

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SIXTIETH MEETING.

HELD in the Latin Theatre, The University, Edmund Street, Birmingham, on Wednesday, March 21st, 1923, at 2.45 p.m., the President, Prof. W. E. S. TURNER, D.Sc., in the chair.

A report from the American Treasurer, Mr. Wm. M. Clark, announcing the death of Mr. Preston M. Bruner, St. Louis, Missouri, who was elected a member in November, 1921, was received with regret.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the authorities of the University of Birmingham for their courtesy in providing accommodation for the Society's meeting.

A vote of thanks was also accorded to Messrs. Austin Motor Co., Ltd., for welcoming a party of members at their Longbridge works during the morning.

The SECRETARY read the following letter from the American Ceramic Society :—

AMERICAN CERAMIC SOCIETY,
LORD HALL,
COLUMBUS, OHIO.
February 15th, 1923.

DEAR MR. CLARK,

The Board of Trustees regrets very much that a survey of conditions here and abroad makes it seem unwise for this Society to attempt to organise a party for visiting England and the Continent during the summer of 1923.

Your invitation, and the services you have rendered in this connection, are very much appreciated, and we regret that we cannot carry the plans to full fruition. At some later date we hope that it will be possible for a goodly sized party of Ceramists from America to visit England, and certainly we wish it known by you that we have a welcome for you whenever you will visit this country.

Yours very cordially,

(Signed) ROSS C. PURDY
(General Secretary).

It was Resolved—

That the Secretary be instructed to write to the American Ceramic Society expressing regret that the proposed visit to this country would not take place this year, to say that the invitation still remained open, and to assure their American

friends that a hearty welcome awaited them whenever the invitation could be accepted.

The PRESIDENT intimated—

(a) That the Annual General Meeting would be held in Sheffield on April 18th.

(b) That the Annual Dinner would be held in London on May 16th.

(c) That the proposed exhibition had been postponed from April to October, 1923.

The PRESIDENT directed attention to

(a) The Roll of Members.

(b) The Suggestion Book.

(c) The "Directory for the British Glass Industry."

A paper entitled "A Rapid Method of Testing the Durability of Glassware," by H. S. BLACKMORE, VIOLET DIMBLEBY, B.Sc., and Prof. W. E. S. TURNER, D.Sc., was presented by Miss Dimbleby, who was thus the first lady to read a paper before the Society. The paper was illustrated by lantern slides, and was followed by a discussion to which there contributed Messrs. J. G. Hill, F. G. Clark, E. A. Coad-Pryor, and Dr. H. B. Cronshaw. Miss Dimbleby and Prof. Turner replied.

The other two papers on the agenda were taken together and presented by Prof. Turner, namely (a) "The Corrosion of Fireclay Refractory Material by Glass and Glass-making Materials," by D. TURNER, B.Sc. Tech., and Prof. W. E. S. TURNER, D.Sc.; (b) "The Effect of Saltcake in Corroding Fireclay Materials," by EDITH M. FIRTH, B.Sc., F. W. HODKIN, B.Sc., and Prof. W. E. S. TURNER, D.Sc. These papers were illustrated by lantern slides. The following members contributed to the discussion:—Messrs. E. A. Coad-Pryor, W. F. Pearson, G. V. Evers, Col. S. C. Halse, Dr. R. D. Bain, and Dr. H. B. Cronshaw. Prof. Turner replied.

The following were elected Ordinary Members:—

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| 1. James Basil Basnett Atherton. | c/o Messrs. Pure Limespar Products, Ltd.,
13, State Insurance Buildings, 14, Dale
Street, Liverpool. |
| 2. André Gobbe. | <i>Editor of "Le Verre,"</i> 10, Rue de l'Industrie,
Charleroi, Belgium. |
| 3. Helen Edith Cheyne Irvine,
B.Sc. | <i>Research Chemist,</i> c/o National Physical
Laboratory, Teddington. |
| 4. Lionel Etridge Norton,
B.Sc. Tech. | <i>Works Chemist,</i> c/o Messrs. City Glass
Bottle Co., Ltd., Ford's Park, Canning
Town, London, E. 16. |
| 5. Seki Senda. | 20, Yoshida-Honmachi, Kyoto, Japan. |
| 6. Stanley Turner, B.Sc. Tech.,
D.F.C. | Stoneleigh, South Anston, near Sheffield. |
| 7. Edward Bennett. | <i>Automatic Machine Operator,</i> 15, Bowness
Street, Stretford. |