

THE JOURNAL
OF
THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY

THE
JOURNAL
OF THE
ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY
OF
GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND
FOR THE FIRST HALF-YEAR OF 1912



PUBLISHED BY THE SOCIETY
22 ALBEMARLE STREET, LONDON, W.

M DCCCC XII

STEPHEN AUSTIN AND SONS, LIMITED



PRINTERS, HERTFORD

CONTENTS

FOR THE FIRST HALF-YEAR OF 1912

ARTICLES

	PAGE
I. Description of the Province of Fārs, in Persia, at the beginning of the Twelfth Century A.D. Translated from the MS. of Ibn-al-Balkhī in the British Museum by G. LE STRANGE	1
II. The Tārīkh-Baghdād (Vol. XXVII) of the Khaṭīb Abū Bakr Aḥmad b. 'Alī b. Thābit al-Baghdādī. Short Account of the Biographies. By FRITZ KRENKOW	31
III. Yasna XXX as the Document of Dualism. By Professor LAWRENCE MILLS	81
IV. A New Vannic Inscription. By the Rev. Professor A. H. SAYCE	107
V. Archæological Exploration in India, 1910-11. By J. PH. VOGEL	113
VI. The Pictorial Aspects of Ancient Arabian Poetry. By Sir CHARLES J. LYALL, K.C.S.I., LL.D.	133
VII. On some Brāhmī Inscriptions in the Lucknow Provincial Museum. By Professor H. LÜDERS	153
VIII. Dr. M. A. Stein's Manuscripts in Turkish "Runic" Script from Miran and Tun-huang. Translated by VILHELM THOMSEN	181
IX. Description of the Province of Fārs, in Persia, at the beginning of the Twelfth Century A.D. Translated from the MS. of Ibn-al-Balkhī in the British Museum by G. LE STRANGE. (<i>Continued.</i>)	311
X. A propos de la Datation en Sogdien. Par R. GAUTHIOT.	341
XI. Documents Sanscrits de la Seconde Collection M. A. Stein. By L. DE LA VALLÉE POUSSIN. (<i>Continued.</i>)	355
XII. Goths in Ancient India. By STEN KONOW	379
XIII. Iranian Manuscripts in the Library of the India Office. By Dr. M. N. DHALLA	387
XIV. Jātakas at Bharaut. By E. HULTZSCH	399

	PAGE
XV. The Origin of Tragedy and the Ākhyāna. By A. BERRIEDALE KEITH, D.C.L.	411
XVI. The Chinese Bronze known as the "Bushell Bowl" and its Inscription. By L. C. HOPKINS, I.S.O.	439

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Imaginative Yōjanas. By J. F. FLEET	229
The Date of the Death of Buddha. By J. F. FLEET	239
Mahishamaṇḍala. By L. RICE	241
Remarks on Mr. Rice's Note. By J. F. FLEET	245
Verses relating to Gifts of Land cited in Indian Land Grants. By F. E. PARGITER	248
Note on the Age of the Purānas. By F. E. PARGITER	254
The Kambōjas. By G. A. G.	255
— By G. K. NARIMAN	255
Origin of Abhinavagupta's Paramārthasāra. By V. V. SOVANI	257
Bao = Vihāra. By C. O. BLAGDEN	261
The Ethiopic Senkessār. By I. GUIDI	261
Coronation Chronogram. By GEORGE RANKING	262
La Fondation De Goeje	262
The Kaṭapayādi Notation of the Second Ārya-Siddhānta. By J. F. FLEET	459
The Yōjana and the Parasang. By J. F. FLEET	462
Some Hindu Values of the Dimensions of the Earth. By J. F. FLEET.	463
Cremation and Burial in the R̥gveda. By A. BERRIEDALE KEITH	470
The Paramārtha-sāra. By L. D. BARNETT	474
Ginger. By E. HULTZSCH	475
Verses relating to Gifts of Land. By E. HULTZSCH	476
Rūpnāth Edict of Aśoka. By F. W. THOMAS	477
The Birthplace of Bhakti. By A. GOVINDĀCĀRYA SVĀMIN	481
Another Note on the word <i>Bhagavān</i> . By A. GOVINDĀCĀRYA SVĀMIN	483
Two Corrected Readings in the Myazedi (Talaing) Inscription. By C. O. BLAGDEN	486
Shans and Buddhism of the Northern Canon. By W. W. COCHRANE	487
Shan Buddhism. By C. O. BLAGDEN	495
Shan Buddhism. By J. GEORGE SCOTT	496

	PAGE
The Pearl-diver of al-A'shà. By C. J. LYALL	499
The Appearance of the Prophet in Dreams. By I. GOLDZIEHER	503
The Meaning of the words Hojī Tāsh. By H. BEVERIDGE	507
“A History of Fine Art in India and Ceylon.” By VINCENT A. SMITH	508
International Congress of Prehistoric Anthropology and Archæology	508
International Congress of the History of Religions	508

NOTICES OF BOOKS

GASTON WIET. Maqrīzi: 'El-Mawâ'iz wa'l-I'tibâr fi dhikr el-Khitat wa'l-Âthâr. Reviewed by H. F. A.	263
Arabic Chrestomathy. By H. HIRSCHFELD	267
STEPHEN LANGDON, Ph.D. A Sumerian Grammar with Chrestomathy. By T. G. PINCHES	269
F. H. WEISSBACH. Die Keilinschriften der Achämeniden. By T. G. PINCHES	271
A. T. OLMSTEAD, B. B. CHARLES, and J. E. WRENCH. Travels and Studies in the Nearer East. Vol. I, Part II: Hittite Inscriptions. By T. G. PINCHES	272
STEPHEN LANGDON. Tablets from the Archives of Dicheu. By T. G. PINCHES	273
J. H. GUBBINS, C.M.G. The Progress of Japan, 1853-71. By F. VICTOR DICKINS	276
A. SEIDEL. Doits' - Bunten - Kyōkwasho. By F. VICTOR DICKINS	277
A. SEIDEL. Wörterbuch der deutsch-japanischen Umgang- sprache. By F. VICTOR DICKINS	277
WILLIAM N. PORTER. A Year of Japanese Epigrams. By F. VICTOR DICKINS	278
DINESH CHANDRA SEN. The History of the Bengali Language and Literature. By H. BEVERIDGE	279
ALEXANDRA DAVID. Le. Modernisme bouddhiste et le Bouddhisme du Bouddha. By C. A. F. RHYS DAVIDS	285
M. T. NARASIMHIENGAR. The Brahmaic Systems of Religion and Philosophy. By L. D. B.	287
RICHARD GREENTREE and EDWARD WILLIAMS BYRON NICHOLSON. Catalogue of Malay Manuscripts and Manuscripts relating to the Malay Language in the Bodleian Library. By C. O. BLAGDEN	287

	PAGE
DR. A. BAUMSTARK. Oriens Christianus	290
(1) N. D. MIRONOFF. Bibliotheca Buddhica, XIII: Mahāvvyutpatti; by J. P. Minayef. 2nd ed., with index.	
(2) E. DENISON ROSS, Ph.D., F.A.S.B., and MAHĀMAHOPADHYĀYA SATIS CHANDRA VIDYĀBHŪSANA, F.A.S.B. Memoirs of the Asiatic Society of Bengal. Vol. IV, No. 1, pp. 1-127: Sanskrit-Tibetan-English Vocabulary, being an edition and translation of the <i>Mahāvvyutpatti</i> , by Alexander Csoma de Körös. Part I. By E. MÜLLER	509
DON MARTINO DE ZILVA WICKREMASINGHE. Epigraphia Zeylanica, being Lithic and other Inscriptions of Ceylon. Vol. I, Part V. By E. MÜLLER	514
G. SCHULEMANN. Die Geschichte der Dalailamas. By L. A. WADDELL	517
G. S. RANKING. Grammar of the Persian Language. Part I: Accidence, by J. T. Platts; revised and enlarged. Part II: Syntax. By J. S. HAIG	519
REV. J. MACGOWAN. Beauty: A Chinese Drama. By J. DYER BALL	525
Corpus Inscriptionum Semiticarum ab Acad. Inscriptionum et literarum humaniorum conditum atque digestum. Pars I: Inscriptiones phœnicias continens tom. ii, fasciculus quartus. By H. HIRSCHFELD	526
J. DYER BALL, I.S.O. The Chinese at Home. By HARDY JOWETT	529
VINCENT A. SMITH, I.C.S. ret. A History of Fine Art in India and Ceylon. By M. LONGWORTH DAMES	531

NOTES OF THE QUARTER

GENERAL MEETINGS OF THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY	293, 541
PRINCIPAL CONTENTS OF ORIENTAL JOURNALS	294, 542
TRIENNIAL GOLD MEDAL OF THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY	545

OBITUARY NOTICE

WILLIAM IRVINE. By J. KENNEDY	299
---	-----

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY.	305, 547
-----------------------------------	----------

LIST OF MEMBERS.

TRANSLITERATION OF THE SANSKRIT, ARABIC, AND ALLIED ALPHABETS.

TITLE-PAGE AND CONTENTS FOR FIRST HALF-YEAR.

Dr. J. Collis Browne's
Chlorodyne
*The Original
 and Only Genuine*

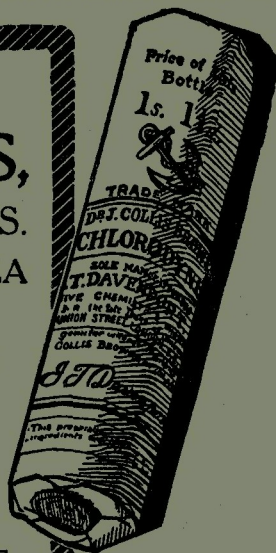
The Best Remedy known for
COUGHS, COLDS,
ASTHMA, BRONCHITIS.
 Acts like a charm in **DIARRHŒA**
 and **DYSENTERY.**

Effectually cuts short all attacks of
SPASMS, HYSTERIA
 and **PALPITATION.**

Checks and arrests
 those too often fatal diseases :
FEVER, CROUP, and AGUE.

The only Palliative in
NEURALGIA, TOOTHACHE,
GOUT, RHEUMATISM.

Convincing Medical Testimony with each Bottle.



When you ask
 for Chlorodyne
 insist on having
**Dr. J. COLLIS
 BROWNE'S.**

Of all Chemists,
 1/1½, 2/9, 4/6.

THE MOST VALUABLE MEDICINE EVER DISCOVERED.

ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY

OF

GREAT BRITAIN & IRELAND.

22 Albemarle Street, Piccadilly, W.

Special Notice.

THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY publishes Quarterly an *Illustrated Journal*, containing Original Articles on the Languages, the Archæology, the History, the Beliefs, or the Customs of the East.

A Special Article in the Journal gives each Quarter an account, as complete as possible up to date, of all scholarly work being done throughout the world in these branches of inquiry.

The Annual Subscription to the Society is THREE GUINEAS a Year for Resident, and THIRTY SHILLINGS a Year for Non-Resident, Members.

Compositions.

Members may compound for their subscriptions at the following rates:—

Resident Members for life	...	...	...	...	45 guineas
Non-resident or Library Members for life	...	...	...	...	22½ „

Each Member who has paid his Subscription for the current year receives the Journal post free, has the use of the Library at the Society's rooms, and admission to the meetings of the Society. Three-guinea subscribers may also borrow books.

Libraries and Non-Members may obtain the Journal post-free by a Subscription of **Thirty Shillings** a year if paid in advance direct to the Secretary. The Price of each Part separately is **Twelve Shillings**.

STEPHEN AUSTIN AND SONS, LTD., PRINTERS, HERTFORD.