

A meeting of Council

was held at 22 Albemarle St on Thursday Nov 17 at 5 P.M.
members present were Newton, Sennadius, Thompson,
Pattison, Myers, Butcher & Macmillan (Hon. Sec).

M^r Newton being voted into the Chair the
minutes of last meeting were read & confirmed.

The following who had been proposed at the
previous meeting were elected members of the Society
Rev Alex. Robertson M^cEwen, Miss Sarah Porter, D^r J. W. Ogle, M^r
Warwick W. Wroth, M^r Luke A. Ionides, and M^r Pandeli
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The Hon. Sec then read a list of new candidates
& proposed that in accordance with last year's precedent
they should be elected on the spot with a view to their

names being included in the list of members in the forthcoming number of the Journal.

The following Resolution was moved by Mr Macmillan, seconded by Mr Thompson and carried.

That Rule xxvii be suspended pro hac vice in order that the list of members to be printed in the forthcoming volume of the Society's Journal may be as complete as possible.

The following were therefore declared duly elected members of the Society : Messrs F. H. Rawlinson, G. W. Prothero, J. A. Platt, Arthur Smith, Lionel Cust, C. Whibley, H. O. D. Davidson, Mr Robert Harrison, Mr Alex Miller, Mr A. R. Street, Mr S. V. Arnold, Rev Canon Routledge, & Mr Edward Easton.

The Hon. Sec. then read the report of the Library Committee which on the motion of the Rector of Lincoln, seconded by Mr Thompson, was formally adopted, and the Committee was requested to draw up a set of Rules based on the Report. This done they were instructed to arrange with Mr Vaux that he should undertake the post of Librarian until further notice.

The following accounts were submitted & passed & cheques drawn in settlement. Mr Matthew Webb £11. 8., Mr J. B. Hawes £4. 7. 9. Tyro. Etching Co. £2. 2. 6 and Mr

George Pearson £1^m. 1.

Inquiries being made as to the state of the Society's funds the Hon. Sec. showed that exclusive of Life Subscriptions there was a balance in hand of rather over £300, while the ~~expenses~~ liabilities to be met before the end of the year would certainly not exceed £250. About £100 was still due in unpaid subscriptions. As to the Life Subscriptions, amounting now to some £400, it was strongly felt that they should be funded without delay, and it was agreed that inquiries should be made with a view to settling the question at next meeting. When the Hon. Sec. was instructed to produce an exact statement of the sum at disposal.

M^r Newton informed the meeting that he had received private letters from M^r Ramsay stating that the total cost of his journey in Asia Minor had far exceeded his calculations, expressing doubt whether it would be possible with present funds to carry out the original plan. He proposed certain modifications in the disposal of the sum granted to M^r Blunt. M^r Newton stated that he had written to tell M^r Ramsay that further funds could not be counted upon, that if necessary the expedition must be curtailed, and that

the Council could not go back from its contract with Mr Blunt. These views were shared by the meeting & until some satisfactory answer should have been received from Mr Ramsay it was thought best to postpone the payment of £30 formerly ordered to be paid into Mr Ramsay's account (on behalf of Mr Blunt) at the Ottoman Bank at Smyrna on December 1. The Hon. Sec. was instructed to communicate with the Society's bankers to this effect. The meeting then broke up on the understanding that Mr Newton or Henry from Mr Ramsay would at once instruct the Hon. Sec. to call a meeting for further consideration of the question.

E. Thompson