The following papers were read :

I.—Experimental Chemistry in the 18th Century. Extracts from Unpublished Letters of Joseph Priestley (with exhibition of engraved portraits of contemporaries), by Dr. H. Carrington Bolton.

II.—Apparatus for the Delineation of Curved Surfaces, in illustration of the Properties of Gases, etc., by Dr. Morris Loeb.

III.--A New Burette Holder, by Prof. A. A. Breneman.\*

The resignation of W. T. Lees was read and accepted.

The meeting was then adjourned to the 29th day of December, 1891.

DURAND WOODMAN, Recording Secretary.

## EXPERIMENTAL CHEMISTRY IN THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY.

BY DR. H. CARRINGTON BOLTON.

The above title was the subject of an evening lecture before the Society, which, from the nature of it, is unsuited for reproduction here.

A number of letters were read, and portraits of men of science and others, contemporaries of Priestly, were shown. Much of this material has since been published by the author in the form of a book.

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<sup>\*</sup>Will appear in January number.