

XII.—*Proceedings of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland.*

THIRTY-FIRST SESSION—FOURTH MEETING.

[Tuesday, 26th February, 1878.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35 Molesworth-street, John Lentaigue, Esq. C.B. D.L., President, in the chair.

Dr. Hancock read a paper "On the Importance and Feasibility of making Special Local Arrangements for Facilitating Peasant Proprietors and other small holders in dealing with their Interests in Land."

Mr. Joseph T. Pim read a paper:—"That our Commercial Depression is not due to Free Trade, and would not be removed by 'Limited Protection.'"

The ballot having been examined, the following were declared duly elected members of the Society:—Denis Godley, Esq.; and John Ball Greene, Esq.

FIFTH MEETING.

[Tuesday, 21st May, 1878.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35 Molesworth-street, John Lentaigue, Esq. C.B. D.L., President, in the chair.

Mr. Murrough O'Brien read "An Account of Copyhold Tenure in the Manor of Kilmoon, County of Meath."

Dr. Hancock read a paper entitled, "Is the Union or the County the best district for Local Registry of Land?"

The ballot having been examined, the following were declared duly elected members of the Society:—Henry G. Cooper, Esq.; Walter Reginald Crofton, Esq.; Gustavus Tuite Dalton, Esq., J.P.; Joseph Manly, Esq.; G. G. Tyrrell, Esq.; and John E. Vernon, Esq. D.L.

SIXTH MEETING.

[Tuesday, 4th June, 1878.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35 Molesworth-street, The Right Hon. Mr. Justice Lawson, Ex-President, in the chair.

Mr. Murrough O'Brien read a paper on "The Valuation of Real Property for Taxation."

Mr. Robert Goodbody read a paper on "The Fluctuations in the Value of the Precious Metals."

The ballot having been examined, the following were declared duly elected members of the Society:—James Connolly, Esq.; William B. Kaye, Esq. Q.C.; and George H. Smith, Esq.

The thanks of the Society were voted to Mr. Daniel Cunningham for his kindness in presenting the Society with a copy of his book on *Conditions of Social Well-being*.

SEVENTH MEETING.

[Tuesday, 25th June, 1878.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35 Molesworth-street, John Lentaigne, Esq. C.B. D.L., President, in the chair.

On the motion of W. Neilson Hancock, Esq. LL.D., the following gentlemen were elected honorary members of the Society:—James Thomas Hammick, Esq., General Register Office, London; Professor W. Stanley Jevons, M.A. LL.D. F.R.S., Professor of Political Economy, University College, London; M. Emile de Lavelaye, of Belgium; G. Shaw Lefevre, Esq. M.P. (President of Statistical Society of London); T. E. Cliffe Leslie, Esq., London.

Mr. Connolly read a paper "On Banks and Banking in Ireland;" and also a paper entitled, "Notice of some points in Irish Agricultural Statistics."

Dr. Hancock read a paper entitled, "On (1) Value of Adam Smith's *Wealth of Nations* as a text-book at the present day; and (2) the History of his Life as an illustration of the importance of Endowments for Higher Education and for Research."

The ballot was then examined, and the following officers of the Society were elected for the ensuing year:—President, Professor Ingram, LL.D. F.T.C.D. Members of Council, William Findlater, W. J. Hancock, David Ross, Dr. Mapother, H. L. Jephson, John O'Hagan, James McDonnell, J. R. Garstin, F. Barrington, Professor Donnell, J. Norwood, and F. Pim.

Anthony Traill, Esq. LL.D. M.D. J.P. F.T.C.D., was elected a member of the Society.
