

Minutes of Meetings.

DURING the quarter ending December 1916 two meetings of the members of the Society were held at the Imperial Secretariat (The Treasury) Buildings on Tuesday, the 28th November 1916, and Tuesday, the 19th December 1916, at 5-15 P.M. and 5-30 P.M. respectively. At each of these meetings the President Mr. H. G. Tomkins, C.I.E., F.R.A.S., was in the chair.

The receipt of the following publications were announced and a vote of thanks was accorded to the donors :—

- South African Journal of Science, from May 1916 to August 1916. Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society for May and June 1916.
- Journal of the British Astronomical Association for June 1916.
- Annual Report of British Astronomical Association for June 1916.
- Journal of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada from May 1916 to October 1916.
- Journal of the Astronomical Society of Barcelona for October 1916.
- “Hindu Holidays and Ceremonials” by Rai Bahadur B. A. Gupte, F.Z.S.
- Monthly Weather Review of the Government of India for March and April 1916.

The election by the Council of the following gentlemen as members of the Society was confirmed :—

Mr. Stephen Leslie	Bhagalpur.
Mr. E. B. Orrah	Do.
Mr. Suresh Ch. Datta	Calcutta.
Mr. Malcolm Brady	Do.

The papers read at the meeting on the 28th November 1916 are published in this issue. At the meeting held on the 19th December 1916 no papers were read; but after transaction of the formal business of the Society, a part of the meeting was held in the open air in order to enable the members to study some of the more prominent objects in the sky. For this purpose five telescopes were mounted up in the terrace of the Treasury Buildings, *viz.*, the one belonging to the Society and four others kindly lent for the occasion by Dr. Mullick, Mr. Simmons, Mr. Woodhouse and Mr. Olpad.