

Minutes of a meeting of the Council of the Astronomical Society of South Africa held at the Royal Observatory Cape Town on the 22nd. December 1922.

Present: - Messrs. Hough (President) Halm, Long, Reid, Skjellerup, Forbes, Smith and Mackenzie (Secretary)

Minutes: - The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Natal Assoc. - The President extended a welcome to Mr. Halm, Secretary of the Natal Astronomical Association who was present by invitation. The Secretary reported that he had had an interview with Mr. Halm regarding the proposal that the Natal Association should join this Society as a Branch. After discussion it was agreed that the matter should stand over until Mr. Halm had had an opportunity to discuss the matter further with his Association.

Finance: - The Hon. Treasurer reported that he had a credit balance of £7-4-3. (Seven pounds four shillings and threepence.)

Journal: - Mr. Halm, Mr. Long and the Secretary were appointed a sub-committee to arrange for the publication of the first issue of the Journal.

Editor: - A letter was read from Mr. H. E. Wood accepting the post of Editor of the Journal.

Drummond Univ. College Nat. Assoc. Correspondence with the Drummond University College on the proposal to join this Society as a Branch was read. The College intimated that its Association did not at present feel strong enough to amalgamate.

Mr. Holcroft: - The Secretary reported that he had received a number

of letters from Mr. S. V. Holcroft of East London concerning a so called "Visual Theory" but that he was unable to comprehend from the correspondence what the basis of this theory was. The correspondence was ordered to be recorded.

Treasurer :- A letter was read from Mr. J. F. Skjellerup resigning his post as Hon. Treasurer on account of his impending departure for Australia. The resignation was accepted with regret and on the motion of the Secretary seconded by Mr. Long Mr. A. J. J. Forbes was appointed Treasurer.

Directors
Sections The following appointments were made subject to acceptance:-
Variable Stars:- Mr. W. M. Worsell vice Mr. Skjellerup
Mars:- Dr. J. Moir
Moon:- Mr. W. B. Jackson

J. Kalm
Vice-President