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MEETING AT BANFF.

A MEETING of the members of this Club was held within the Academy Buildings on the evening of Thursday, the president, Rev. W. S. Bruce, in the chair.

Messrs George Davidson, writer, William Robertson, merchant, Peter Milne, draper, and Sidney Scott, H.M. Customs, were nominated as members of the Club.

Mr Hossack, the treasurer, submitted his statement, showing that there was at the credit of the Club the sum of £15 13s. 9d., the income for the year having been £16 10s. of subscriptions from gentlemen members, and 12s. 6d. from lady members, with a sum of 25s. arrears collected.

Mr Yeats, the secretary, read his annual report, which referred to the papers that had been read during the year. Reference was also made to the collection of local rock specimens in the Banff Museum which had been completed and arranged by Mr Horne. For this work, which could not have been accomplished without great labour and considerable expense, Mr Horne had earned the gratitude of the club and of all future students of the geology of Banffshire. Mr Horne has also made a complete classified catalogue of all the geological specimens in the Museum, which will be printed as an appendix to this year's volume of Transactions. Copies will be also printed separately for the use of visitors to the Museum. Reference was made by the secretary to the arrangement under which the various subjects, Natural History, Geology, Antiquities, &c., were remitted to the care of committees with conveners, and it was pointed out that all contributions relating to these subjects should be given to the conveners, or if these were not known, to the secretary. It was added 'that the description of a single rare bird, or plant, or rock, embraced in a few sentences or a few lines, as the case may require, would be thankfully received.' 'The man,' said Mr Yeats, 'who has described one antiquarian or geological find, or recorded the appearance of one plant or animal not formerly known to belong to the district, has rendered valuable assistance in promoting the objects of the Club.' Reference was mentioned in the report to the loss sustained by the Club by the

**death of the Rev. John Annand, Cairnie, and Mr James
Hay Henry, Macduff.**