

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING.

The Third Annual Business Meeting of the Members of the Society was held at 14, Dean's Yard, London, S.W., on the 30th of January.

The President, Professor H. Sidgwick, briefly referred to the growth of the Society during the previous year. He remarked that during 1884 the Society nearly doubled the number of its Members and Associates. At the close of the year the Society consisted of:—

Members	...	...	...	...	...	...	223
Associates	...	...	...	...	...	...	258
Honorary Members	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Corresponding Members	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Honorary Associates	...	...	...	...	...	...	21
Vice-Presidents who are not Members or Associates	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	520

The President also referred to the Library as numbering nearly 800 volumes. Of these works, 520 are in English, 135 in German, 110 in French, and 15 in other languages.

An audited balance-sheet of the receipts and expenditure of the Society during the year 1884 was placed before the Meeting. In commenting on it the President said it appeared that, after taking account of moneys due and owing at the end of the year, there was still a balance on the right side; in addition to which there was the Library, the Stock of *Proceedings*, and the furniture and fittings belonging to the Society. It was agreed that a valuation of these should be made during the current year, so that at its close the Society might know its exact position both as to capital and as to receipts and expenditure.

The six vacancies on the Council, caused by the retirement in rotation of five Members, and by the death of Mr. Walter H. Browne, were filled by the election of the following gentlemen:—

G. P. Bidder, Q.C.	Rev. W. Stainton Moses.
Alexander Calder.	C. Lockhart Robertson, M.D.
Richard Hodgson.	J. Herbert Stack.

The approval of the Society was obtained to a change in the relations between the Council and the investigating Committees. In future, the responsibility for both the facts and the reasonings in papers published in the *Proceedings* will rest entirely with their authors; and the Council, as a body, will refrain from expressing or implying any opinion on the subjects thus brought forward. The papers will, however, be submitted to a Committee of Reference before publication.