

The Society proceeded to the stated business of the meeting, the balloting for candidates for membership.

All other business being concluded, the ballot box was examined by the presiding officer, and WILLIAM PARKER FOULKE, of Philadelphia, was declared to be duly elected a member of the Society.

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*Stated Meeting, November 13.*

Present, sixteen members.

Dr. FRANKLIN BACHE, President, in the Chair.

William Parker Foulke, a recently elected member, was introduced and took his seat.

Letters were read:—

From C. A. Dohrn, dated Stettin, 6th October, 1854, acknowledging the receipt of notice of his election as a member of the Society:—

From the Holland Society of Sciences, dated Haarlem, July, 1854, announcing a donation for the library, and returning thanks for Part 2, Vol. X. of the Transactions of this Society:—

From the Society of Antiquaries, dated Somerset House, London, 26th June, 1854, and from the Cambridge Philosophical Society, dated Cambridge, February, 1854,—both announcing donations for the library:—

From the Association for the Promotion of Horticulture in Prussia, dated Berlin, 25th September, 1854, announcing a donation for the library, and proposing an exchange of publications with this Society:—

From a Committee of the New York Historical Society, dated September 12, 1854, inviting attendance, on the part of this Society, at the celebration of their semi-centennial anniversary on the 20th November, 1854:—

From Lieut. M. F. Maury, dated National Observatory, Washington, Oct. 21, 1854, announcing the discovery there of a new asteroid, by Mr. James Ferguson, Assistant Astronomer,

at 11 P. M., on the 2d of September last. The name *Euphrosyne* has been given to this asteroid by its discoverer. Its approximate ephemeris with the last observations accompany the letter.

The following donations were announced:—

FOR THE LIBRARY.

- Proceedings of the Royal Society of London. Vol. VII. Nos. 1, 2. London, 1854. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries of London. Vol. III. Nos. 37–40; with List of Members, April 23, 1854. London. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Archæologia; or Miscellaneous Tracts Relating to Antiquity: published by the Society of Antiquaries of London. Vol. XXXV. Part 2. London, 1854. 4to.—*From the Society.*
- Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society of Great Britain and Ireland. Vol. XVI. Part 1. London, 1854. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- A Descriptive Catalogue of the Historical Manuscripts in the Arabic and Persian Languages, preserved in the Library of the Asiatic Society: by W. H. Morley, M. R. A. S. London, 1854. 8vo.—*From the same.*
- Essay on the Architecture of the Hindús: by Rám Ráz, native Judge and Magistrate at Bangalore, cor. mem. Asiatic Society. With 48 plates. London, 1834. 4to.—*From the same.*
- Transactions of the Cambridge Philosophical Society. Vol. IX. Part 3. Cambridge, 1853. 4to.—*From the Society.*
- Natuurkundige Verhandelingen van de Hollandsche Maatschappij der Wetenschappen te Haarlem. Tweede Verzameling. Tiende Deel. Haarlem, 1854. 4to.—*From the Holland Society of Sciences.*
- The American Journal of Science and Arts. Second Series. Vol. XVIII. No. 54. November, 1854. New Haven. 8vo.—*From Professors Silliman & Dana, Editors.*
- Catalogue of my English Library: collected and described by Henry Stevens, Literary Agent in London, of the Smithsonian Institution. London, 1853. 8vo.—*From the Author.*
- On the Construction, Organization and General Arrangements of Hospitals for the Insane: by Thomas S. Kirkbride, M. D., Phys. Penn. Hosp. Insane. Philadelphia, 1854. 8vo.—*From the Author.*

On the Blind, and Institutions for the Blind in Europe. A Letter to the President of the Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Blind: by Robley Dunglison, M. D., Chairman of the Committee of Instruction. Philadelphia, 1854. 8vo.—*From the Author.*

The Florist and Horticultural Journal. Vol. III. Nos. 6–9. Philadelphia, 1854. 8vo.—*From H. C. Hanson, Editor.*

Dr. Charles D. Meigs, pursuant to appointment at a former meeting, read an obituary notice of the late Dr. Daniel Drake, of Cincinnati, a deceased member of the Society.

Prof. Frazer announced the decease of Professor Henry Reed, a member of this Society, aged 46, who perished by the loss of the steamer Arctic, on the 27th September last, on his return to this country from a visit to Europe. Prof. Frazer, in connection with this announcement, spoke of the estimable character and of the eminent literary and professorial merits of the deceased.

On motion of Dr. Harris, Prof. Frazer was requested to prepare an obituary notice of Professor Reed.

Mr. Franklin Peale announced the death of Jacob G. Morris, a member of this Society, aged 54, who was among the passengers lost with the Arctic steamer on the 27th September last.

On motion of Prof. Frazer, Dr. Caspar Morris was appointed to prepare an obituary notice of Mr. Morris.

On motion of Dr. Dunglison, Prof. Budge, of Bonn, the editor of "Verhandlungen des Naturhistorischen Vereins der Preussischen Rheinland und Westphalens," was directed to be entered on the list of correspondents.

Mr. Trego was appointed a member of the Committee on the Hall of the Society, in the place of Mr. Justice, resigned.

The librarian was authorized to lend to Prof. Alexander, of Baltimore, a vocabulary or spelling-book of the Delaware Indian language, by the Rev. Dr. Zeisberger.

On motion of Prof. Frazer, the invitation from the New York Historical Society to attend the celebration of their semi-centennial anniversary was accepted, and the President was appointed to represent this Society in person, or by the nomination of a representative.