

NINETY-EIGHTH REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

FOR THE YEAR 1939

The Council has the honour to present its report for the year 1939.

During the year the Institute has lost ten members by death, twenty-three subscribing members by resignation and the names of six members have been removed for non-payment of subscriptions. Fifteen subscribing members have been elected and one new library. Three German libraries have ceased to subscribe. Among its losses the Council records with especial regret Mr. Harry Plowman, F.S.A., an Honorary Vice-President at the time of his death.

The total membership at the end of December was as follows :—

490 Subscribing members.

119 Libraries.

4 Honorary and Corresponding members.

On February 18th members were conducted round the excavations carried out by H.M. Office of Works on the site of the Palace of Whitehall by Mr. G. H. Chettle, F.S.A., to whom the Institute was much indebted for his explanation of what had been found. On April 22nd Mr. Lawrence E. Tanner, M.V.O., F.S.A., kindly showed members over the monastic remains of Westminster Abbey. The party was met and accompanied by the Very Reverend the Dean, to whom, as well as to Mr. Tanner and to the Headmaster of Westminster School, the Institute owes its thanks for permission to visit the Deanery, Westminster School and other parts not usually visited by the public.

On May 13th a visit was made by motor-coach to Cobham, Kent. Mr. F. C. Elliston-Erwood, F.S.A., kindly acted as guide, and the Institute is very grateful to him for the trouble he took to make the meeting a success. Cobham Hall was visited by kind permission of the Earl of Darnley. After lunch at 'The Leather Bottle,' the party visited Cobham church under the guidance of the vicar, the Reverend James Butler, and Cobham College. The party were especially invited by Sir Herbert Baker, K.C.I.E., R.A., F.R.I.B.A., to visit his house, Owletts, where they were received by him and Lady Baker and taken over the house and garden. The Institute is very grateful to Major Edmeades who very kindly gave the members tea at Nurstead Court.

The Summer Meeting was held at Dumfries under the Presidency of Professor A. Hamilton Thompson, C.B.E., D.Litt., F.B.A., F.S.A.

About 50 members and their friends attended and the Institute is especially indebted to Mr. R. C. Reid, President of the Dumfries and Galloway Archaeological Society to whose untiring efforts the success of the Meeting was largely due. The Institute's thanks are also due to the Provost of Dumfries, Mr. John Lockerbie ; to Mr. James Hutcheon, the Town Clerk ; to Mr. McKerrow, Chairman of the Burns Federation ; to Mr. A. S. Morton, Mr. G. W. Shirley and to its member Mr. Walter Duncan for much help in arranging and carrying through the Meeting. The Institute is also indebted to those members and others who acted as guides, including the President, Professor Hamilton Thompson, Mr. Eric Birley, Mr. A. W. Clapham, Mr. W. McIntire, Mr. R. C. Reid, Mr. J. S. Richardson, Mr. I. A. Richmond and Dr. Douglas Simpson. The Institute would also like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Johnstone, Mr. and Mrs. R. Maxwell-Witham and Mrs. Duncan and Mr. Walter Duncan for their kind hospitality.

Owing to the outbreak of the war it was decided to postpone the arrangements which had been made for the autumn meeting at Avebury.

The following papers were read at afternoon meetings of the Institute which were held during 1939 :

Wednesday, January 11th. 'The Iron Age Site and the Roman Temple at Frilford, Berks,' by Mr. J. S. P. Bradford and Mr. R. G. Goodchild.

Wednesday, February 1st. 'Excavations on the Gaulish Oppidum of Gergovia,' by Mrs. Brogan, with 'Notes on the Pottery,' by Mr. Stuart Piggott, F.S.A., and Mr. J. B. Ward Perkins, F.S.A.

Wednesday, March 1st. 'The Iron Age in Norfolk and Suffolk,' by Mr. R. Rainbird Clarke.

Wednesday, March 29th. 'Wardour Castle,' by Mr. G. H. Chettle, F.S.A.

Wednesday, June 7th. *Annual General Meeting*. 'A Long Cairn at Creevykeel, co. Sligo,' by Mr. H. O'N. Hencken, Ph.D., F.S.A.

Owing to the international situation, it was decided, in the autumn, to suspend meetings until the New Year. The Council is glad to be able to report that it has been found possible to resume the afternoon meetings in 1940.

Volume XCV of the *Journal* was published during the year, Part i in April and Part ii in December.

The accounts for the year 1939, which have been prepared by Messrs. Whinney, Smith & Whinney, Chartered Accountants, are attached to the Report. The Council is indebted to Mr. H. A. Cruso, Honorary Auditor, for his services.

The following grants in aid of excavations were made from the Bunnell Lewis Trust Fund supplemented out of the Institute's income from other sources :—

	£	s.	d.
Silchester Excavations	40	0	0
Braughing Excavations (subsequently refunded)	40	0	0
Ffridd Faldwin Camp	7	10	0
Gurnard's Castle Head, Cornwall	7	10	0
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	£95	0	0
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The Senior Vice-President, Mr. V. B. Crowther-Beynon, M.B.E., M.A., F.S.A., retires and the Council recommend that he be appointed an Honorary Vice-President and that Mr. W. L. Hildburgh, M.A., Ph.D., D.Lit., F.S.A., be appointed a Vice-President in his place.

The members of the Council who retire in rotation are : Mr. F. Clayton, Mr. W. L. Hildburgh, M.A., Ph.D., D.Lit., F.S.A., Mr. C. C. Oman, M.A., Mr. O. F. Parker, M.A., F.S.A., Mr. D. Coston Taylor, M.A., F.S.A., Mr. D. A. J. Buxton, M.A., F.S.A. The Council recommend the following to fill the vacant places : Mr. A. R. Dufty, Mr. Herbert Hankinson, Mr. C. F. C. Hawkes, M.A., F.S.A., Mr. W. A. Pantin, M.A., Miss M. P. Perry, Mr. A. B. Whittingham, M.A., A.R.I.B.A.

They also recommend that Mr. H. A. A. Cruso be re-appointed Honorary Auditor.

The two retiring members of the Executive Committee are Mr. A. W. Clapham, C.B.E., F.B.A., Pres. S.A., and Mr. J. N. L. Myres, M.A., F.S.A., and the Council have decided to re-elect them for a further term of service.

The Council regret to report that they have received the resignation of the Honorary Editor, Lt.-Col. R. E. M. Wheeler, M.C., D.Lit., Dir. S.A., and they would like to place on record their appreciation of the extremely valuable services which he has rendered to the Institute by editing the *Journal* since 1929. They have decided to appoint an Editorial Committee for a preliminary period of three years, this Committee to consist of the President and the Honorary Secretary, *ex officio*, two members and a Secretary. They have appointed Mr. C. F. C. Hawkes, M.A., F.S.A., and Mr. C. C. Oman, M.A., to serve on this Committee and they have appointed Mr. Philip Corder, M.A., F.S.A., to be Honorary Editor and the Secretary of the Committee.

<i>Dr.</i>	INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1939.	<i>Cr.</i>
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REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

THE ROYAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND (INCORPORATED)

BALANCE SHEET. 31st DECEMBER, 1939.

LIABILITIES.				ASSETS.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
CREDITORS				INVESTMENTS AT COST			
Publishing Account, Volume 96 ..	431	13	0	ACCUMULATED FUND			
Sundry Creditors	34	4	0	£1,182 19 5 3¼% War Loan ..	1,202	15	3
			465 17 0	£1,381 3% London County Stock	1,142	9	6
SUBSCRIPTIONS ACCOUNT				£500 3% Queensland Stock ..	435	12	6
Subscriptions paid in advance ..		2	2 0	£500 5% Queensland Stock ..	495	0	0
THE HILTON BEQUEST		200	0 0	£1,133 4¼% Conversion Loan ..	1,041	6	2
THE BUNNELL LEWIS RESEARCH FUND ..		235	0 0	£1,800 3¼% Conversion Loan ..	1,361	8	0
ACCUMULATED FUND							
Balance at 1st January, 1939 ..	5,676	7	9		5,678	11	5
Add : Entrance Fees received during the year ..		18	18 0	THE HILTON BEQUEST			
				£219 3% London County Stock	200	0	0
	£5,695	5	9	THE BUNNELL LEWIS RESEARCH FUND			
				£249 7 0 3¼% India Stock ..	235	0	0
Deduct : Excess of the Expenditure over the Income for the year ..		49	12 8			6,113	11 5
			5,645 13 1	NOTE :— The market value of the above Securities on 31st December, 1939, was £6,369 2 6			
H. L. BRADFER-LAWRENCE } Members of the Council. <i>Hon. Treasurer.</i>				SUNDRY DEBTORS			
A. W. CLAPHAM				Subscriptions	10	10	0
				Publications	51	5	0
						61	15 0
				INCOME TAX RECOVERABLE		10	6 3
				CASH AT BANK			
				Deposit Account	102	7	3
				Current Account	252	13	8
				CASH IN HAND	7	18	6
						362	19 5
						£6,548	12 1
						£6,548	12 1

REPORT OF THE HONORARY AUDITOR TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND (INCORPORATED)

In accordance with the provisions of Section 134, sub-section (1) of the Companies Act 1929 I report as follows:—I have audited the above Balance Sheet dated 31st December, 1939. I have obtained all the information and explanations I have required. In my opinion such Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Institute's affairs according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me and as shown by the books of the Institute.

Dated this 15th day of April, 1940.

H. A. A. CRUSO,
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