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Training Electrical Engineers. Pp. 32. (London: The Electrical Standardizing, Testing and Training Institution, Ltd.)
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Catalogue of Books and Journals bearing on the Mathematical, Physical and Chemical Sciences. (No. 301.) Pp. 74. (Cambridge: W. Heffer and Sons, Ltd.)

# Diary of Societies.

# SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18.

NORTH OF ENGLAND INSTITUTE OF MINING AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERS

NORTH OF ENGLAND INSTITUTE OF MINING AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERS (Newcastle-upon-Tyne), at 2.30.—W. Maurice: Electric Mine Lamps and Better Lighting.—Prof. W. M. Thornton: A New Gas Detecting Miners' Electric Lamp.—High Candle-power Lamps will be exhibited and explained by H. Staples on behalf of Prof. R. V. Wheeler.—Papers open for further discussion:—Impressions of the Canadian Empire Mining Congress, by W. C. Carr.—Further Modifications of the Correlation of the Coal-seams of the Northumberland and Durham Coaliteld, by Dr. W. Hopkins.

Physiological Society (in Department of Physiology, University, Manchester), at 3.—E. Boyland and A. D. Ritchie: The Adductor Muscles of Pecten.—Prof. A. V. Hill: Recent Myothermic Experiments—F. W. Lamb and J. V. A. Simpson: Assessment of Schoolboys by Air Force Tests.—F. W. Lamb, E. D. Portman, and G. J. Woolham: Posture Deviations of the Arm and their Reversal.—A. N. Birkett and F. W. Lamb: Balance of Ocular Muscles in Normal Subjects.—C. E. Brunton: Respiratory Responses to Interruption of Breathing and to Inflation.—Dr. J. C. Bramwell and R. Ellis: (a) The Tidal Wave; (b) Some Observations on the Action of Amyl Nitrite.—J. G. Woolham: On Correlations between Pulse and Respiratory Tests.—Dr. G. A. Clark: Pituitrin and Blood-Sugar.—H. E. Magee and B. A. Southgate: A Method for Determining the Effect of Electrolytes in the Lumen of the Surviving Gut on its Movements. (Preliminary Com-

munication.)—B. Finkleman: Vagus Inhibition in its Relation to Ions.
—Dr. A. D. Macdonald and E. D. Portman: The Diuretic Principle of Pituitary Extracts.—E. D. McCrea and Dr. A. D. Macdonald: The Action of Drugs on Entogastric Pressure.—Dr. E. C. Baves: Calcium, Iron, and Phosphorus in Normal and Some Abnormal Brains.—M. M. Croll: Alteration in Weight of the Brain and Some Other Tissues during Formalin Fixation.—H. D. Kay: The Organic Phosphorus of the Erythrocyte.—Prof. R. J. S. McDowall: Class Experiments in Leucocytosis.—I. Berembloom and Dr. B. A. McSwiney: Reaction of Adrenaline with Relation to the H.ion Concentration.—Demonstrations:—Light Production in a Marine Animal (Cypridina), by W. R. Amberson; Apparatus for the Observation and Photography of the Skin Capillaries in Man, by G. L. Brown and F. W. Lamb; An Optical Sphygmograph, by Dr. J. C. Bramwell and F. W. Lamb; The Action of Pituitary Extracts on Isolated Blood-Vessels, by E. D. Portman and Dr. A. D. Macdonald; Calcium and Vagus Threshold, by B. Finkleman; Histological Preparations showing the Innervation of Different Parts of the Human and Rabbit's Pituitary, by M. M. Croll; A New Drop-Recorder, by O. Inchley.

Royal Institution of Great Britain, at 3.—H. C. Colles: Musical London from the Restoration to Handel (1660-1759) (III.).

Society of Superintendents of Tubercoulosis Institutions (at 122 Hurley Street), at 3.—Dr. A. N. Robertson: Open-air Treatment and Meteorological Conditions.

Oxford University Junior Scientific Club (in Departments of Electricity and Comparative Anatomy, Oxford University), at 8.15.—Annual Exhibition.

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF EDINBURGH, at 4.30.—E. B. Bailey: Schist Geology: Braemar, Glen Cluny, and Glen Shee.—Dr. H. H. Read: Highland Schists of Middle Deeside.—C. N. Kemp: The X-ray Examination of Coal Sections (Preliminary Note).—To be read by title only:—Dr. E. Henderson: An X-ray Examination of Saturated Dicarboxylic Acids and Amides of the Fatty Acid Series.—W. L. Ferrar: General Derivatives and Integrals tives and Integrals.

VICTORIA INSTITUTE (at Central Buildings, Westminster), at 4.30.—Prof.
T. G. Pinches: The Influence of the Mythology and Heathen Practices

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ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND, at 5.—C. E. Shattock: Pathological Specimens in the Museum.

INSTITUTION OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERS (Graduates' Section, London), at 6.30.—Informal Discussion on The Relative Importance of Sales, Design, and Works Organisation in Engineering.

INSTITUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS (Informal Meeting), at 7.—

L. Emanueli and others: Discussion on 182,000-volt Cables.

INSTITUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS (Mersey and North Wales (Liverpool) Centre) (at Liverpool University), at 7.30.—Dr. S. Z. de Ferranti: Electricity in the Service of Man (Faraday Lecture).

RAILWAY CLUB (25 Tothill Street, S.W.1), at 7.30.—Annual General Meeting.

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ROYAL INSTITUTE OF BRITISH ARCHITECTS, at 8.—Prof. A. P. Laurie: Stone Preservation and Decay.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF ARTS, at 8.—Dr. H. Gough: Fatigue Phenomena, with special reference to Single Crystals (Cantor Lectures) (2).

CHEMICAL INDUSTRY CLUB, at 8.—Dr. F. C. Shrubsall: Mental Deficiency.

ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY (at Æolian Hall), at 8.30.—G. Watkins: The Cambridge Expedition to Edge Island.

Society of Chemical Industry (Yorkshire Section).—Dr. F. L. Usher and others: Discussion on The Phenomenon of Wetting and its Industrial Significance.

# TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21.

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ROYAL DUBLIN SOCIETY (in Science Room. Ball's Bridge. Dublin), at 4.15.—Rev. H. C. Browne: Stereoscopic Notes.—Dr. J. H. J. Poole: The Measurement of the Current flowing through a Photo-electric Cell by means of a Neon Lamp.

ROYAL INSTITUTION OF GREAT BRITAIN, at 5.15.—Prof. J. S. Huxley: The Behaviour of Animals (1).

ROYAL STATISTICAL SOCIETY (at Royal Society of Arts), at 5.15.—Dr. T. H. C. Stevenson: The Vital Statistics of Wealth and Poverty.

ZOOLOGICAL 'SOCIETY OF LONDON, at 5.30.—Hon. Ivor Montague: Exhibition of Photographs of the Moscow Zoolgical Gardens.—G. C. Robson: Observations on the Oviposition of Octopus.—Prof. D. M. S. Watson: On Some Points in the Structure of Palseoniscia and Allier Fish.—Oldfield Thomas: The Delacour Exploration of French Indo-China Mammals. II. On Mammals collected during the Winter of 1926-27.—S. Maulik: New Chrysomelid Beetles from India, with a Note on the Scales of Coleoptera.

INSTITUTION OF CIVIL ENGINEERS, at 6.

LONDON NATHRAL HISTORY SOCIETY (at Winchester House, E.C.), at the contract of the Coleopter of t

LONDON NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY (at Winchester House, E.C.), at 6.30.—L. W. Chubb: Our Common Lands: The Story of their Preservation.

Preservation.
INSTITUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS (North Midland Centre) (at Hotel Metropole, Leeds), at 7.—A. Page: Address.
INSTITUTION OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS (North-Western Centre) (at College of Technology, Manchester), at 7. Dr. S. Z. de Farranti. Electricity in the Service of Man (Faraday Lecture).
ROYAL PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF GREAT BRITAIN, at 7.—C. E. Kayser: A Comparison of the Norman Doorways of Yorkshire, Norfolk, and Clourgetarshire.

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Instruction of Automobile Engineers (Wolverhampton Centre) (at Engineering and Scientific Club, Wolverhampton), at 7.30.—C. R. F. Engelbach: Works Re-organisation to Increase Production.

Institution of Post Office Electrical Engineers—Scottish Centre) (jointly with Institution of Post Office Electrical Engineers—Scottish East Centre) (at Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh), at 7.30.—E. H. Shaughnessy: The Rugby Radio Station.

Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders in Scotland (at 39 Elimbank Crescent, Glasgow), at 7.30.—Dr. R. M. Brown: Fatigue of Metals: Some Effects of Cold Drawing on the Strength and Endurance of Mild Steel.

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