

*Proceedings of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society  
of Ireland.*

FIFTY-NINTH SESSION—FIRST MEETING.

[24th November, 1905.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35 Molesworth Street, at 8.15 p.m. The President in the Chair.

Mr. Charles A. Stanuall read a paper entitled "The Commercial Court." A discussion followed, in which the Recorder of Dublin, (T. L. O'Shaughnessy, K.C.), the President, Arthur Samuels, K.C., J. G. McGuire, Hanbury Geoghegan and W. Lawson took part.

The following were elected members of the Society: W. G. Adams, M.A., Rev. H. G. Glenn, M.A., Francis C. Martley, M.D., Professor E. J. McWeeney, M.A., M.D., and George Bryers, M.R.I.A.

SECOND MEETING.

[15th December, 1905.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35 Molesworth Street, at 8.15 p.m. The President in the Chair.

Mr. E. A. Montmorency Morris read a paper entitled "Canals and Waterways at Home and Abroad." A discussion followed, in which the President, Messrs. Stanuall, Sankey, William Field, M.P., Oldham, Rev. T. A. Finlay and J. E. Palmer took part.

THIRD MEETING.

[15th January, 1906.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35 Molesworth Street, at 8.15 p.m. The President in the Chair.

Mr. Commissioner Bailey delivered a lecture on "South Africa as a country for Settlers." The lecture was illustrated by photographs taken by the Lecturer. A vote of thanks to the Lecturer was proposed by Dr. Arthur Benson, seconded by Professor Grenville Cole, and carried unanimously.

FOURTH MEETING.

[23rd February, 1906.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35 Molesworth Street, at 8.15 p.m. The President in the Chair.

Mr. W. J. Johnston read a paper entitled "The Land Purchase Problem." A discussion followed, in which the President, Messrs. O'Connell, Oldham, Beer, and Lawson took part.

Mr. J. E. Palmer was elected a member of the Society.

## FIFTH MEETING.

[2nd March, 1906.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35 Molesworth Street, at 8.15 p.m. The President in the Chair.

Mr. Nicholas J. Synnott read a paper entitled "Proposals for a new Labourers' Bill,—An attempt to solve the Rural Housing Question in Ireland." A discussion followed, in which the President, Messrs. Dawson, J. P. Lynch, Lawson, Oldham, Samuels, Ninian Falkiner, and Thomas Donnelly took part.

## SIXTH MEETING.

[2nd April, 1906.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35 Molesworth Street, at 8.15 p.m. Mr. Commissioner Bailey, Ex-President, in the Chair.

Mr. Charles Dawson read a paper entitled "Suggested Substitutes for the present Poor Law System." A discussion followed, in which the Chairman, Messrs. Perry, J. B. Hughes, Sir Andrew Reed and Charles Eason took part.

## SEVENTH MEETING.

[12th June, 1906.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35 Molesworth Street, at 4.30 p.m. Mr. P. J. O'Neill, Honorary Treasurer, in the Chair.

A letter from Mr. Arthur Samuels, K.C., accepting the nomination as President, was read. The election of officers for the Session, 1906-1907 took place as follows :—

*President*, Arthur W. Samuels, K.C. *Ex-Presidents and Vice-Presidents*, John K. Ingram, Lord Monteagle, Sergeant Dodd, Joseph Todhunter Pim, Judge Shaw, Mr. Commissioner Bailey, The Registrar-General, Lord Ashbourne, Sir Thomas W. Moffett, Henry Bruen, Henry Dix Hutton, John Ribton Garstin, Mr. Commissioner Lynch, Professor Bastable, Mr. Justice Madden, The Attorney General for Ireland, Richard M. Barrington, Charles Eason, Jonathan Pim, Judge Carton, Rev. T. A. Finlay. *Hon. Treasurer*, P. J. O'Neill. *Hon. Secretaries*, William Lawson, C. H. Oldham, Ninian M. Falkiner. *Council*, J. G. Alcorn, R. A. Anderson, Charles Dawson, C. Litton Falkiner, W. J. Johnston, John Robert O'Connell, Charles A. Stanuall, Nicholas J. Synnott, William F. Webb, Isaac Yeats, E. A. Montmorcency Morris and Louis S. Smith.