no trace of a vault appeared except that the quantity of bricks mixed up with the earth suggested that a brick grave had origi-

ginally existed which might have been destroyed when Mr. Eyre opened the tomb to lay the remains of his wife Catherine beside those of her father in February 1696. The excavation was then ordered to be stopped. but through some misunderstanding it was continued. On visiting the mausoleum next morning, viz.:-on Tuesday, the 22nd of November last. I found that the grave had been opened to a depth of fully six feet, at which depth the diggers had stopped having met with a trace of human remains. The excavation was somewhat smaller than an ordinary grave and lav E. and W. in the centre of the floor. At the bottom of it the workmen had cleared a level, at the western end of which they were begining to dig a little deeper when a bone become visible. This bone was left in situ, undisturbed, and the digging had ceased on its discovery. On seeing this bone I felt sure it could be no other than one of the bones of the left forearm of the person buried, which must have lain crossed upon the breast. A little beyond it I observed a small object in the earth which I took at first for a large coffin nail, but on this being handed up to me it was very apparent that it was the largest joint, of probably a middle finger, and that, judging from its position relatively to the bone, of the left hand. This bone I replaced. I permitted no more earth to be removed save only a little above and to the east of the remains, sufficient to reveal a black stratum in the soil which might have been the decayed coffin-lid. It was quite evident that a few more strokes of the spade would discover the rest of the skeleton, perhaps perfect after just 200 years of burial. There can be no reasonable doubt, but that arguing from the position of the body and the depth at which it lay. it was the very one, to enshrine which only, the mausoleum was originally built. The mortal part of the Father of Calcutta himself.

Having seen what I did, I had the grave filled in, for I feared to leave it open lest the coolies might ransack its contents in search of rings or other valuables, and further I felt it improper, in view of the interest which must attach to such investigation, to permit myself to continue it alone. If it were to be prosecuted at all it should at least be in presence of a representative company of Englishmen. For my own part with the bones of the famous pioneer's hand accidentally discovered before me, and the strange and solemn statement of his epitaph just above them that he had laid his mortal remains there himself—"ut in spe beater resurrectionis ad Christi judicis adventum obdormirent," I felt strongly restrained from examining them further.

The discovery was at once duly reported to the several heads of the civil and ecclesiastical departments of Government within whose jurisdiction it had been made.

The bones disclosed lie at a depth of six feet below the middle of a line drawn upon the floor between the innermost western edges of the S. W. and N. W. entrances to the mausoleum.

The epitaph added beneath Job Charnock's is:-

Pariter jacet

Maria, Jobi Primogenita, Caroli Eyre Anglorum hicce Præfecti Conjux Charissima.

Que obiit 19 die Februarii A. D.  $169\frac{6}{7}$ .

That on the slab now beside the former is:-

Hic jacet

Catherina White

Domini Jonathanis White, uxor dilectissima et

τοῦ μακαρίτου Jobi Charnock

filia natu minima;

quæ primo in partu et ætatis flore

Annum agens unum de viginti.

Mortem obiit heu! immaturam 21 Januarii 1709

Siste parumper, Christiane Lector

(Vel quis es tandem) et mecum defle

Duram sexus muliebris sortem

Qui per elapsa tot annorum millia

Culpam prim' Evæ luit Parentis

Et luet usque; Dum œternum stabit

In dolore paries filios.—Genesis iii. 16.

3. On Erites, an oriental genus of satyred butterflies.—By L. de Nice'ville, Esq., F. E. S., C. M. Z. S.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part II.

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- 6. Jauhari.—By the late Dr. J. Wise. Communicated by the Anthropological Secretary.

These papers will be published in the Journal, Part III.

7. Note on the History of the coinage of the East India Company from 1753 to 1835.—By Edgar Thurston, Esq.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part I.

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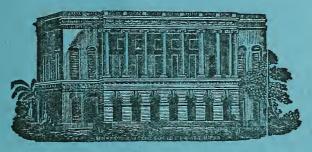
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FOR APRIL, 1893.

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The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was held on Wednesday, the 5th April, 1893, at 9-15 p. m.

THE HON'BLE SIR C. A. ELLIOTT, K. C. S. I., C. I. E.,

President, in the chair.

The following members were present:-

Nawab Abdul Latif, Bábu Narsingh Dutt, G. A. Grierson, Esq., Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle, A Hogg, Esq., T. H. Holland, Esq., Prince Jehán Qadr Muhammad, Wáhíd Ali, Bahadur, Kumar Rameswar Maliáh, J. Mann, Esq., T. R. Munro, Esq., L. de Nicéville, Esq., R. D. Oldham, Esq., The Hon'ble H. H. Risley, Pandit Haraprasád Shastri, Dr. J. H. Tull Walsh, C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Visitors:—Lieut. G. C. Lister, Bábu Kali Coomar Misser, C. W. Odling, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Thirty presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen, duly proposed and seconded at the last meeting of the Society, were ballotted for and elected Ordinary Members:—

Raja Bhupendra Bahadur Sinha, Umes Chnuder Batabyal, Esq., C. S.

The following gentlemen are candidates for election at the next

Babn Sambha Nath Sukul, Benares City, proposed by C. R. Wilson,

Esq., seconded by C. Little Esq.

meeting:-

Raja Ram Chandra Vaudya, Mayurbhanga, District Balasore, proposed by Mahámahpádhyáya Mahesachandra Nyáyaratna, seconded-by C. R. Wilson.

Major H. F. Gordon Forbes, Rifle Brigade, proposed by Surgeon Major General A. F. Bradshaw, seconded by C. W. Bolton, Esq.

The following gentlemen have expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society.

General Sir Henry Collett,

P. Donaldson, Esq.

The following gentlemen were elected to serve on the Anthropological Committee during the year:—

W. Crooke, Esq., E. A. Gait, Esq., M. L. Dames, Esq., S. E. Peal, Esq.,

Bábu Sarat Chandra Das, Bábu Raj Kumar Sarbadhikari, E. Thurston, Esq.

The Philological Secretary read reports on the following finds of Treasure Trove Coins:—

(I) Report on 30 old silver coins forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of Kámrúp, with his No. 2789, dated the 9th September, 1892.

In his report, sent with his Memo. No. 4718, dated Gauhati, the 16th March 1892, the Officiating Deputy Commissioner of Kámrúp, states that the coins were found on the 24th January 1892, by a cooly in the employment of the Bengal and Assam Railway, presumably in the course of some excavations made for the Railway, though no particulars as to the place and manner of finding are mentioned.

Some of the coins are in a rather indifferent condition, and it was somewhat troublesome to identify them. But Bengal coins, of certain descriptions are not commonly found, and possess therefore an unusual numismatic interest. I have now ascertained that most of the coins are issues of the following of the so-called "Independent Sultáns," of Bengal: Fakhru-d-dín Mubárak Sháh (1338–1349 A. D.), Shamsu-d-dín Ilyás Sháh (1339–1358 A. D.), Sikandar Sháh (1359–1389 A. D.), and Ghiyásu-d-dín 'Azam Sháh (1389–1396 A. D.). But one coin belongs to the Imperial Delhi issue of Maḥmúd Sháh II (1392–1399 A. D.), and three others to that of one of the early Dependant Governors of Bengal, Ghiyásu-d-dín Bahádur Sháh (1310–1330 A. D.). Accordingly the coins of the find cover a period of nearly a century (from 1310 to 1399 A. D.).

The following is a detailed statement of them:

A. Imperial Delhi issue:—

No. of specimens.

I. Maṇnứp Sháh II, son of Muḥammad Sháh and grandson of Fírúz Sháh III.

One coin, like B. M. Cat., No. 432, but with Abul Muzaffar; and date [7]96.

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(II) Report on 56 old coins forwarded by the Political Agent, Chhatisgarh Feudatories, Raipur, with his No. 539, dated 18th January, 1893.

The coins are stated to have been found "recently" in the Feudatory State of Sarangarh. With the coins was also forwarded a "metal plate image brass piece," which appears to have been found with the coins.

One of the coins is of pure gold; all the others are of a mixed metal containing gold in varying proportions, which could only be ascertained by means of a regular assay.

They are of two different sizes. Ten (incl. the pure gold coin) are of a large size,  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch in diameter, and 46 are of a small size,  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch in diameter.

They all show on the obverse, the standing figure of Hanumán, with body turned to front, but feet to right, and head to left. In the proper right hand he apparently holds a club. On the right and left, in the field, are two scrolls, one of which probably represents his tail. The whole is enclosed within a marginal circle of dots. The figure is fairly distinct on the gold coin, but very crude on those of mixed metal. The reverse, of all coins, shows the name of the king, in large Nágarí characters, peculiar to the time, and again enclosed within a marginal circle of dots.

All the coins belong to kings of the so-called Kalachuri dynasty of Chedi, who had their capital at Ratnapur (Ratanpur) in Northern Chhatisgarh. Information on this dynasty will be found in Sir Alexander Cuuningham's Archæological Survey Reports, Vol. XVII, p. 71 fg. The coins represented in the find, belong to the following members of the dynasty: Jájalla Deva (26 specimens), Ratna Deva (29), Prithví Deva (1 pure gold). In the Report, referred to, the following genealogical list is given:—

Serial No.	Probable date of accession.	Names of Kings.	Actual dates from Inscriptions.
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6,	1000 A. D. 1030 ", 1060 ", 1090 ", 1120 ", 1140 ",	Kakalla. Ratna Rája. Prithví Deva. Jájalla Deva. Ratna Deva. Prithví Deva.	1115 A. D. 1145, 1150, 1159, 1168 A. D.

The coins may belong either to Nos. 2, 3, 4 of the list, or to Nos. 4, 5, 6; more probably to the latter three kings.

The find is of considerable numismatic interest, for two reasons. In the first place: coins of the Chedi dynasty are very rare; of Gangeya Deva, gold, silver and copper coins are known (see Archæological Survey Reports, Vol. X, p. 25); and of Prithví Deva, gold coins are "sufficiently common" (see Prinsep's *Indian Antiquities*, Vol. I, p. 292, and Thomas' *Chronicles*, No. 17, p. 19). But, so far as I know, no coins of any other king have become known.

In the second place, all coins of the Kalachuri dynasty which have hitherto become known show on the observe "the four-armed goddess Durgá, seated to front." On the other hand the Chandel kings show, on their coins, either the goddess Durgá seated, or Hanumán standing; and it has been, hitherto, supposed that the substitution of Hanumán for Durgá was due to the Chandel kings, who partly imitated the Kalachuri coinage, partly departed from it, in the obverse device of their own coinage (see Archeological Survey Reports, Vol. X, p. 25). The coins of the present find prove that this supposition is not any longer tenable, and that the Kalachuri kings, already, possessed a coinage with the obverse device of Hanumán. The lists of Chandel kings (see Archæological Survey Reports, Vol. XXI, p. 80, Journal As. Soc. Beng., Vol. L, p. 23) contain no names of Jájalla Deva and Ratna They contain a king Prithví Varma, but no Prithví Deva; and it may be noted that while the Kalachuris are always distinguished as "Deva," the Chandels are always called "Varma,"—a circumstance which also proves that the "Prithví Deva," whose gold coins are described by Prinsep and Thomas (above referred to), is the Kalachuri king of that name, not the Chandel Prithví Varma.

The following is a detailed list of the coins:-

I. Jájalla Deva, about 1090-1120 A. D.; 26 specimens, all of mixed metal.

Obverse legend—श्री मज्ज śri-maj-Ja जन्नदेव jalla Deva.

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17	26
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Total ... 56

The Philological Secretary read the following extract from a letter received from Professor Bühler:—

"I am just preparing a note for the Academy on the question of the Prithiráj Rásau, and shall have to vote for those who declare it a forgery. A pupil of mine, Mr. James Morison, has now studied the Sanskrit Prithivírája-vijaya, which I found in 1875 in Káshmír, together with its commentary by Jonarája, written between A. D. 1450–75. The author was certainly a contemporary of Prithivírája and one of his court poets. He probably was a Kashmirian and was a thoroughly good Kavi and Pandit. His account of the Chauháns contradicts Chand's in every particular and agrees with that of the inscriptions of V. S. 1030 and V. S. 1225.* Prithivírája's pedigree is exactly that given in these documents, and various synchronistic facts mentioned in the Vijaya also agree with what we know from other sources, e. g., the Málwá and Gujarát inscriptions.

With regard to Prithivírája's father Someśvara, we now learn that he was the son of Arņorája and his Chaulukya wife Káñchanadeví, the daughter of the great King Jayasinha Siddharája of Gujarát. Arṇorája's first wife was Sadhavá, a princess of Márwár, who bore him two sons, one whose name is not given in the Vijaya or in the inscriptions and Vigraharája-Vísaladeva.

The unnamed eldest son murdered his father, or as the poet says, 'rendered to him the same service which Bhrigu's son (Paraśuráma) rendered to his mother,' and 'then went out like a batti, leaving behind an evil smell.' Vigraharája succeeded his father. After him a son of his came to the throne, and then a son of the parricide, Prithivíbhata on Prithivírája.

Then Someśvara was raised to the throne by the ministers. All this long time he had been in foreign countries. His maternal grandfather Jayasimha had educated him, and later on he had gone to Tripura, the capital of Chedi (the Jabalpur district,) and had married Karpúradeví, the daughter of the Chedi King. The latter bore to him Prithivírája (the hero of the poem) and Harirája. Someśvara died soon after his accession to the gaddí of Ajayamera, and Karpúradeví governed during her son's minority, with the help of a minister Kádamba-Váma, i. e., Váma of the Kádamba race.

There is not a trace of a statement that Prithivírája was the son of the daughter of Anangapála the king of Delhi, or that he was adopted by him; and it is remarkable that the old Muhammadan historians do not say that Prithivírája ruled over Delhi. With them, he is sim-

^{*} Vide J. A. S. B., Vol. LV, Part I, for 1886, pp. 15 and ff,-Ed.

ply king of Ajmer, and was slain in Ajmer for treason against his conquerors, who had left him some power in his own country.

I am afraid that the history of this period sadly wants revision, and Chand's Râsau had better be left unprinted. It is a forgery as Marárdhán of Jodhpur, and S'yámaldás of Udaipur, have said long ago. According to the *Vijaya*, the name of Prithivírája's *Vandirája*, or chief bard, was Prithivíbhaṭa, not Chand Bardáí."

Dr. Hoernle exhibited two rare gold Gupta Coins sent by Mr. Rivett-Carnac to be added to his well-known Gupta coin collection lately purchased by the Government of India for the Indian Museum. One of them, he said, was a coin of Kumara Gupta I, of the so-called "Swordsman" type. This was one of the rarest types of the Gupta class of coins. It will be seen by a reference to Mr. Smith's descriptive catalogue of those coins, published in the Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society for 1889 (p. 93), that hitherto only two coins of the Swordsman type were known to exist, one in the British Museum and the other in the Bodleian Library in Oxford. They are both said to have been found in the bed of the Ganges near Patna. Where the coin, now belonging to the Indian Museum was found, is not known. But it is a genuine specimen, and has a gold loop soldered to its rim, showing that it was used as an amulet or ornament. The name of Swordsman is given to the coin, because it shows on its obverse the standing figure of king Kumára Gupta, with his left hand resting on the hilt of a straight sword which hangs from his waist. The king's name is given in full on the reverse, and on the obverse under the abbreviation Ku. This is one of the most valuable additions made to the coin cabinet of the Indian Museum.

The other coin is one of Chandra Gupta II, of the so-called "Umbrella" type. It is fully described in Mr. Smith's Catalogue, p. 91, where seven known specimen are enumerated. It is therefore also one of the rarer types of the Gupta class of coins. The reverse figure (female goddess), is usually represented as standing on a low pedestal or on a monster (?); but in the present specimen she is not standing on anything at all, unless (which is possible) the object on which she stood, is entirely clipped away. This coin, too, has a loop attached to it, showing that it was used to be worn.

Dr. Hoernle, also, exhibited a gold Indo-Scythian coin, lately sent by Mr. Rivett-Carnac. It belongs to the well-known kind of which numerous specimens are known to exist, showing on the obverse the Nágarí letters va and su, placed one above the other, in Chinese fashion. These probably give the name of the Indo-Scythian king Vasu Deva, who reigned towards the end of the 2nd cent. A. D.

Mr. C. R. Wilson exhibited two old plans of old Fort William and old Calcutta and read a short note on the subject by Dr. Busteed.

The note will be published in the Journal, Part I.

The following papers were read:-

1. On the Early Study of Indian Vernaculars in Europe.—By G. A. Grierson, Esq., C. S., Philological Secretary.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part I.

- 2. Two Species of Pedicularis.—By D. Prain, Esq., M. B. The paper will be published in the Journal, Part II.
- 3. The Hindus of Eastern Bengal—founded on materials collected by the late Dr. J. Wise. Communicated by the Anthropological Secretary.
- 4. The Muhamadans of Eastern Bengal—founded on materials collected by the late Dr. J. Wise. Communicated by the Anthropological Secretary.

These papers will be published in the Journal, Part III.

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## ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL,

FOR MAY, 1893.

The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was held on Wednesday, the 3rd May, 1893, at 9-15 P. M.

COLONEL J. WATERHOUSE, B. S. C., in the Chair.

The following members were present:—

Dr. A. W. Alcock, Bábu Sarat Chandra Das, G. A. Grierson, Esq., T. H. Holland, Esq., C. Little, Esq., R. D. Oldham, Esq., Dr. D. Prain, Dr. J. H. Tull Walsh.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Twenty-nine presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen, duly proposed and seconded at the last meeting of the Society, were ballotted for and elected Ordinary Members:—

Bábu Sambha Nath Sukul. Raja Ram Chandra Vandya, Major H. F. Gordon Forbes.

The President announced that the Council had elected Dr. J. H. Tull Walsh to officiate as General Secretary in the place of Mr. C. R. Wilson.

The Secretary reported that His Highness the Maharajah Scindia had compounded his subscription as a non-resident member by the payment in a single sum of Rs. 300.

The following papers were read:-

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1. Some observations of the electrical action of Light upon Silver and its Haloid compounds.—By Colonel J. Waterhouse, B. S. C., Assistant Surveyor General, Survey of India.

#### (Abstract).

The author gives a brief summary of former observations on the generation of electric currents by the influence of light on metals immersed in various solutions, made by Ed. Becquerel, Hunt, Grove, Egoroff, Hankel, Minchin and others, and after describing the apparatus he uses, proceeds to give the results of his observations of the electric currents produced by light on pure silver plates immersed in water, dilute-acids, and weak alkaline solutions.

The paper will be published in full in the Journal, Part II.

- 2. A review of the genus Colquhounia.—By D. Prain, Esq., M. B.
- 3. On the flora of Narcondam and Barren Island.—By D. Prain, Esq., M. B.

These papers will be published in the Journal, Part II.

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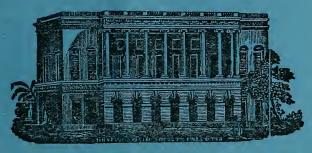
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#### PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL.

FOR JUNE, 1893.

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The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was held on Wednesday, the 7th June, 1893, at 9-15 P. M.

DR. WILLIAM KING, B. A., in the Chair.

The following members were present:-

Dr. A. W. Alcock, P. N. Bose, Esq., Bábu Nobin Chand Bural, Bábu Sarat Chandra Chatterjee, G. A. Grierson, Esq., A. Hogg, Esq., The Rev. Fr. E. Lafont, C. Little, Esq., Kumar Rameswar Maliáh, L. de Nicéville, Esq., Dr. J. H. Tull Walsh.

Visitors:—Dr. R. Anderson, H. Dawson, Esq., J. C. R. Johnston, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Twenty-six presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen are candidates for election at the next meeting:—

Bábu Radhikáraman Chatterji, Superintendent of the Estate of Rájá Govindalal Rái Bahadur, proposed by Pandit Haraprasad Shastri, seconded by Bábu Panchanan Mukharji.

C. D. Mangos, Esq., Calcutta, proposed by Dr. J. H. Tull Walsh, seconded by G. A. Grierson, Esq.

Pandit Beni Madho Tribedi, Jodhpore, proposed by Dr. J. H. Tull Walsh, seconded by G. A. Grierson, Esq.

The following gentlemen have expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society:—

Bábu Radhaballabha Chaudhuri. F. C. Channing, Esq., C. S.

The Secretary reported the death of the following members:—
James Wood-Mason, Esq., (Ordinary Member).

Professor J. O. Westwood (Honorary Member).

Mons. E. Renan (Honorary Member).

Dr. A. W. Alcock read an obituary notice of the death of Mr. Wood-Mason:—

James Wood-Mason was born in December 1846, and was educated at Charterhouse and Oxford. He early evinced an inclination towards Natural Science, being at first specially interested in Geology, and even before his twenty-third year he had published several paleontological papers in the *Proceedings* and in the *Quarterly Journal* of the Geological Society. In 1869 he came out to India as Assistant Curator of the Indian Museum, for which post he had been selected by Professor Huxley and Sir Joseph Hooker, and in 1870 he became a member of this Society.

His interest in Natural Science was shown immediately he joined the Society, when he contributed his first paper-'On Polydactylism in a Horse'—to the Proceedings, and was sustained throughout the whole twenty-two years of his membership, during the greater part of which period—until he began to be incapacitated by serious organic disease he was a constant contributor to the Proceedings and Journal. His papers in the Society's publications exhibit the comprehensive extent of his attainments, embodying as they do the results of original investigation in most branches of Zoology and in Ethnology in its morphological and geological aspects. His most numerous and most important contributions however were upon Insects,-especially the Mantidæ and Phasmidæ—and upon the general subject of the Crustacea, which early attracted him. In 1873 he became Natural History Secretary, and during the greater part of the next sixteen years, though not continuously, he edited Part II of the Society's Journal with conspicuous ability and success. In 1887 he was elected a Vice-President of the Society. Outside the limits of the Society his devotion to Zoology was marked with no less distinguished ability and success, and in the course of his official career he became Deputy Superintendent of the Indian Museum, Professor of Zoology and Comparative Anatomy in the Medical College, and finally, on the retirement of Dr. Anderson in 1887, Superintendent of the Museum. In 1888 he was made a Fellow of the University of Calcutta.

His record of work, outside his official routine, and beyond his connexion with the Society, is a long and varied one, and embraces explorations in the field, the publication of his scientific researches, and economic inquiries. Although his purely scientific work completely overshadows his economic work, yet his attitude to economics in the proper place was not unfriendly. With the more aggressive economists he had little sympathy, believing that science diligently and methodically pursued for its own sake would be far more likely to yield incidental benefits to civilization than would science studied disconnectedly for the sake of the practical man alone. In the field he explored, in 1872, the marine fauna of the Andamans, and again, in 1873, that of the Nicobars, and in 1888 he went for a time as Naturalist on board Her Majesty's Indian Marine Survey Steamer 'Investigator.' As a result of these field excursions he added largely to our knowledge of the life of the Bay of Bengal, and greatly enriched the collections in the Indian Museum. He also, in the course of economic inquiries into the Tea-bug, and into the Diseases of Silkworms, travelled and collected largely in Assam, Cachar and Lower Bengal.

He contributed a few papers to the Royal Zoological, and Entomological Societies, and a great many to the Annals and Magazine of Natural History, which embodied his original work not only in the field of systematic and descriptive zoology, but upon morphologyespecially the morphology of Arthropoda; upon phylogeny-especially the phylogeny of Insecta; upon physiology, and upon the philosophy of zoology. It was in this last branch of the science that his inquiring, original genius found its happiest exercise, and he was particularly interested in all problems as to the significance of animal organs. More than most systematic zoologists was he dissatisfied with the dry facts of animal structure, and his desire to see through these facts into their origin and meaning-to make zoology really a science of living beings-may be said to have been a passion with him. Unfortunately his published work in this direction does not represent a fraction of his accumulated knowledge, principally because he had an almost fastidious objection to publishing anything that was not exhaustively complete. But this philosophical bent of his mind is amply illustrated by his papers on the claspers, and on the antennæ, and on the femoral brushes of the Mantide; on the mode in which the young of Astacidæ

attach themselves to the mother; on the stridulating organs of Crustacea, of Arachnida, and of Myriapoda; on sexual characters in Mollusca: on Mimicry; on the scent-glands of Scorpion-spiders; on the meaning of Viviparity; etc. In purely systematic zoology his principal published works were:-(1) A Catalogue of the Mantodea which was not completed at the time of his death, and (2) A series of papers on the Butterflies of the Andamans and Nicobars and of Cachar, written in collaboration with Mr. de Nicéville. These papers were the result of work undertaken between the years 1880-83, when Mr. de Nicéville was employed on the staff of the Museum, during which period he worked with that gentleman almost exclusively at the Lepidoptera of the Indian region, the result being to greatly increase the collections in the Indian Museum and to add largely to faunistic knowledge. In this series of papers must specially be mentioned a very curious case of mimicry between two distinct groups of Papilios, which he discovered. Another systematic work of considerable importance was his series of descriptions and illustrations of the Deep-Sea Crustacea dredged by the 'Investigator.' He also had in contemplation a complete catalogue of the Crustacea for which, however, he had only collected and systematized the bibliography.

His principal economic work consisted of Reports on the Tea-mite and other Insect-pests, and on certain diseases of Silkworms. He also formed for the Indo-Colonial Exhibition a collection illustrative of Indian scriculture, for which he received the thanks of Government.

His influence as a Naturalist extended far beyond the Museum and the realm of scientific literature: to beginners he was always ready to give advice and assistance at any sacrifice to himself: he had no contempt for amateurs, and no jealousy of fellow-workers: but he had truly and singly at heart the advancement of science, as is amply shown by his work upon the 'Investigator' Zoological Reports, and by his work in connexion with the establishment of the Calcutta Microscopical Society—a Society mainly of amateurs.

His health seems never to have been really robust, and recent events show that he must for many years have been suffering from one of the most debilitating and enervating of all organic diseases. But it was not until quite the end of last year that the outward signs of it became so manifest as to arouse the anxiety of his friends.

He was in a critical state of health when he left Calcutta on the 5th of April, and he died on the 6th of May, just as he was nearing the shores of his native country. Although of late years, owing to his prolonged absence from England, he had no very active connexion with any of the learned societies there, yet he was a fellow of the Zoological

and Entomological Societies of London and of the Zoological-Botanical Society of Vienna.

The Honorary Secretary read an obituary notice of the death of Professor Westwood prepared by Mr. E. C. Cotes:—

By the death at a very advanced age of Professor J. O. Westwood the Asiatic Society of Bengal has lost an Honorary Member who was the most distinguished systematic Entomologist of his day. Besides being Hope Professor of Zoology in the University of Oxford, and a Gold Medallist of the Royal Society, Professor Westwood was appointed in 1883, as a special distinction, to be Honorary Life President of the Entomological Society of London; while scientific bodies in many parts of the world have vied with each other in conferring honorary membership upon him.

Professor Westwood's writings include papers upon almost every branch of the Arthropoda. Hagen, in his Bibliotheca entomologica, enumerates no less than three hundred and seventy-nine entomological papers which bear his name and which are all more or less valuable, but his greatest achievement is probably the general Manual of Entomology which he published under the unpretending title of "An Introduction to the Modern Classification of Insects." At the time when it was written this work was far in advance of any treatise of its kind, and though half a century of unprecedented activity in Entomological research has since elapsed, it remains a standard authority which no student of the subject can afford to neglect. Previous to the appearance of Westwood's "Introduction," no complete examination had been made of the relative position which the numerous families of insects occupy in the natural series; Westwood made a minute comparative study of the characters upon which the classification was based, and after a number of years of patient research, produced a work which at once placed the science of systematic Entomology upon a far sounder basis than it had previously occupied.

As a man he was unpretending in the extreme and was almost entirely wrapped up in his scientific pursuits. His outspoken criticism of everything he disapproved made him a few enemies, but no one who knew him intimately could avoid liking the transparent sincerity and kindliness of his rugged nature, however much they might differ from him in opinion.

The PHILOLOGICAL SECRETARY read reports on the following finds of Treasure Trove Coins:-

Report on 148 old coins forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner, Hissar, with his No.  $\frac{32}{G}$ , dated 7th January, 1893.

1, The coins are stated to have been found in Masudpur, Tahsil Hansi, District Hissar, under circumstances not further specified. list, transmitted with the coins, stated them to consist of coins of Muhammad Shah 58, Ghiyásu-d-in Tughlaq Sháh 55, Fíroz Shah 4, Abu Zafar Muhammad Shah 12, Muhammad Tughlaq Sháh 1, Mubárak Sháh 4, Kutabu-d-dín 5, Balban Sháh 5, not known 2, Jalálu-d-dín 1; total 148. On examination, however, this list of identifications turned out to be incorrect. The following is a correct statement of details:—

The coins belong to the following, so-called Pathán, Sultans, of Delhi;

viz.—		
I, GHIYÁSU-D-DIN BALBAN 664-686 A. H. = 1265-1287		
A. D.,		
type as in Br. Mus. Cat., Nos. 115-118 and Chron.		
No. 113, indifferent specimens, of mixed metal:		5
II, Jaládu-d-din Firúz Sháh, 689-695 A. H. = 1290-		
1295 A. D.,		
1, type as in Br. Mus. Cat., Nos. 146-148, and		
Chron. No. 122, two fair and two indifferent		
specimens; of mixed metal:	4	
2, type as in Br. Mus. Cat., Nos. 149–150, Chron.		
No. 123, one fair and one indifferent speci-		
men; of copper,	2	6
III, 'ALAU-DIN MUḤAMMAD SHAH, 695-715 A. H. =		
1295–1315 A. D.,		
1, type as in Br. Mus. Cat., Nos. 195-201, Chron.		
135, dates 706 ¹ , 712 ³ , 713 ³ , 714 ² , 765 ¹ , all of		
mixed metal:	10	
2, type as in Br. Mus. Cat., Nos. 182–194, Chron.		
136, traces of date only legible on 14 coins, viz.,		
6971, 7003, 7022, 7043, 7071, 7092, 7101, 7111; 44	F0	20
illegible, all of copper: total	58	68
IV, Qutbu-d-din Mubárák Sháh, 716-720 A. H. =		
1316–1320 A. D.,		
1, type as in Br. Mus. Cat., No. 214, Chron. No.	9	
147, date 7163,	3	
2, type as in Br. Mus. Cat., No. 225–226, Chron. No. 151, date 7192,	2	
No. 151, date 719",	4	

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<ol> <li>3, type as in Br. Mus. Cat., No. 215–216, Chron. No. 148, date 7171,</li> <li>4, type as in Br. Mus. Cat., No. 217–220, Chron. No. 149, date 7192,</li> <li>5, type as in Br. Mus. Cat., No. 223–224, not in Chron., no date,</li> <li>6, type as in Br. Mus. Cat., No. 221–222, Chron.</li> </ol>	1 2 1	
No. 150, date 717 ¹ N.B. All these coins are of mixed metal (silver and copper), except No. 2 which is of silver.  V, GHIYÁSU-D-DIN TUGHLAQ SHAH 720-725 A. H. = 1320-1324 A. D., type as in Br. M. Cat., Nos. 249 ff., Chron. 164, dates: 720 ¹ , 721 ⁵ , 722 ¹⁰ , 723 ⁹ , 724 ¹⁰ , 725 ² , 726 ⁵ ,	1	10
727 ³ ; illegible 12; all of mixed metal: total  N.B. The coins with the dates 726 and 727  are posthumons. Those of date 227  have not been found hitherto, so far as  I know.  VI, Muḥammad bin Tughlaq, 725-752 A. H. = 1324-  1351 A. D.		57
1, type as in Br. Mus. Cat., No. 280, Chron. No. 189, date 726', of silver 2, type as in Chron. No. 203 (?), of copper	1	2
Total:—		148

Report on 20 old coins forwarded by the Collector of Cuttack with his letters, No. 552 G, dated  $\frac{28}{30}$  March, 1893, and No. 744 G., dated 22 April, 1893.

The coins are stated to have been found in the Jajpur sub-division by some people digging the ground. It is not known how many coins were found, but thirty-two were recovered by the police from the finders; viz., 2 gold, and 30 silver coins. The two gold coins, and 15 of the silver coins, were at first forwarded to me by the Collector, but, on my request, the remainder (all silver) were sent for examination afterwards. Of the latter, I retained four coins on account of their numismatic value; on the other hand, I returned to the Collector one silver coin of the first-sent lot, as being of no numismatic value; I also returned to him eleven coins of the second lot. Altogether twelve coins were returned to the

Collector, and twenty coins (viz., 2 gold and 18 silver,) were retained, to be dealt with under the Treasure-trove Act.

Of these 20 coins, one gold coin is a Venetian ducat, of Aloys. Pisani, the remainder are coins of the following Moghul emperors of Dehli: Aurangzib, 'Alamgir Ṣáni, Sháh Jahán III, and Sháh 'Alam. The following is a detailed statement:—

I. Aurangzíb, 1069-1118, A. H. = 1659-1707, A. D.		
Type: ordinary, lettered surfaces, date 1118, 51,		
mint Dáru-l- <u>kh</u> iláfat Sháhjahánábád; a gold		
mohur		1
II. 'ALAMGÍR SÁNÍ, 1167-1173, A. H. = 1754-1759,		
A. D.		
Type: lettered surfaces, but date in middle of top-		
line, below name; a rupee		1
III. Sháh Jahán III, 1173-74, A. H. = 1159, A. D.		
(Reigned only a few months.)		
Type: lettered surfaces, with name on top-line,		
date lost on all, except one; mint lost in all,		
but one, which has traces of Murshidábád;		
regnal year ahad (one) on all		10
IV. SHÁH 'ÁLAM 1173-1202, A. H. = 1759-1788, A. D.		
1. Of French and English mintage, Arkat, like		
B. M. Cat., Nos. 123, 148, dates 1173,12; 1183,9;		
1187, 12 ² Total:	5	
2. Of English mintage, Murshidábád, like Br. M.		
Cat., Nos. 14-16, dates 1185,12 and 1186,12,		
with crescent mark	2	7
Total		19

Report on 183 ancient copper coins forwarded by Mr. J. Higgins, D. S. Police, Chanda, with his letters, dated 20th November 1888, 20th January 1889, 22nd January 1889, and 10th July 1889.

The coins are stated to have been found in October 1888, in a field, in a village in the Bramapuri Tahsil, of the Chanda District, in the Central Provinces.

They are all of copper, and show on the obverse the figure of an elephant standing to the right, and carrying on his shoulders the figure of a mahaut; above him there is a legend, in ancient Nágarí characters, giving the name of the king that issued the coin. The reverse bears the well-known symbol of Ujain, i. e., four balls, or circles, joined by lines crosswise. They are coins of the Andhra, or Andhrabh; itya

dynasty, ruling on the south and north of the Narbada river. Their history and coinage is described by General Sir Alexander Cunningham, in his Coins of Ancient India, p. 102-111. Mr. Thomas has also described their coins in the Indian Antiquary, Vol. VI, p. 276, and Vol. IX, p. 61. The exact period of their rule is still unsettled: Sir Alex. Cunningham places it from A. D., 78-186. The coins of the present find belong to the following members of the dynasty: 1, Siri Sátakaņi Gotamíputra I, 78-99, A. D. 2, Siri Puḍumávi Vásiṭhí-putra (also called Puḷumayi, or Puḍumayi), 99-127, A. D.; 3, Siriyaña Sátakaṇi Gotamíputra II, 141-170, A. D.

The following is a detailed statement of them: I. SIRI SÁTAKANI GOTAMÍ-PUTRA I. The legend is Siri Sátakani, or Sátakanisa; in the latter case, apparently, without Siri 51 Total: II. Siri Pudumávi Vásithí-putra. Legend: (Si)va Siri Pulumávisa. The first syllable 'si) of Siva is uncertain; and on some specimens the name may be Pulamávisa. The lette ! resembles the modern form of the letter d. Total: 24III. SIRIYAÑA SÁTAKANI GOTAMÍ-PUTRA II. Legend: * ta Siriyana Sátakani. The first letter is illegible ... Total 42 IV. There are a few coins with imperfect legends, viz., (a), with ya(gada?) Sáta 1 (b), with Siri Kanu Sáta, and ri Kanu Sáta  $\mathbf{2}$ (c), with rajño Va, and jño Va 2 (d), with ratasa, in the unusual place, in front of the elephant 1 6 V. Besides, there are 60 coins, or parts of coins, on which the legend is lost, though the elephant and the Ujjain symbol is often fairly preserved 60 Total: 183

N. B.—Though the two letters va and ta, on the coins, Nos. II and III, seem fairly distinct, it is not improbable that the word to be supplied is  $r\hat{a}j\tilde{n}o$ . There is no trace of any inscription in front or below the elephant.

Report on 97 old coins forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of Hissar, with his No.  $\frac{594}{g}$ , dated the 6th April, 1893.

The coins are stated to have been found at Badlada village, in the Hissar district. They consist of 3 silver (1 broken), and 94 copper coins. There were also 5 broken bits of copper

They are coins of the following sc-called Pathán Sultáns of Delhi: Jalálu-d-dín Fírúz Sháh II (689–695 A. H. = 1290–1295 A. D.), 'Aláu-d-dín Muḥammad Sháh (695–715, A. H. = 1295–1315, A. D.), Shihábu-d-dín 'Umar Sháh (715–716 A. H. = 1315–1316 A. D.), Quṭbu-d-dín Mubárak Sháh (716–720 A. H. = 1316–1320 A. D.), Násiru-d-dín Khusrú Sháh (720 A. H. = 1320 A. D.); all these of the Khaljí dynasty. Also Ghiyáṣu-d-dín Tughlaq Sháh (720–725 A. H. = 1320–1324 A. D.), and Muḥammad II, bin Tughlaq (725–752 A. H. = 1324–1351 A. D.); both of the Tughlaq dynasty. The whole find, thus, covers a period of 61 years, from 1290–1351 A. D.

The following is a detailed statement:-

e following is a detailed statement:—		
I. JALÁLU-D-DÍN FÍRÚZ SHÁH. Type: like B. M Cat.,		-
No. 146, and Chronicles No. 133; copper		1
II. 'Aláu-d-dín Muḥammad Sháh,		
1. Silver. Type: like B. M. Cat., No. 164. Mints		
and dates lost	3	
2. Copper. Type: like B. M. Cat., No. 195, dates		
$701^2$ , $702^4$ , $703^3$ , $711^1$ , $712^3$ , $713^6$ , $714^3$ , $715^1$	21	24
III. Shihábu-d-dín 'Umar Sháh. Copper. Type: like		
Br. Mus. Cat., No. 205, date [7]15		1
IV. Quibu-d-dín Mubárak Sháh. 1. Copper, square,		
like Br. Mus., Cat., No. 225, date 7.9	1	
2. Copper, round, like Br. Mus. Cat., No. 215, date	_	
716	1	
3. Copper, round, like B. M. C., No. 214, date 7163	3	
4. Copper, round, like B. M. C., No. 221, date 717	1	6
V. Násiru-d-dín Khusrú Sháh. Copper, like B. M. C.,		_
No. 236, date [7]20		1
		1
VI. Ghiyágu-d-dín Tughlaq Shán,		
1. Copper, like B. M. C., No. 249–251, dates 7216,		
722 ¹⁰ , 723 ⁶ , 724 ⁵ , 725 ² , 727 ¹ , 4 illegible	34	
2. Copper, like B. M. C., No. 257, date on margin		
of one, 720; others illegible	13	47

VII. MUHAMMAD BIN TUGHL	AO.
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1.	Copper,	like	В.	M.	C.,	No.	281,	dates	$726^{9}$ ,	$727^{6}$ ,	
	7281										15
2.	Copper,	like	В	M.	C.,	No.	278,	date	725		1

3.	Copper,	like	В. М.	C.,	No.	284,	date	736	•••	1	17
	coppor,	1110	D LIL.	O.,	110.	<b>~</b> ,	CLEGGE	. 20			

Grand total: ... 97

Mr. G. A. Grierson read an obituary notice of the death of Mr. F. S. Growse:-

The Council regret to have to report the death on the 19th of last May of Mr. Frederick Salmon Growse C. I. E., M. A., at the age of 56, who was for thirty years a member of this Society. Mr. Growse was born in the year 1836 and was educated at Oriel and Queen's Colleges, Oxford, where he was a scholar of his College, and took the degree of M. A. He entered the Bengal Civil Service in 1860, was elected a member of this Society in the year 1861, and commenced contributing to the Journal and Proceedings some six years afterwards. His first paper, "On the Transliteration of Indian Alphabets in the Roman Character," appeared in the Journal for the year 1867. For some years he principally devoted himself to assisting in the task then lately undertaken by the Society of producing a correct edition of the Prithiráj Ráysá of Chánd Bardáí, his last paper on this subject appearing in the year 1878. In the course of his researches, he became involved in a controversy with Mr. John Beames, as to the principles on which a scientific edition and translation of the poem should be prepared. The arguments of both scholars will be found duly recorded in the Journal, but are now of little more than academical value, as it is has since been ascertained that the poem is a modern forgery.

In the meantime the exigencies of the public service had taken Mr. Growse to Mathurá, with which district his name is indissolubly connected. The Journal of the Society and the Indian Antiquary contain numerous papers on the holy land of Krishna-worshippers, full of most valuable information about the country and its people, their beliefs and religious customs. These papers were subsequently collected in one of his more important works, "Mathurá: a District Memoir." Mr. Growse was transferred to Bulandshahr in 1878, where he remained for some six years, being then transferred to Fatehpur where he finished his career of Indian service in the year 1891. On both of these districts he wrote admirable monographs, viz:—"Bulandshahr: or Sketches of an Indian District, Social, Historical, and Architectural." and "A Supplement to the 'Fatchpur Gazetteer."

During his residence at Mathurá Mr. Growse became an earnest student of Indian Architecture, and on his transfer to Bulandshahr he was enabled to put the lessons which he had learned into practice. He found Bulandshahr a mean little place, and left it in 1884, the most architectural modern town of its size in the North-Western Provinces. The improvements effected are recorded in a beautifully illustrated work published in 1886, entitled "Indian Architecture of To-day, as exemplified in New Buildings in the Bulandshahr District."

In the year 1876, there appeared in the Journal of the Society from Mr. Growse's pen, an article entitled, "The Prologue to the Rámáyana of Tulsí Dás: a Specimen Translation." This was the first public intimation of the task to which Mr. Growse had lately applied himself—the translation of the famous epic of the great poet of Oudh. It is on this translation that Mr. Growse's fame will rest in this country. It has made his name known wherever the worship of Ráma prevails, and his translation, the first volume of which was issued in 1880, is eagerly sought for and bought by English-knowing natives throughout North-Western India. The work has been frequently re-printed, and the elegance of its style and the general accuracy which distinguishes it have been frequently publicly recognised by the best critics. To European students of the Hindí language the work has been invaluable, and it has materially assisted later labourers in their researches in the same field.

When Mr. Growse retired from Government Service in 1891, his friends hoped that his newly-found leisure would enable him to continue those studies by which he had rendered his name conspicuous, and by which he had added lustre to the Society of which he was so long a member. In losing him, the world of Oriental literature has lost a fellow-labourer whose work, in its own peculiar sphere, was conscientious and thorough, and at the same time frequently graced by an eminently artistic style.

The Secretary read a circular from the Royal Society of New South Wales, enumerating prizes to be given for original researches on certain subjects connected with Australia. This can be seen in the Society's Office.

The Secretary stated that the Council proposed to discontinue the opening of the library between 7 to 9 A. M. The Assistant Librarian to attend the library from 10-30 A. M. to 5-30 P. M.

Mr. C. Little moved and Dr. A. W. Alcock seconded, that the question be postponed and that it be referred to the Council for reconsideration.

The Secretary read a circular from the Microscopical Society of Calcutta announcing the dates of their General Meetings to be, 10th July, 14th August and 11th September 1893.

Mr. L. de Nicéville exhibited two boxes of butterflies collected by Mr. W. Doherty in New Guinea, also a pair of Pollinia of an Orchid removed from the eyes of one of the butterflies and mounted as a microscopic slide, and made some remarks on them:—

"I pass round for the inspection of the members present this evening two boxes of butterflies collected in New Guinea by that intrepid traveller and naturalist, Mr. William Doherty, of Cincinnati, United States of America, who has devoted the last fifteen years of his life to collecting natural history objects in the East, more especially insects, and has in the course of his travels visited nearly every island in the Malay Archipelago, from Sumatra on the west to New Guinea on the east. The first box contains specimens from Humboldt's Bay, on the north of New Guinea at about the 141st E meridian; the second box specimens from Andai, N.-W. New Guinea. Comparatively few collections have been made on the north coast of this great island, so the specimens may perhaps be of interest to some of the members present.

I also pass round a microscopic slide which contains two pollinia which I removed, one from the middle of the convex surface of each eye of one of the butterflies (Papilio pandion, Wallace) now exhibited from Andai. The butterfly is a male and must, one would think, have suffered considerable inconvenience from the presence of these pollinia attached to his eyes. As you will see, they are nearly half an inch in length (11 mms.), and consist of an oval disc by which they attach themselves firmly to any object which may touch them, the disc being covered with a viscid matter which dries in a very little while (Darwin says, in a few minutes); a lengthened straight stem called a caudicle; and the brush-like head which is composed of the pollen-grains proper. Considerable force was required to remove each pollinium, and from the fact of their being so firmly attached I very much doubt if any butterfly could unaided get rid of them. Each pollinium projected forwards from the eye in a line with the axis of the body of the insect, the two pollinia being placed symmetrically. I shewed the slide to Dr. David Prain of the Royal Botanic Garden, Shibpur, but all he could tell me about it is that the pollinia belonged to some Orchid, but he would not even guess as to the genus of the plant. A vast mass of most interesting information on the subject generally will be found in Mr. Charles Darwin's work, "The various Contrivances by which Orchids are Fertilised by Insects," to which book I may refer any one especially interested in the subject. The book, however, is not in the Library of the Asiatic Society, and I have to thank Dr. King for the loan of a copy from Shibpur. I may add, in conclusion, that I have probably set out with my own hands 30,000 or 40,000 butterflies, but this New Guinea *Papilio* is the only one that I have found with the pollinia of an Orchid attached to it."

The following papers were read:--

1. On some newly-recorded Corals from the Indian Seas,—By A. W. Alcock, Esq., M.B., C.M.Z.S., Officiating Superintendent of the Indian Museum.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part II.

2. A brief account of Bháskara, and of the works written and the discoveries made by him,—By the late Bapú Deva S'astri. Communicated by the Philological Secretary.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part I.

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The paper will be published in the Journal, Part II.

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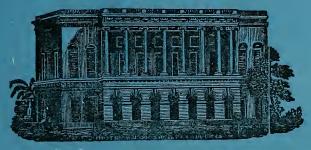
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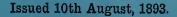
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FOR JULY, 1893.

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The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was

held on Wednesday, the 5th July, 1893, at 9-15. P.M.

L. DE NICE'VILLE, ESQ., F.E.S., in the Chair.

The following members were present:-

Dr. A. W. Alcock, G. A. Grierson, Esq., A Hogg, Esq., T. H. Holland, Esq., Dr. W. King, C. Little, Esq., Kumar Rameswar Maliah, C. R. Marriot, Esq., R. D. Oldham, Esq., Dr. J. H. Tull Walsh, C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Visitors:—Dr. R. Anderson, W. J. Simmons, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Forty-two presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen, duly proposed and seconded at the last meeting of the Society, were ballotted for and elected Ordinary Members:—

Bábu Radhikáraman Chatterji.

C. D. Mangos, Esq.

Pandit Beni Madho Tribedi.

The following gentlemen are candidates for election at the next meeting:—

Edward O'Brien, Esq., C.S., Deputy Commissioner of Kangra, proposed by M. L. Dames, Esq., seconded by Dr. A. W. Alcock.

Bábu Sures Chandra Samajpati, Editor, "Sáhitya," proposed by Bábu Rajanikánta Gupta, seconded by Paudit Hara Prasad Sastri.

The following gentleman has expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society:—

Bábu Hari Charan Basu.

The Chairman reported that Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle had accepted the office of Vice-President, and Mr. C. Little a seat on the Council of the Society.

The Chairman also reported that the Budget drawn up by the Philological Committee, shewing the expenses on the "Bibliotheca Indica," together with a list shewing the order in which the manuscripts should be edited, had been accepted by the Council, with a request that a similar Budget be drawn up in December every year.

# PROCEEDINGS OF A MEETING OF THE PHILOLOGICAL COMMITTEE OF THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL.

Held on Thursday, June 8th, 1893.

#### PRESENT:

G. A. Grierson, Esq., Hon. Phil. Secy. Babu Pratápa Chandra Ghosha. Paṇḍit Hara Prasád S'ástrí, ditto. Babu Gaur Dás Bysák.

#### REPORT:

We recommend that, for the present year, 1893, the following Budget for the "Bibliotheca Indica" be adopted, and that none of the items of expenditure be in any way exceeded. We further recommend that for future years a similar Budget be prepared at the commencement of the year by this Committee.

Budget for the remaining months of 1893.

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The following books have been stopped for want of funds or other reasons; we recommend that these should be undertaken on the first opportunity:—

- 1. Chaturvarga Chintámani.
- 2. Sher Phyin.
- 3. Taittiríya Samhitá.
- 4. S'ámkháyana S'rauta Sútra.
- 5. Maásir-ul-Umará.
- 6. Nyáya Kusumánjali.
- 7. S'rí Bháshya.
- 8. Yogini Tantra.
- 9. Kátantra.
- 10. Atharvana Upanishads.
- 11. Apastamba S'rauta Sútra.
- 12. Lalita Vistara (English Translation).
- 13. Suśruta.

With regard to future publications, we recommend that a list be drawn up, showing, in order of urgency, works which the Society desires to publish in the "Bibliotheca Indica." As new works are proposed to be published, they can be inserted in their proper place in the list.

We append the following list, which we have drawn up in order of urgency, of books which it has been proposed to publish, and recommend that it may be adopted and adhered to. We cannot hope to publish works in the order given in every case, as we cannot find at the same time a competent editor and a sufficiency of manuscripts. When, therefore, it is found impossible to publish an earlier number, the next in the list should be taken up, and so on, till a suitable work is found.

- 1. Aitareya Bráhmana.
- 2. Hiranya Keśi Sútra (S'rauta).
- 3. Baudháyana Sútra (S'rauta).
- 4. Akbarnámah (Translation).
- 5. Vipáka Sútra.
- 6. Ñátádhamma Kathá Sútta.
- 7. Saddharma Puṇḍaríka.
- 8. Muntakhab-ul-Tawáríkh.
- 9. Tawáríkh i Yamíní.
- 10. Tawáríkh i Wassáf.

- 11. Táj-ul-Maásir.
- 12. Naķd u'l Farazdaķ Jarír.
- 13. Karana Grantha.
- 14. Bhattotpala's Commentary on the Brihat Samhitá.
- 15. Yájnavalkya Gítá.
- 16. Kathá-kosha.
- 17. Kála-viveka.
- 18. Charaka.

The Secretary read a circular from the "Smithsonian Institution," Washington, enumerating prizes to be given in connection with the "Hodgkins' Fund." This can be seen in the Society's office.

Mr. C. Little gave notice of the following proposal, which he intends to bring forward at the next meeting of the Society:

"That the meeting hour be changed from 9-15 P.M. to 9-30 P.M."

The following papers were read:-

- 1. Note on some methods of preparing botanical specimens, communicating Memoranda by Messrs. C. Maries, F.L.S., and R. Pantling.—By D. Prain, Esq., M.B.
- 2. On some Actiniaria from the Indian Seas.—By A. Alcock, Esq., M.B., C.M.Z.S., Superintendent of the Indian Museum.

These papers will be published in the Journal, Part II.

## LIBRARY.

The following additions have been made to the Library since the meeting held in June last:—

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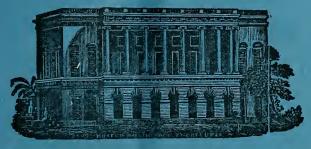
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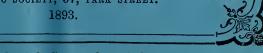
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### PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# ASIATIC SOCIETY OF BENGAL.

FOR AUGUST, 1893.

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The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was held on Wednesday, the 2nd August, 1893, at 9-15 P.M.

Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle, Vice-President, in the Chair.

The following members were present:-

Bábu Nobin Chand Bural, G. A. Grierson, Esq., T. H. Holland, Esq., The Rev. H. B. Hyde, J. Mann, Esq., T. R. Munro, Esq., L. deNicéville, Esq., Pandit Hara Prasád Sástri, Dr. J. H. Tull Walsh, C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Visitor:—A. W. B. Power, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Sixty-four presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentlemen, duly proposed and seconded at the last meeting of the Society, were ballotted for and elected Ordinary Members:—

Edward O'Brien, Esq., C.S. Bábu Suresh Chandra Samajpati.

The following gentlemen are candidates for election at the next meeting:—

Bábu Purmeshwar Narain Mahatha, Zemindar, Mozufferpore, proposed by P. Kennedy, Esq., seconded by C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Surgeon-Captain R. Anderson, I. M. S., proposed by Dr. A. W. Alcock, seconded by Dr. J. H. Tull Walsh,

The following gentlemen have expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society:—

P. J. Carter, Esq. Colonel T. H. Haldich, R.E. Lieutenant-Colonel T. M. Jenkins, M.S.C.

The Secretary reported the death of Nawáb Bahádur Abdul Latif Khán, C.I.E., an ordinary member of the Society.

Dr. Hoernle read an obituary notice of the death of Nawáb Bahádur Abdul Latif Khán.

"The life of the illustrious Muhammadan leader who has recently passed away, and who also was a member of this Society, deserves a notice in these Proceedings.

"Sprung from a respectable family in East Bengal, Nawab Bahadur Abdul Latif received his education in the Calcutta Madrasa in which he eventually became Anglo-Arabic Professor. In March 1849, while holding this appointment, he was appointed a Deputy Magistrate in the 24-Pergannahs on a salary of Rs. 200 per mensem. Four years later he was promoted to a higher grade and placed in charge of the Sub-division of Kalaroa in the same district. The following year he was transferred to the Sub-division of Jahánábád. Here he remained for about five years, and his administration was so successful that he was officially thanked by the Magistrate, while the leading Zamindárs of the place presented him with a farewell address, expressing their satisfaction at his administration of the Sub-division and regret at his transfer from it. From Jahánábád, he was transferred to Alipore in the 24-Pergannahs, and in 1867, the newly-created Suburban Police Court of that place was placed under his charge. After ten years of such incumbency, he was appointed to officiate as Presidency Magistrate in Calcutta. In October 1877, he was appointed to the Suburban Police Court at Sealdah and continued in this charge till the 31st December 1884, on which date he retired from the service of Government to enjoy the pension which he had so well earned.

"In 1863 Abdul Latif was appointed a Fellow of the Calcutta University. In 1877 he was created a Khán Bahádur, three years later a Nawáb, and on the 1st January 1883 was decorated with the insignia of the Companionship of the Order of the Indian Empire. There has not been a single national or patriotic movement during the last thirty years in which Nawáb Abdul Latif had not taken a prominent part. But it is as the pioneer of English education amongst the Muhammadans of these Provinces that the late Nawáb Bahádur will be best remembered by posterity. At a time when the Muhammadan gentry of Bengal had obstinately set their faces against English education, and Muhammadan

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bigotry was supreme, it was Abdul Latíf who alone had the courage and the foresight to come forward and hold aloft—often in the face of bitter opposition—the standard of English education, and he was thus the pioneer of a movement which has already brought much benefit to his hitherto benighted community, and promises to do still more good for them.

"As a man, the late Nawáb Bahádur possessed many social and other qualities which made him the respected centre of a large number of friends."

The Philological Secretary (Numismatic) read reports on the following finds of Treasure Trove Coins:—

(I) Report on an old silver coin forwarded by the Deputy Commissioner of Gujranwála, with his No. 327, dated the 5th June 1893.

The Deputy Commissioner reports that 449 coins were found, of which only the one specimen forwarded for examination has been recovered from the finder. All the remainder have been disposed of by the finder for Rs. 440, for which a fine of Rs. 500 was inflicted on him. The time and place of finding are not specified in the Deputy Commissioner's report.

The single coin, forwarded, is a rupee of the Moghul Emperor, Ahmad Sháh Bahádur, of the mint Dáru-s-Saltanat Láhor (mutilated.) The date is lost, the regnal year is 3. An indifferent specimen.

(II) Report on 115 old silver coins, forwarded by the Collector of Champaran, with his No. 233G, dated the  $\frac{22}{23}$  May 1893.

The Collector in his letter to the Commissioner of the Patna Division, No. 137G, dated the 26th April 1893, states that on the 12th March 1893, two boys of Tolah Dih, Soogaon Pergana, while digging, found a *Kattia*, containing some 500 or 600 Rupees. Of these only 115 were eventually recovered by the Collector and transmitted to the Asiatic Society of Bengal for examination.

The descriptive list of the coins in the Collector's letter to the Commissioner is altogether incorrect. The following is a correct list of them. There are, coins of Akbar, 23; of Jahángír, 61; of Sháh Jahán, 31. Total: 115.

The following is a detailed description of them:-

- (1) AKBAR, 963-1014 A. H. = 1556-1605 A. D.
  - (a) Type: round, jaljalál, months of Ilahí years; mints: Aḥmadábád³, Láhor⁶, Kábul³, Jahángírnagar¹ (?); dates 40¹, 41¹, 42¹, 43¹, 44², 46¹, 47², 49¹, others mutilated, total ... ... ...

Philological Secretary—Reports on old Coins.	[]	Lug.
<ul> <li>(b) Type: square, jaljalál, month Azr, date 32</li> <li>(c) Type: square, Kalimah; date 999, mint?;</li> <li>and date alif (= 1000), mint Urdú Zafar</li> </ul>	1	
qarin	2	
(d) Type: round, Kalimah, areas as in Brit.		20
Mus. Cat., No. 108	1	23
(2) Jahángír, 1014–1037 A. H. = 1605–1627 A. D. (a) Type: round, lettered surfaces, months of		
Ilahí years; like Brit. Mus. Cat. Nos. 444,		
467. Months: Farwardín 5, Ardíbihist 1,		
Khúrdád², Tír ⁶ , Amardád⁴, Sharíwar¹,		
Mihr ³ , Abán ⁶ , Azar ⁵ , Zai ³ , Bahman ² ,		
Isfandármiz ⁴ . Mints: Tattah ¹ , Jahángír-		
nagar², Akbarnagar², Rohtás¹, Patnah⁴¹	47	
(b) Type: round, ornamental areas, like Brit.		
Mus. Cat., Nos. 447, 455; months of Ilahí		
years: Khúrdád¹, Azar¹, Bahman¹, Isfan-	ب	
darmiz ² ; all Mint Láhor (c) Type: round, lettered surfaces	5 8	60
(3) Sháh Jahán 1037–1068 А. Н. = 1627–1658 А. D.	3	00
(a) Type: round, square areas, linear. In one		
specimen the area is double-lined	25	
(b) Type: round, lettered surfaces	7	32
Grand total		115

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(III) Report on 14 old silver coins forwarded by the Offg. Collector of Jessore, with his No.  $\frac{G}{619}$ , dated the 19th June 1893.

In his report to the Commissioner of the Presidency Division, No.  $\frac{G}{618}$ , dated the 19th June 1893, the Collector states, that the coins were found in Narail on the 7th April 1893, by a person while cutting the plinth of a dilapidated building. It appears that 60 coins were found, of which, however, only 14 have been recovered from the finder.

The identification of these 14 coins, given by the Collector in his letter to the Commissioner on the authority, I presume, of some Court Mohurir, is entirely wrong. They are said to be coins of a "Sultan Abu Mazafer (King of Bagdad in Asiatic Turkey)" and to be dated in "681 Hijra." In reality, they are the coins of some of the so-called "Independent Sultáns of Bengal;" viz., Sikandar Sháh, bin Ilyás (1358–89), Ghiyásu-d-dín 'Azam Sháh (1389–1396), Saifu-d-dín Hamzah Sháh (1396–1406), Shihábu-d-dín Báyazíd Sháh (1409–1414),

and Jalálu-d-dín Muḥammad Sháh (1414-1431 A. D.) Accordingly they cover a period of about 42 years. (From 1389 to 1431 A. D.)

The following is a detailed description:-

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(1)	Sikandar Sháh bin Ilyás		
	(a) One coin, like Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 37,		
	mint Fírúzábád, date lost	1	
	(b) One coin, like Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 32,		
	mint and date illegible, much cut by		
	shroff-marks	1	
	(c) One coin, like Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 46,		0
	mint and date lost	1	3
<b>(</b> 2)	GHÍYÁSU-D-DÍN 'ÁZAM SHÁH:		
	(a) Two coins, like Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 60,		
	mint and date illegible, condition	0	
	indifferent (b) One coin, like J. A. S. B., xv. No. 5;	2	
	mint Fírúzábád, date 794	1	3
(3)		-	
(0)	Two coins, like Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 65;		
	mint Fírúzábád, date of one 814, other lost.	2	2
(4)	SHIHÁBU-D-DÍN BÁYÁZÍD SHÁH		_
(-)	(a) Two coins, like Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 67,		
	mints and dates lost	2	
	(b) Two coins, like Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 68,		
	mints lost, date 816	1	
	(c) One coin, like Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 71	1	4
(5)	Jalálu-d-dín Muhammad Sháh		
	(a) One coin, like Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 77,		
	mint lost, date 834	1	
	(b) One coin, like Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 72,		0
	mint Fírúzábád, date illegible	1	2
	Total	0	14

(1V) Report on three gold coins, forwarded by the Political Agent, Chhattisgarh Feudatory States, Rajpur, with his No. 4562, no date, 1893.

The three coins are stated to have been found in the bed of the river Ang, in the Feudatory State of Patna.

One of the coins is of pure gold; the other two arc of a mixed metal, with a large proportion of gold. They are of two different sizes; two are  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch, and one  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch in diameter.

All three coins belong to precisely the same class as those reported on by me about three months ago (see *Proceedings* for April 1893, p. 92). The latter were 56 in number, and had also been found in one of the Feudatory States, Sarangarh. The coins of the present find belong to Jájalla Deva, of the Kalachuri dynasty of Chedi, who is said to have reigned from about 1090-1120 A. D.

The figure on the reverse which I described in my previous report as that of Hanumán, is more probably that of a recumbent bull, turned to the right. The legend on the obverse is S'rí Maj-Jájalla Deva. On the reverse, in front of the recumbent bull, there is found the syllable má or ma.

(V) Report on 28 old Silver Coins forwarded by the Offg. Collector of Bhagulpur, with his No. 810G, dated 9th July 1892, No. 1036G, dated 10th August 1892, and No. 1359G, no date.

These coins are said to have been found by two boys in a hole enclosed in an earthen pot, in Mauza Kotia, Pergana Shophar, Thana Pratalganj, Subdivision Supaul of the Bhagalpur District.

They are rupees of the following independent Sultáns of Bengal: Sikandar Sháh (2 specimens), Ghiyásu-d-dín 'Azam Sháh (2), Saifu-d-dín Hamzah Sháh (1), Jalálu-d-dín Muḥammad Sháh (10) and Náṣiru-d-dín Maḥmúd Sháh I (13), covering a period of about 75 years, or from 1357 to 1430 A. D.

The following is a detailed Statement:-

le following is a detailed Statement:—		
1, SIKANDAR SHÁH, BIN ILYÁS, 759-792 A. H. = 1357-		
1389 A. D.		
Type as in Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 37, mint: Fírú-		
zábád, date 784	2	2
2, GHIYÁSU-D-DÍN 'AZAM SHÁH, 792-799 A. H. = 1389-		
1396 A. D.		
Type as in Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 63, mint : Fírúzá-		
bád, dates 811, 810 (?)	0	2
3, Saifu-d-dín Hamzae Sháh, 799-809 A. H. = 1396-		
1506 A. D.		
Type as in Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 65, mint: Fírúzá-		
bád, date 814	-	1
4, Jalálu-d-dín Muḥammad Sháh, 817-834 A. H. =		
1414–1430 A. D.		
(a) Type, as in Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 83-85, mint:		
Fírúzábád, dates 817, 824	2	
(b) Type, as in Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 81, mint and		
date (?)	2	

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(d) Type, not in Brit. Mus. Ca	t., but general style
as in No. 83, with obverse Fírúzábád, date 831 5, Náṣṇʀu-n-dín Mahmúd Sháh I,	2 10
1442–1459 A. D.  (a) Type, not in Brit, Mus. Cat date 844 or 843	t., mint : Chatgáon, 7
(b) Type, not in Brit. Mus. Cardate 841, 842	***
	Total 28

VI. Report on 44 old silver coins forwarded by the Extra Asst. Commissioner, Sibsagar, with his No. 3754, dated 5th December 1891.

The coins are stated to have been found in the possession of a man on the Numogarh Tea Estate, but no information is given as to the circumstances under which they were found by him, or came into his possession.

They are of four different descriptions: One belongs to the Imperial Delhi issue of 'Alán-d-dín Muḥammad Shàh (1295–1315 A.D.); another to one of the early Dependent Governors of Bengal, Ghiyáṣu-d-dín Bahádur Sháh (1310–1330 A.D.); 38 to some of the so-called "Independent Sultáns of Bengal," (viz., Ghiyáṣu-d dín 'Azam Sháh 1359–1396, Shihábu-d-dín Báyazíd Sháh, 1409–1414, Jalálu-d-dín Muḥammad Sháh, 1414–1431, Náṣiru-d-dín Maḥmúd Sháh, 1442–1459, Ruknu-d-dín Bárbak Sháh, 1459–1474, Shamsu-d-dín Yúsuf Sháh, 1474–1481, Jalálud-dín Fath Sháh, 1481–1486, Saifu-d-dín Fírúz Sháh, 1486–1489, Shamsu-d-dín Muzaffar Sháh, 1490–1493, 'Aláu-d-dín Ḥusain Sháh, 1493–1518 A.D.), and 4 Hindú coins. So far as ascertainable, the coins of the find cover a period of nearly two centuries and a quarter. (From 1295 to 1518 A.D.) Regarding the items of the find, there is a curious resemblance between it and another from Kámrúp, a report on which is printed in the *Proceedings* of the Society, for April 1893.

The following is a detailed statement:-

- (A) Imperial Delhi issue :-
  - (1) 'ALÁU-D-DÍN MUḤAMHAD SHÁH—
    A coin, like Brit. Mus. Cat., No. 164, and
    Chron. No. 132, mint and date lost, cut
    by shroff-marks, indifferent

LII, p. 219, No. 12; date 874

lost, or nearly lost on all ...

(c) Six coins, like J. A. S. B., XLII, p. 275, No. 1 (Pl. IX, No. 7). The margin, which probably gave mint and date is 1

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128, Fathábád 89[9], Muhammadábád

(b) Two coins, very crude imitations

(c) One coin, almost illegible

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(D)	) Hindú Coins-	_

(a) Two coins of Mahárája Rúpa Náráyana; legend on obv. S'rí S'rí Mahárája Rúpa Náráyana Chandí Charana, 1667 ...

(b) Two coins, illegible ... 2 4

Grand Total ... 44

Dr. Hoernle read the following letter from Mr. E. A. Gait, C.S., forwarding eight coins—

"I have recently been trying to collect some coins of the Koch kings. The only two hitherto published (so far as I am aware) being those referred to by Blochmann (J. A. S. B., 1875, p. 306).

"Babu Madhab Chunder Bardaloi, E. A. C. at Barpeta, has just sent me eight coins which I enclose. Four of these are of the Koch dynasty and one of Jaintia.

"I have written asking him if the persons from whom he got them are willing to let me keep them, and if so, I shall be happy to give them to the Society. In any case, their examination will doubtless be of interest.

"In the course of next cold weather, I hope to add considerably to the number of coins now sent."

Dr. Hoernle said that of the coins forwarded by Mr. Gait, four were of Kuch Behar, one of Jayantipur, one of Assam, and two of Nepal. They were as follows:—

- 1. Kuch Behar; a large coin of Lakshmí Náráyana, dated 1069, like No. MCCIII, in Marsden's Numismata Orientalia.
- 2. Kuch Behar; a small coin of Narendra Náráyana (Nara Náráyana?), like No. 6, Plate XLV, in Vol. II of Prinsep's *Indian Antiquities*, and similar to No. MCCXVIII in Marsden.
- 3. and 4. Kuch Behar, two small coins, duplicates, of Bála Nárá-yana (?); see Journal As. Soc. Bengal, Vol. XLIV, p. 306.
- Jayantipur; a large coin of Purandara, dated 1630; like No. MCCXVI in Marsden.
- 6. An old Assamese octagonal coin, similar to No. MCCXXI in Marsden, with illegible inscriptions.
- 7. Nepal, a large coin of Bhúpatíndra Mala Deva, dated 819.
- 8. Nepal, a large coin of Jagajjaya Mala Deva, called Mahípatíndra, dated 868.

The President announced that the Council had elected Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle to officiate as Philological Secretary in the place of Mr. G. A. Grierson.

The Secretary read a letter, dated 7th July 1893, from Professor Dr. R. Semon, forwarding an invitation to subscribe for the erection of a marble bust of Professor Dr. Ernst Haeckel (a Centenary Member of the Society) in the Zoological Institute in Jena, on his sixtieth birthday. He stated that the Council were of opinion that the constitutions of the Society did not allow its funds to be used for such a purpose, but that he would be glad to forward any subscriptions from members in their private capacity.

The following papers were read :-

1. Blind Root-suckers of the Sunderbans,—By H. L. Heinig, Esq., Deputy Conservator of Forests.—Communicated by the Natural History Secretary.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part II.

2. On a new find of Ancient Nepalese Sanskrit Manuscripts,—By Pandit Hara Prasad Sástrí.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part I.

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FOR NOVEMBER, 1893.

The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was

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Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle, Vice-President, in the chair.

held on Wednesday, the 1st November, 1893, at 9 P.M.

The following Members were present:-

W. B. Colville, Esq., His Grace The Most Rev. Dr. Paul Goethals, C. L. Griesbach, Esq., T. H. Holland, Esq., The Rev. H. B. Hyde, Dr. W. King, C. Little, Esq., T. R. Munro, Esq., Dr. F. Noetling, The Rev. G. Sandberg, C. R. Wilson, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Eighty presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

THE SECRETARY reported that the following gentlemen had been elected Ordinary Members of the Society during the recess, in accordance with Rule 7.

Bábu Purmeshwar Narain Mahatha. Surgeon-Captain R. Anderson. G. P. Tate, Esq. Banawarilala Chowdhuri, Esq.

The following gentlemen, duly proposed and seconded at the Council Meeting, were ballotted for and elected Ordinary Members:—

Bábu Gyanendra Kumar Rai Chaudhuri,

B. Dé, Esq., C.S.

The following gentlemen have expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society:—

Colonel S. B. Miles. R. H. Macleod, Esq., C.S.

The Secretary reported the death of the following Member:—
Mahárájá Sir Harendra Kishore Singh, K.C.I.E.

The Chairman said that it might interest the members of the Asiatic Society to know that Mr. Stanley Lane-Poole had written last month to say that he was about to issue a book entitled "The Mohammadan Dynasties," covering about 400 pages, and costing about 10 shillings. The book would be published by Messrs. Constable & Co., Parliament Street, Westminster. It contained lists and genealogies of the Mohammadan Empire (including India), from the first Caliphs to the Khedives and Amirs of Afghánistán, together with historical introductions explaining their relative positions, &c., and geographical boundaries.

THE CHAIRMAN announced that the Council had elected Mr. C. Little to officiate as Treasurer in the place of Dr. W. King.

THE SECRETARY reported that Bábu Sambhu Nath Sukul had not paid his admission fee, and in accordance with Rule 9 of the Society's Bye-laws his election as a Member of the Society was cancelled.

On the motion of the Chairman, it was resolved by the meeting to purchase, at the cost of Rs. 200, three very old and important copperplate grants in the well-known Gupta characters, which had been dug out near Farídpur in Eastern Bengal. They will form a valuable addition to the Society's collection of copper-plates.

Dr. Hoernle exhibited two curious dies which he had received from Mr. Ibbetson, the Deputy Commissioner of Jullundur. They had been found in the house of a man of that district together with a large number of so-called "coins" made in a cheap white alloy. Dr. Hoernle explained that these objects were not coins, but might be medals, though the occasion or object for which they were made was not known at present. They appeared to belong to the same class as the so-called and well-known Ramtinkis. The latter were made of gold, and were medals struck for ceremonial purposes. Silver medals of this kind were never known to exist, till three years ago, when one was presented to the Society by Rájá Siva Prasád of Benares. That specimen looked like a cast taken from some gold original. Silver medals struck from dies first appeared two years ago, since when they have been brought

numerously on the market, and can be obtained at most of the large towns in North India. In the Calcutta bazar they can be got for about Re. 1-8 each. The specimens obtainable here, however, seem to be made of real silver (Rupee-silver). They are occasionally palmed off on inexperienced coin-collectors as "coins" at extravagant prices. There are several varieties of them current. Dr. Hoernle himself had met with four varieties in Calcutta. The dies sent from Jullundur showed a fifth variety; and probably new varieties or new combinations of old varieties, were constantly made, as the demand for them increased. The general type of these silver medals showed figures of Rám and Sítá with attendants on both sides, with a legend in a species of rude modern Nágarí round the margin. The four varieties, obtained in Calcutta were as follows: No. 1, obverse: Rám and Sítá, seated on a throne under an umbrella, legend Sítá Ráma five times repeated; reverse: Ráma and Hanumán standing face to face, legend Hanumán, six times repeated.

- No. 2. Obverse: Rám, Lakshman and Sítá, seated on a throne, and Hanumán standing before them, holding an umbrella over them; legend: Sítá Ráma five times repeated. Reverse: same as on No. 1.
- No. 3. Obverse: same as on No. 2. Reverse: Rám aud Lakshman standing in file, beside one another; legend Sítá Ráma (again) five times repeated.
- No. 4. Obverse: Horseman followed by a groom on foot, and a dog; legend: $R\acute{a}j\acute{a}$ [Vika]ramajit, three times repeated. Reverse: A man standing, feeding two peacocks out of a vessel, and a bull siting; legend: as on obverse.

The Jullundur medal shows on the obverse: Rám and Sítá seated on a throne; Hanumán standing in front in respectful attitude; Lakshman standing behind, holding umbrella over throne; legend: Sítá Ráma, three times repeated. Reverse: like reverse of No. 3, but legend: Ráma náma, four times repeated.

The following papers were read:-

1. On the relationship between Tibetan Orthography and the Original Pronunciation of the Language.—By The Rev. F. B. Shawe, Moravian Missionary in Ladak.

(Abstract.)

It is well-known that the orthography and the pronunciation of the Tibetan language are widely discrepant, so much so that it has been doubted whether "the Tibetans ever pronounced their words as they wrote them." The author produces facts and reasons to show that the

doubt is not well founded, but that, on the contrary, there is much probability that at the time the Tibetan alphabet was "invented," in the 7th century A.D., the actual pronunciation of the language corresponded to the orthography. The evidence for this is mainly summarised from Jæschke's Essays on the subject, supplemented by observations made by Mr. Shawe himself. The evidence from the literary language is summed up thus: "Whilst many identically pronounced words are spelled identically, many more are spelled in a more or less widely differing manner in accordance with the differing signification; and whilst certain rules of language cause a modification in pronouncing certain syllables, the identical rule prevents the modification from taking place in writing." But the most striking evidence is afforded by the dialects. In these, not unfrequently, consonants which are mute in the ordinary (literary) pronunciation are distinctly sounded. This practice is most marked in the most westerly provinces of Purig and Balti, that is, in those provinces which are most widely distant from the seat of Buddhistic and literary culture. Thus in Purig, people pronounce sgrom "a box," gri "a knife," etc., just as written and a, which in the ordinary Tibetan are pronounced dom, di. This practice can only be a survival of a former universal mode of pronunciation.

This paper will be published in Part I of the Journal.

2. The Koch Kings of Kamrup. By E. A. Gait, Esq., C.S. (Abstract.)

The author first enumerates the extant accounts of the Koch dynasty. The best of these is a Manuscript history in Sanskrit, called the Vamsávalí, or Purushanáma, and written about 1806 A.D., by a certain Súrya Hari Ganak. It is now in the possession of Rájá Lakshmí Naráyan Kuar, the leading representative of the Darrang branch of the Koch family. An abstract of it is given, supplemented by information derived from inscriptions and other sources. early history of Kámarúpa is, as usual, semi-mythical. The earliest kings are said to have been Mahirang Dánab, Ghatak Kirát, Narak Asur and Bhogadatta, and others of the latter's line. The 19th in it was Subáhu, who resigned in favour of his son Saparna, who was killed by his ministers. After this, three kings are mentioned, Jitári, Arimat, and Jongál Balahu. Four other kings are also mentioned as having reigned for 300 years at Lohityapur, viz., Mimang, Gajang, Sribang and Mrigang. The earliest authentic accounts commence with Hinen Tsiang who visited Kámarúpa about 640 A.D., at which time a Hindú

or Hinduised prince, Kumár Bháskara Varman, was on the throne. Later it appears that the country belonged to the dominions of the well-known Pála kings. Seventeen princes of this name are mentioned, but some of them may not have belonged to the Pála dynasty. Later on we come on more certain ground with the Khyen dynasty, the founder of which was Niladhvaj. He was succeeded by his son Chakradhaj and his grandson Nílambar. In the latter's reign, his capital Kamatapur was captured by Husain Sháh of Bengal, in 1498 A.D. Some other Muhammadan invasions, earlier as well as later, are here noticed. In the meantime the Koch chiefs were gradually rising to power. Their founder is one Haria Mandal, to whom a mythological Kashatriya origin is assigned. He had two sons, Sib Singh and Biswa Singh, who defeating all the Bhuiyas, built a magnificent city in Kuch Behar. In their days, Rangalugaih was the eastern boundary. Biswa Singh was succeeded by the two brothers, Malla Deo and Sukladhaj, who are known by the names of Nar Naráyan and Silarái. Nar Naráyan fought many successful wars, and it was he who greatly extended and consolidated the kingdom. He divided finally his kingdom in two parts. The portion west of the river Sankosh was given to Lakshmi, the son of Nar Naráyan, while the country to the east of that river, with the capital at Barnagar, was allotted to Raghu, the son of Silarái. The latter was succeeded by his son Parikhit, who quarrelled with Lakshmi and annexed his dominions. Lakshmi appealed to the Mogul emperor Jahángír, who sent a force to reinstate him. Parikhit was defeated and died soon afterwards in 1614 A.D. But a brother of his. Bali Naráyan, succeeded, for a time, in recovering his kingdom from the Muhammadans, with the help of the Ahom King, Svarga Naráyan. He reigned till 1637 A.D. So far the history of the Koch family is related in the Vamsávalí. The subsequent history may be found in Hunter's Statistical Account of Kuch Behar, supplemented by the statements on the Fathiyalı i Ibriyalı, published by Blochmann in the Journal of this Society for 1872.

This paper will be published in Part I of the Journal.

3. Origin of the Baluch.—By Colonel Möckler. Submitted through Colonel T. H. Haldich.

(Abstract.)

This paper is mainly concerned with the Rind, one of the tribes or clans inhabiting Balochistan. Their name signifies "a turbulent, reckless, daring man." They have never acknowledged the authority of any ruler in the country. They claim to be the true Balôch, and assert that

they originally came from "Alaf," which is supposed, by themselves and most other people, to be Haleb or Aleppo, in Syria. They say that they are Arabs of the tribe of Koreish, and were driven out from Alaf by Yezeed I, for assisting Husain, the martyr nephew of the Prophet Muhammad, in 61 Hijrah. The author shows, however, from some Arab authorities that the Balôch were established in Makrán more than a century before the commencement of the Muhammadan era, certainly so, if, as Firdúsí relates, Nowshírwán punished them in Makrán in 550 A. D.,—and still more certainly that they were located there within 22 years after its commencement,—and that therefore, if the Rinds left Aleppo in the time of Yezeed I, about 61 H., the Baloch were in Makrán before that date. But it is doubtful whether the Rinds ever came from Aleppo or that they are Baloch at all. It is much more probable that they are the descendants of a certain al Hárith al 'Aláfí, that is, of Hárith of the 'Aláfí tribe and of the Kahtanic stock of Arabs. He was the father of two men, who, according to Tabarí, in a blood-feud killed an officer who had been appointed by Al Hajjáj, the governor of Irak, to the charge of Makrán, in 65 H. They had come from 'Umán, and after the murder took possession of Makrán. Subsequently, about 86 H. they retired before a punitive force of Al Hajjáj into Sindh, where their name is conspicuous in the annals of the country for the next 200 years or so. This, and other facts, show that the Rinds really are of Arab descent, but that they did not come from Aleppo, but are descended from a man of the Aláfí tribe who came from 'Wmán; and that they are not of the Koreish, but the Kahtan stock. On account of their undoubted Arab descent, the Rinds are held in very high respect by the other clans of Balôchistan who, therefore, all claim to be related to them, through one Jalal Khan, an ancestor of the Rinds. Among the sons of this Jalál, Makrán is said to have been divided after the death of Al Hajjáj. With regard to the name Balôch, Col. Möckler suggests its identity with the Gedrosii of the Greeks. He says that the Baloch themselves explain their name by the phrase "Baloch Badroch" (or Badrôsh). Here bad means 'evil,' and rôch or rôsh means 'day.' In Pahlaví or Zend gad is synonymous with bad; therefore Badrôsh = gadrôsh or gadros, whence the Greek Gedrosii. By the interchange of the liquids r and l, badroch would become badloch, out of which the d must naturally drop, leaving the Baloch=the Gedrosii. Or, on the other hand, the proverbial expression Baloch-Badroch may have been current in the time of the Greeks in the form Baloch-Gadrosh, and the Greeks confused the epithet with the name. The latter would then be derived from Belus king of Babylon, a derivation which is adopted by Prof. Rawlinson.

This paper will be published in Part I of the Journal.

4. Note on the Official Reckoning of the reigns of the later Mogul Emperors, and on some of their Mint-towns.—By W. IRVINE, Esq., C.S., (retired).

(Abstract.)

The author begins by showing that all the information of European and Native Indian historians regarding the initial date of Aurangzib's reign is ultimately traceable to the 'Alamgirnámah of Muhammad Qázim. This writer states that in the time of the real enthronement of Aurangzib, with full ceremonials, on the 24th Ramazán 1069 (=15th June 1659), it was decided to antedate the commencement of his reign from the 1st of Ramazán 1068, when he made the first attempt to assume the imperial power. Mr. Irvine says that for chronological purposes it is best to accept the officially fixed date, though it may be a fictitious one. He then shows from certain coins in the British Museum which are dated 1118 Hijrah, and the 51st year regnal, that they only agree with the official reckoning; for Aurangzib, as generally admitted, died in 1118, after a reign of 50 years (lunar), 2 months and 27 days. Some further remarks, then, follow on the official initial date of the reigns of some of Aurangzib's successors. The author concludes with some notes on the identity of the mint-towns 'Alamgirpur, Mu'azzamábád, Nasratábád, Sháhábád Qanauj, and Zafarábád.

Dr. Hoernle remarked that he agreed with Mr. Irvine that the officially fixed date of Aurangzíb's reign must be accepted. He pointed out, however, that there were certain coins, dated in 1070 H. and the 1st year (aḥad) regnal, which did not accord with the official reckoning, and suggested a solution of the difficulty.

The paper, with Dr. Hoernle's note, will be published in Part I of the Journal.

- 5. On a Slab of Chinese Agglomerate Lava, bearing a Chinese inscription, discovered in St. John's Churchyard, Calcutta.—By T. H. Holland, Esq., A.R.C.S., F.G.S.
- 6. The Petrology of Job Charnock's Tombstone.—By T. H. HOLLAND, Esq., A.R.C.S., F.G.S.

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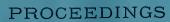
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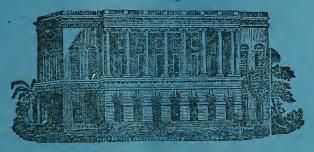
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The Monthly General Meeting of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was held on Wednesday, the 6th December, 1893, at 9 P.M.

THE HON'BLE SIR C. A. ELLIOTT, K.C.S.I.

President, in the Chair.

The following Members were present:

Dr. A. W. Alcock, T. D. Beighton, Esq., A. A. Casperez, Esq., Babu Gyanendra Kumar Rai Chaudhuri, Babu Sarat Chandra Das, B. Dé, Esq., G. A. Grierson, Esq., Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle, T. H. Holland, Esq., The Rev. H. B. Hyde, Dr. W. King, C. J. Lyall, Esq., C. Little, Esq., J. Mann, Esq., L. de Nicéville, Esq., S. E. Peal, Esq., A. Pedler, Esq., Pandit Hara Prasad Shastri, C. R. Wilson, Esq.

Visitors:—H. Chintamon, Esq., H. V. Elliott, Esq., J. A. Hauxwell, Esq.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed,

Forty-four Presentations were announced, details of which are given in the Library List appended.

The following gentleman has expressed a wish to withdraw from the Society.

J. W. Oliver, Esq.

The President announced that Mr. G. A. Grierson had returned from leave and had taken charge of the Philological Secretaryship from Dr. A. F. R. Hoernle.

The Philological Secretary exhibited a number of rubbings of inscriptions lately found by Captain Deane near Pesháwar. Some of them appear to be in a hitherto unidentified alphabet.

. The original stones have been sent by the finder to M. Senart for decipherment.

Mr. de Nice'ville exhibited a single male specimen of a very rare butterfly, Charaxes kadenii, Felder, captured in Sumatra. He received it from Hofrath Dr. L. Martin, of Deli, Sumatra, who possesses two other specimens caught also in the Battak Mountains, in the north-east of the island. It was described by Dr. Felder in the Wien. Ent. Monatsch. for 1861, from a specimen caught in Eastern Java by Dr. A. R. Wallace, and is roughly figured. A second and better woodcut of this unique example is given in Wallace's "Malay Archipelago," where he calls it the "Calliper Butterfly," from the peculiarity of the pair of tails present on each hindwing which converge at the tips, this being a feature unknown to a like extent in any other species in the genus.

The following papers were read:-

1. A translation of the Inscription on the Chinese Stone lately dug out of St. John's Churchyard.—By the Rev. H. B. Hyde, M.A.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part I.

2. The Philological Secretary read a paper by Mr. H. Beveridge, I. C. S. (Retd.), on The Site of Karna Suvarna.

The Chinese Pilgrim Hiuen Tsiang visited a town in Bengal which he calls Kie-lo-no-su-fa-la-na, that is, being transliterated, Karnasuvarna. The site has not hitherto been satisfactorily identified, and has been conjecturally located in Bírbhúm, in Singhbhúm, and quite recently by Dr. Waddell, in Burdwan. Mr. Beveridge's object is to prove that the place is probably identical with the town of Rángámátí in the Murshidábád district.

We have two accounts of Hiuen Tsiang's travels,—that given by the Pilgrim himself, and that given in his 'Life' by the Shaman Yen Tsung. After dealing with discrepancies between these two accounts, Mr. Beveridge comes to the conclusion that the latter, in this case, is the more trustworthy of the two, and that it naturally takes the Pilgrim's itinerary through Rángámátí.

The Pilgrim describes the kingdom of Karna-suvarna as having a circumference of about 900 miles and the capital as being about four miles round. The inhabitants were well off and had literary tastes, but they were a mixture of true believers (Buddhists), and heretics. By the side of the capital there was the monastery called Lo-to-wei-chi

(the name of which has been restored to Rakta-viți, (? Raktamrittiká) or Redlands, of which the word Rángámáțí is a literal translation. It is well known that Rángámáțí (which is situated on the Bhágírathí river about six miles above Berhampur), was once a great city. According to Lassen, it was formerly known as Karna-suvarna-gada, and is said to have been so called because Vibhíshana, the brother of Rávana, the demon king of Ceylon, visited the place on the occasion of the king's son's first meal of rice, and caused a shower of gold to fall on the land. Hinen Tsiang gives a curious legend regarding the introduction of Buddhism into the kingdom.

Shortly before Hiuen Tsiang's time, the king of Karna-suvarna was the well-known S'aśáńka, who was so strongly opposed to Buddhism that he cut down the sacred Bodhi tree at Bodh Gayá. He died about the year 613 A. D., after having been overcome by S'íláditya of Kannauj, in revenge for the murder of his brother and predecessor, Rájavardhana. This king favoured Buddhism, and it was during his reign that the pilgrim visited the locality.

Mr. Beveridge gives strong reasons for believing that this S'aśáńka was the same as S'aśádhara of Abú'l Fazl, who was the immediate successor of A'diśúra who brought Bráhmans from Kannauj to Bengal. This identification is most important, as it fixes A'diśúra as reigning in the early part of the 6th century A. D.

Finally there is a local tradition that Karna-suvarna was destroyed by an expedition from Ceylon, an event which Mr. Beveridge places as probably occurring about the 12th century A. D. It was the original home of the family of Rája Rádhá Kánta Deva, the author of the S'abda-kalpa-druma, whose ancestor S'rí-hari-deva possibly lived there before its destruction by the Singhalese invaders.

3. A Bijápur Inscription.—By Professor F. Kielhorn, C. I. E., Göttingen. Communicated by the Philological Secretary.

The paper will be published in the Journal, Part I.

4. Notes on early local silver coinages in Northern India and in the Konkan.—By W. Theobald, M. N. S. and R. A. S., London. Communicated by the Philological Secretary.

(Abstract.)

This paper is principally devoted to a minute description of eighteen silver coins which had been presented to the author by the late General Sir A. Cunningham. They formed part of the articles recovered from the wreck of the steamer in which the archæological treasures of the General had been lost beneath the waters of the Bay of Bengal. These

silver coins belong to a type of great antiquity and intermediate in character between the well-known "punch-marked" coins and those of a later date impressed by a single "die." They are square or polygonal or even rounded, and weigh on the average 26 grains. Some of them are quite blank on the reverse side, but mostly they are impressed with a varying number of symbols on both sides. The device on the obverse of eleven is made up of two principal symbols, and four or five smaller or accessory ones. Of the former, one is said to resemble a ninepin, placed horizontally. What this symbol is intended to represent, the author says he has not the faintest idea, but he suggests that it may represent a "dug-out" or fishing canoe. The other clearly represents some quadruped, which, to judge from its head and tail, the author thinks must be a horse. Here the author incidentally corrects an error in one of his previous papers regarding the so-called "Coins of Kuninda." The animal represented on these coins is neither a "deer" nor a "yak," but a "buffalo." Two square coins, with blank reverses, entirely differ in their symbols from the rest. They are principally marked by a very obscure object, which the author suggests may possibly be intended for "a human hand lightly grasping a human ear," as shown on a gem from Khorasan. The concluding portion of the paper refers to certain ancient coins from the Konkan, described by Sir Walter Elliot in the Numismata Orientalia, and corrects some errors in that description. The author shows that these coins bear no "punchmarks," but are struck from a die, the principal devise on which is the figure of a humped bull, surrounded by a number of minor symbols.

This paper will be published in Part I, of the Journal.

5. The Philological Secretary read a paper by Mr. W. Irvine, B. C. S. (Retd.), on an early translation into Hindústání of the Acts of the Apostles. The paper was as follows:—

Reading Mr. Grierson's interesting paper "On the early Study of Indian Vernaculars in Europe" (Journal, Vol. LXII, Part I, pp. 41-52), has called to mind a little book, which I bought from a second-hand bookseller about a year ago. As Mr. Grierson does not mention it, although it seems to fall within the scope of his paper, it may be of interest to give a short description of this work. It is in 12 mo., 6\frac{11}{16} inches \times 4 inches, pp. 192, bound in full calf, with gilt edges. On the back are the letters

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N. J.

and on the side are stamped the words

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C. R. ACADEMIAM LING: ORIENT: 1755.

On the inside of the guard and fly-leaves are various press marks in pencil: also, on the fly leaf at the end (as we should deem it), is written in ink, facing the vernacular title page,

Acta Apostolorum in linguam Indostanicam translata a Benj. Schulsio edidit D. Jo. Henr. Callenbergins.

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On the other side of the same leaf are the words, in pencil, Ling. indostanica, and on the inside of the guard, at the bottom, Novum Testamentum, 1758 (should be 1748?) Hindustanice. There is no imprint of any press, European or Native, and no title-page in any European language. As a substitute is a vernacular title-page in Persian character (printed from a wood block, I think), the letters of which are so twisted and distorted that it is difficult to decipher them. All that I can read for certain is Hakikat kú kítáb. As the pages are headed Hakikat, this must be the rendering of the word Acts. The book is in the Persian character and has been printed from type, somewhat similar in look to that still in use in Calcutta.

The language seems to be some form of dialect, possibly Dakhni. It is a very provincial jargon, as little like the Urdú of Dihlí or Lakhnaú as Chaucer thought "French of Stratford-atte-Bowe" was to that of Paris. It begins

Avval Fázil.

1. Tíá o fal I'shú'á ápí samjhe so kásídánkon rúkh kadís son farmáe so píchhe asmán po charkíe so din lak karnekonbhí ta'lím denekon bhí shurú' kíe so sabke úpar phailá mazkúr kiyá ná.

The end, verse 31 of chapter 28, reads as follows:-

31. Allahke malúkon záhar karko maná ná hoko sárí himat son bhí kháwand heso I'shú'á Mashí'áke láík heso mazkúrán ta'lím dete the.

5a. THE PHILOLOGICAL SECRETARY adds the following note:-

Schultz, the translator of the work mentioned by Mr. Irvine, has been already mentioned in my Essay above referred to. corresponded with Bayer on the subject of the Lantsha alphabet. In the year 1745, or four years before he published his translation of the Acts, he published the first grammar of the Hindústání language. In 1748 the Sprachmeister, which owes much to his assistance, was issued. He was a Madras Missionary, which fully accounts for the impure Hiudústání used by him. His work must, I think, rank as the earliest known translation of any portion of the Bible into an Indo-Aryan vernacular.

Callenberg's name occurs in LaCroze's Thesaurus Epistolicus. In the years 1724 and 1726 he was living at Halle, and corresponded with LaCroze, about Mongolian and the language of Greenland, of which a specimen is printed.* He was a friend of Gotthilf Franck, also of Halle, another learned man who interested himself in Oriental subjects and who obtained from the Danish Missionary Ziegenbalg, mentioned in my Essay,† a manuscript History and Genealogy of the Gods of India. I find this mentioned in a letter of LaCroze (to whom Franck had lent the MS.) to Bayer, written in the year 1717.‡ It would be interesting, to know if this is now in the Berlin Library.

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1889 May 1.	R.	Banerji, Hon. Dr. Gurudás, M. A., D. L., Judge, High Court. Calcutta.
1869 Dec. 1.	L.M.	Barker, R. A., M. D., Civil Surgeon. Serampore.
1877 Jan. 17.	N.R.	Barman, Kishor Kumár Rádhá Dev, Juvráj of Hill
		Tipperah. Tipperah.
1885 Nov. 4.	R.	Barman, Dámudar Dás. Calcutta.
1887 Aug. 3.	R.	Basu, Haricharan. Calcutta.
1864 Sept. 7.	R.	Beames, John, c. s. Calcutta.
1878 Sept. 25.	N.R.	Beighton, T. D., c. s., Judge. Dacca.
1876 Nov. 15.	N.R.	Beveridge, Henry, c. s. Berhampur.
1878 Oct. 4.	R. R.	Bhakta, Krishna Gopál. Calcutta.
1892 April 6.	N.R.	Bhattacharjee, Janaki Nath. Calcutta.
1879 Mar. 5. 1884 Jan. 2.	A.	Biddulph, Col. J., B. S. C. Gwalior.
		Bidie, Surgeon-General G., C. I. E., F. L. S., M. B. Europe.
1884 Feb. 6.	A.	Bigg-Wither, Major A. C., B. A., A. I. C. E. Europe.
1885 Mar. 4.	N.R.	Bilgrámi, Syud Ali, B. A., A. R. S. M., F. G. S. Hyderabad.
1857 Mar. 4.	L.M.	Blauford, H. F., A. R. S. M., F. R. S., F. G. S.
		Europe.
1859 Aug. 3.	L.M.	Blanford, W. T., A. R. S. M., F. R. S., F. G. S., F. R. G. S.,
		F. Z. S. Europe.
1885 Mar. 4.	R.	Bolton, C. W., c. s. Calcutta.
1890 July 2.	R.	Bonnerjee, Womes Chunder, Barrister, Middle Temple. Calcutta.
1880 Nov. 3.	N.R.	Bose, Pramatha Náth, B. Sc., F. G. S., Geological
2.0 01		Survey of India.
1890 Dec. 3.	N.R.	Bose, Rai Nali Naksha, Bahádur, Chairman, Burd-
7.050.77	37.73	wan Municipality. Burdwan.
1876 Nov. 15.	N.R.	Bowie, Colonel M. M., Commissioner, C. P. Nagpur.
1876 May 4.	N.R.	Bradshaw, Surgeon-Colonel A. F., Honorary Surgeon to the Viceroy, M. D., C. B. Simla.
1860 Mar. 7.	L.M.	Brandis, Sir Dietrich, K. C. I. E., PH. D., F. L. S.,
		F. R. S. Europe.
1891 Nov. 4.	N.R.	Brown, Dr. E. H. Cooch Behar.
1887 May 4.	R.	Burál, Nobinchánd, Solicitor. Calcutta.
1862 Feb. 5.	L.M	Bysack, Gaurdás. Calcutta.
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1879 April 2.	R.	Calcutta, The Rt. Rev. the Lord Bishop of. Calcutta.
1881 Feb. 2.	N.R.	Carter, Philip John, Deputy Conservator of Forests.
		Tharrawaddy.

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1890 June 4.	N.R.	Chakravartí, Man Mohan, M. A., B. L., Deputy Magistrate. Jajpur, Cuttack.
1889 April 3.	R.	Chunder, The Hon'ble Gonesh Chunder, Solicitor. Calcutta.
1881 Mar. 2.	N.R.	Channing, Francis Chorley, c. s. Amritsar.
1892 Dec. 7.	R.	Chatterjee, Sarat Chandra. Calcutta.
1892 Aug. 3.	N.R.	Chaube, Behary Lall. Bankipur.
1861 Mar. 1.	N.R.	Chaudhuri, Harachandra, Zemindar. Sherpur, Mymensingh.
1880 Nov. 3.	N.R.	Chaudhuri, Rái Khirod Chandra. Chupra.
1886 April 7.	N.R.	Chaudhuri, Rádháballabha. Sherpur, Mymensingh.
1885 Feb. 4.	N.R.	Chaudhuri, Rájá Suryakánta, Bahádur. Mymen- singh.
J890 Feb. 5.	A.	Chuckerbutty, A. Goodeve, B. C. S. Europe.
1889 Sept. 26.	N.R.	Chuckerbutty, Rájá Ramranjan, Bahádur. <i>Hitam-pur, Beerbhoom</i> .
1885 April 1.	A.	Clark, H. Martyn, M. B. Europe.
1877 Aug 30.	A.	Clarke, LieutCol. Henry Wilberforce, R. E.
201, 1148		Europe.
1880 Aug. 26.	F.M.	Clerk, Colonel Malcolm G. Europe.
1881 May 4.	N.R.	Cockburn, John, Asst. Sub-Deputy Opium Agent.
J		Lucknow.
1888 Nov. 1.	A.	Collett, Brigadier General Henry, c. B., F. L. s. Europe.
1889 Nov. 6.	R.	Colville, William Brown. Calcutta.
1886 Aug 26.	F.M.	Condenhove, Count H., Attaché Austro-Hungarian Ambassy. Tokio.
1890 Dec. 3.	N.R.	Connan, William, C. E., Public Works Department.
		Cuttack.
1874 Nov. 4.	F.M.	Constable, Archibald, M. I. C. E. Europe.
1884 Aug. 6.	R.	Cotes, Everard Charles, Indian Museum. Calcutta.
1876 Mar. 1.	R.	Crawfurd, James, B. A., C. S., Barrister-at-Law, Offg. District and Sessions Judge. Hughli.
1887 Aug. 25.	R.	Criper, William Risdon, F. C. S., F. I. C., A. R. S. M. Cossipore.
1877 June 6.	A.	Croft, The Hon. Sir A. W., K. C. I. E., M. A. Europe.
1874 Mar. 4.	R.	Crombie. Surgeon Major Alexander, M. D., Presi-
		dency General Hospital. Calcutta.
1888 Dec. 5.	N.R.	Crooke, William, B. A., C. S., Magistrate and Collector. Mirzapur.
1873 Aug. 6.	R.	Cunningham, Surgeon-Major David Douglas. Ho-
		norary Surgeon to the Viceroy. Calcutta.
1873 Dec. 3.	N.R.	Dames, Mansel Longworth, c. s., Asst. Commissioner. Dera Ghazi Khan.
1877 June 6.	N.R.	Darbhanga, Sir Luchmessur Sing, Bahádur,
		K. C. I. E., Mahárajá of. Darbhanga.
1892 Mar. 2.		Das, Gopal Ballabh, M. A. Pooree.
1865 June 7.	N.R.	Dás, Rájá Jaykrishna, Bahádur, c. s. 1. Moradabad.

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1879 April 7.	N.R.	Dás, Rám Saran, M. A., Scey., Oudh Commercial
zoro zipinir.	T.T.	Bank, Limited. Fyzabad, Oudh.
1885 May 6.	N.R.	Dé, Rájá Baikuntanáth, Bahádur. Balasore.
1862 May 7.	N.R.	Dhanapati Singh Dughar, Rai Bahádur. Azimganj.
1877 July 4.	R.	Diler Jang, Nawáb Syad Ashgar Ali, Khán Bahá-
torrouty 4.	10.	dur, C. S. I. Calcutta.
1890 July 2.	R.	Donaldson, P. Calcutta.
1886 June 2.	R.	Doyle, Patrick, c. E., F. G. S., M. R. I. A., F. R. S. E.,
1000 bulle 2.	10.	Calcutta.
1887 Nov. 2.	A.	Driver, Walter Henry Parker. Europe.
1892 Nov. 2.	R.	Drury, Dr. F. G. Calcutta.
1889 Jan. 2.	N.R.	Dudgeon, Gerald Cecil, Lebong Tea Company. Dar-
1005 Jan. 2.	11.10.	jeeling.
1879 Feb. 5.	N.R.	Duthie, J. F., Director, Government Botanical
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1892 Jan. 6.	N.R.	Dutt, Gerindranath. Hatwa.
1877 Aug. 30.	N.R.	Dutt, Kedarnáth, Depy. Collector. Pooree.
1892 Nov. 2.	R.	Dutt, Narsingh. Howrah.
1890 Sept. 25.	R.	Dutt, Romesh Chunder, B. C. S., Barrister-at-Law,
1000 Sept. 20.	10.	Middle Temple. Calcutta.
		Middle Temple. Oalland.
1870 Mar. 9.	L.M.	Edinburgh, H. R. H. The Duke of. Europe.
1871 Dec. 2.	N.R.	Eliot, J., M. A., Meteorological Reporter to the Govt.
10,1 Dec. 2.	14.10.	of India. Simla.
1892 May 4.	R.	Elliott, Hon'ble Sir C. A., K. C. S. I., C. I. E., Lieut.
1002 May 1.	10.	Governor of Bengal. Calcutta.
1886 Jan. 6.	R.	Elson, Samuel R., Bengal Pilot Service. Calcutta.
1891 Nov. 4.	N.R.	Ernest, Diego. Delhi.
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1879 July 2.	Α.	Finucane, M., c. s., Europe.
1869 Sept. 1.	A.	Fisher, John Hadden, c. s. Europe.
1886 April 7.	N.R.	Fleet, John Faithfull, C. I. E., C. S. Bijapur, Bombay.
1892 May 4.	R.	Forrest, G. W., B. A., Assistant Secretary to the
reez may r.	100	Government of India, Home Department. Calcutta.
1876 July 5.	N.R.	Foulkes, The Rev. Thos., F. L. S., M. R. A. S., F. R. G. S.
		Salem, Madras Presidency.
1880 April 7.	N.R.	Gajapati, Ananda Rám, K. C. I. E, Rája of Viziana-
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1873 Dec. 3.	N.R.	Gamble, J. S., M. A., Conservator of Forests. Dehra
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1859 Aug. 3.	LM.	Gastrell, General James Eardley. Europe.
1867 Dec. 4.	A.	Gay, E., M. A., F. R. A. S. Europe.
1889 Jan. 2.	R.	Ghose, Jogendrachandra, M. A., B. L. Calcutta.
1883 Aug. 30.	R.	Ghose, Manmohan. Calcutta.
1889 Mar. 6.	R.	Ghosha, Bhupendra Sri. Calcutta.
1869 Feb. 3.	R.	Ghosha, Pratápchandra, B. A. Calcutta.
1884 Dec. 3.	N.R.	Giles, George M. J., M. B., F. R. C. S., Civil Medical
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1886 Sept. 30.	N.R.	Gimlette, Surgeon George Hart Desmond, Bengal
1000 ception.		Medical Service, M. D., M. CH., M. R. C. S., L. S. A.,
		Sutna, E. I. R.
1861 Feb. 5.	N.S.	Goodwin-Austen, LieutColonel H. H., F. R. S., F. Z. S.,
1001 160. 0.	11.5.	F. R. G. S. Europe.
1900 Anm 6	R	Goethals, The Most Rev. Dr. Paul, s. J., Arch-
1890 Aug. 6.	10	bishop of Calcutta.
1000 May 9	R.	Golám Sarwar, Maulaví. Calcutta.
1882 May 3.		
1881 Mar. 2.	R. N.R.	Gosáin, Hem Chunder. Calcutta.
1892 Nov. 2.		Greeven, R., c. s. Mussoorie.
1876 Nov. 15.	R. N.R.	Grierson, George Abraham, c. s. Howrah.
1885 Dec. 2.	IN.D.	Griesbach, C. L., c. I. E., F. G. S., Deputy Superin-
1000 T1 4	D	tendent, Geological Survey of India.
1888 July 4.	R.	Gupta, Rajanikánta. Calcutta.
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1892 Jan. 6.	N.R.	Haig, Lieutenant Wolseley. Akola.
1892 May 4.	N.R.	Haldich, Colonel T. H., R. E. Simla.
1883 Jan. 3.	N.R.	Harding, Francis Henry, B. A., C. s. Mymensingh.
1892 May 4.	N.R.	Harrison, Lieutenant W. A., R. E. Darjeeling.
1890 June 4.	\mathbb{R} .	Heilgers, Robert Philip, Consul for H. I. M. the
		Emperor of Austria and Hungary, Knight of the
		Imperial Order of the Iron Crown, Commandeur
	ĺ	Ordre Impériale de Medjidié, F. R. G. S., F. R. S. S.
TORY BE	AT D	Calcutta.
1875 Mar. 3.	N.K.	Hendley, Surgeon Major Thomas Holbein, C. I. E.
1000 4 310	-	Jaipur.
1890 April 2.	R.	Hickson, F. G. Calcutta.
1892 Aug. 3.	R.	Hill, Samuel Charles. Chinsurah.
1872 Dec. 5.	R.	Hoernle, A. F. R., PH. D., Principal of the Cal-
7050 35 0		cutta Madrasa.
1878 Mar. 6.	A.	Hoey, W., c. s. Europe.
1886 June 2.	R.	Hogg, Alexander. Calcutta.
1891 July 1.	R.	Holland, Thomas H. Calcutta.
1884 Mar. 5.	N.R.	Hooper, John, c. s., Secretary, Board of Revenue.
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1873 Jan. 2.	L.M.	Houstonn, G. L., F. G. s. Europe.
1863 Jan. 15.	N.R.	Howell, Mortimer Sloper, C. s., C. I. E. Shahjahanpur.
1878 Sept. 25.	A.	Hughes, G., c. s., Deputy Commissioner. Europe.
1867 Aug. 7.	N.R.	Hughes, T. W. H., A. R. S. M., F. G. S., Superinten-
3004.35		dent, Geological Survey of India.
1884 May. 2.	N.R.	Hussein, Syud, B. A., Secy. to Nizam of Hyderabad's
1000 T		Council. Hyderabad.
1890 Dec. 3.	R.	Hyde, Rev. Henry Barry, M. A., Bengal Ecclesiastical
		Establishment. Calcutta.
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1866 Mar. 7.	F.M.	Irvine, William, c. s. Europe.
1884 May 2.	N.R.	Iskauder Ali Mirza, Prince. Murshedabad.
1880 Dec. 1.	A.	Jackson, William Grierson, c. s. Europe.

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1869 Aug. 4.	R.	Jahán Qadr Muhammad Wáhid Alí, Bahádur, Prince.
2000 1146. 1.	100	Garden Reach. Calcutta.
1879 Mar. 5.	R.	Jarrett, LtCol. H. S., B. S. C., Secy. to the Board
		of Examiners. Calcutta.
1881 Feb. 2.	N.R.	Jenkins, Major Thomas Morris, M. S. C. Deputy
		Commissioner. Tavoy.
1889 Mar. 6.	R.	Jobbins, William Henry, Principal, Government
-0-0	27.72	School of Art. Calcutta.
1873 Dec. 3.	N.R.	Johore, H. H. the Mahárájá of, K. C. S. I. New
		Johore, Singapore.
1882 Mar. 1.	N.R.	Kennedy, Pringle, M. A. Mozufferpur.
1874 Dec. 2.	N.R.	Khudá Baksh, Khán Bahádur, Maulaví. Bankipur.
1884 Nov. 5.	N.R.	Kitts, Eustace John, c. s. Moradabad.
1867 Dec. 4.	R.	King, Brigade Surgeon G., c. I. E., M. B., F. L. S.,
2007 2007 27		Supdt., Royal Botanic Garden. Sibpur.
1881 Mar. 2.	N.R.	King, Lucas White, B. A., LL. B., C. S., Deputy Com-
		missioner. Dehra Ismail Khan.
1862 Jan. 15.	R.	King, W., B. A., D. S. C., Director, Geological Survey
		of India. Calcutta.
1891 Feb. 4.	N.R.	Kupper, Hon. Lala Bunbehari. Burdwan.
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1890 April 2.	A.	Lake Philip, B. A., (Cantab.), Geological Survey of India. Europe.
1889 July 3.	N.R.	Lal, Pandit Brij Bukhan. Public Works Depart-
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1887 May 4.	L.M.	Lanman, Charles R., Corresponding Secretary of
v		the American Oriental Society, Professor of San-
	. 1	skrit in Harvard College. Cambridge, Mass. U.
		S. America.
1891 June 3.	N.R.	Lathom-Browne, Rev. D. G., Chaplain. Shewboe.
1877 Sep. 27.	N.R.	La Touche, James John Digges, B. A., C. S.,
1000 Man 6	N.R.	Allahabad.
1889 Mar. 6.	11.10.	La Touche, Thomas Henry Digges, M. A. Deputy Superintendent, Geological Survey of India.
1889 Nov. 6.	R.	Lee, W. A. Calcutta.
1881 Mar. 2.	N.R.	Lee, J. Bridges, M. A., F. G. S., F. C. S., F. Z. S.,
		Barrister-at-Law. Lahore.
1880 July 7.	A.	Lewis, Rev. Arthur, B. A. Europe.
1889 Feb. 6.	R.	Little, C., M. A., Bengal Education Dept. Calcutta.
1892 Nov. 2.	R.	Lovelock, A. S. Calcutta.
1886 Sep. 30.	A.	Luson, Hewling, c. s., Europe.
1869 July 7.	R.	Lyall, Charles James, B. A., c. s., Secretary, Govern-
1000 37	D	ment of India, Home Department. Calcutta.
1892 Nov. 2.	R.	Lyell, George. Calcutta.
1870 April 7.	LM.	Lyman, B. Smith. Philadelphia, Pa., U. S. America.
1884 Dec. 3.	N.R.	McCabe, R. B., c. s., Deputy Commissioner. Tezpur,
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1868 Dec. 2.	A.	Macauliffe, Michael, B. A., C. S. Europe.
1848 April 5.	L.M.	Maclagan, General Robert, R. E., LL. D., F. R. S. E.,
		F. R. G. S. Europe.
1873 Dec. 3.	A.	MacLeod, Brigade Surgeon Kenneth, M. D. Cal-
	į	cutta.
1880 May 5.	N.R.	MacLeod, Roderick Henry, c. s. Benares.
1891 Feb. 4.	N.R.	Macpherson, Duncan J., c. s. Gya.
1881 July 6.	R.	Mahomed Firukh Sháh, Prince. Calcutta.
1886 Jan. 6.	N.R.	Mahomed Latif Khán, Sayyid, Khán Bahádur.
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1882 Aug. 2.	R.	Mahomed Yusoof, Hon. Manlaví. Calcutta.
1888 July 4.	N.R.	Mahomed Zainool Abideen Khán Bahádur Feroze
		Jung, Nawab Syud (Nizamut Family). Murshed-
		abad.
1867 April 3.	R.	Mainwaring, Lieutenant-General George Byres, s. c.
		· Serampur.
1889 Jan. 2.	R.	Maliáh, Kumár Rameswár. Howrah.
1891 Nov. 4.	R.	Mallik, H. C. Calcutta.
1869 Sept. 1.	R.	Mallik, Yadulál. Calcutta.
1889 Mar. 6.	R.	Mann, John, M. A. Europe.
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1892 April 6.	N.R.	Maynard, Surgeon Captain F. P. Burdwan.
1886 Aug. 26.	N.R.	Meade, Capt. Malcolm John, s. c., Political Agent.
300035		Bhopawar.
1886 Mar. 3.	L.M.	Mehtá, Rustomjee Dhunjeebhoy. Calcutta.
1884 Nov. 5.	N.R.	Middlemiss, C. S., A. B., Assistant Superintendent,
		Geological Survey of India.
1871 Sept. 6.	A.	Miles, Colonel S. B., Bo. S. C. Europe.
1884 Sept. 3.	R.	Miles, William Harry. Calcutta.
1870 July 6.	R.	Miller, A. B., B.A., Barrister-at-Law, Official Trustee.
		Calcutta.
1874 May 6.	N.R.	Minchin, F. J. V. Aska, Ganjam.
1890 Dec. 3.	N.R.	Mitra, Varana Charana. Joint Magistrate. Pooree.
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1876 Dec. 6.		Mockler, Col. E., Political Agent. Muscat.
1886 May 5.	A.	Molesworth, Capt. E. H., Commandant, Police Levy.
1001 35		Europe.
1881 May 4.	A.	Molloy, LieutCol. Edward, 5th Goorkhas. Europe.
1864 Nov. 2.	N.R.	Muir, J. W., M. A., C. S. Manipuri.
1879 May 7.	R.	Mukerjea, Bhudeva, c. i. E. Chinsurah.
1892 Mar. 2.	R.	Mukerjea, Nrisinha Chundra. Calcutta.
1892 Dec. 7.	R.	Mukherjea, Panchanan. Calcutta.
1867 Mar. 6.	R.	Mukerjea, Rájá, The Hon. Pearimohan, c. s. 1., M. A.
		Uttarpara.
1885 July 1.	R.	Mukerjea, Nilmani, Professor, Sanskrit College.
1.		Calcutta.
1890 July 2.	R.	Mukharji, T. N. Calcutta.
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1886 May 5.	10.	Mukhopádhyáya, Asutosh, M. A., F. R. A. S., F. R. S. E.
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1887 May 4.	R.	Munro, Thomas R., Port Commissioners Depart-
	1	ment. Calcutta.

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1885 June 3.	N.R.	Naemwoollah, Maulaví, Depy. Magte. Moradabad.
1887 June 1.	N.R.	Narain, Ráo Govind Ráo. Allahabad.
1876 May 4.	R.	Nash, A. M., M. A., Inspector of European Schools,
1070 May 4.	10.	Bengal. Calcutta.
1881 Nov. 2.	R.	Nicéville, I. de., f. E. s. Calcutta.
1889 Aug. 29.	L.M.	Nimmo, John Duncan. Calcutta.
1887 April 6.	N.R.	Noetling, Fritz, Ph. D. Palæontologist to the Geo-
1007 April 0.	11.20.	logical Survey of India.
1892 Nov. 2.	N.R.	Norvill, Dr. Frederic H. Dibrugarh.
1885 Feb. 4.	R.	Nyáyaratna, Pandit Mahámahopádhyáya Mahesa-
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1879 Aug. 28.	F.M.	Oldham, Brigade-Surgeon C. F., F. R. G. s.
0		Europe.
1883 Dec. 1.	N.R.	Oldham, R. D., A. R. S. M., F. G. S., Deputy Super-
		intendent, Geological Survey of India.
1883 Aug. 30.	F.M.	Oliver, Edw. Emmerson, M. I. C. E. Europe.
1885 Feb. 4.	N.R.	Oliver, James William, Forest Dept. Burmah.
1887 July 6.	R.	Oung, Moung Hla, Financial Department, Govern-
		ment of India. Calcutta.
1880 Aug. 4.	L.M.	Pandia, Pandit Mohanláll Vishnuláll, F. T. s., Prime
		Minister, Partabgarh State in Rajputna via
		Mandsaur.
1888 Feb. 1.	L.M.	Pandit, Hon. Ajodhianath. Allahabad.
1880 Jan. 7.	A.	Pargiter, Frederick E., B. A., C. s. Europe.
1862 May 7.	L.M.	Partridge, Surgeon-Major Samuel Bowen, M. D.,
1871 Dec. 6.	N.R.	Europe. Peal, S. E. Sibsagar, Assam.
1873 Aug. 6.	R.	Pedler, Alexander, F. R. s, Professor of Chemistry,
1010 Aug. 0.	I.U.	Presidency College. Calcutta.
1888 June 6.	L.M.	Pennell, Aubray Percival, B. A., C. S. Rangoon.
1865 Sept. 6.	N.R.	Peppé, T. F., Tiril Tea Estate. Ranchi, Lohardugga.
1881 Aug. 25.	R.	Percival, Hugh Melvile, M. A., Professor, Presi-
10011148.100		dency College. Calcutta.
1877 Aug. 1.	N.R.	Peters, Surgeon Major C. T., M. B. Bijapur, Bom-
0,		bay.
1389 Nov. 6.	N.R.	Phillott, Capt. D. C., Adjutant 3rd Panjab Cavalry.
		Dera Ismail Khan.
1892 Aug. 3.	R.	Pramanick, Asutosh. Calcutta.
1889 Mar. 6.	R.	Prain, David, M. A., M. B., L. R. C. S., I. R. S. E., I. L. S.,
		Royal Botanic Garden. Sibpur.
1889 Mar. 6.	N.R.	Prasad, Hanuman, Raes and Zemindar. Chunar.
1889 Nov. 6.	N.R.	Prasada, Pandit Jwála, M. A., Assistant Commis-
		sioner. Rai Bareli.
1881 Feb. 2.	A.	Prideaux, Colonel William Francis, B. S. C. Europe.
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1880 April 7.	N.R.	Rai, Bipina Chandra, B. L. Rannaghat, Nuddea.

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1887 May 4.	R.	Ráy Prasannakumár, D. Sc., (Lond. and Edin.) Professor, Presidency College. Calcutta.
1889 June 5.	R.	Raye, Brigade Surgeon Daniel O'Connell, M. D. Calcutta.
1884 Mar. 5.	R.	Risley, The Hon. H. H., B. A., C. S., C. I. E. Secretary to the Government of Bengal. Calcutta.
1860 Jan. 3.	N.R.	Rivett-Carnac, John Henry, C. I. E., F. S. A., C. S., Opium Agent. Ghazipur.
1889 June 5.	R.	Rowe, F. J., M. A., Bengal Education Department. Calcutta.
1888 June 6.	R.	Roy, Kumár Denendro Nárayán. Calcutta.
1890 Mar. 5.	N.R.	Roy, Mahárájá Girjanath. Dinagepore.
1888 June 6.	R.	Roy, Peary Mohun. Calcutta.
1888 Sep. 27.	N.R.	Roy, Upendra Chándra, Zemindar. Narail, Jessore.
1885 Mar. 4.	R.	Rustomjee, H. M. Calcutta.
1889 June 5.	N.R.	Sadler, Major J. Hayes, B. S. C. Jahalrapatan, Rajputna.
1887 June 1.	N.R.	Sandberg, Rev. Graham, B. A., Barrister-at-Law, Inner Temple. Chaplain. Calcutta.
1867 April 3.	R.	Sarkár, Dr. Mahendralál, C. I. E. Calcutta.
1885 Mar. 4.	R.	Sarvádlikári, Rájkumár, Rai Bahádur. Calcutta.
1885 Feb. 4.	R.	Sástri, Pandit Haraprasád, M. A. Calcutta.
1888 Feb. 1.	A.	Sclater, William Lutley., M. A. Europe.
1884 April 2.	N.R.	Scotland, John Parry, c. E., Ex. Engineer. Midna-
		pur.
1874 July 1.	R.	Scully, Dr. John. Calcutta.
1888 Sept. 27.	R.	Sen-Ğupta, Kali Prasanna. Calcutta.
1886 Mar. 3.	N.R.	Sen, Hirálal, Excise Department. Dinagepore.
1885 April 1.	N.R.	Sen, Yadunáth. Balia via Cuttack.
1885 April 1.	R.	Sen, Narendranáth. Calcutta.
1879 Jan. 8.	N.R.	Sewell, R., M. C. s. Bellary.
1888 April 4.	N.R.	Shástri, Haridas Bhattáchárya, Sankhya Shastri
		M. A. Director of Public Instruction, Jeypur State. Jeypur.
1892 Dec. 7.	N.R.	Shawe, F. B. Leh Ladak.
1891 June 3.	N.R.	Shillingford, F. A. Purneah.
1882 May 3.	N.R.	Shymaladás, Mahámahopadhyáya Kaviráj, Private Secy. to H. H. the Mahárájá of Udaipur. <i>Udaipur</i>
1878 April 3.	R.	Simson, A. Calcutta.
1887 April 6.	Α.	Simpson, Dr. W. J., Health Officer to the Calcutta Municipal Corporation. Europe.
1889 Nov. 6.	N.R.	Simpson, Edmund James, L. R. C. P. E., F. L. P. S G., L. M. G. E., Civil Surgeon. Rai Bareli.
1884 Sept. 3.	R.	Singh, Kumár Indrachandra, of Paikparah. Calcutta.
1882 June 7.	N.R.	Singh, Mahárájá Sir Harendra Kishore, K. C. I. E. Bettiah.

Date of Election.	1	
1878 Oct. 4.	N.R.	Singh, Rájá Lachman. Agra.
1892 Mar. 2.	LM	Singh, Hon'ble Raja Oodaypratab. Binga.
1892 Aug. 3.	N.R.	Singh, H. H. the Maharaja Pratap Narain. Ajodhya,
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1882 Aug. 2.	N.R.	
1880 June 2.	N.R.	Singh, Thákur Garuradhawaya Prasád, Rájá of
		Beswan, Beswan Fort. Aligarh.
1889 Aug. 29.	N.R.	Singh, H. H. Prabhunarain, Bahádur, Mahárájá of
· ·		Benares.
1889 Nov. 6.	N.R.	Singh, Hon. Rájá Rameshwara, Bahádur. Dar-
	_	bhanga.
1859 Aug. 3.	R.	Siñha, Baláichánd. Calcutta.
1872 Aug. 5.	N.R.	Skrefsrud, Rev. L. O., Indian Home Mission to the
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1891 Dec. 2.	F.M.	Smith, A. Mervyn., c. E, F. S. A. Europe.
1885 Nov. 4. 1874 June 3.	A. F.M.	Smith, N. F. F. Europe. Smith, Vincent Arthur, c. s. Europe.
1890 April .2	A.	Solf, Dr. W. H., German Consulate General. Eu-
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1891 Nov. 4.	N.R.	Stein, Dr. M. A. Lahore.
1872 July 3.	Α.	Stephen, Carr., B. L. Europe.
1884 Mar. 5.	A.	Swinhoe, LieutCol. C., B. S. C. Europe.
1864 Aug. 11.	R.	Swinhoe, W., Attorney-at-Law. Calcutta.
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1868 June 3.	R.	Tagore, The Hon. Mahárájá Sir Jotendra Mohun,
7004 0	_	Bahádur, K. C. S I. Calcutta.
1865 Sept. 6.	R.	Tawney, C. H., C. I. E., M. A. Calcutta.
1884 May 5.	N.R.	Taylor, W. C., Settlement Officer. Khurda.
1878 June 5. 1875 June 2.	N.R. N.R.	Temple, Capt. R. C., s. c. Rangoon.
10/0 June 2.	N.R.	Thibaut, Dr. G., Professor, Muir Central College. Allahabad.
1886 Aug. 4.	R.	Thomas, Robert Edmond Skyring. Calcutta.
1892 Jan. 6.	N.R.	Thompson, H. N. Mouywa.
1847 June 2.	L.M.	Thuillier, Major-Genl. Sir Henry Edward Landor,
		R. A., C. S. I., F. R. S. Europe.
1889 Mar. 6.	R.	Thuillier, Colonel. H. R., R. E., Surveyor General
		of India. Calcutta.
1891 Nov. 4.	R.	Thurston, Edgar. Calcutta.
1871 April 5.	F.M.	Trefftz, Oscar. Europe.
1861 June 5.	L.M.	Tremlett, James Dyer, M. A., C. S. Europe.
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1890 Feb. 5.	N.R.	Venis, Arthur, M. A., Former Boden Sanskrit
		scholar, Oxford., Principal, Sanskrit College, Benares., Professor, Queen's College. Benares.
1885 May 6.	R.	Verdeau, Ivan. Calcutta.
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1886 Sep. 30.	N.R.	Waddell, Laurence Austine, M. B., Superintendent
		of Vaccination. Darjeeling.

Date of Election.		
1889 Nov. 6.	R.	Walsh, Dr. J. H. Tull, Indian Medical Service.
1865 May 3.	R.	Waterhouse, Col. James, B. S. C., Assistant Surveyor General, Survey of India. Calcutta.
1887 Oct. 6.	F.M.	Watson, Lieut. Edward Yerbury. Europe.
1874 July 1.	A.	Watt, Dr. George, c. I. E. Europe.
1892 Aug. 3.	R.	Whitehead, The Rev. Henry, Calcutta.
1891 May 6.	R.	Wilson, Charles Robert, M. A., Bengal Education
J	ĺ	Service. Calcutta.
1892 Jan. 6.	A.	Woodburn, J., c. s. Europe.
1870 Jan. 5.	R.	Wood-Mason, James, Superintendent, Indian Mu-
		seum. Calcutta.
1873 Aug. 6.	N.R.	Woodthorpe, Col. Robert Gossett, C. B., R. E., De-
	j	puty Quarter-Master-General. Simla.

SPECIAL HONORARY CENTENARY MEMBERS.

Date of Election.	
1884 Jan. 15.	Dr. Ernst Haeckel, Professor in the University of Jena.
1884 Jan. 15.	Charles Meldrum, Esq., M. A., F. R. S. Mauritius. A. H. Sayce, Esq., Professor of Comp. Philology. Oxford.
1884 Jan. 15.	A. H. Sayce, Esq., Professor of Comp. Philology. Oxford.
1884 Jan. 15.	M. Emile Senart, Member of the Institute of France.
	Paris.
1884 Jan. 15.	Sir Monier Monier-Williams, Knt. K. C. I. E., M. A.,
	Sir Monier Monier-Williams, Knt. K. C. I. E., M. A., D. C. E., LL. D., Boden Prof. of Sanskrit. Oxford.

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1848 Feb. 2.	Sir J. D. Hooker, K. C. S. I., C. B., M. D., D. C. L., F. R. S., F. G. S. Kew.
1853 April 6.	
1858 July 6.	B. H. Hodgson, Esq. Europe.
1860 Mar. 7.	
1860 Nov. 7.	Dr. Aloys Sprenger. Heidelberg.
1860 Nov. 7.	Dr. Albrecht Weber. Berlin.
1868 Feb. 5.	Major-General Sir A. Cunningham, R. E., K. C. I. E., C. S. I., Europe.
1872 June 5.	Prof. T. H. Huxley, LL. D., PH. D., F. R. S., F. G. S., F. Z. S.,
	F. L. S. London.
1875 Nov. 3.	Dr. O. Böhtlingk. Leipzig.
1875 Nov. 3.	Prof. J. O. Westwood. ** Oxford.
1876 April 5.	Dr. Warner Siemens. Berlin.
1879 June 4.	Prof. E. B. Cowell, D. C. L. Cambridge.
1879 June 4.	Dr. A. Günther, v. P. R. S. London.
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1879 June 4.	Prof. H. Milne-Edwards. Paris.
1879 June 4.	Prof. P. Regnaud. Lyons.
1879 June 4.	
1881 Dec. 7.	Professor Hermann L. F. Helmholtz. Berlin.
1881 Dec. 7.	Dr. Rudolph v. Roth. Tübingen.
1881 Dec. 7.	Sir William Thompson, Knt., LL. D., F. R. S., F. R. S. E., Glasgow.
1883 Feb. 7.	W. T. Blanford, A. R. S. M., Esq., F. R. S., F. G. S., F. R. G. S.,
1883 Feb. 7.	F. Z. S. London.
	Dorsetshire.
1883 Feb. 7.	Prof. William Dwight Whitney. Newhaven, Connecticut, U. S. A.

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Date of Election.	
1844 Oct 2	Macgowan, Dr. J. Europe.
	Krämer, A. von. Alexandria.
	Porter, Rev. J. Belfast.
	Gösche, Dr. R. Berlin.
1862 Mar. 3.	Murray, A. London.
1866 May 7.	Schlagintweit, Prof. E. von. Berlin.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS.

1874 April I.	Lafont, Rev. Fr. E., s. J., c. I. E. Calcutta.
1875 Dec. 1.	Bate, Rev. J. D. Allahabad.
	Maulaví Abdul Hai, Madrassah. Calcutta.
I882 June 7.	Giles, Herbert. Europe.
1883 Feb. 7.	Rodgers, C. J. Amritsar.
1884 Aug. 6.	Moore, F., f. R. S., f L. S. London.
1885 Dec. 2.	Führer, Dr. A. Lucknow.
	Dás, Saratchandra., c. 1. E. Calcutta.
1892 April 6.	Samasrami, Satyavrata. Calcutta.
	Brühl, P. J. Seebpur.

LIST OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN ABSENT FROM INDIA THREE YEARS AND UPWARDS.*

* Rule 40.—After the lapse of 3 years from the date of a member leaving India, if no intimation of his wishes shall in the interval have been received by the Society, his name shall be removed from the List of Members.

The following members will be removed from the next member list of the Society under the operation of the above Rule:

The Rev. Arthur Lewis, B. A. Lieut.-Col. Edward Molloy. Lieut.-Col. C. Swinhoe.

LOSS OF MEMBERS DURING 1892.

BY RETIREMENT.

Major C. T. Bingham, B. s. c. Dr. Aghore Chunder Chatterjee.
Moulvie Delawar Hosaen Ahmad.
The Rev. Walter Hamilton.
A. M. Markham, Esq., c. s.
Deputy Surgeon General J. G. Pilcher.
H. W. Reynolds, Esq., c. s.
Babu Kirán Chandra Roy.
Kumar Sarat Chandra Singh.
The Hon A. Wilson.

BY DEATH.

Ordinary Members.

Asutosh Gupta, Esq., c. s. A. V. Nursing Row, Esq., f. R. A. s. Pandit Pranuath Sarasvati, M. A., B. L.

Corresponding Member.

The Rev. H. Baker.

BY REMOVAL.

Under Rule 40.

Lieutenant R. R. Sturt, B. S. C. The Rev. C. Swynnerton.

ABSTRACT STATEMENT

OF

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

OF THE

ASIATIC SOCIETY OF PENGAL

FOR

THE YEAR 1892.

Asiatic Society

			Dr.							
		То	ESTABLISH	IENT.						
Salaries				Rs.	3,017	1	3			
Commission	• • •		***	***	395		7			
Pension	•••	•••	•••	•••	28	0	0			
					3,440	11	10			
		То	CONTINGEN	CIES.						
Stationery		•••	• • •		73	3	6			
Lighting			• • •		41	8	0			
Taxes	• • •		•••	•••	819	0	0			
Postage			***	***	453		8			
Freight		***	•••	•••	5	0	0			
Meeting		***	•••	***	82	8	0			
Building (Petty 1	repairs)	• • •	• • •	***	40	8	0			
Miscellaneous	• • •	• • •	***	***	129	4	0			
					1,644	13	2			
		To Libr	ARY AND C	- OLLECTI	ons.		-			
Books					2,803	15	3			
Local Periodicals	S		***		31	0	0			
Binding			***		826		9			
Furniture	***	•••	***		352	2	9			
				•	4,013	12	9			
		Г	O PUBLICAT	ions.			_			
Journal, Part I.					1,631	0	0			
Journal, Part II		***		•••	1,520		0			
Proceedings	***	***	***		1,194		0			
					4,345	7	0			
To Printing cha	rges of C	irculars, l	Receipt-form	ns, &c.	125	5 15	0			
								13,570		
To Personal Acc	couut (W		nd Miscellai AORDINARY			•••		168	5	
Auditor's fee								100	0	
21441002 0 200			То Ва	lance	***			1,46,286	4	
					Total R	is.		1,60,125	5	

NO. 1.

of Bengal.

			Cr.							
By Balance from	ı last repor	t				I	Rs.	1,40,749	12	8
		B	CASH RECEIP	TS.						
Publications sold	l for cash		***	Rs.	1,466	0	0			
Interest on Inve	stments				5,424	0	0			
Rent of two ro	oms on th	e groui	nd floor of the	So-						
ciety's prem		***	•••		720	0	0			
Miscellaneous .			***		511	10	9			
Government allo	wance	***	***		2,000	0	0			
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					10,121	10	9			
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		. Вч	PERSONAL ACC	OUNT.						
Admission fees			***		848	0	0			
Subscriptions	•••		***		8,075	0	0			
Sales on credit		•••			271	0	0			
Miscellaneous			***		59	14	6			
				_						
					9,253	14	6			
			Total Income					19,375	9	3

Total Rs. ... 1,60,125 5 11

Will. King, Honorary Secretary and Treasurer, Asiatic Society of Bengal.

Oriental Publication Fund in Account

			Dr.						
		To	CASH EXPEN	DITURE.					
Printing charges			•••	Rs.	6,900	15	0		
Editing charges			***	• • •	4,342	11	0		
Binding			•••	***	0	12	0		
Salaries		•••	•••		976	0	0		
Freight	• • •	• • •	***	•••	5	0	0		
Stationery	***		***	•••	30		0		
Postage			•••		292		9		
Commission on o	collecting b	oills	***	***	63	6	0		
Contingencies	•••	•••	***		21	2	10		
					12,633	5	7		
To Personal Acc	ount (Writ	es off	and Miscellan	eous)	41	7	0		
То	Balance	•••	Total Expend	iture	*****			12,674 12 1,203 10	
					Tot	al I	Rs.	13,958 6	9

NO. 2.

with the Asiatic Society of Bengal.

		Cr.						
By Balance from last repor	t	•••		*** * * *	Rs.	1,171	10	U
	В	y Cash Receip	rs.					
Government allowance Publications sold for cash Advances recovered		•••	Rs. 	9,000 0 1,327 13 95 12				
			_	10,423 9	6			
	By	Personal Acco	HNT.					
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Sales on credit	• • • •	•••	• • •	2,363 3	3			
		Total Income		•••••		12,786	12	9
				Total Rs.		13,958	6	9

Will. King,

Honorary Secretary and Treasurer,

Asiatic Society of Bengal.

Sanskrit Manuscript Fund in Account

Dr.

To	CASH	EXPENDITURE.

Salaries	***	•••		Rs.	1,246	0	0			
Postage					37	15	6			
Travelling allo	wances		•••		556	3	6			
Stationery		***			10	14	0			
Purchase of Ma	nuscripts				837	15	0			
Furniture (Two	almirahs	for MSS.)			350	0	0			
Contingencies			•••		79	14	3			
Binding			***		2	8	0			
Commission for	sending	Money order	rs	•••	2	$1\bar{2}$	0			
	O		Expenditure					3.124	2	
			To Balance					5,650	2	1

Total Rs. ... 8,774 5 1

NO. 3.

with the Asiatic Society of Bengal.

		Cr.							
By Balance from last report		•••	•••			Rs.	5,487	5	1
	В	Y CASH REC	EIPTS.						
Government allowance Publications sold for eash	•••	•••	•••		0				
			_	3,205	0	0			
	Ву	PERSONAL A	CCOUNT.						
Sales on credit	•••			82	0	0			
		Total	Income				3,287	0	0
				Total R	s.		8,774	5	1

Will. King, '
Honorary Secretary and Treasurer,
Asiatic Society of Bengal.

Personal

							_
	Dr.						
To Balance from last report				Rs.	4,726	8	7
· To C	ASH EXPENI	ITURE.					
Advances for purchase of Sanskrit	MSS., &c.	Rs.			2,369	6	9
To Asiatic Society		***	9,253				
To Oriental Publication Fund		••	2,363	3 3			
To Sanskrit MSS. Fund	111		82	0 - 0			
					11,699	1	9

Total Rs. ... 18,795 1 1

NO. 4.

Account.

	Cr.					
By Cash receipts		Rs. 12,952				
By Asiatic Society	***	168	5 6			
By Oriental Publication Fund		41	7 0			
				13,162	2	7

By Balances.		to the		Due So		
Members	5,664	1	7	107	11	9
Subscribers	80	13	0	73	9	0
Employés	30	0	0	250	0	0
Agents	169	2	6	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	365	4	6	245	2	4
	6,309	อ์	7	676	7	1

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Total Rs. ... 18,795 1 1

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Honorary Secretary and Treasurer,

Asiatic Society of Bengal.

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To Balance from last report ...
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Rs. 1,36,900 0 0 1,36,428 12 9
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Total Rs. 1,37,700 0 0 1,37,270 13 4

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*Funds.	Nominal.			Actual.			
Asiatic Society Trust Fund	1,36,400	0	0	1,35,975 1,295	0 12	7 9	
	1,37,700	0	0	1,37,270	13	4	

STATEMENT

Trust

			Dr.						
To Pension	***	•••	444	***	*****	Rs.	28		
To Balance	0 0 0	***	***	• •	******	•••_	1,335	3 1	.0
					Total Rs.	***	1,363	3 1	.0

NO. 5:

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By Balance* ...

Nominal. Actual. Rs. 1,37,700 0 0 1,37,270 13 4

Total Rs. ... 1,37,700 0 0 1,37,270 13 4

Will. King,

Honorary Secretary and Treasurer,

Asiatic Society of Bengal.

Examined and found correct.

Meugens, King & Simson,

Auditors.

NO. 6.

Fund.

Cr.

By Balance from last report By Interest on Investments Rs. 1,311 3 10 52 0 0

Total Rs. ... 1,363 3 10

Will. King,

Honorary Secretary and Treasurer,

Asiatic Society of Bengal.

Cash

		Dr.					
To Balance from last report	***		•••	Rs.	7,564	10	3
		RECEIPTS.					
To Asiatic Society			***		10,121	10	9
To Oriental Publication Fund					10,423	9	6
To Sanskrit Manuscript Fund	• • •	•••	***		3,205	•	0
To Personal Account	• • •	***		•••	12,952	6	1
To Trust Fund	***	•••	***		52	0	0
				_			_
			Total Rs.	•••	44,319	4	7
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STATEMENT

Balance

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To Cash		***			Rs.	11,651	9	S
To Investments			***	***		1,37,270	13	4
To Personal Account	***	***	* 4 *	•••	410		14	6
				Total Rs.	•••	1,54,555	5	6

NO. 7.

Account.

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EXPENDITURE.

By Asiatic Society By Oriental Publication F By Sanskrit Manuscript F By Personal Account By Investment				Rs	842	5 2 6 0	
By Trust Fund		***	• • •		28	.0	0
By Balance	•••	•••	•••		11,651	9	8
			Total Rs.		44,319	4	7

WILL. KING,

Honorary Secretary and Treasurer,
Asiatic Society of Bengal.

Examined and found correct.

Meugens, King & Simson,

Auditors.

NO. 8.

Sheet.

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By Asiatic Society	 ***		Rs.	1,46,286	4	8
By Oriental Publication Fund	 		• • •	,		
By Sanskrit Manuscript Fund	 ***			,		
By Trust Fund	 ***			1,335	3	10
			-			
		Total Rs.		1,54,555	5	6

Will. King,

Honorary Secretary and Treasurer,

Asiatic Society of Bengal.

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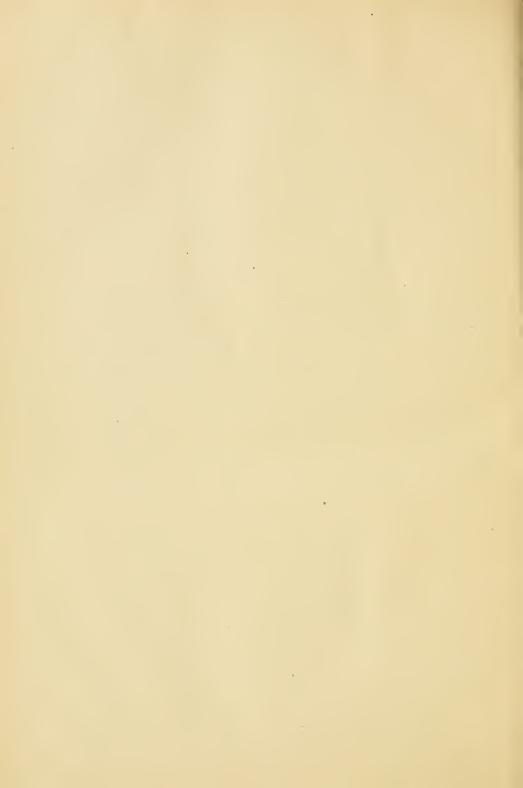
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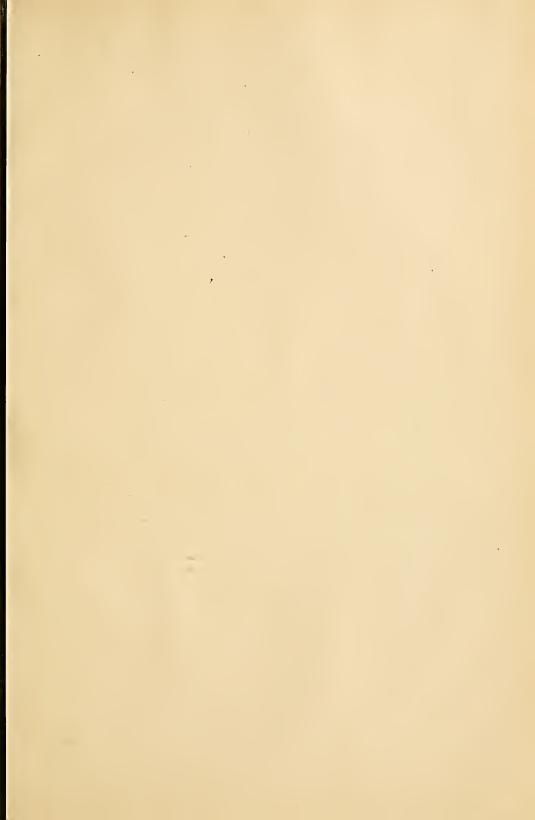
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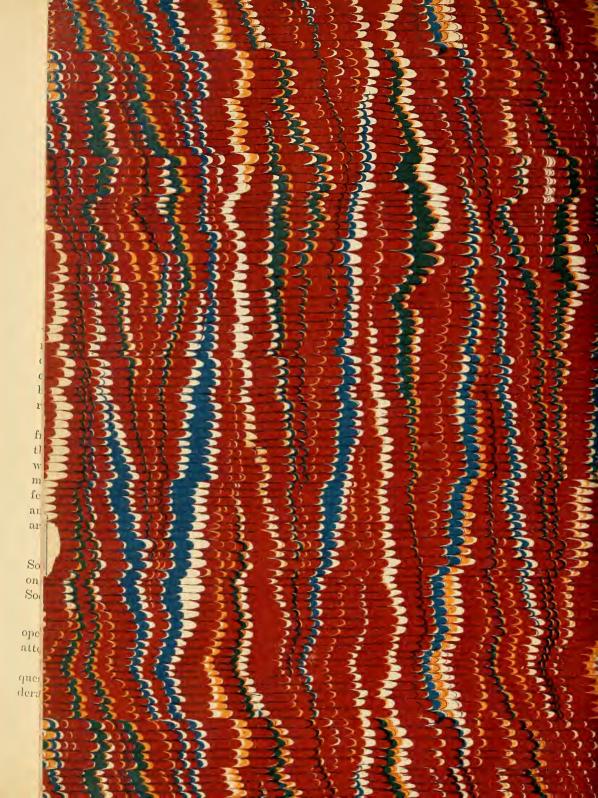
















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