

THE

Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene.

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL.

FORMATION OF THE SOCIETY.

AT a meeting of Medical Men and others interested in Tropical Medicine which was held in the Conference Hall of the Colonial Office on January 4th, 1907, it was unanimously resolved to form a Society to promote the study of the Diseases and Hygiene of warm climates, and to facilitate intercourse and discussion, among the Fellows. At subsequent meetings held at the Royal College of Physicians, and at 20 Hanover Square, the Society was duly constituted, Sir Patrick Manson being elected first President, and Professor Ronald Ross first Vice-President. The Council was also elected and Laws were approved and adopted.

MEETINGS.

The first ordinary meeting of the Society was held on June 26th, 1907, when the President delivered his Inaugural Address, and Dr. Daniels gave an Epidiascopic demonstration illustrative of Tropical Disease. Except during August and September, meetings have been held regularly every month since that date, the average attendance being forty Fellows and visitors.

PAPERS.

During the year ending March 31st, 1908, twenty-one Papers were read and seven demonstrations were given before the Society. The chief subjects of discussion were Trypanosomiasis, Kala-Azar, Oriental Sore, Filariasis, and Ankylostomiasis, while important contributions on protozoological and helminthological science were read by Drs. Stephens, Nierenstein, Breinl, and Todd of Liverpool, Mr.

Shipley of Cambridge, and Drs. Sambon and Leiper of London. A Paper on "Acclimatisation in North Queensland" was read by Dr. Macdonald, Geraldton.

FELLOWS.

The following have accepted the Honorary Fellowship of the Society :—

Professor Danilewsky, Kharkoff.

Professor Paul Ehrlich, Frankfort a/Main.

Dr. Carlos Finlay, Havana.

Professor Camillo Golgi, Pavia.

Jonathan Hutchinson, Esq., London.

Professor A. Laveran, Paris.

Professor Ettore Marchiafava, Rome.

Professor K. Shign, Tokio.

Dr. Theobald Smith, Boston, U.S.A.

186 Ordinary Fellows have been elected.

FINANCE.

To the end of the financial year (March 31st) the income of the Society was £160 12s., and the expenditure £102 18s. 10d, a balance of £57 13s. 2d. being thus left in hand.

TRANSACTIONS.

A volume of Transactions, which will contain a full report of all Papers and discussions up to the end of July, 1908, a list of Fellows, and other information, will be published in the autumn.

Arrangements are now being made by the Council for next year, by which, in place of an Annual Volume of Transactions, Reports of the Proceedings of Meetings will be issued and sent to each Fellow monthly.

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W. CARNEGIE BROWN	

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