

December 17th. 1901.

A General Meeting of the proposed Fellows of the British Academy was held on December 17th. 1901., in the Committee Room of the British Museum, present: —

Sir W. R. Anson, Professor Bywater, Dr. Cunningham, Professor Rhys-Davids, Professor Robinson Ellis, Dr. A. J. Evans, Principal Fairbairn, Mr. S. H. Hodgson, Professor Holland, Sir C. P. Herbert, Sir R. C. Jebb, Mr. Lecky, Sir H. C. Maxwell-Lyte, Professor Ramsay, Lord Reay, Professor Rhys, Professor Sanday, Professor Skeat, Mr. Leslie Stephen, Sir E. Maunde Thompson, Professor J. Ward, and Mr. Gollanez.

Sir E. Maunde Thompson, having been invited to take the Chair, gave a summary history of the movement which had led to the formation of the Academy, and the proposed application for incorporation by Royal Charter. The Draft of the Petition and Draft Charter having been read by the Honorary Secretary, it was resolved that the Petition and Charter should be presented without delay, authority being given for minor changes in phrasology with special reference to the specifying of the various Branches of the Moral and Political Sciences to be represented in the Academy. On the motion of Professor Rhys, seconded by Sir C. P. Herbert, it was resolved that Lord Reay, Mr. Bryce, Sir W. R. Anson, Sir E. Maunde Thompson, Sir R. C. Jebb, Professor Bywater, Dr. A. W. Ward, and Mr. Gollanez, with power to add to their number, should be appointed as an Organizing Committee to carry out the various details, and to prepare and report to the proposed Recipients of the Charter.

A vote of thanks to the Chair concluded the meeting.

E. Maunde Thompson