

The Royal Society of Tasmania

1942

Patron:

His Majesty the King.

President:

His Excellency Sir Ernest Clark, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., C.B.E.

Vice-Presidents:

H. Allport, LL.B., 1941-42.

A. L. Meston, M.A., 1942-43.

Council:

N. P. Booth, 1942, 1943, 1944.

H. D. Gordon, B.Sc., Ph.D., 1942, 1943, 1944.

W. H. Clemes, B.A., B.Sc., 1942, 1943.

L. Cerutti, B.A., Dip.Ed., 1942, 1943.

W. L. Crowther, D.S.O., M.B., V.D., 1942.

E. E. Unwin, M.Sc., 1942.

Standing Committee:

W. L. Crowther, E. E. Unwin, V. V. Hickman, J. Pearson.

Hon. Treasurer:

S. Angel.

Hon. Editor:

Joseph Pearson, D.Sc. (Mane.), D.Sc. (Liverpool), F.R.S.E., F.L.S.

Auditor:

H. J. Exley, M.A.

Secretary and Librarian:

Joseph Pearson.

Annual Report, 1942

The Annual Meeting was held in the Society's Room, Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, Hobart, on the 9th March, 1942.

The following Office-bearers were elected:—

Vice-President: Under the Society's Rules, Mr. E. E. Unwin retired from the office of Vice-President, and Mr. A. L. Meston was appointed in his place (retiring 1944).

Treasurer: Mr. S. Angel.

Council: Under the Rules, Dr. A. N. Lewis and Dr. V. V. Hickman retired from the Council, and the following members were elected to the Council in their place:—

Mr. N. P. Booth (retiring 1945).

Dr. H. D. Gordon (retiring 1945).

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

Secretary and Librarian: Dr. Joseph Pearson.

Assistant Librarian: Mrs. Clive Lord.

Standing Committee: Dr. W. L. Crowther, Mr. E. E. Unwin, Dr. V. V. Hickman, and the Secretary.

The Council elected the following two Trustees to serve on the Board of Trustees of the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery and the Botanical Gardens:—Mr. W. H. Clemes and Mr. E. E. Unwin.

Nine meetings were held during the year (see proceedings for abstracts of papers). In addition, scientific papers were submitted for publication and have been printed in the present volume.

Library

It was agreed, on the recommendation of the Council, to make the following changes in the hours of opening the Society's Library:—

Mondays: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Wednesdays and Fridays: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Also at 7.30 to 8 p.m. on the evenings when a General Meeting is held.

During the year 138 volumes were added to the Library in addition to a number of reports and pamphlets from British and foreign institutions and learned societies. The number of institutions on the Exchange List for the year was 270, being made up of 124 British, 54 American, and 92 from other parts of the world. No foreign exchanges have been sent since the 1938 volume, and subsequent issues are being held until the conclusion of the war. This year it was felt advisable also to withhold British and American exchanges. The Library now consists of 20,264 volumes.

The sum of £22 16s. 9d. was spent on books during the year, and the account allocated as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
General Fund	1	4	2
R. M. Johnston Fund	9	11	3
Morton Allport Memorial Fund	6	14	0
Beattie Memorial Fund	5	7	4

In addition, the Tasmanian Museum spent £4 1s. 3d. on books, which have been placed in the Society's Library for safekeeping, and are available to members.

Membership

The Society consists of the following members:—

	1941.	1942.
Honorary Members	2	2
Corresponding Members	3	3
Life Members	7	6
Ordinary Members	210	213
Associate Members	5	4
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During the year 14 names were removed from the list of Ordinary Members owing to deaths, resignations, etc., and 17 new members were elected.

Also, the resignation of one Associate Member was received, and one Associate Member was transferred to Ordinary Membership, while one new Associate Member was elected.

The Council regrets having to record the deaths of the following members during the year:—Dr. Gregory Sprott, Mrs. S. H. Hancox, Mr. F. J. Heyward.

Printing of Papers and Proceedings

Once again the Government has very generously printed the Papers and Proceedings. The Council wishes to record its appreciation of this assistance.