

## ANNUAL REPORT

1927.

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## LIST OF MEMBERS

### Honorary Members:

David, Sir T. W. Edgeworth, K.B.E., C.M.G., B.A., F.R.S., F.G.S., Emeritus Professor of Geology and Physical Geography in the University of Sydney. "Coringah," Sherbrooke Road, Hornsby, N.S.W.

Mawson, Sir Douglas, D.Sc., B.E., F.R.S. Professor of Geology and Mineralogy, the University, Adelaide.

Spencer, Sir William Baldwin, K.C.M.G., M.A., D.Sc., Litt.D., F.R.S. Melbourne.

Wood-Jones, Professor F., M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.Sc., F.R.S. The University, Honolulu, Hawaii.

### Corresponding Members:

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1901 Benham, W. B., M.A., D.Sc., F.R.S., F.Z.S. Professor of Biology, University of Otago, Dunedin, N.Z.

1892 Bragg, Sir W. H., M.A., F.R.S. Director of the Royal Institution, Albemarle Street, London.

1901 Chapman, Professor R. W., M.A., B.C.E. The University, Adelaide.

1923 Pulleine, R., M.B. 163 North Terrace, Adelaide.

1902 Smith, R. G., D.Sc. Linnean Hall, Linnean Society of N.S.W., 16 College Street, Sydney.

1892 Thomson, Hon. G. M., M.L.C., F.L.S. 99 Eglinton Road, Dunedin, N.Z.

1901 Wall, A., Professor, M.A. Canterbury College, Christchurch, N.Z.

### Life Members:

1918 Avery, J. 52 Southerland Road, Annadale, Melbourne.

1908 Baker, H. D. American Consular Service, Washington.

1890 Foster, Lieutenant-Colonel Henry. "Merton Vale," Campbell Town.

1905 Grant, C. W. "High Peak," Huon Road.

1894 Mitchell, J. G. Parliament Street, Sandy Bay.

1896 Sprott, G., M.D. Town Hall, Hobart.

## Members:

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1921	Anderson, G. M., M.D., C.M. Clare Street, New Town.
1923	Agnew, Miss K. Augusta Road, New Town.
1921	Allen, D. V., B.Sc. Launceston Technical School, Launceston.
1924	Allen, F. A. 13 Franklin Street, West Hobart.
1925	Ashbolt, Sir Alfred. "Lenma," Battery Point.
1926	Atkins, C. N., M.B., B.S., D.P.H. 145 Macquarie Street, Hobart.
1927	Atkinson, T. H. Department of Agriculture, 90 Cameron Street, Launceston.
1921	Baker, H. S., LL.B. Messrs. Griffiths, Crisp, and Baker, Collins Street, Hobart.
1887	Barclay, D. 143 Hampden Road, Hobart.
1927	Barnes, G. L. C/o Messrs. Giblin and Piesse, Hobart.
1921	Barr, J. Stoddart, M.D. (Glasgow). Lower Sandy Bay.
1926	Barrett, Rev. W. R. Cressy, Tasmania.
1890	Beattie, J. W. 28 Jordan Hill Road.
1918	Bellamy, H., J.P., M.Am.Soc. C.E., M.I.Mech.E., F.R. San. I. Government Hydraulic Engineer. Adelaide.
1924	Bennett, H. W., L.D.S., D.D.S. Brisbane Street, Launceston.
1903	Bennett, W. H. Ashby, Ross.
1922	Biss, F. L. U.S.S. Co., Hobart.
1909	Blackman, A. E. 26 Warwick Street.
1920	Blaikie, T. W. Practising School, Elizabeth Street, Hobart.
1927	Blake, Frank. Red Chapel Road, Lower Sandy Bay.
1918	Bowling, J. "Barrington," Tower Road, New Town.
1924	Booth, N. P. Messrs. Cadbury-Fry-Pascall Ltd., Claremont.
1925	Bowden, F. P. Jordan Hill Road.
1925	Bowerman, Captain. Marine Board, Hobart.
1923	Breaden, J. C. 12 Waverley Avenue, New Town.
1923	Brett, R. G. 53a Hill Street, Hobart.
1917	Brettingham-Moore, E., M.B., Ch.M. Macquarie Street, Hobart.
1925	Brigden, Professor J. B., B.A. Professor of Economics, Tasmanian University, Hobart.
1911	Brooks, G. V. Director of Education, Hobart.
1922	Brownell, C. C. 117 Hampden Road, Battery Point.

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1907	Brownell, F. L. "Berwyn," Mercer Street, New Town.
1924	Budge, E. A., B.Sc. 302 Argyle Street, Hobart.
1918	Burbury, Frederick. "Holly Park," Parattah.
1919	Burbury, Charles. "Brookside," Moonah.
1927	Butcher, M. G. 103 York Street, Sandy Bay.
1925	Butler, A. L. Lower Sandy Bay.
1923	Butler, Mrs. G. H. 30 Augusta Road, New Town.
1909	Butler, W. F. D., B.A., M.Sc., LL.B. Bishop Street, New Town.
1924	Calver, C. W. 112 Brisbane Street, Launceston.
1920	Cane, F. B. 90 High Street, Sandy Bay.
1927	Cherry, P. J. Burnie.
1913	Chepmell, C. H. D. Clerk of the Legislative Council, Hobart.
1920	Clark, W. I., M.B. Macquarie Street, Hobart.
1896	Clarke, A. H., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. Domain Cottage, The Domain, Hobart.
1918	Clarke, T. W. H. "Quorn Hall," Campbell Town.
1910	Clemes, W. H., B.A., B.Sc. Clemes College, Hobart.
1922	Collier, J. D. A. The Librarian, Tasmanian Public Library, Hobart.
1925	Coogan, W. Lord Street, Sandy Bay, Hobart.
1927	Cooper, S. G. 5 Main Road, New Town.
1911	Crowther, W. L., D.S.O., M.B. Macquarie Street, Hobart.
1917	Cullen, Rev. John. Macquarie Street, Hobart.
1918	Cummins, W. H., A.I.A.C. Manager, <i>The Mercury</i> Office, Hobart.
1922	Davidson, R. Temple Chambers, Macquarie Street, Hobart.
1927	Dallas, K. M. State High School, Launceston.
1924	Davies, G. B. 111 Patrick Street, Hobart.
1919	Davies, H. Warlow. 22 Augusta Road, New Town.
1923	Davis, Alfred. Lord Street, Sandy Bay.
1923	Davis, Charles. Red Chapel Road, Lower Sandy Bay.
1908	Dechaineux, L. Principal of the Technical College, Hobart.
1921	Dryden, M. S. 13 Hillside Crescent, Launceston.
1921	Eberhard, E. C. Charles Street, Launceston.
1919	Elliott, E. A., M.B., Ch.M. Main Road, New Town.
1921	Emmett, E. T. Railway Department, Hobart.
1921	Erwin, H. D. Hutchins School, Hobart.
1918	Evans, L. The Agricultural Department, Hobart.
1921	Eyre, H. Manual Training School, Launceston.

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- 1902 Finlay, W. A. 11 Secheron Road, Hobart.  
 1918 Fletcher, C. E., M.A. Education Department, Hobart.  
 1921 Forward, J. R. Mechanics' Institute, Launceston.  
 1921 Fox, Miss. Ladies' College, Launceston.  
 1918 Gatenby, R. L. Campbell Town.  
 1927 Gates, W. 41 Hunter Street, Hobart.  
 1927 Gellibrand, W. T. "Lachlan Vale," Ouse, Tasmania.  
 1922 Giblin, A. V. King Street, Sandy Bay.  
 1925 Giblin, Miss Ella. 326 Macquarie Street, Hobart.  
 1927 Giblin, Dr. Arthur. Macquarie Street, Hobart.  
 1908 Giblin, Major L. F., D.S.O., B.A. Davey Street, Hobart.  
 1926 Giblin, R. W. 77 Harrington Gardens, London, S.W. 7.  
 1924 Giblin, W. W., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. Macquarie Street, Hobart.  
 1927 Gillies, C. L. Department of Agriculture, Hobart.  
 1923 Gorrings, J. A. Kempton, Tasmania.  
 1923 Gould, H. T. Liverpool Street, Hobart.  
 1927 Grant, H. N. Tasmanian Club, Hobart.  
 1924 Gray, H. 93 Macquarie Street, Hobart.  
 1923 Green, Dr. A. W. 30 Parliament Street, Sandy Bay.  
 1927 Guin, H. A. Box 432B G.P.O., Hobart.  
 1921 Hall, E. L. 38 Lyttleton Street, Launceston.  
 1922 Halligan, G. H., F.G.S. "Alameda," Challis Avenue, Turramurra, N.S.W.  
 1918 Harrap, Lieutenant-Colonel G. Launceston.  
 1919 Hay, Rt. Rev. R. S., D.D. Bishop of Tasmania, Bishops Court, Hobart.  
 1924 Henry, Dr. C. C., M.B., F.R.C.S. St. John Street, Launceston.  
 1924 Heritage, F. W. Collins Street, Hobart.  
 1921 Heritage, J. E. Frederick Street, Launceston.  
 1921 Heyward, F. J., F.R.V.I.A. 43 Lyttleton Street, Launceston.  
 1915 Hickman, V. V., B.A., B.Sc. Mulgrave Crescent, Launceston.  
 1914 Hitchcock, W. E. Moina, Tasmania.  
 1918 Hogg, G. H., M.D., C.M. 37 Brisbane Street, Launceston.  
 1921 Hogg, W. Public Buildings, Launceston.  
 1922 Hood, Captain F. W. Customs House, Hobart.  
 1923 Hudspeth, W. H. "The Nook," Lower Sandy Bay.  
 1923 Hungerford, Mrs. "Hathaway House," Holebrook Place.

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- 1923 Hungerford, Miss. "Hathaway House," Holebrook Place.  
 1909 Hutchison, H. R. 1 Barrack Street, Hobart.  
 1922 Huxley, G. H., M.A. Kent Avenue, West Hobart.  
 1913 Ife, G. W. R., LL.B. Mortimer Avenue, New Town.  
 1925 Irby, L. G. Conservator of Forests, Forestry Department, Hobart.  
 1898 Ireland, E. W. J., M.B., C.M. Launceston General Hospital, Launceston.  
 1919 Jackson, George A. 79 Collins Street, Hobart.  
 1906 Johnson, J. A., M.A. Training College, Hobart.  
 1922 Johnson, W. R. Clemes College, Hobart.  
 1922 Johnston, J. R. Murray Street, Hobart.  
 1921 Judd, W., M.A. College Street, Launceston.  
 1911 Keene, E. H. D., M.A. Burnie.  
 1922 Kemp, Andrew. Stoke Street, New Town.  
 1922 Kennedy, J. 96 Montpelier Road, Hobart.  
 1924 Kennedy, Mrs. J. 96 Montpelier Road, Hobart.  
 1927 King, C. S. 12 Swanston Street, New Town.  
 1927 Kirby, E. R. 13 Mortyn Avenue, Hobart.  
 1918 Knight, C. E. L., B.Sc. Claremont.  
 1927 Knight, F. C. E. Claremont.  
 1919 Knight, H. W. National Mutual Buildings, Hobart.  
 1913 Knight, J. C. E. Claremont.  
 1927 Koch, R. W. 82 Collins Street, Hobart.  
 1927 Lawrence, Miss E. 182 Melville Street, Hobart.  
 1924 Legge, R. W. Cullenswood, Tasmania.  
 1919 Lewis, A. N., M.C., LL.M. "Werndee," Augusta road, New Town.  
 1887 Lewis, Sir N. E., K.C.M.G., M.A., B.C.L., LL.B. Augusta Road, New Town.  
 1912 Lindon, L. H. "The Lodge," Park Street, Hobart.  
 1926 Lindon, Mrs. "The Lodge," Park Street, Hobart.  
 1900 Lines, D. H. E., M.B., Ch.B. Archer Street, New Town.  
 1921 Listner, W. P., M.A., LL.B. Augusta Road, New Town.  
 1912 Lord, Clive E., F.L.S., Director of the Tasmanian Museum. "Cliveden," Sandy Bay.  
 1927 Lord, Graham H. Vacuum Oil Co., Hobart.  
 1921 Lord, Raymond. "Handroyd," 6 Franklin Street, Hobart.  
 1924 Lord, Ronald. Derwentwater Avenue, Sandy Bay.  
 1922 Low, H. M. "The Gables," Pottery Road, New Town.

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- 1927 McAlister, Miss M. C. Government Analyst's Department, Hobart.
- 1893 McAulay, Professor A., M.A. The University, Hobart.
- 1923 McAulay, A. L., Ph.D. The University, Hobart.
- 1921 McClinton, Dr. R. 70 St. John Street, Launceston.
- 1927 Mace, Miss V. E. "The Pottery," Bothwell.
- 1927 Macfarlane, Charles. State High School, Hobart.
- 1922 Macleod, Mrs. L. H. High Street, Sandy Bay.
- 1919 Mackay, A. D. 26 High Street, Launceston.
- 1926 Mackenzie, D. C. "St. Ives," Hampden Road, Hobart.
- 1918 Mansell, A. E. Arthur Street, West Hobart.
- 1924 Marsh, James. "Ingomar," Patrick Street, Hobart.
- 1918 Martin, Brigadier-General W. Launceston.
- 1921 Masters, A. H. A.M.P. Chambers, Launceston.
- 1927 Mathers, Andrew. 293 Liverpool Street, Hobart.
- 1926 Meredith, David. Electrolytic Zinc Co., Risdon.
- 1927 Meredith, Mrs. D. 67 High Street, Sandy Bay.
- 1921 Meston, A. L. 47 High Street, Launceston.
- 1927 Mellor, David. The University, Hobart.
- 1909 Millen, Senator J. Roxburgh, Newstead.
- 1907 Miller, L. S., M.B., Ch.B. 156 Macquarie Street, Hobart.
- 1921 Miller, R. M. State High School, Launceston.
- 1911 Montgomery, R. B. "Astor," Macquarie Street, Hobart.
- 1927 Morris, J. M. The Union Bank, Hobart.
- 1927 Murdoch, George. Macquarie Street, Hobart.
- 1918 Murdoch, Honourable Thomas, M.L.C. 55 Montpelier Road, Hobart.
- 1926 Murray, L. C. 124 Warwick Street, Hobart.
- 1921 Muschamp, Rev. E. Holy Trinity Rectory, Launceston.
- 1925 Nettlefold, R. Macquarie Street, Hobart.
- 1924 Newall, A. P. Charles Street, Moonah.
- 1882 Nicholas, G. C. "Cawood," Ouse.
- 1918 Nicholls, Sir Herbert, K.C.M.G., Chief Justice of Tasmania. Pillinger Street, Sandy Bay.
- 1910 Nicholls, H. M. Department of Agriculture, Hobart.
- 1921 Nye, P. B., M.Sc., B.M.E. Geological Survey Office, Hobart.
- 1917 Oldham, N. New Town.
- 1921 Oldham, W. C. 39 George Street, Launceston.
- 1924 Oliver, H. Lindisfarne.
- 1927 Orme, K. "Sydney Lodge," Brisbane Street, Hobart.
- 1922 Overell, Miss Lilian. Holebrook Place, Hobart.
- 1921 Padman, R. S. 56 St. John Street, Launceston.
- 1921 Patten, W. H. 59 Cameron Street, Launceston.
- 1923 Parker, Dr. G. M. Bellerive.

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- 1922 Parker, H. T., M.A. "Montana," Bellerive.
- 1923 Pedder, A. Stoke Street, New Town.
- 1927 Penman, C. J. 23 York Street, Launceston.
- 1922 Perrin, Miss K. C/o Mrs. Harner, 12 York Street, Launceston.
- 1902 Piesse, E. L. "Merridale," Sackville Street, Kew, Melbourne.
- 1910 Pillinger, J. 4 Fitzroy Crescent, Hobart.
- 1926 Pitman, Professor E. J. The University, Hobart.
- 1918 Pitt, F. C. K. "Glen Dhu," The Ouse.
- 1925 Pratt, A. W. Courtney. "Athon," Mount Stuart Road, Hobart.
- 1927 Pratt, Rev. F. Davey Street, Hobart.
- 1925 Propsting, G. L. Earl Street, Sandy Bay.
- 1923 Purcell, G. A. Clemes College, Hobart.
- 1927 Raymond-Barker, A. B. Darcy Street, Hobart.
- 1921 Reid, A. McIntosh. Director of Mines, Hobart.
- 1922 Reid, A. R. Curator, Beaumaris Zoo, Domain, Hobart.
- 1925 Reid, Miss M. L. The University, Hobart.
- 1921 Reid, W. D. Public Buildings, Launceston.
- 1921 Reynolds, John. Knocklofty Terrace, Hobart.
- 1926 Rivers, Miss. The Deanery, Hobart.
- 1926 Rivers, Mrs. Godfrey. Holebrook Place, Hobart.
- 1925 Robinson, F. G. 42 Regent Street, Sandy Bay.
- 1926 Robson, Mrs. "Elsinore," The Avenue, Elphin Road, Launceston.
- 1884 Rodway, L., C.M.G. 77 Federal Street, Hobart.
- 1923 Rogers, G. H. B. 204 Davey Street, Hobart.
- 1921 Rolph, W. R. *Examiner* and *Courier* Office, Launceston.
- 1913 Ross, Hector. Cambridge, Tasmania.
- 1927 Russell, R. S. Box 444B G.P.O., Hobart.
- 1927 Sanderson, R. S., J.P. Burnie.
- 1922 Sargison, H. Elizabeth-street, Hobart.
- 1921 Savigny, J. A.M.P. Chambers, Launceston.
- 1921 Scott, H. H. Curator, Victoria Museum, Launceston.
- 1896 Scott, R. G., M.B., Ch.M. 172 Macquarie Street, Hobart.
- 1927 Shield, R. J. 122 Collins Street, Hobart.
- 1921 Shields, Honourable Tasman, M.L.C. 13 Patterson Street, Launceston.
- 1926 Shiels, Dr. 118 Main Road, Moonah.
- 1925 Shoobridge, K. Macquarie Plains, Tasmania.
- 1921 Shoobridge, Honourable L. M., M.L.C. "Sunnyside," New Town.

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- 1925 Shoobridge, Rupert. "Fenton Forest," Glenora.  
 1923 Shoobridge, S. E. C/o Messrs. H. Jones and Co.,  
 Hobart.  
 1927 Shugg, Dr. Macquarie Street, Hobart.  
 1923 Simson, Mrs. L. 3 St. George's Square, Launceston.  
 1917 Slaytor, C. H. Misterton, Doncaster, England.  
 1927 Smith, Miss Marjorie. "Glithno," Errita, Wilmot.  
 1925 Smith, Colonel R. P. A.M.P. Society, Hobart.  
 1921 Smithies, F. 34 Patterson Street, Launceston.  
 1925 Stackhouse, C. K. R. 55 Patterson Street, Launceston.  
 1924 Stephens, Crofton. Messrs. Clerk, Walker, Stops, and  
 Stephens, Collins Street, Hobart.  
 1919 Stevenson, Miss F. "Leith House," New Town.  
 1927 Strutt, H. W. C/o Messrs. Macfarlane Bros., Hobart.  
 1927 Sweetnam, Dr. Macquarie Street, Hobart.  
 1920 Swindells, A. W. 2 Patrick Street, Hobart.  
 1927 Tankard, L. W. Sheffield.  
 1918 Taylor, W. E. Elboden Street, Hobart.  
 1920 Tylour, W. H. Equitable Buildings, Collins Street,  
 Melbourne.  
 1927 Thirkell, R. A. C. 405 Elizabeth Street, Hobart.  
 1923 Thomas, J. F. Room 8, Wilga Chambers, 158 Phillip  
 Street, Sydney.  
 1922 Thomas, Lieutenant-Colonel L. R., D.S.O. Registrar  
 of the Tasmanian University, Hobart.  
 1921 Thomas, P. H. Agricultural Department, Hobart.  
 1922 Thompson, E. H. Lower Sandy Bay.  
 1918 Thorold, C. C. Hutchins School, Hobart.  
 1926 Turner, A. Jefferis, M.D., F.E.S. Wickham Terrace,  
 Brisbane, Queensland.  
 1927 Turner, J. W. Mona Street, Battery Point.  
 1923 Unwin, E. E., M.Sc. "Pendle Hill," Mortimer Avenue,  
 New Town.  
 1925 Urquhart, M. L. Ashfield Street, Sandy Bay.  
 1927 Valentine, F. D. 41 Main Road, New Town.  
 1927 Walch, J. H. B., M.B. 71 Crescent Road, West Hobart.  
 1918 Walch, P. B. C. King Street, Sandy Bay.  
 1925 Walker, Norman. The Hutchins School, Hobart.  
 1926 Ward, F. E. Director of Agriculture, Hobart.  
 1913 Wardman, John. Superintendent Botanical Gardens,  
 Hobart.  
 1918 Waterhouse, G. W. Messrs. Ritchie and Parker,  
 Alfred Green and Co., Launceston.  
 1922 Waterworth, E. N. Poet's Road, West Hobart.  
 1922 Watson, D. W. "Undine," Glenorchy.

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- 1926 Waugh, Eric C., LL.B. High Street, Sandy Bay.  
 1922 Wayn, Miss A. L. C/o Mrs. J. Moore-Robinson, Lam-  
 bert Avenue, Lower Sandy Bay.  
 1918 Weber, A. F. Lands Department.  
 1927 Wells, Frank. 16 Montagu Avenue, New Town.  
 1923 Wherrett, Miss A. Florence Street, Moonah.  
 1926 Whittle, B. N. Augusta Road, New Town.  
 1925 Winch, M. C/o Brownells Ltd., Hobart.  
 1901 Wise, H. J. Lambert Avenue, Sandy Bay.  
 1927 Wishaw, Dr. R. Macquarie Street, Hobart.

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### *The Council and Officers.*

The Annual Meeting was held at the Society's Rooms, The Tasmanian Museum, Hobart, on the 28th February, 1927.

The following were elected members of the Council for 1927:—Dr. A. H. Clarke, Dr. W. E. L. Crowther, Messrs. W. H. Cledes, W. H. Cummins, L. F. Giblin, J. A. Johnson, A. N. Lewis, E. E. Unwin, and C. E. Lord (*ex officio*).

During the year eleven meetings of the Council were held, the attendance being as follows:—Mr. Lord 11, Dr. Clarke (elected March) 9, Mr. Giblin 9, Dr. Crowther 8, Mr. Unwin 8, Mr. Lewis 8, Mr. Rodway 7, Mr. Cledes 6, Mr. Johnson 7, Mr. Cummins 3.

The Council at its first meeting made the following appointments:—

Chairman of Council.—Dr. A. H. Clarke, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Secretary.—Mr. Clive Lord.

Standing Committee.—Messrs. Unwin, Lord, and Major Giblin.

Editor of Papers and Proceedings.—Mr. Clive Lord.

Hon. Treasurer.—Dr. W. E. L. Crowther.

Trustees of the Tasmanian Museum and Botanical Gardens.—Dr. Clarke, Dr. Crowther, Messrs. Rodway, Cledes, Lewis, and Unwin.

### *Meetings.*

During the year one special and eight ordinary meetings of the Society were held. Details of the meetings will be found in the Abstract of Proceedings. The attendance at the meetings during the year has been well maintained, and at certain of the lectures the seating accommodation was fully taxed.

### *Membership.*

The membership of the Society may well be considered satisfactory, as the roll at the end of the year shows the following:—

- 4 Honorary Members.
- 7 Corresponding Members.
- 6 Life Members.
- 262 Ordinary Members.

### R. M. JOHNSTON MEMORIAL.



THE R. M. JOHNSTON MEMORIAL MEDAL.

### List of Awards:

- 1923 Sir T. W. Edgeworth David, K.B.E., C.M.G., B.A., F.R.S., F.G.S.
- 1925 Professor F. Wood-Jones, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.Sc.

*Historical.*

At the instance of the Historical Section consideration was given to the question of the erection of a suitable memorial to commemorate the landing of Lieutenant-Governor David Collins and the foundation of the City of Hobart on the 20th February, 1804. The Historical Section has the matter in hand, and it is anticipated that the erection of the memorial will be proceeded with in the near future.

The question of the filmed version of "The Term of His Natural Life" was again considered by the Society this year and a resolution was passed reaffirming the previously expressed opinion of the Society and protesting against the historical inaccuracies of the film and its export from Australia.

*Library.*

The attention of the Government was again directed to the position of the Society's Library, but so far the Council has not been advised if it may expect the proposed improvements to be carried out. The Society's Library forms a unique scientific reference library for the whole of the State, and its present overcrowded condition, in addition to causing much unnecessary work for those responsible for the care of the Library, also means, in many cases, lack of references which would otherwise be available. With the rapid expansion of the Library the position has become a very serious one.

*Sections.*

Several Sections continued their special work during the period under review. Details concerning their activities will be found in the Sectional Reports.

*Obituary.*

It is with regret that the Society has to record the deaths of the following:—

Corresponding Member: Professor A. Liversidge, "Field-head," Coombe Warren, Kingston, Surrey, England.

Life Member: D. H. Harvey, "Manresa," Lower Sandy Bay.

Members: G. Horne, V.D., M.S., Ch. B., Lister House, Collins Street, Melbourne; F. M. Young, Montagu Street, New Town.

## BRANCH REPORT

### NORTHERN BRANCH.

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Our Annual Meeting was held on 22nd June, Mr. R. O. Miller, B.A., presiding, when the following officers were re-elected to the Committee:—Hon. Tasman Shields, Messrs. R. O. Miller, J. E. Heritage, F. Smithies, J. R. Forward, F. J. Heyward, W. D. Reid, and R. S. Padman (Hon. Secretary and Treasurer). Mr. W. R. Rolph was elected to the position on the Council rendered vacant by the resignation of Mr. H. H. Scott.

Regret was expressed at the resignation of Mr. Scott as a member of the Council, owing to the pressure of other duties which prevented his accepting office for this year.

The Secretary was instructed to convey to the Mechanics' Institute the thanks of the Branch for the use of rooms for Council and General Meetings.

At the conclusion of the formal business a historical paper on "The Growth of a Constitution in Tasmania" was read by Mr. A. L. Meston, M.A.

26th July.—Mr. Clive Lord, F.L.S., gave an interesting lantern lecture, "South-Western Tasmania and Port Davey."

28th August.—Paper by Mr. R. O. Miller, B.A., on "Some Aspects of the New Education."

28th September.—An informal historical evening and discussion on "Recollections of Early Launceston" was held. General Martin introduced the subject. Many interesting personal reminiscences concerning people, buildings, and social conditions of the early sixties were referred to by the various speakers. This meeting aroused a good deal of local interest, and was followed on 2nd November by a paper "Some Sidelights on the History of Early Launceston," representing the result of historical research by Mr. E. J. Sidebottom.

The members of this Branch view with considerable interest the recent purchase by the Launceston City Council of the Beattie Collection relating to the early history of Tasmania. It is intended to place the papers and documents forming part of this collection, together with a large collection already belonging to the Museum, in a special library so that they may be available to students interested in historical research.

## SECTION REPORTS

### EDUCATIONAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SECTION.

Mr. H. T. Parker, M.A., was elected President.

This year's meetings have been given to a discussion of Education in general, both historically and as regards its development in different countries.

The list of subjects and speakers is as follows:—

8th March.—"Education in Ancient Greece." By Mr. J. A. Johnson.

26th April.—"The History of Education during the 'Middle Ages.'" By Mr. Norman Walker.

7th June.—"Education During the Renaissance." By Mr. G. Huxley.

28th June.—"The Present State of Education in France." By Mr. Dechaineux.

18th July.—"Education in the United States of America." By Mr. H. T. Parker.

16th August.—"Education in Germany." By Major L. F. Giblin.

20th September.—"Education in Soviet Russia." By Mr. T. W. Blaikie.

18th October.—"Education in Japan." By Mr. E. E. Unwin.

The nature of the syllabus has rendered it unsuitable for repetition in any form at a meeting of the Royal Society. None the less Section members are so satisfied with the success of the course of papers that they have decided to carry the series into next year. Owing to the number of active members many of the subjects for 1928 have been allotted to joint speakers.

NORMAN WALKER,

Honorary Secretary.



## HISTORICAL SECTION.

The year 1927 has been a satisfactory one for the work of the Section. Four meetings (three ordinary and one luncheon) were held, when a number of matters of historical interest were dealt with.

At the August meeting of the Society, members of the Section read papers on the period of Lieutenant-Governor Collins. Mr. W. F. D. Butler (the Chairman) dealt with the life of Collins and made special reference to his pioneering judicial work in New South Wales. Mr. G. W. R. Ife described his administrative work in Tasmania, and Mr. A. Pedder gave a detailed account of the selection of the site for settlement at Sullivan's Cove. Mr. E. C. Waugh gave a survey of the times of Collins (1756-1810), which provided general background for the studies. Mr. Clive Lord contributed some new facts about early Hobart which he had discovered during the course of his investigation of the Knopwood diary.

The destruction of tombstones in St. George's burial ground caused apprehension among members of the Section. It was particularly hoped that the monument to William Race Allison (a prominent politician of the 'fifties) would be spared. The Section brought the matter under the notice of the Director of Education (Mr. G. V. Brooks). As a result of his good services the monument, which was erected by public subscription, will be fittingly preserved.

As far back as 1923 a suggestion was made that the landing place of Lieutenant-Governor Collins and his party should be marked. The late Sir Henry Jones expressed his sympathy with the scheme. This year a sub-committee of the Section brought the matter under the notice of Lady Jones, who expressed her interest and donated £10 10s. towards the erection of a suitable memorial. Mr. F. Peacock, on behalf of his firm (H. Jones Co-operative), promised his assistance, and a similar donation. It was decided that a metal tablet with a medallion inset was the most suitable form the monument could take, and a design has been prepared. The estimated cost is £60, and the Section appeals to members of the Society to support the scheme, which will show some recognition of the work of the first settlers.

J. REYNOLDS,

Hon. Secretary.



## THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF TASMANIA MEDAL.

## List of Awards:

1927 L. Rodway, C.M.G.

Note.—The Royal Society of Tasmania Medal was established in 1927. It is awarded for eminence in research and for work of outstanding merit on behalf of the Society and the State.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF TASMANIA.  
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE, 1927. GENERAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Balance brought forward .. ..				2	18	9
Subscriptions—						
Arrears .. .. .	10	10	0			
Current .. .. .	214	4	0			
Advance .. .. .	3	3	0			
				227	17	0
Donation .. .. .				2	2	0
Sale of Publications .. .. .				16	0	0
Government Grant .. .. .				100	0	0
Rent of Room .. .. .				14	4	6
				£363	2	3

EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salaries .. .. .				40	5	0
Papers and Proceedings—						
1926 (Part) .. .. .	139	7	0			
1927 (Part) .. .. .	91	16	3			
				231	3	3
Printing, Notices of Meetings, &c.				23	3	6
Library .. .. .				22	18	0
Insurance .. .. .				5	18	9
Light and Fuel .. .. .				3	9	5
Petty Cash and Postages .. ..				13	17	3
Northern Branch Refund .. ..				10	17	0
Miscellaneous .. .. .				9	4	6
Cheque Returned .. .. .				2	2	0
Cr. Balance .. .. .				0	3	7
				£363	2	3

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Secretary.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF TASMANIA.  
MORTON ALLPORT MEMORIAL FUND, 1927.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Revenue, 1927 . . . . .	9 15 0	Refund to R.M.J. Fund . . . . .	4 7 0
Advance from R.M.J. Fund . . . . .	10 4 0	Witherby and Co., Final Payment Mathews's "Birds of Australia" . . . . .	15 12 0
	£19 19 0		£19 19 0

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R. M. JOHNSTON MEMORIAL FUND, 1927.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Balance brought forward . . . . .	18 3 10	Purchase of Books for Library . . . . .	22 10 10
Refund from M.A.M. Fund . . . . .	4 7 0	Loan to M.A.M. Fund . . . . .	10 4 0
Interest . . . . .	14 12 0	Credit Balance . . . . .	4 8 0
	£37 2 10		£37 2 10

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ROYAL SOCIETY OF TASMANIA.  
NORTHERN BRANCH.  
ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER, 1927.

Balance brought forward . . . . .	£ s. d.	Advertising . . . . .	£ s. d.
Interest . . . . .	24 2 1	Printing . . . . .	4 16 0
Share of Subscriptions . . . . .	0 17 11	Travelling Expenses . . . . .	2 8 0
	10 17 0	Postages and Petty Cash . . . . .	2 0 0
	£35 17 0	Balance in Bank . . . . .	0 17 6
			25 15 6
			£35 17 0

R. STEWART PADMAN,  
Hon. Sec. and Treasurer.

J. E. HERITAGE,  
Hon. Auditor.