EIGHTH SESSION—FIRST MEETING.
[20th November, 1854.]

The Society met at the Royal Dublin Society House. On the arrival of his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, the chair was taken by His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin, President of the Society.

The Secretaries read the minutes of the last meeting, and the Report of the Council for the past year. The president having then vacated the chair, it was taken by Jonathan Pim, Esq., Vice-President, who proceeded to deliver the opening address. Mr. Pim, at the conclusion of the address, vacated the chair, which was again taken by the Archbishop of Dublin.

Lieut.-Colonel Larcom proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Pim for his able address. The motion was seconded by Dr. Lawson, and passed unanimously.

Mr. Commissioner Longfield proposed a vote of thanks to his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, for honouring the meeting with his presence. The motion was seconded by Mr. Conway Dobbs, and carried with applause.

The following gentlemen were elected members of the Society:—Lord Talbot de Malahide; Charles W. C. Domville, Esq., D.L.; Cheyne Brady, Esq.; T. Jones Howell, Esq.; and William H. Jemison, Esq.

SECOND MEETING.
[December 18th, 1854.]

The Society met in the Royal Dublin Society House, Mr. Conway Dobbs in the chair. The minutes of the last meeting having been read, one of the secretaries read a paper by Dr. Hancock, entitled "The Fiscal Resources of the Empire, or what a perfect Income Tax of ten per cent. would produce."

Mr. Haughton read a paper containing "Statistics laid before the House of Commons on Public Houses."

The following gentlemen were elected members of the Society:—John R. Corballis, Esq., LL.D., Q.C; William Fry, Esq.; Joseph Boyce, Esq.; Thomas Wilson, Esq., D.L.; Alexander Boyle, Esq.; Edward Grogan, Esq., M.P.; Thomas Crosthwait, Esq.; George Roe, Esq.; William James Perry, Esq.; John Martin, Esq.; Henry H. Stewart, M.D.; George Hoyte, Esq.