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MINUTES
OF THE
ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE INDIAN MUSEUM.

MONDAY, 14TH MAY 1888.

Present:

E. T. ATKINSON, Esq., C.S., *in the Chair*.
A. PEDLER, Esq.
DR. W. KING.
LIEUT.-COL. J. WATERHOUSE.

1. Mr. E. T. Atkinson was elected Chairman, and Dr. J. Scully, Vice-Chairman.
2. Lieut.-Col. J. Waterhouse was elected Honorary Secretary, and Mr. E. T. Atkinson, Honorary Treasurer.
3. Resolved that the Finance and Visiting and Economic Committees be appointed as follows:—

Finance and Visiting Committee.

DR. J. SCULLY.
DR. W. KING.
A. PEDLER, Esq.
LIEUT.-COL. G. S. NEILL.

Economic Committee.

M. FINUCANE, Esq.
A. SIMSON, Esq.
BABU AMBITA NATH MITTER.
A. PEDLER, Esq.
DR. G. KING.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE INDIAN MUSEUM.

4. The Trustees' Administration Report was considered and passed. The Superintendent's Report for the past year was also approved.

J. WATERHOUSE,

Honorary Secretary.

REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE INDIAN MUSEUM

For the year 1887-88.

The following report on the administration of the Indian Museum Trust, during the year ending 31st March 1888, is submitted for the information of His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor-General in Council:—

MEMBERS.

At the commencement of the year the Board of Trustees consisted of the following Members:—

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Accountant-General of Bengal—E. T. ATKINSON, Esq., C.S. 2. RAJA RAJENDRA MULLICK, RAI BAHADUR. 3. MAHARAJA SIR J. M. TAGORE, K.C.S.I. 4. A. O. HUME, Esq., C.B. 5. LIEUT.-COL. H. R. THUILLIER, R.E. 6. DR. J. BURGESS, C.I.E., LL.D. | }
Nominated by the Governor-General in Council. |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Secretary to the Government of Bengal, in the Revenue Department—P. NOLAN, Esq., C.S. 8. Director of Agriculture, in Bengal—M. FINUCANE, Esq., C.S. 9. A. SIMSON, Esq. 10. HAJI JAKARIA NUR MAHOMED. 11. BABU AMRITA NATH MITTER. | }
Nominated by the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal. |

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE

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| <p>12. E. T. ATKINSON, Esq., C.S.
 13. H. F. BLANFORD, Esq., F.R.S.
 14. DR. A. F. R. HERNLE.
 15. RAJA RAJENDRA LALA MITRA,
 RAI BAHADUR, C.I.E., LL.D.
 16. E. GAY, Esq.
 17. LIEUT.-COL. J. WATERHOUSE.
 18. C. H. TAWNEY, Esq.
 19. LIEUT.-COL. R. V. RIDDELL, R.E.
 20. H. B. MEDLICOTT, Esq., F.R.S.
 21. DR. J. SCULLY.</p> | <p style="font-size: 3em;">}</p> | <p>Nominated by the Asiatic
Society of Bengal.</p> |
| <p>17. LIEUT.-COL. J. WATERHOUSE.
 18. C. H. TAWNEY, Esq.
 19. LIEUT.-COL. R. V. RIDDELL, R.E.
 20. H. B. MEDLICOTT, Esq., F.R.S.
 21. DR. J. SCULLY.</p> | <p style="font-size: 3em;">}</p> | <p>Elected by the Trustees.</p> |

Changes in the Board during the year.

Mr. H. F. Blanford, F.R.S., having left India on furlough, vacated his Trusteeship in May 1887, and the Asiatic Society of Bengal, appointed Mr. A. Pedler to succeed him. Mr. H. B. Medlicott, F.R.S., resigned his Trusteeship on the 26th of April 1887, and the Trustees nominated Dr. W. King as Trustee in his place. Lieut.-Col. R. V. Riddell, R.E., resigned his Trusteeship in June 1887, and the Trustees nominated Lieut.-Col. G. S. Neill as Trustee in his place.

Raja Rajendra Mullick, Rai Bahadur, who had been a Trustee since June 1869, died on the 14th April, and the Government of India appointed Surgeon-Major G. King, M.B., Superintendent of the Royal Botanical Gardens, Seeb-pore, to the vacant Trusteeship.

Mr. J. F. Finlay became an *ex-officio* Trustee during the time he officiated as Accountant-General from August to December 1887.

The result of these changes was, that on the 31st March 1888 the Board was composed as follows:—

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| <p>1. Accountant-General of Bengal—E. T. ATKINSON, Esq., C.S.
 2. MAHARAJA SIB J. M. TAGORE,
 K.C.S.I.
 3. A. O. HUME, Esq., C.B.</p> | <p style="font-size: 3em;">}</p> | <p>Nominated by the Governor-
General in Council.</p> |
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INDIAN MUSEUM.

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| <p>4. COLONEL H. R. THUILLIER, R.E.
 5. DR. J. BURGESS, C.I.E., LL.D.
 6. SURGEON-MAJOR G. KING, M.B.</p> | } | <p>Nominated by the Governor-
 General in Council.</p> |
| <p>7. Secretary to the Government of
 Bengal, in the Revenue Depart-
 ment—P. NOLAN, Esq., C.S.
 8. Director of Agriculture in Bengal,
 M. FINUCANE, Esq., C.S.
 9. A. SIMSON, Esq.
 10. HAJI JAKANIA NUR MAHOMED.
 11. BABU AMRITA NATH MITTIE.</p> | } | <p>Nominated by the Lieuten-
 ant-Governor of Bengal.</p> |
| <p>12. E. T. ATKINSON, Esq. C.S.
 13. REV. DR. A. F. R. HERNLE.
 14. RAJA RAJENDRA LALA MITRA,
 RAI BAHADUR, C.I.E., LL.D.
 15. E. GAY, Esq.
 16. A. PEDLER, Esq.</p> | } | <p>Nominated by the Asiatic
 Society of Bengal.</p> |
| <p>17. LIEUT.-COL. J. WATERHOUSE.
 18. C. H. TAWNEY, Esq.
 19. DR. J. SCULLY.
 20. DR. W. KING.
 21. LIEUT.-COL. G. S. NEILL.</p> | } | <p>Elected by the Trustees.</p> |

Meetings have been held monthly. The Annual General Meeting for the election of Officers and Committees, and for the consideration of the Annual Report, was held on the 9th May 1887.

HONORARY OFFICERS.

- E. T. ATKINSON, Esq., C.S., *Chairman*.
 MAHARAJA SIR J. M. TAGORE, K.C.S.I., *Vice-Chairman*.
 H. B. MEDLICOTT, Esq., F. R. S., *Honorary Secretary* until 26th April 1887, when he was succeeded by Lieutenant-Colonel J. Waterhouse.
 E. T. ATKINSON, Esq., C. S., *Honorary Treasurer*.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE
COMMITTEES.

At the Annual Meeting in May, the Finance and Visiting and Economic and Art Committees were appointed, consisting of the following Members :—

<i>Finance and Visiting.</i>	<i>Economic and Art.</i>
RAJA RAJENDRA LALA MITRA, RAI	M. FINUCANE, Esq., C.S.
BAHADUR, C.I.E., LL.D.	A. SIMSON, Esq.
DR. J. SCULLY.	BABU AMRITA NATH MITTER.
DR. W. KING.	LIEUT.-COL. J. WATERHOUSE.
A. PEDLER, Esq.	A. PEDLER, Esq.

The Honorary Officers are also *ex-officio* members of all Committees.

The Finance Committee has had twelve regular meetings, at which the accounts have been examined and the expenditure controlled.

There were six meetings of the Visiting Committee—at which all matters relating to the internal management of the Museum were discussed before suggesting measures for the orders of the Trustees in meeting, and the collections inspected.

A special Sub-Committee was held in December, to examine and report on the action of tin on specimens of economic products, and another was held in January 1888, to consider the plans of the new building for the economic collections.

A special meeting of the Trustees was held on the 2nd of February 1888 to discuss the question of maintaining a competent establishment for the proper working out, in a scientific manner, of the various collections now in charge of the Indian Museum, and also to consider the question whether the systematic study of Economic Entomology can be taken up by any one of the officials of the Indian Museum.