

## SEVENTY-SECOND SESSION.—FIRST MEETING.

[6th December, 1918.]

The Society met at 93 St. Stephen's Green at 8.15 p.m. The President, Sir William J. Thompson, Registrar-General, in the Chair.

A resolution of sympathy with the widow of Mr. William Lawson, LL.D., Vice-President, and of deep regret at his death and at the loss suffered by the Society, was proposed by the President, and carried in silence.

The President read his inaugural address, on "Fifty Years of Vital Statistics in Ireland," illustrated by lantern slides.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Professor C. H. Oldham and seconded by the Right Hon. Michael F. Cox, M.D.

The following candidates were elected:—Professor Bernard F. Shields, M.A.; Andrew Beattie, D.L., J.P., and Rev. J. Denham Osborn, D.D.

The following resolution, proposed by Mr. S. Shannon Millin, and seconded by Mr. H. Wood, was carried:—

"That, with a view to the greater safety from fire, a portion of the valuable collection of books bequeathed to the Statistical Society of Ireland by General Sir Thomas Larcom, in his will dated 30th June, 1877, which was proved in the High Court of Justice in England on 15th July, 1879, comprising 176 volumes, be given to the National Library of Ireland, where the members of this Society will continue to have free access to the use of the said volumes, in accordance with the intention of the Testator."

## SECOND MEETING.

[9th January, 1919.]

The Society met at 4.15 p.m. in the Lecture Theatre of the Royal Dublin Society, by kind permission of the Council of the latter Society. The President, Sir William J. Thompson, Registrar-General, in the Chair.

A paper was read by Mr. S. Shannon Millin, on "Our Society: Its Aims and Achievements, 1847-1919."

A vote of thanks to Mr. Millin was proposed by the Right Hon. the Lord Chancellor, and seconded by Miss Mulvany,

LL.D., and carried. The Right Hon. the Earl of Mayo, the Rt. Hon. Michael F. Cox, M.D., and Professor C. H. Oldham also spoke on the motion.

The following were elected Members of the Society:—Mr. Justice O'Connor, the Right Hon. the Recorder of Dublin, James Andrews, K.C., and Geo. Macnie, and Miss Mulvany, LL.D., was elected an Associate.

### THIRD MEETING.

[14th February, 1919.]

The Society met at 93 St. Stephen's Green, at 8 p.m. The President, Sir William J. Thompson, M.D., Registrar-General, in the Chair.

A paper was read by Professor C. H. Oldham, on "Changes in the Export Industries of Ireland, 1904-16."

A discussion followed, in which Mr. Chart took part. The Right Hon. T. W. Russell, the Marquis MacSwiney, Professor T. Smiddy, and Mr. H. M. Dockrell also spoke, by permission of the Council.

The following candidates were elected Members of the Society:—The Right Hon. the Earl of Mayo, K.P.; the Right Hon. Viscount Iveagh, K.P., and Messrs. W. Boughey, LL.D.; A. Alfred Dickie, K.C.; T. W. Lyster, M.A., and R. J. Kelly, K.C.

### FOURTH MEETING.

[28th February, 1919.]

The Society met at 93 St. Stephen's Green, at 8 p.m. The President, Sir William J. Thompson, M.D., Registrar-General, in the Chair.

A paper was read by the Right Hon. M. F. Cox, M.D., F.R.C.P.I., on "A Ministry of Health Bill for Ireland."

A discussion followed, in which the President, the Right Hon. Sir T. W. Russell and Mr. A. A. Dickie, K.C., took part. Also Sir John Moore, Dr. Storey, Sir Robert Woods, M.P., and Dr. Hennessy spoke, by permission of the Council. Dr. Cox replied, and on his proposal, the matter was referred to the Council to see what further assistance the Society could give in the matter.

The following candidates were elected Members of the Society:—Right Hon. Sir T. W. Russell, Kevin E. O'Duffy, L.D.S.; R. J. Rowlette, M.B., and David P. W. Martin.

## FIFTH MEETING.

[21st March, 1919.]

The Society met at 93 St. Stephen's Green, at 8 p.m. The President, Sir William J. Thompson, M.D., Registrar-General, in the Chair.

A paper was read by Mr. R. J. Kelly, K.C., on "The Recent British Bank Amalgamations, and Ireland."

A discussion followed, in which the President, Sir John R. O'Connell, Professor C. H. Oldham, and Mr. Sparkhall Brown took part. Messrs. R. W. Booth and Lanphier also spoke, by permission of the Council.

The following candidate was elected a Member of the Society:—The Right Hon. W. D. Andrews.

## SIXTH MEETING.

[14th April, 1919.]

The Society met at 93 St. Stephen's Green, at 8 p.m. The President, Sir William J. Thompson, M.D., Registrar-General, in the Chair.

A paper was read by Mr A. Alfred Dickie, K.C., on "State Insurance and Widows' Pensions."

A discussion followed, in which the President, Mr. D. Doyle, Mr. C. Eason, and Mr. P. J. Dunne took part. Sir Gabriel Stokes and Miss Malone also spoke, by permission of the Council.

The following candidates were elected Members of the Society:—Messrs. R. W. Booth and P. J. Dunne.

## SEVENTH MEETING.

[2nd May, 1919.]

The Society met at 93 St. Stephen's Green, at 8 p.m. The President, Sir William J. Thompson, M.D., Registrar-General, in the Chair.

A paper was read by Mr. D. A. Chart, M.A., on "The Study of the Economic History of Ireland."

A discussion followed, in which the President and Messrs. A. A. Dickie and Sparkhall Brown took part. Capt. O. H. Cooke also spoke, by permission of the Council,

## EIGHTH MEETING.

[30th May, 1919.]

The Society met at 93 St. Stephen's Green, at 8 p.m. The President, Sir William J. Thompson, M.D., Registrar-General, in the Chair.

A paper was read by Sir John R. O'Connell, LL.D., on "Trades Boards as a means of adjusting wages disputes and promoting trade interests."

A discussion followed, in which the President, the Right Hon. T. W. Russell, Messrs. S. Shannon Millin, R. J. Kelly, Geo. Macnie, and Chart took part. Messrs. C. H. O'Connor, L.G.B.; H. Dockrell, Gordon Campbell, and Miss Cunningham also spoke, by permission of the Council.

## NINTH MEETING.

[23rd June, 1919]

The Society met at 93 St. Stephen's Green, at 5.30 p.m., The President, Sir William J. Thompson, M.D., Registrar-General, in the Chair.

Sir William J. Thompson was elected President of the Society for the ensuing year, and the existing Vice-Presidents were re-elected. The Right Hon. W. D. Andrews, the Right Hon. Viscount Iveagh, K.P.; the Right Hon. the Earl of Mayo, K.P.; Sir John R. O'Connell, LL.D.; the Right Hon. Lord Justice O'Connor, the Right Hon. T. Loddell O'Shaughnessy, Recorder; Sir Horace Plunkett, K.C.V.O., and the Right Hon. Sir Thomas W. Russell, were also elected Vice-Presidents.

Mr. Daniel S. Doyle, I.L.B., was elected Honorary Treasurer, and Capt. N. M. Falkiner, M.D., Messrs. Herbert Wood and Sparkhall Brown were elected Hon Secretaries.

The outgoing members of the Council were re-elected, and Messrs. Booth and Macnie were elected members of the Council.

It was decided to send forward the name of Mr. S. Shannon Millin as representative of the Society at the approaching meeting of the British Association; also that the Society should apply for membership of the Royal Statistical Society, and that it should be represented by Professor C. H. Oldham,