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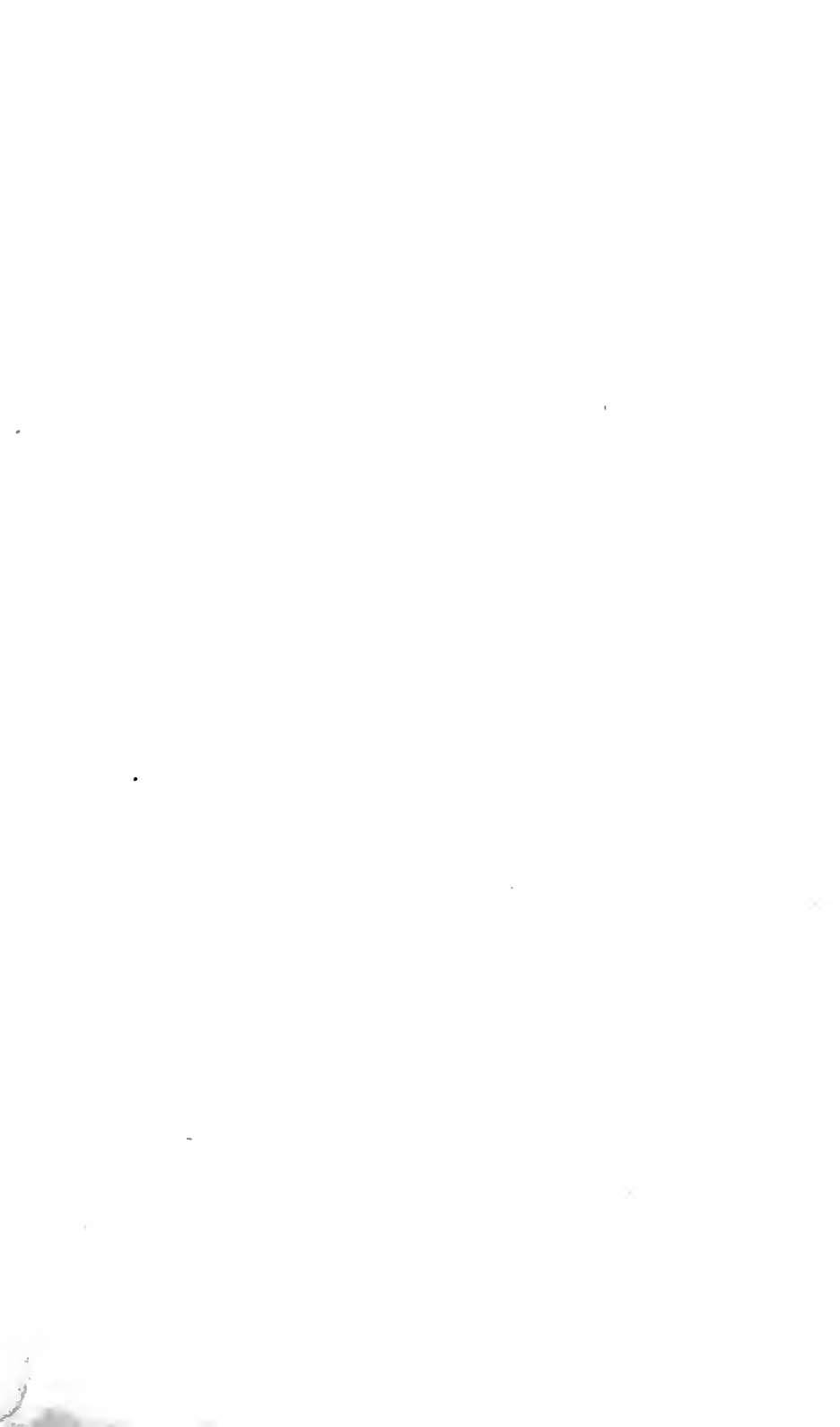
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REPORT OF THE COUNCIL,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31st, 1865.

The Council of the Acclimatisation Society of Victoria have now the honour of laying before the Subscribers and Public the Fourth Annual Report of their proceedings, and the Council think that a consideration of it will sufficiently prove that the Society's progress is real and important.

The financial position of the Society continues satisfactory in so far as relates to the private subscriptions received. A reference to the Balance Sheet appended to this report will prove that these exhibit no falling off; but owing to the delay experienced in the passing of the Appropriation Act, the Government grant for this year is still unpaid, and this has considerably embarrassed and confined the action of the Council. This fact will also account for so small a sum being expended in the purchase of animals, as the Council were compelled to hold back all available funds to meet the current liabilities of the Society in the colony. The Council would observe that of the amount placed as expended under the head of "Purchase of Animals" £400 still remains in the hands of Mr. Philpott, of London.

The Council regret to inform the members that the Hon. W. C. Haines has resigned the office of President, which has been accepted by Dr. Black, a gentleman to whose unflagging energies the Society owes so much. The Vice-Presidency thus vacated by Dr. Black has been unanimously conferred upon Professor McCoy, who has been a warm friend to acclimatisation from the very first in this country.

The following changes have taken place in the composition of the Council: In January Mr. H. J. Chambers resigned, and was replaced by Mr. F. S. Dobson; in February Mr. J. Smith resigned, and was succeeded by Mr. J. Steavenson; in April Dr. Madden and Mr. J. Sparkes retired, and Mr. E. M. Curr and Mr. L. Mackinnon were elected to take their places. It now devolves upon this Meeting to

confirm these elections, and to fill the vacancy in the Council caused by the resignation of Mr. Haines, Mr. Campbell, and Mr. Loader.

Since the last Annual Meeting there have been fifty (50) Meetings of the Council, at which the attendance of members has been as follows :—

Names.	No. of Meetings held during the holding of office.	Attendances.
*Dr. Black	50	40
Dr. Mueller	50	32
Professor M'Coy	50	22
Mr. S. H. Bindon	50	5
Dr. J. Black	50	28
Mr. D. S. Campbell... ..	50	10
Comte de Castelnau	50	7
Colonel Champ	50	23
Mr. E. M. Curr	24	12
Mr. F. S. Dobson	41	24
Hon. W. C. Haines... ..	45	1
Mr. G. S. Lang	50	27
Mr. T. Loader	50	2
*Mr. W. Lyall	50	2
Mr. L. Mackinnon	28	4
Dr. Madden	22	7
*Hon. A. Michie	50	0
Mr. A. Purchas	50	31
Mr. A. R. C. Selwyn	50	26
Mr. J. Steavenson	36	27
Mr. T. J. Sumner	50	2
Mr. H. E. Watts	50	11

The Council are pleased to be able to inform the members that both His Excellency Sir Henry Barkly and Lady Barkly continue to manifest great interest in the Society's progress, and within the last few weeks have sent over several valuable birds as a donation to the Society.

With regard to some of the more prominent results of the Society's labours during the past year, the Council would observe that seven Sambúr deer have been liberated at Westernport, six Axis deer at Yering, and twelve Hog deer in the neighbourhood of Cape Liptrap ; with these last were also set free several Ceylon peafowls Guinea-fowls, and pigeons. A number of Guinea-fowls were also

* These three gentlemen are members *ex officio*, having been appointed by the Government.

liberated by Mr. R. T. Firebrace at Heyfield, in Gipps Land. These birds, which have been recently seen, it is anticipated, from the wildness of their nature, will readily take to the bush, and as they breed rapidly, will soon prove of value to sportsmen and others. Twelve Ceylon partridges have been taken charge of by Mr. Austin, for the purpose of turning loose at Barwon Park.

The Council are glad to be able to assure the members that the English hare may be looked upon as fairly established. At the Royal Park the two brace that were turned loose have bred repeatedly, and the animals are seen every day; whilst at Phillip Island they have increased so rapidly that Mr. M'Haffie estimates their number as exceeding 200. Several of the birds that were turned loose on Phillip Island are known to be increasing, and Mr. M'Haffie has in the most generous manner presented the Society with a herd of some eighty head of fallow deer, now running on the island. The Society has received, through the kindness of Sir William Hooker and Mr. George M'Leay, a large number of the cork-oak trees, which, although not a new introduction, yet are of so valuable a character as to render it desirable to multiply them as fast as possible. Major Michael, of the Indian army, has also sent from Madras a large parcel of senna seed, which has been extensively circulated through the colony; and the Society is indebted to Mr. L. A. Bernays, of Brisbane, for a few roots of the *Convolvulus jalapa*, Mr. Bernays having received them through Sir Thomas Baring. The Council took advantage of the arrival of some superior varieties of Spanish chestnut trees at Sydney, to secure a few for this colony.

The Council regret to state that a second attempt to introduce the castor oil silkworm has failed: but, as upon the first occasion, the failure arose, not from any insuperable difficulty, but simply from delay on the passage. A third, and it is to be hoped, a successful, experiment, is now in course of being carried out. Professor McCoy who has always been most anxious to secure the introduction of this silkworm, has written full instructions how to prepare the worms for the voyage, and these have been transmitted to the gentleman who is kindly acting for the Society in India.

At the request of Mr. J. J. Stutzer, the Council have written to the British Ministers at Teheran and Yokohama for a supply of the best mulberry silkworm eggs, it being the opinion of competent persons almost impossible to procure healthy eggs from any part of Europe.

In order to afford cover for the birds which are being constantly

liberated at the Royal Park, and also to beautify the Park, a large number of copses have during the last year been formed in the Park—a large quantity of seeds and plants having been furnished from the Botanic Gardens for the purpose—and although the unusually dry seasons lately experienced have somewhat retarded the growth of the plants, yet the progress made, leaves no doubt of the ultimate advantage that will be obtained.

The following is a detailed list of the animals introduced during the past year.

6 Axis deer	2 Rufus-tailed pheasants
3 Ceylon elk	5 English pheasants
2 Fallow deer	13 Ceylon partridges
1 Gazelle	5 English partridges
2 Madagascar sheep	4 Ceylon peafowls
5 Russian sheep	3 Grey Indian geese
3 Secretary birds	3 Bar-headed Indian geese
3 Victoria crowned goura pigeons	7 Paradise ducks
7 Californian mountain quail	2 Toui birds
6 Madagascar quail	3 Indian partridges

The Council had hoped to have been able to include in this list upwards of 100 Angora goats, for the purchase of which a sum of £1200 has long been waiting in Mr. R. Philpott's hands in London; and Thatcher, the Society's travelling agent, was sent to England especially to take charge of these animals on the voyage out. Owing, however, to the delays inseparable from such enterprises, and the difficulties of communicating with any certainty with the owners of these goats, situated as they are in the remote districts of Asia Minor, this hope has not been realised, and it will probably be even yet two or three months before the animals can be expected here.

The object the Council have in view in expending so large a sum of money on the introduction of the Angora goat, is the rapid establishment of that animal as a source of wealth in the colony. With the small experiment already made, the Angora goat has proved itself admirably adapted to the climate of Victoria, and producing as it does a heavy fleece of valuable wool, for which there is always a steady demand, it cannot fail in speedily finding favour with the breeders of stock. In addition to these advantages, it possesses another, that of being able to subsist on such scanty herbage, that it will bring into practical utility land which for sheep is absolutely useless.

The Council have great pleasure in being able to congratulate the Society on the continued success of the Salmon experiment.

The object which the Council had in retaining a small portion of the ova in Melbourne has been fully accomplished. The experiment of putting the young fish into the Badger Creek was made with a view of ascertaining whether the tributaries of the Yarra was suitable by temperature and by natural character to serve as the home of the salmon in the fresh water stage of its existence. That experiment has been entirely successful. It has been shown that the young salmon may be kept in perfect health and condition in the waters of the Yarra, and that up to the sea-going stage at least, there is no natural impediment to the acclimatization of the fish in Victoria. The few fish which were placed in the Badger Creek were turned into the Yarra, in May, having been of a size and condition to warrant the Council in believing that they would be able to thrive in the open river. These fish should have proceeded to sea about October last, and a few of them, according to their habit, ought to return to the river as grilse in December or January. Of course, nothing can be known with certainty as to their present condition, nor can it be expected that the few who were the subjects of the experiment are to be regarded as having stocked the river. Enough, however, has been proved by the small experiment which the Council has made, that there are no insurmountable difficulties in the way of the ultimate naturalization of the salmon in the Victorian rivers. In Tasmania, which has been made the principal seat of the experiment for these colonies, the success has been most gratifying; both the salmon and trout may be looked upon as established there. With a view to hasten the benefits likely to ensue through the introduction of these fishes, the Tasmanian Government have again voted a sum of £800 for a further introduction of ova. This amount has been supplemented by the Council of this Society with £400, so that Victoria will largely participate in all the advantages of the expected accession of fish. The Council are glad to be able to inform the Society that Mr. J. A. Youl has, in conjunction with Mr. Edward Wilson, again consented to undertake the arduous and important task of superintending the collection and shipment of the ova in London.

Through the kindness of Mr. Charles Macarthur, of Launceston, the Council have also been enabled to introduce English carp.

Whilst treating of fishes the Council would observe that they have taken every opportunity to aid in the development of the fisheries of this colony. Taking advantage of the kindness of Captain Tonkin of the "Norfolk," they purchased a trawl net which that gentlemen

had brought out, in the hope of being able to test the deep sea fisheries, and this net was placed by the Council at the service of the Fishing Expedition recently fitted out by the Government.

By recent advices from Mr. E. L. Layard, of Cape Town, the Council learn with delight that he has purchased for the Society two pairs of elands and two pairs of ostriches, all of which may shortly be expected to arrive. With reference to the ostriches it may be well to mention that quite a new industry, and one of a most profitable nature, is being formed in South Africa by farmers who keep these birds in a state of semi-captivity, and pluck the wing feathers every year. The produce of each bird is estimated as worth about £25 per annum, and by this means the barbarous practice of shooting the birds with poisoned arrows, which has hitherto so extensively prevailed, is largely done away with. The Council have also been informed that four young ostriches are being sent out by the French Society.

The pheasants and other magnificent birds from India which were expected have not arrived, owing to the difficulty experienced in getting any person willing to act for the Society, but this difficulty may be looked upon as at an end, Dr. Chalmers having kindly promised to use his exertions in procuring the birds most suited for this climate.

Mr. Edward Wilson, whose devotion to the cause of acclimatisation continues unabated, has had prepared at his own expense a large number of Virginian nightingales, robins, and other birds, for presentation to the Society, and they are expected to arrive here soon.

The Council have, at the instigation of Mr. Bindon, resolved to devote the sum of £200 for the introduction of the roebuck, as being an animal admirably suited for many of the more mountainous districts of the country.

As an interesting and useful experiment in Acclimatisation, the Council took advantage of an offer made by the Hon. the Commissioner of Customs upon the occasion of the recent visit of H.M.C.S. "Victoria" to the Auckland, Campbell, and other Islands of the Antarctic group to send down a number of goats, pigs, rabbits, and fowls. These were set free on these islands by Commander Norman, and it is hoped that they will increase and prove of value to persons who may be shipwrecked upon the islands.

A second Exhibition of Dogs has been held under the auspices

of the Council, and although it can hardly be looked upon as so great a success as the first, owing probably to the fact that the novelty had somewhat passed off, yet it was in its primary objects successful, and the funds of the Society were not in any way drawn upon.

Before concluding this Report, the Council in justice to themselves, feel constrained to notice a very common complaint made against the Society, of there being nothing to see at the Royal Park. This is owing to the fact, that the Society does not aim at being a zoological society, or possessing a zoological collection. In time to come when more shall have been accomplished in the acclimatisation of useful quadrupeds and birds, it may be anticipated that the purely zoological may receive more attention; but at present, in a country so bare of useful animals as Australia is, the Council think that they would be misapplying the funds intrusted to them were they to expend large sums of money in keeping at the Royal Park a collection of animals not suitable for the purposes of the Society.

The Council are also desirous of impressing upon their friends and the public generally that acclimatisation in so vast a country as Australia must necessarily be a process of slow growth, and that the result of the Society's labours can only be judged after the lapse of time; although from the success already attained, the Council feel confident that gradually their efforts to improve this country, as a place of permanent residence for all classes of the people, will be fully acknowledged and appreciated.

The Council are, at the suggestion of Mr. Curr, now considering the propriety of requesting the Government to reserve for the use of the Society certain portions of land in the various climatic regions of the colony, in order that the animals introduced by the Society may be placed in localities best suited to develop their more valuable qualities.

In bringing the report to a conclusion the Council wish once more to place on record their sense of the obligations of the Society to the President, Dr. Thomas Black, whose untiring energies and invaluable services never fail. The Council would also present their best thanks to the Right Hon. Lord Lonsborough, to Major Michael of Madras, to Captain Burne of the R.M.S. "Bombay," to Captain Farquhar of the R.M.S. "Madras," to Captain Skottowe of the R.M.S. "Ellora," to Captain Kyle of the ship "Pride of the Ocean," to Mr. C. P. Layard, of Colombo; to Mr. E. L. Layard, of Cape Town;

to Mr. J. Weir, of Pointe de Galle ; to Messrs. Wm. Grieve and Co., of London ; to Messrs. Wilson Brothers, of the Wimmera ; to Mr. P. F. Jones, of Williamstown ; to Messrs. Grieve, Sumner and Co., Messrs. Joshua Brothers, Messrs. Michaelis, Boyd and Co., Messrs. W. P. White and Co., Mr. G. S. Coppin, and to Mr. J. Sparkes, of Melbourne, for valuable co-operation received in carrying out the objects of the Society.

ACCLIMATISATION SOCIETY.

Dr.

From September 1st, 1864, to August 31st, 1865.

Cr.

	£	s.	d.
To Balance brought forward	696	4	11
„ Government Grant... ..	2,000	0	0
„ Subscriptions and Donations	860	6	1
„ Grazing Fees	397	15	7
„ Sale of Animals... ..	67	7	9
	£4,021	14	4

By Purchase of Animals	717	0	9
„ Park Improvements	990	14	5
„ Salaries and Wages	1,039	13	7
„ Stores, Tools, and Contingencies	365	9	1
„ Food and Forago	406	1	4
„ Office Expenses	251	10	6
„ Phillip Island Depot	75	2	4
„ Expenses on Salmon	155	12	10
„ Cash in hands of Bank... ..	20	9	6
	£4,021	14	4

THEO. JNO. SUMNER, *Hon. Treasurer.*

Examined the above Statement with the Books of the Society, as also Vouchers for the expenditure and find the same to be correct. In the absence of memoranda the undermentioned receipts are assumed to be correct, viz., Government Grant, and Sale of Animals.

JOHN K. POW, Professional Accountant,
Auditor.

MELBOURNE, December, 1865.

LIFE MEMBERS.

All Members marked thus * pay their Annual Subscription also.

Aldworth and Co., Sandhurst ..	£10 10 0	Kennedy, Hon. D., M.L.C., Lansdowne Terrace, St. Kilda ..	£10 10 0
Armitage, George, Ballarat ..	10 10 0	Learmouth, Thomas, Ercildan- riley, Portland ..	10 10 0
Armstrong, W., Hexham ..	10 10 0	Layard, C. P., Colombo ..	Honorary
Austin, Thomas, Barwon Park ..	10 10 0	Layard, E. L., Cape Town ..	Honorary
Bagot, C. N., Melbourne Club ..	10 10 0	Lyall, W., Frogmore ..	£10 10 0
*Barkly, His Excellency Sir Henry, Mauritius ..	42 0 0	Martin, Dr., Heidelberg ..	10 10 0
*Bear, Hon. J.P., M.L.C., Queen Street ..	21 0 0	Mackenzie, John, 70½ Queen- street ..	10 10 0
*Bear, Thomas H., Heidelberg ..	10 10 0	Mackinnon, L., "Argus" Office, Honorary Marshall, Capt. H. S., "A. H. Badger" ..	Honorary
*Black, Dr. Thomas, Melbourne Club ..	10 10 0	eGill, A., ..	10 10 0
Box, H., Little Collins-street West ..	10 10 0	McHaffie, John, Phillip Island ..	10 10 0
Bright Brothers, Messrs. & Co., Flinders Lane ..	10 10 0	McMullen, J., Union Bank ..	21 0 0
Brown, Lindsay, Garramadda, Wahgunyah ..	10 10 0	Macintosh, Alexander, Green Hills, Diggers Rest ..	10 10 0
Catto, John, Newbridge, Loddon ..	10 10 0	Matheson, J., Bank of Victoria ..	21 0 0
Chambers, H. J., St. Kilda ..	Honorary	McMillan, A. Dargo, Gipps Land ..	10 10 0
Cooper, Sir Daniel, London ..	37 2 0	Molloy, W. T., Balmoral ..	10 10 0
Coppin, Hon. Geo., M.L.C., Cremorne ..	10 10 0	Mueller, Dr., Botanic Gardens ..	10 10 0
Creswick, Borough Council of, ..	10 10 0	Municipa Council of Ballarat West ..	20 0 0
*C. S. Officer, Mount Talbot ..	10 10 0	Murray, S., Dunrobin ..	10 10 0
Curr, E. M., Queen-street ..	10 10 0	Nicholson, Hon. W., 13, Flinders- street West ..	10 10 0
*Dalgety & Co., Messrs., Little Collins-street ..	10 10 0	*Nicholson, Gormain, Collins- street East ..	10 10 0
*Darling, His Excellency Sir Charles H., Toorak ..	10 10 0	*Powor, Hon. Thomas H., Haw- thorne ..	10 10 0
*Docker, Rev. Joseph, Wangaratta ..	21 0 0	Purchas, Albert, Kew ..	Honorary
Eldridge, James, Oakleigh ..	50 0 0	Ritchie, J., Streatham ..	10 10 0
*Falconer, J. J., Bank of Austral- asia ..	20 0 0	*Rostron, John R., Navarre ..	10 10 0
Firebrace, R. T., Heyfield, Gipps Land ..	10 10 0	Russell, A., Matuwalloch ..	10 10 0
Fussell, R. S. B. Fou Chou dols. 50 ..	11 0 10	*Rutledge, William, Belfast ..	10 10 0
Glass, Hugh, 18, A'Beckett Street ..	21 0 0	*Salmon, J. E., S., and A. C. Bank Sargood, King & Sargood, Flinders street West ..	10 10 0
Glass, R. J., Whaiparella ..	10 10 0	Simpson, Robert, Lange Kal Kal ..	10 10 0
Haines, The Hon. W. C., M.L.C., Melbourne Club ..	10 10 0	Sloan, W. S., Fou Chou, dols. 50 ..	11 0 10
*Henty, The Hon. S. G., M.L.C., 31, Market-street ..	10 10 0	Spowers, Allan, "Argus" Office ..	10 10 0
*Hervey, The Hon. M., M.L.C., Melbourne Club ..	10 10 0	Stanbridge, W. E., Daylesford ..	10 10 0
*Hoffmann, W., Bush Back, Essendon ..	25 0 0	Staughton, S. T., Little Collins- street West ..	10 10 0
Jones, Lloyd, Avenel ..	10 10 0	Stewart, J., Emeraldale, Streatham ..	10 10 0
*Josbua Bros., William-street ..	10 10 0	Strachan, J., London Chartered Bank ..	21 0 0

Sumner, T. J., 24, Flinders-lane			Wilson and Mackinnon, Collins-		
West	£10	10	0	street East	£42 0 0
Taylor, Frederick, Melbourne				*Wilson, Edward, "Argus" Office	21 0 0
Club	10	10	0	Wilson, Samuel, Wimmera	.. 10 10 0
*Taylor, W., Overcawton, Kellor	10	10	0	Winter, James, Toolambra, Mur-	
Templeton, Hugh, Fitzroy				chison	10 10 0
Ware, Joseph, Carranuit ..	10	10	0	Winter, Thomas, Winchelsea ..	10 10 0

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

All Members marked thus * are Life Members also.

Anderson, R. S., Queen-street	£2	2	0	Bindon, S. H., M.L.A., Temple			
Anderson and Wright, Carron				Court	£2	2	0
Timber Yard	2	2	0	Brodie, R., Helensville, Bulla ..	2	2	0
Adeney, Wm., Checolyn	2	2	0	Crisp, Geo., Queen-street	2	2	0
Areher, J., Ararat				Clarke, W., and Sons, Elizabeth-			
Aitken & Bostock, Warrnambool	2	2	0	street	2	2	0
Armstrong, W., Avoca River ..	2	2	0	Campbell, D. S., Bank Place ..	2	2	0
Anderson, Ballaarat	2	2	0	Cooling, R. H., Bourko-street			
Bruce, Mrs., Essendon	2	2	0	East	2	2	0
Benn, John, 24, Flinders-lane				Clough, J. H., & Co., Messrs.,			
West	2	2	0	113, Collins-street West	2	2	0
Brown, G. G., & Co., Hall of Com-				Callender, J. & Co., 26, King-st.	2	2	
merce	2	2	0	Carter and Watts, 70, Little Col-			
Bathe, Dr. St. Kilda	2	2	0	lins-street East	2	2	0
a'Beckett, Hon. T. T., M.L.C., St.				Clarke, W. J. T., Collins-street			
Kilda	2	2	0	East	2	2	0
Bligh & Harbottle, Flinders-lane				Carrfrae, John, Victoria-Parade ..	2	2	0
West	2	2	0	Champ, Colonel, William-street	2	2	0
Bland, R. H., Clunes	2	2	0	Chomley, A. W., Collins-street			
Boar, Hon. J. P., M.L.C., Queen-st.	2	2	0	East	2	2	0
Buckley & Nunn, 27, Bourke-st.				Chenery, A., Delatite	2	2	0
East	2	2	0	Clark, Richard, Benalla	2	2	0
Black, Dr. Joseph, Bourke-street				Clarke, Walter, Glenarra, Bulla ..	2	2	0
West	2	2	0	Clarke, W. J., Sunbury	2	2	0
Baines, Edward, Little Collins-				Cramond and Dieksen, Warrnam-			
street East	2	2	0	bool	2	2	0
Brown, Charles, 33, Bourke-street				Cox and Palmer, Hamilton	2	2	0
West	2	2	0	Connor, J. H., Colae	2	2	0
Briscoe & Company, 11, Collins-				Curdie, Dr., Camperdown	2	2	0
street East	2	2	0	Currie, J. L., Cressy	2	2	0
Beancy, J. G., 154, Collins-st. East	2	2	0	Clapperton, Thos., Amphitheatre	2	2	0
Brodribb, K. E., Chancery-lane	2	2	0	Campbell, R., Stawell	2	2	0
Budd, W. F. H., Tarcomber ..	2	2	0	Craig, S. S.	2	2	0
Bannerman, W., Sandhurst ..	2	2	0	Carter, Charles, Queen-street ..	2	2	0
Bould Brothers, Borohman ..	2	2	0	*Darling, His Excellency Sir Chas.			
Box, R., Barrowidgee	2	2	0	H., Toerak	6	6	0
Bon, J. and W., Miller's Ponds ..	2	2	0	Dalgety, Blackwood and Co., Little-			
Bon, John, Wappan	2	2	0	Collins-street West	2	2	0
Burke, R. Mortlake	2	2	0	Degraves, Hon. W., M.L.C., Flin-			
Black, A., Checolyn	2	2	0	ders-lane East	2	2	0
Broemfield, Colae	2	2	0	Delson, F. S., Chancery-lane ..	2	2	0
Beale, C., Birrogorra	2	2	0	Drysdale, J. A., 112, Collins-			
Blair, Portland	2	2	0	street West	2	2	0
Boyd, Dr., Warrnambool	2	2	0	Dawsen, M., Brunswick	2	2	0

*Docker, Rev. Joseph, Wangaratta	2 2 0	Hugh Brothers, Collins-st. East	2 2 0
Dickens, C., Preston	2 2 0	Highbett, Hon. W., M.L.C., Melbourne Club	2 2 0
Dacomb, E., Portland	2 2 0	Henty, Hon. James, M.L.C., 11, Little Collins-street West	2 2 0
Dunnis, Birregurra	2 2 0	Henty, J., 11, Little Collins-street West	2 2 0
Evans, D., Whitefield	2 2 0	Henty, Herbert James, 11, Little Collins-street West	2 2 0
Egan, J., Corinella	2 2 0	Hamilton, J. B., Doogalooch	2 2 0
Elder, James, Corinella	2 2 0	Hamilton, William, Glenurma	2 2 0
Fanning, Nankivell and Co., Elizabeth-street	2 2 0	Henderson, Ballarat	2 2 0
Falk, P., and Co., 33, Little Collins-street West	2 2 0	Hopkins, Winchelsea	2 2 0
Fulton, Thomas, and Co., Flinders-street West	2 2 0	Hamilton, A., Mortlake	2 2 0
Fraser and Co., 14, Collins-street West	2 2 0	Holliday, Wm., St. Arnaud	2 2 0
Francis, Hon. J. G., M.L.A., 20, King-street	2 2 0	Howes, D. J., Belfast	2 2 0
Finlay, J., Emerald Hill	2 2 0	Hunt, R., Coleraine	2 2 0
Fleetwood, T. P., Chaucery-lane	2 2 0	Henty, S. G., Portland	5 5 0
Farrell, D., The Hollow	2 2 0	Jamieson, Hugh, Mildura	2 2 0
Ferguson, D., Flowerdale	2 2 0	Joshua, Bros., 46, William-street	2 2 0
Forsyth, J. R., Martoongoon	2 2 0	Johnston, J., Hurdle Creek	2 2 0
French	2 2 0	Kong, Meng and Co., Little Bourke-street East	2 2 0
Fitzpatrick, D., Corinella	2 2 0	Kilpatrick and Co., Collins-street West	2 2 0
Graham, J., 97, Little Collins-st., East	2 2 0	Ker, W. L., Killingworth	2 2 0
Gruner, H. F., Collins-street East	2 2 0	Kinnanmont, J., Strétford	2 2 0
Green, Molesworth, Melbourne Club	2 2 0	Kirk, J., Ballarat	2 2 0
Goldsbrough, R., and Co., Bourke-street West	2 2 0	Learmonth, W., Coleraine	2 2 0
Grice, R., Flinders-lane West	2 2 0	Leary, J., Collins-street East	2 2 0
Govett, G., Kyneton	2 2 0	Loader, Thomas, Elizabeth-street	2 2 0
Grattan, H., Gowangardee	2 2 0	Leary, J., Teoboora	2 2 0
Grant, Robert, Switzerland	2 2 0	Larion, G., and Co., Pleasant Creek	2 2 0
Godfrey, F. R., Mount Ridley, Somerton	2 2 0	Little, John, Eversleigh	2 2 0
Gibb, R. B., Ballarat	2 2 0	Laden, A., Belfast	2 2 0
Gilles, L., Warrnambool	2 2 0	Logan, J., Ararat	2 2 0
Grant, John, Belfast	2 2 0	Le Poer Trench, Ballarat	2 2 0
Grant, Edward, Stawell	2 2 0	Larnach, N. M., Geelong	2 2 0
Grant, W., Stawell	2 2 0	Maryborough, Council of	5 0 0
Geary, B., Maryborough	2 2 0	Madden, Dr., Marlton	2 2 0
Harrison, Captain, Jamieson	2 2 0	McCoy, Professor, University	2 2 0
Higinbotham, Hon. Geo., M.L.A., Temple Court	2 2 0	McNaughton, Love and Co., Flinders-lane East	2 2 0
*Haines, Hon. W. C., M.L.C., Melbourne Club	2 2 0	Mackintosh, A., Digger's Rest	2 2 0
House, Samuel, and Co., Queen-st.	2 2 0	Macfarlane, A., and Co., Flinders-lane East	2 2 0
*Hoffmann, W., Essendon	2 2 0	Morrison, A., Scotch College	2 2 0
Hogg, E. J., Brookville, South Yarra	2 2 0	Macfarlane, Peter, Kalcitha, Yea	2 2 0
Hetherington, Charles, 8, Collins-street West	2 2 0	Mitchell and Bonneau, Elizabeth-street	2 2 0
Harris, Nathaniel, and Co., 36, Elizabeth-street	2 2 0	Martin, George, and Co., 25, Market-street	2 2 0
*Henty, Hon. S. G., M.L.C., Market-street	2 2 0	McCracken and Co., Little Collins-street West	2 2 0
		Malleson and England, Queen-st.	2 2 0
		Michie, Hon. A., Temple Court	2 2 0
		Maxfield, James, Broadford	2 2 0

Morrison, A., Scotch College ..	£2 2 0	Roberts, J., Portland ..	£2 2 0
McKenzie, A. Reedy Creek ..	2 2 0	Selwyn, A. R. C., Brighton ..	2 2 0
McLeish, D., Glenmore ..	2 2 0	Sprigg, W. G., Queen-street ..	2 2 0
Meade, J., Kilmoro ..	2 2 0	Stutzer, J. J., Temple Court ..	2 2 0
McMillan, P., Seymour ..	2 2 0	Sands and McDougall, Collins-	
McKillan, W., Lima ..	2 2 0	street West ..	2 2 0
Mackay, Dr., Tarrawingoo ..	2 2 0	Stevenson, J., William-street ..	2 2 0
McDonald, O., Norrongong ..	2 2 0	Stawell, Sir William, Kew ..	2 2 0
McMillan, A., Arcadia ..	2 2 0	*Spowers, Allan, "Argus" Office	2 2 0
McKenzie, D., Mount Pleasant ..	2 2 0	Smale, A. W., 105, Collins-street	
Macintosh, A., Melton ..	2 2 0	East ..	2 2 0
Morrison, Ballarat ..	2 2 0	Schlostoin, A., Flinders-lane West	2 2 0
McKay, Ballarat ..	2 2 0	*Sargood, King and Sargood, 23,	
Murray, Hugh, Colac ..	2 2 0	Flinders-street East ..	2 2 0
McVean, Hugh, Colac ..	2 2 0	Schulkraft, A. W., Elizabeth-	
McKinnon, D., Camperdown ..	2 2 0	street ..	2 2 0
MEEK, J. G., Cressy ..	2 2 0	Stead Brothers, William-street ..	2 2 0
McPherson, J., Streatham ..	2 0 0	Sturt, E. P. S., Swanston-street	2 2 0
McLeod, N., Portland ..	2 2 0	Stevenson, L., and Sons, Flin-	
McDermott, D., Ballarat ..	2 2 0	ders-lane East ..	5 5 0
McPherson, W., Nangela ..	2 2 0	Sloane and Co. Collins-street	
Moore, A., Portland ..	2 2 0	West ..	2 2 0
McCrae, A., Kilmoro ..	2 2 0	Salmon, J., Brighton ..	2 2 0
Morris, James, Yan Yean ..	2 2 0	Sparkes, J., 5, Flinders-st. East	2 2 0
Nordt, Heyde and Co., Collins-		Sherwin, John, Braemore ..	2 2 0
street West ..	2 2 0	Smith and Hallen, Chiltern ..	2 2 0
Nutt, R. W., William-street ..	2 2 0	Simson, H. N., Tatong ..	2 2 0
*Nicholson, Gormain, 69, Collins-		Simpson, J., Travalla ..	2 2 0
street East ..	2 2 0	Smith, W. C., Ballarat ..	2 2 0
Napier, Thomas, Moonco Ponds	2 2 0	Sladen, G., Burragurra ..	2 2 0
O'Neill, H., Brighton ..	2 2 0	Stevens, F. B., Warrnambool ..	2 2 0
Olivier, T., Elizabeth-street ..	2 2 0	Thomas, Dr., Collins-street East	2 2 0
Osborne, J., Kerguna ..	2 2 0	Terry, Leonard, William-street ..	2 2 0
Paterson, Ray, Palmer, and Co.,		Turnbull, R. and P., William-street	2 2 0
Flinders-lane West ..	2 2 0	Thomas Charles, Honqua ..	2 2 0
Parbury, Lamb and Co., Queen-		Taylor, Hon. Wm., M.L.C., Kellor	2 2 0
street ..	2 2 0	Tom, J., Springfield ..	2 2 0
Politz and Co., Collins-street West	2 2 0	Thomson, J., Ararat ..	2 2 0
Phelps, J. J., Melbourne Club ..	2 2 0	Taylor, D., Maryborough ..	2 2 0
Patmore, Gurney, Portland ..	2 2 0	Tranginar, G., Coleraine ..	2 2 0
Prost, Kohler and Co, Collins-st.	2 2 0	Turnbull, A., Warrnambool ..	2 2 0
*Power, Thomas H., Queen-street	2 2 0	Tranginar, J., Portland ..	2 2 0
Piper, William, Benalla ..	2 2 0	Taylor, J., Eumeralla ..	2 2 0
Rusden, G. W., Brighton ..	2 2 0	Vollum and Co., Geelong ..	2 2 0
Rolfe and Balley, Bourke-street		Watson, A., Penola ..	2 2 0
West ..	2 2 0	Watson, G., Bourke-street West	2 2 0
Robinson, L., Collins-street East	2 2 0	Williams, W., Collins-street West	2 2 0
Ross, Colonel, St. Kilda ..	2 2 0	Wyatt, Alfred, Temple Court ..	2 2 0
Ryan and Hammond, Bourke-		Wragge, George, 134, Collins-	
street West ..	2 2 0	street East ..	2 2 0
Ruffy, W. J., Dropmore ..	2 2 0	Wood, J. D., Temple Court ..	2 2 0
Reid, C. A., Relesdale ..	2 2 0	Watts, H. E., Melbourne Club ..	2 2 0
Ryley, F., Wangaratta ..	2 2 0	*Wilson, Edward, "Argus" Office	2 2 0
Robertson, F., Essendon ..	2 2 0	White, W. P., and Co. 10, Eliza-	
Russell, Ballarat ..	4 0 0	beth-street ..	2 2 0
Randall, T., Ballarat ..	2 2 0	Webster, G., Queen-street ..	2 2 0
Robertson, Hexham ..	2 0 0	Williams, Captain, Donnybrook	2 2 0
Reynell, A., Carisbrook ..	2 2 0	Warby, B., Tamenish ..	2 2 0

Warby and Little, Glen Rowen ..	£2 2 0	Williamson, J., Ballarat ..	£2 2 0
Wilson, Dr., Summer Hill,		Williams, P., Ballarat ..	2 2 0
Somerton	2 2 0	Wilson, W C., Maryborough ..	2 2 0
Wilshin & Leighton, 7, Market-		Winter, John, Ballarat ..	5 0 0
street	2 2 0	Younghusband and Co., 36, Eliza-	
Wilkins, Dr., Maryborough ..	2 2 0	beth.street	2 2 0
Wilson, A., Colac	2 2 0	Young, W., Belfast	2 2 0
Williamson, Charles	2 2 0		

DONATIONS.

Andrews, W., Smythesdale ..	£1 0 0	Giblin, Geelong	£1 1 0
Bayliss, H., Wahgunyah ..	1 0 0	Gillespie, Ballarat	0 10 0
Buterf, M., Bulla	0 10 0	Hall, Joseph, Kyneton ..	0 10 0
Butler and Moss, Eastern Market	0 10 0	Harvey, R., Little Collins-street..	1 1 0
Beauchamp and Roche, Collins-		Howitt, Dr., Collins-street East ..	1 0 0
street East	1 0 0	Hardy, J., Collins-street West ..	0 10 0
Bamford, J., Swanston-street ..	1 1 0	Handfield, Rev. H. H., St. Peter's	1 1 0
Bromby, W., Colac	1 1 0	Hudson, Dr., Ballarat	1 0 0
Burrell, Captain, Williamstown ..	1 1 0	Hillas, Dr., Ballarat	1 1 0
Bateman, W., Belfast	1 1 0	Hepburn, J., Ballarat	1 0 0
Barber, G., Warrnambool ..	1 0 0	Hughes, P., Portland	0 10 6
Brewer, E., Portland	1 1 0	Irvine, J., Flinders-street West ..	1 1 0
Beagley, G. S., Belfast	1 1 0	Ingram, Thousa, Belfast ..	1 1 0
Butcher, T., Colac	0 10 0	Johnson, G. and J., William-street	0 10 0
Clancey, G., Oxley Plains ..	0 10 0	Kinchington, J., Thalmamanga ..	1 0 0
Campbell, C., Cawder	1 0 0	Katzenstein, J., Flinders-lane West	1 1 0
Cooper, W., Mount Pleasant	1 1 0	Lord and Co., Collins-street West	1 1 0
Cameron, A., Pentridge	1 1 0	Langlands and Co., Flinders-street	
Christie, F. C., Williamstown ..	1 1 0	West	1 1 0
Courtney, E., Temple Court ..	1 1 0	Levy Bros., Bourke-street..	1 1 0
Chapman, J., Tarrangower ..	1 1 0	Levi, N., William-street ..	1 1 0
Clarke, L., Portland	1 1 0	Laidman, S., Maryborough ..	1 1 0
Crouch, Charles, Portland..	1 0 0	Learmonth, A., Hamilton ..	1 0 0
Claxton, M., Ballarat	1 1 0	Learmonth, P., Grange Bourne ..	1 0 0
Cuthbert, J., Ballarat	1 1 0	Littlejohn, B., Ararat	0 5 0
Clendinning, Dr., Ballarat ..	1 1 0	Low, J., Pitfield	1 0 0
Dowder, R. H., Lancefield ..	1 0 0	Lister, Ballarat	0 10 6
Dowling, E., Donnybrook..	0 10 0	Lucas, Geelong	1 1 0
Daly, J., Collins-street	1 1 0	McKenzie, F. F., Lancefield ..	1 0 0
Day, Dr., Geelong	1 1 0	Meade, R. G., Longwood ..	1 1 0
Duffy and Biggell, Ballarat ..	1 1 0	Martin, P., Benalla	1 1 0
Evans, D. H., Wangaratta. .	1 0 0	McBean, R., Kilferaa	1 0 0
Freeman, Rev. J., Benalla ..	1 1 0	Morton Bros. and Leach, Derrimut	
Fitzgerald, J. J., Lonsdale-street	1 1 0	Plains	1 1 0
Ford, W., and Co., Swanston-street	1 1 0	Moore, S., Collins-street West ..	1 1 0
Fellows, Thos. H., Temple Court	1 1 0	Macredio, W., Collins-street West	1 1 0
Fisher, Ricards and Co., Collins-		Mathieson, J., Bank of Victoria ..	1 0 0
street West	1 1 0	McNaughton, Lovo and Co.,	
For, J. H., Hamilton	0 10 0	Flinders-lane East	1 1 0
Featherstonhaugh, J., Hamilton..	0 10 0	McLeod, W., Maryborough ..	1 1 0
Gordon and Gotch, Collins-street		McLean, Dr., Williamstown ..	1 1 0
West	1 0 0	McLaughlin, J., Colac	0 10 0

McDougall, E., Hamilton ..	£0 10 0	Sinclair, Ballarat ..	£1 0 0
McCallum, D., Ardgarton ..	1 1 0	Saunders, J. M., Ararat ..	1 1 0
Mason, J., Belfast ..	1 1 0	Stevenson, Dr., Hamilton ..	1 1 0
McGregor, R., Warrnambool ..	1 0 0	Scott, H., Hamilton ..	1 0 0
Norton, J., Wangaratta ..	1 1 0	Scott, P., Portland ..	1 1 0
Nixon, Thomas, Benalla ..	0 10 6	Stokes, W. A., Portland ..	1 1 0
Newson, G., Saltwater River ..	1 0 0	Slattery, Dean, Warrnambool ..	1 1 0
Oswald and Inglis, Flinders-street		Sutherland, B., Stawell ..	0 10 0
West ..	1 0 0	Tohnee, E., Denoran ..	1 1 0
Piniger, F. ..	1 0 0	Taylor, G. and J., Kyneton ..	1 1 0
Prentice, H. L., Killeen ..	1 1 0	Taylor and Buckland, Queen-street	1 1 0
Parfitt, W., Wangaratta ..	0 5 0	Trimber, W., Corinella ..	1 0 0
Pugh, Dr., Collins-street East ..	1 1 0	Withers, G., Mansfield ..	0 5 0
Ray, Dr., Collins-street East ..	1 1 0	Withers, J., Ulma ..	1 1 0
Robertson, George, 69, Elizabeth-		Woodside, J., Happy Valley ..	1 1 0
street ..	1 1 0	Ward, W., Wangaratta ..	0 5 0
Ross, C. S., Collins-street West ..	0 10 0	Williams, J., Wangaratta ..	0 5 0
Row, Pitfield ..	1 1 0	Wheeler, A., Wanghamchian ..	1 1 0
Russell, Dr., Belfast ..	1 1 0	Watson Wm. and Sons, Little	
Rackham, T. Y., Warrnambool ..	1 1 0	Collins-street East ..	1 1 0
Somers, John, Laneefield ..	1 0 0	Whitney, J., Swanston-street ..	1 1 0
Street, F., Burrandada ..	1 1 0	Wagner Bros., Ballarat ..	1 1 0
Sharpe, G., Benalla ..	1 0 0	Welsh, Wm., Ballarat ..	1 1 0
Smith, R., Sandhurst ..	0 10 0	Williams, J. W., Smythesdale ..	0 10 0
Sayce, J., Sandhurst ..	1 0 0	Wrixon, G., Hamilton ..	0 10 0
Smith, W. C., Ballarat ..	1 1 0	Yorke, E. G., Belfast ..	1 1 0

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Allport, Morton, Hobart Town.
 Beckx, Gustave, Flinders Lane West.
 Biagi, Giuseppe, William Street.
 Blanchard, W., Collins Street West.
 Castelnau, Comto de, Apsley Place.
 Chalmers, Dr., New Zealand.
 Cooper, Ricardo, Queen Street.
 Coste, Professor, Huninguo.
 Damyon, James, Market Street.
 Drouya, de Lhuys, Paris.
 Fussell, R. S. R., Fou Chou.
 Gillanders & Arbuthnot, Calcutta.
 Godfrey, Captain, J. B., New Zealand.
 Graham, James, Little Collins Street East.
 Grote, Arthur, Calcutta.
 Kohler, George, Elizabeth Street.
 Landells, G. J., King Street.

Macaulay, W., Singapore.
 Michaelis, Moritz, Elizabeth Street.
 Mullick, Rajendro, Calcutta.
 Newnham, J. A., Flinders Street West.
 Officer, Hon. Dr., Hobart Town.
 Ploos Van Amstel, J. M., Collins St. West.
 Ramel, Monsiour, Paris.
 Reid, Captain, R.M.S. "Bombay."
 Rentsch, Samuel, Flinders Street East.
 Robinson, J., Calcutta.
 Scholstein, Adolp., Flinders Lane West.
 Slater, Dr. P. L., London.
 Sparkes, John, Flinders Street East.
 Squire, Surgeon John, Dinapore.
 St. Hilaire, G., Bois de Boulogne, Paris.
 Werc, J. B., Collins Street West.

THE RULES AND OBJECTS

OF THE

Acclimatisation Society of Victoria.

Objects of
Society.

1. The objects of the Society shall be the introduction, acclimatisation, and domestication of all innoxious animals, birds, fishes, insects, and vegetables, whether useful or ornamental;—the perfection, propagation, and hybridisation of races newly introduced or already domesticated;—the spread of indigenous animals, &c., from parts of the colonies where they are already known, to other localities where they are not known;—the procuring, whether by purchase, gift, or exchange, of animals, &c., from Great Britain, the British colonies, and foreign countries;—the transmission of animals, &c., from the colony to England and foreign parts, in exchange for others sent thence to the Society;—the holding of periodical meetings, and the publication of reports and transactions, for the purpose of spreading knowledge of acclimatisation, and inquiry into the causes of success or failure;—the interchange of reports, &c., with kindred associations in other parts of the world, with the view, by correspondence and mutual good offices, of giving the widest possible scope to the project of acclimatisation;—the conferring rewards, honorary or intrinsically valuable, upon seafaring men, passengers from distant countries, and others who may render valuable services to the cause of acclimatisation.

Membership

2. A Subscriber of two guineas or upwards annually shall be a Member of the Society; and contributors, within one year, of ten guineas or upwards shall be Life Members of the Society; and any person who may render special services to the Society, by contribution of stock or otherwise, shall be

eligible for life membership, and may be elected as such by the Council, or by any annual general meeting.

3. The annual subscription shall be payable on the 1st day of September in each year, and may be received by any Member of the Council, or the Collector, either of whom on receiving the same shall cause the person so subscribing to be enrolled a member accordingly. Subscriptions.

4. All the property of the Society, of what nature and kind soever, shall vest in Trustees to be appointed by the Council, for the use, purposes, and benefit of the Society. Property
vest in
Trustees

5. The Society shall be governed by a Council of eighteen Members, to include a President, two Vice-Presidents, and an Honorary Treasurer, three of whom (viz., those who have attended the fewest Meetings of the Council proportionately since their appointment) shall retire annually, but shall be eligible for re-election. Provided that if any sum of money be voted to the Society by Act of Parliament, or trusts conferred upon the Council by the Government, then it shall be lawful for the Chief Secretary for the time being to appoint, if he consider it expedient, any number of gentlemen, not exceeding three, to act as Members of the Council, and they shall have all the privileges as if otherwise duly elected; and further, to appoint one Co-Trustee, to act in conjunction with the Trustees for the time being of the Society. And provided further, that if the Melbourne Corporation, or any of the adjacent municipalities, shall decide upon expending any sum of money exceeding £100 in any one year, upon the grounds or for the objects of the Society, the Mayor of Melbourne or Chairman of such municipality shall be for such year a Member of the Council, and be at liberty to act in every respect as an ordinary member. Executive
Officers.
Council.

6. In case of a vacancy occurring by the death, resignation, or non-attendance of any Member of Council for the period of two months, the remaining Members may appoint another Member of the Society to be a Member of the Council in the place and stead of the deceased, or resigned, or absenting Member, and such new Member may act until the next annual general meeting. Provided that such vacancy shall not be supplied by the Council except after seven days' notice given Vacancy in
Council,
how sup-
plied.

of the new Member to be proposed, and unless in the presence of at least seven Members of the Council.

Quarterly
Meetings
of the So-
ciety.

7. The Society shall hold periodical meetings, at which papers and other communications relating to the objects of the Society, and reports prepared by the Council, shall be received, and such discussions shall be encouraged as may be of value in propagating a knowledge of acclimatisation amongst the Members and the public. And such business generally shall be disposed of as may be brought under consideration by the Council or by any Member who shall have given seven days' previous notice thereof to the Secretary, or as a majority of two-thirds of the Members present shall see fit to entertain and consider; and each Member shall have the privilege of introducing two friends at such meetings.

Meetings of
Council.

8. The Council shall meet at least once a month, and three Members shall form a quorum, and be capable of transacting the business of the Council, subject to such limitations as may be imposed by any bye-law of the Council, or rule, or resolution of the Society, which may be hereafter made.

Powers and
Duties of
Council.

9. The Council shall have the sole management of the affairs of the Society, and of the income and property thereof, for the uses, purposes, and benefit of the Society; and shall have the sole and exclusive right of appointing a President, Vice-Presidents, and Honorary Treasurer from amongst themselves or the other Members of the Society, and also of appointing paid servants, as a manager or secretary, collector, and such other officers, clerks, and labourers, and at such salaries as they may deem necessary, and of removing them if they shall think fit, and shall prescribe their respective duties. And such Council shall have power to consider and determine all matters, either directly or indirectly affecting the interests of the Society, and if they shall think fit so to do, shall bring the same under the notice of the Members of the Society, at any general or special meeting; and to make such bye-laws as they may deem necessary for the efficient management of the affairs and the promotion of the objects of the Society, and for the conduct of the business of the Council, provided the

same are not repugnant to these rules ; to appoint one or more sub-committees, for any purpose contemplated by these rules ; and generally to perform such acts as may be requisite to carry out the objects of the Society, which bye-laws are to be subject to ratification, or emendation, or rejection, by the next annual or special general meeting of the Society. And it shall be the duty of the Council to exercise the foregoing powers as occasion shall require, and to furnish reports of the proceedings at every periodical and annual meeting of the Society.

10. The Society shall have power to affiliate or associate itself with other Societies of kindred objects, and to found Branch Societies if desirable ; and the Council shall have power to carry out any arrangements for this purpose, and to furnish any monthly or other reports. Branch Societies, &c.

11. Minutes shall be made, in books kept for the purpose, of all the proceedings at the general and special meetings of the Members, and minutes shall also be made of the proceedings of the Council at their general and special meetings, and of the names of the Members attending the same, and such minutes shall be open to inspection by any Member of the Society at all reasonable times. Minutes of Proceedings.

12. All subscriptions and other moneys payable to the Society shall be paid to the Treasurer, who shall forthwith place the same in a bank, to be named by the Council, to the credit of the Society ; and no sum shall be paid on account of the Society until the same shall have been ordered by the Council, and such order be duly entered in the book of the proceedings of the Council ; and all cheques shall be signed by the Treasurer as such, and be countersigned by the President, or one of the Vice-Presidents, or by some other Member of the Council delegated by the Council to act as such. Moneys to be paid to Treasurer.

13. An annual meeting shall be held in or about November of each year, and the Council shall report their proceedings during the past year, and shall produce their accounts, duly audited, for publication if deemed desirable ; and the meeting shall elect new Members of Council to supply the vacancies therein. And notices of motion must be furnished to the Secretary one day previous to the holding of Annual Meeting.

such meeting, or such motions may be rejected by the Chairman.

Non-pay-
ment of
Subscrip-
tions.

14. All privileges of membership shall cease in case any Member shall be three months in arrear, subject, however, to his restoration on the payment of such subscription as aforesaid; accompanied by satisfactory explanation.

Special Meet-
ings of
Members.

15. Upon receiving a requisition in writing, signed by twelve or more Members of the Society, or upon a resolution of the Council, the President, or in his absence one of the Vice-Presidents, shall convene a special meeting of the Members, to be held within fifteen days of the receipt by him of such requisition or resolution. Provided always that such requisition and resolution, and the notices thereunder convening the meeting, shall specify the subject to be considered at such meeting, and that subject only shall be discussed at such meeting.

Honorary
Members

16. The Council or any general meeting of the Society may admit, as Honorary Members, such ladies or gentlemen as may have distinguished themselves in connection with the objects of the Society, or in objects of a kindred nature.

Power to al-
ter Rules.

17. It shall be lawful for any annual or special meeting of the Society to alter, vary, or amend the rules; or to substitute another for any of the same; or to make any new rule which may be considered desirable; if and after a notice specifying the nature of such alteration, variation, amendment, substitution, or new rule, shall have been given to the Secretary fifteen days before the holding of such meeting. And such alteration, variation, amendment, substitution, or new rule, shall be valid if carried by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the Members present at such meeting.

PROCEEDINGS
AT THE
FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING,

Held December 20th, 1865.

The Annual Meeting of the Acclimatisation Society of Victoria was held on Wednesday, December 20th, at the Society's office, Swanston-street. His Excellency the Governor had promised to preside ; but, in consequence of indisposition, he was unable to attend the meeting. In the absence of His Excellency, and of the President, Dr. Thomas Black, who was also prevented from attending by indisposition, the chair was taken by Dr. Mueller, one of the Vice-Presidents.

The CHAIRMAN, in opening the proceedings, remarked that the labours of the society had been confined entirely to the introduction of animals or plants which were likely to be of practical utility to the colony. Whenever the society's collection had been supplemented by objects of mere ornament or luxury, those contributions were furnished by the private expenditure of the friends of the society. He might mention that, to prevent the unnecessary expenditure of the funds of the society, which was largely supported by the state, the Council had not attempted to maintain a costly menagerie at the Royal-park, which by some persons had been made a ground of complaint against it. There was ample scope for the exertions of the society in a utilitarian direction, and there would be for many years to come. One object to which the Council was specially devoting attention was the introduction of different kinds of sea fish from Europe. The development of the fisheries of the colony was one of the most important things which could engage the attention of the Acclimatisation Society, because not only would it increase the food of the people, but it would also furnish an abundant supply of substances which would be most valuable as refertilisers of the land. The Council contemplated making full inquiries as to the acclimatisation of such fish as the sturgeon, the cod, and the herring. An

unfavourable opinion formerly existed as to the practicability of acclimatising the herring in this part of the world, but further information led to a more hopeful opinion on the matter. Another object which the Council had specially in view, was the collecting of information as to the climatic condition of various parts of Victoria—or, in other words, to ascertain the capabilities of different portions of the colony for the acclimatisation of particular animals, plants, &c. There were several great climatic centres in the colony. For instance, there was the country about the Murray, where the climate was very warm, with a dry atmosphere; there was a moist and cooler climate in the eastern parts of the colony; there was the equable and not very warm climate in the neighbourhood of the fern-tree gullies; and there was a different kind of climate from any of these in the Alpine regions. Next year the Council proposed, by practical experiments, to test the influence of these various climatic centres upon different plants and animals. He had thought it right briefly to allude to these matters, which were some of the objects which the Council had in view, as a proof that there was ample scope for the labours of the society. The Council were very willing to devote a share of their time and attention to the great work of acclimatisation, and he hoped that the public would second their wishes in a tangible form, by continuing to support the society, and assist it in the accomplishments of its objects. (Applause.)

The SECRETARY (Mr. George Sprigg) read the Report of the Council for the year ending the 31st of August last. (See page 5.)

Mr. H. J. Chambers moved that the report be adopted, and that a vote of thanks be given to the office-bearers and the secretary of the society for their services during the year.

Mr. J. Finlay seconded the motion, which was unanimously agreed to.

On the motion of Mr. Selwyn, seconded by Mr. A. Purchas, the Rev. W. Fellows, Mr. E. P. S. Sturt, and Mr. Henry Box were elected to supply the vacancies in the Council caused by three members retiring by rotation.

On the motion of Mr. J. Steavenson, an alteration was made in one of the rules, for the purpose of doing away with the necessity of requiring the attendance of the president, one of the vice-presidents, or the honorary treasurer, in order to constitute a quorum at the meetings of the Council.

Professor McCoy proposed that the following gentlemen be elected honorary members of the society, as an acknowledgment of the valuable services which they had rendered to the society:—Edgar

L. Layard, Cape Town ; Morton Allport, Hobart Town ; the Hon. Dr. Officer, Hobart Town ; Dr. P. L. Selater, London ; and Geoffroy St. Hilaire, Paris. He expressed a hope that at some future time the society would adopt the practice of conferring a medal, or some similar distinction, upon gentlemen who rendered important assistance in forwarding the objects of the society.

Mr. Selwyn seconded the motion, and it was cordially adopted.

The Chairman read the following letter, addressed to the president of the society by General Knollys :—

“Abergeldie, Ballater, N.B.

“Sir,—I am desired by the Prince of Wales to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st July, offering for His Royal Highness's acceptance, and on the part of the society of which you are president, specimens of a number of animals connected with the fauna of Her Majesty's colony of Victoria. His Royal Highness desires me to assure you and the Council that it will afford him great pleasure and satisfaction to receive an offering so interesting in itself and so gratifying from the feelings in which it has originated. I am directed to return his best thanks.

“I have the honour to be, Sir,

“Your most obedient servant,

“W. KNOLLYS.

“To Thomas Black, Esq., M.D., president of the Acclimatisation Society of Victoria.”

The proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

LIST OF ANIMALS

IN THE ROYAL PARK AND BOTANICAL GARDENS, MELBOURNE.

22 Llama alpacas	8 English pheasants	4 Crowned gould pigeons
4 Pure alpacas	2 Indian pheasants	11 Turtle doves
7 Ceylon elks	3 Guernsey partridges	12 Grey Indian doves
15 Axis deer	4 Ceylon partridges	4 Green Indian doves
4 Hog deer	6 Madagascar quail	3 Manilla doves
4 Manilla deer	5 Californian quail	2 Brazil doves
2 Barasingha deer	2 Algerine sand grouse	5 Emeus
3 Formosa deer	9 White swans	4 Native companions
1 Nylghau	4 Canadian geese	5 Black swans
4 Brahmin cows	13 Egyptian geese	2 Malleo hens
1 Chinese buffalo	5 Guinea geese	2 Native bustards
27 Cashmere goats	2 Cape Barren geese	3 Curlews
25 Angora goats	5 Maned geese	2 Eagle hawks
90 Half-hred do.	4 Indian bar headed geese	2 Small hawks
5 Common goats	3 Indian grey geese	3 Owls
10 Russian Sheep	50 English wild ducks	2 Laughing Jackasses
2 Silver grey rabbits	1 Mandarin duck	2 Grey African parrots
1 Chinchilla	2 Bahama ducks	4 Indian game fowls
2 St. Bernard dogs	13 Carolina ducks	15 Bantams
6 Kangaroos	8 Call ducks	6 Common fowls
2 Wallaby	3 Mountain ducks	2 Cardinal birds
4 Opossums	2 Tree ducks	2 Secretary birds
6 Monkeys	5 Wood ducks	6 Indian finches
1 Agouti	6 Paradise ducks	6 Roekhampton finches
4 Indian porcupines	3 Shell ducks	12 Linnets
2 Moorukes	2 Macaws	14 Canaries
5 Curassows	4 Wonga pigeons	18 Finches of various kinds
9 Ceylon wild peafowl	2 Fancy pigeons	
5 English peafowl	6 Bronze wing pigeons	2 Hives Ligurian bees
2 Golden pheasants		
22 Silver pheasants		

ANIMALS LIBERATED.

AT THE BOTANICAL GARDENS.

18 Canaries	6 California quail	4 English robins
18 Blackbirds	90 English wild ducks	8 Turtle doves
24 Thrushes	35 Java sparrows	50 Mallards

AT PHILLIP ISLAND.

10 Hares	4 Chinese partridges	5 Pheasants
5 Cape pheasants	70 Chinese quail	6 Skylarks
8 English pheasants	23 Tasmanian quail	6 California quail
4 Indian pheasants	6 Starlings	4 Thrushes
8 Ceylon partridges	10 Algerine sand grouse	4 Blackbirds
5 Indian partridges	6 Wild ducks	1 Pair white swans

AT SANDSTONE AND CHURCHILL ISLANDS.

4 Pheasants	4 Skylarks	4 Thrushes
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AT YARRA BEND.

6 Thrushes	4 Skylarks
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NEAR SYDNEY.

9 Thrushes	4 Skylarks	10 Blackbirds
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AT SUGARLOAF HILL.

5 Ceylon elk	3 Axis deer
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AT WILSON'S PROMONTORY.

4 Axis deer

AT THE ROYAL PARK.

4 Hares
20 Mainas
6 Starlings
60 English sparrows

40 Chaffinches
2 Thrushes
20 Greenfinches
15 Yellowhammers

200 Java sparrows
6 Blackbirds
20 Siskin finches
6 Powi birds

AT PENTRIDGE.

40 English sparrows

AT ST. KILDA.

20 Chinese sparrows

AT BALLAARAT.

25 English sparrows

20 Java sparrows

AT DUNEEF.

13 Fallow deer

AT CAPE LITRAP.

12 Hog deer

4 Ceylon peafowls
10 Pigeons

4 Guinea fowls

AT AUCKLAND ISLANDS.

12 Goats

3 Geese

12 Rabbits
3 Pigs

6 Fowls
3 Ducks

AT WESTERNPORT.

7 Sambur deer

AT YERING

5 Axis deer

ANIMALS SENT AWAY.

TO LONDON.

4 Kangaroos
5 Mountain ducks
200 Murray codfish
22 Black swans
20 Australian quail
14 Eagle hawks
85 Magpies
4 Rosella parrots
6 King parrots
6 Cockatoos
5 Dingos

3 Talegallas
20 Waterhens
4 Kangaroo rats
9 Wombats
2 Cranes
2 Wood ducks
2 Kangaroo dogs
4 Echidna
20 Laughing jackasses
40 Shell parrots

36 Lowry parrots
2 Opossums
22 Wonga pigeons
31 Bronze-wing pigeons
2 Wild ducks
3 Swamp magpies
7 Land rails
4 Sugar squirrels
3 Coots
Some Yarra fish

TO PARIS.

20 Emeus
22 Kangaroos
12 Black swans
3 Cape Barren geese
1 South Australian
wombat
4 Native geese

3 Curlews
1 Native crane
8 Murray turtles
2 Wombats
17 Australian quail
4 Laughing jackasses

2 Bronze-wing pigeons
8 Goatsuckers
2 Native companions
14 Rockhampton finches
1 Iguana
4 Opossums

TO ST. PETERSEBURG.

2 Kangaroos
3 Black swans

2 Laughing jackasses
2 Wallabies

3 Emeus

TO AMSTERDAM.

3 Water hens

6 Australian quail

TO ROTTERDAM.

2 Cape Barren geese

2 Water hens

TO HAMBURGH.

2 Wonga pigeons
2 Black swans

2 Bronze-wing pigeons

2 Kangaroo rats

TO COLOONE.		
2 Black swans	2 Curlews	2 Water hens
2 Black geese		
TO COPENHAOEN.		
	2 Black swans	
TO CALCUTTA.		
24 Black swans	15 Rosella parrots	6 Bronze-wing pigeons
12 Emous	10 Kangaroos	6 Laughing jackasses
2 Eagles	4 Opossuns	20 Shell parrots
6 White cockatoos	1 Dingo	52 Magpies
7 King parrots	1 Wombat	
TO MAURITIUS.		
2 Black swans	2 Eagle hawks	2 Magpies
1 Kangaroo	9 Fowls	2 Laughing jackasses
2 Cape Barren geese		
TO BOURBON.		
	8 Black swans	
TO SICILY.		
6 Black swans		14 Native Ducks
TO RANGOON.		
	6 Black Swans	
TO JAVA.		
2 Black swans	2 Cape Barren geese	1 Kangaroo
TO BURZENONG.		
2 Black swans	2 Cape Barren geese	1 Kangaroo
TO SYDNEY.		
2 Angora goats	6 English wild ducks	4 Larks
2 Brush kangaroos	1 Mallee hen	4 Starlings
2 Silver pheasant	10 Blackbirds	2 Ortolans
2 Canadian geese	10 Thrushes	2 Sparrows
2 Egyptian geese		
TO ADELAIDE.		
1 Angora goat	2 Thrushes	2 Silver pheasants
2 Blackbirds	3 English pheasants	
TO HOBART TOWN.		
1 Angora goat		9 Native bears
TO NEW ZEALAND.		
3 Thrushes	6 Magpies	4 Opossuns





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