

VII.—*Proceedings of the Dublin Statistical Society.*

EIGHTH SESSION.—THIRD MEETING.

The Society met at the Royal Dublin Society House, on Monday, the 29th of January, 1855, Thomas Harvey Todhunter, Esq. in the chair.

W. Neilson Hancock, LL.D. read a paper on "the Workhouse as a mode of Relief for Widows and Orphans."

Professor Leslie read a paper "On Maritime Captures and Commercial Blockades."

The Rev. Thomas Jordan was elected a member of the Society.

FOURTH MEETING.

The Society met at the Royal Dublin Society House, on Monday, the 19th February, Jonathan Pim, Esq. in the chair.

William H. Jemison, Esq. read a paper "On the Utility of Standing Armies as a means of defence in an advanced stage of civilization."

W. Neilson Hancock, LL.D. read a paper "On the Present State of the Savings' Bank question."

The following gentlemen were elected members of the Society:—Rev. Professor Jellett, F.T.C.D. ; Patrick Maxwell, Esq. ; James W. Kavanagh, Esq. ; Henry Dix Hutton, Esq. ; Michael Harrison, Esq. ; John Walsh, Esq. ; and David M'Birney, Esq.

FIFTH MEETING.

The Society met at the Royal Dublin Society House, on Monday, the 19th March, Lord Talbot de Malahide in the chair.

W. Neilson Hancock, LL.D. read a paper "On a plan for extending the Jurisdiction for selling Incumbered Estates to cases where a Receiver has been appointed over a Life Estate."

P. J. M'Kenna, Esq. read a paper "On Factory Education."

H. Wynne, Esq. read a paper entitled, "English Laborers and Russian Serfs."

Henry T. Wrenfordsley, Esq. was elected a member of the Society.

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING.

Immediately after the conclusion of the preceding meeting, an Extraordinary Meeting of the Society was held, for the purpose of considering certain alterations in the laws necessary for carrying into effect a transference to the Dublin Statistical Society of the business of the Social Inquiry Society of Ireland. The following terms of union, having been agreed upon by a joint committee of the two Societies, were submitted for the approval of the Statistical Society:—

1.—That the objects of the Statistical Society shall be enlarged, so as to include those of the Social Inquiry Society; and for this purpose, that the business of the Society shall for the future be the promotion of the study of Statistics, Political Economy, and *Jurisprudence*.

2.—That each member of the Social Inquiry Society shall, during the present session, be entitled to be admitted a member of the Statistical Society, without the payment of any entrance fee, and without ballot.

3.—That all the publications of the Social Inquiry Society shall be transferred to the Statistical Society, and shall be included in all future lists of its publications.

4.—That the balance of the funds of the Social Inquiry Society shall be transferred to the Statistical Society, for the purpose of commencing a Trust Fund in connexion with the Statistical Society; to be called the "Social Inquiry Fund."

5.—That it shall be part of the business of the Council of the Statistical Society to apply the Social Inquiry Fund, and all monies which may be added thereto, towards the promotion of scientific inquiries into social questions of public and general interest, in the same manner as the Council of the Social Inquiry Society are now empowered to apply the funds of that Society.

6.—That on these terms being adopted at a meeting of each Society, the Social Inquiry Society of Ireland shall be merged in the Dublin Statistical Society, and its existence as a separate Society shall cease.

Resolutions, embodying the above terms, were unanimously adopted by the Statistical Society.

VIII.—*Notices respecting Barrington Lectures.*

1. BARRINGTON LECTURES ON POLITICAL ECONOMY.

The Council of the Statistical Society will on Friday, the 11th of May, select the towns to which courses of lectures will be granted, under the Barrington Bequest, for the ensuing year. Applications for courses of lectures to be addressed, before the 10th of May, to the Secretaries, at 27, Summerhill, from whom further information can be obtained.

2. BARRINGTON LECTURERS ON POLITICAL ECONOMY.

The Council of the Statistical Society will on Friday, the 11th of May, elect the Barrington Lecturers for the ensuing year. Applications from candidates, with testimonials, to be addressed before the 10th May to the Secretaries, at 27, Summerhill, from whom further information can be obtained.

IX.—*Corresponding Societies in connexion with the Dublin Statistical Society.*

Corresponding Societies.

1. Ardee Mechanics' Institute.....
2. Armagh Natural History and Philosophical Society.....
3. Belfast Working Classes Association
4. Belfast Queen's College Literary and Scientific Society.....
5. Belturbet Literary and Scientific Society
6. Coleraine Mechanics' Institute
7. Cork Cuvierian Society

Corresponding Officers.

- F. O'Rourke, Esq.
 Francis Horner, Esq.
 A. Walsh, Esq.
 Robert Taylor, Esq.
 Michael Phillips, Esq.
 George Boole, LL.D.

Corresponding Societies.

8. Cork Literary and Scientific Society
9. Downpatrick Mechanics' Institute
10. Drogheda Mechanics' Institute
11. Dublin Mutual Improvement Society
12. Dundalk Mechanics' Institute
13. Garvagh Scientific Society
14. Kilkenny Literary and Scientific Institution ..
15. Killyleagh Literary Society
16. Kilrea Literary Society
17. Lisburn Literary Society
18. Lurgan Literary Society
19. Mountmellick Mutual Instruction Society
20. Newry Institute
21. Royal Galway Institution
22. Wexford Mechanics' Institute
23. Banbridge Literary Institute
24. Dungannon Society for promoting Science,
Literature, and the Arts
25. Portaferry Mechanics' Institute
26. Enniskillen Literary Society
27. Limerick Social Inquiry Society
28. Ballynahinch Literary and Scientific Society ...
29. Carlow Mechanics' Institute

Corresponding Officers.

- Alderman Richard Dowden.
 Henry Montgomery, Esq.
 William Leonard, Esq.
 Joseph Williams, Esq.
 John Browne, Esq., M.D.
 Robert Robertson, Esq.
 Rev. James Graves.
 Rev. Andrew Breakey.
 George M'Gonigle, Esq.
 J. Kelso, Esq., M.D.
 William Shaw, Esq.
 Samuel B. Pim, Esq.
 Charles Jennings, Esq.
 Professor Moffet.
 Thomas O'Leary, Esq.
 J. Clibborn Hill, Esq.
 Rev. William Quain.
 Charles Todd, Esq.
 George Stewart, Esq.
 William Lysaght, Esq.
 William C. Shaw, Esq.
 J. Hancock Haughton, Esq.

The literary and scientific societies and mechanics' institutes in Ireland are invited to form a connexion with the Dublin Statistical Society similar to that which exists between the Society of Arts and the literary and scientific institutions of England. The following are the regulations of the Council on the subject, under which the above societies have been for some time in connexion with the Statistical Society:—

1. Each society, recommended for selection as a Corresponding Society, is required to forward the name of one of its members, to be the means of communication with the officers of the Statistical Society.

2. The Corresponding Officer, nominated by each Corresponding Society, is entitled to attend each meeting of the Statistical Society, to issue a ticket for one visitor at each meeting, and to apply for permission to present papers to be read before the society. He is also entitled to two copies of all the publications to be issued by the Statistical Society, which are sent to any address in Dublin that he may appoint.

3. Corresponding members are not liable to any subscription to the Statistical Society, nor entitled to any vote at its meetings.

4. Each Corresponding Officer is expected to deposit one copy of each publication of the Statistical Society in the library of the Corresponding Society, keeping the second copy for lending to its members.

5. Each Corresponding Officer is expected to furnish to the Secretaries of the Statistical Society two copies of the laws of the Corresponding Society, and of all annual reports and other publications issued by it.