Calendar of Societies.

Philosophical society, Washington.

April 23. — William Harkness, On an apparatus for viewing the sun by light of any desired wavelength; M. H. Doolittle, W. D. Johnson, H. G. Ogden, Gilbert Thompson, A symposium upon the question, What is topography?

April 27. — A. S. Flint, On the most probable value of the latitude, and its theoretical weight, from entangled observations occurring in the use of Talcott's method; E. B. Elliot, On the mutual action of the elements of electric currents.

Biological society, Washington.

April 30. — Marshall McDonald, Explanation of past failures in the culture of the Salmonidae; J. H. Kidder, Specimen of concoction found in a codfish; Grass balls from Pyramid Lake; G. Brown Goode, Notes on the color of fishes; F. A. Lucas, On the os prominens in birds; W. T. Hornaday, Civilization as an exterminator of savage races; William H. Dall, A genus of mollusks new to North America.


April 19. — Amos W. Hart, Reading character by physical signs, with practical illustrations.

Boston society of natural history.

May 4. election of officers. — President, F. W. Putnam; vice-presidents, John Cummings, G. L. Goodale; curator, Alpheus Hyatt; honorary secretary, S. L. Abbot; secretary, Edward Burgess; treasurer, Charles W. Scudder; librarian, Edward Burgess.


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