

MAY 4.

MR. CHARLES P. PEROT in the Chair.

Thirty-four persons present.

The death, April 29th, of Geo. W. Biddle, a member, was announced.

MAY 11.

MR. CHARLES P. PEROT in the Chair.

Twenty-eight persons present.

A paper entitled "On a Collection of Small Mammals from Northeastern North Carolina," by Samuel N. Rhoads and Robert T. Young was presented for publication.

MAY 18.

J. CHESTON MORRIS, M. D., in the Chair.

Thirty-six persons present.

A paper entitled "New Achatinidæ and Helicidæ from Somaliland," by Henry A. Pilsbry, was presented for publication.

MAY 25.

DR. C. N. PEIRCE in the Chair.

Twenty-four persons present.

A paper entitled "Vertebrate Remains from the Port Kennedy Bone Deposit," by Edward D. Cope, was presented for publication.

The Hayden Memorial Geological Committee furnished the following supplementary note to its report recommending the conferring of the award for 1897 on Prof. Karpinski:—

ALEXANDER KARPINSKI, the son of a Mining Engineer of good family in Moscow, was born January 6, 1847, at Bogoslowsk, in the mining district of that name in the Urals.

After the end of his course of sciences at the Imperial Institute of Mines at St. Petersburg, he was appointed in 1869 adjunct, and

in 1877 Professor of Geology. Since 1885 he has been the Director of the Geological Survey of Russia, and since 1886 a member of the Imperial Academy of Sciences at St. Petersburg. In addition he is an honorary member of the Societies of Naturalists of St. Petersburg, Moscow, Kiev, Kazan and Ekaterinburg; of the Mineralogical Society of St. Petersburg; of the Geological Society of Belgium and of the Belgian Society of Geology, Paleontology and Hydrology.

The official list of his more important contributions to science comprises fifty-three published by the Russian Government, in the *Journal des Mines*, and in the journals the *Mineralogischer Gesellschaft*, *Société Ouralienne*, the *Académie des Sciences*, etc.

Mr. Sager Chadwick was elected a member.

The following were ordered to be printed:—



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