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Monday, 21 October, 1907.

W. M. FAWCETT, M.A., in the chair.

The Report for the year 1906-7 was presented to the Society and passed.

SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

THE work of the Society has been carried on with success during the past year but we have to deplore the deaths of many prominent and active members.

The loss to the students of History in Cambridge and elsewhere caused by the death of Miss Mary Bateson on the 30th of November has been shown by the obituary articles which have appeared in many journals both in England and abroad, and was emphasized at the meeting called to consider the form which a memorial should take. But the loss to the Society was a more personal one. Elected a member on the 19th of February, 1896, she at once interested herself in the work, and in 1901 the Charters of the Borough edited by Professor Maitland and herself were published at the joint

expense of the Town Council and of the Society. This was followed in 1903 and 1905 by the publication under her editorship of the 1st and 2nd parts of Grace Book B, as Vols. II. and III. of the Luard Memorial Series. In the early part of last year she acceded to the request of the Council and was nominated for membership of that body, to which she was duly elected. Her influence and helpfulness were immediately conspicuous, and her fellow-members were looking forward to the advantage the Society would gain from her presence, when they were so unexpectedly called on to meet at her graveside.

The death of Professor Maitland speedily followed that of his pupil and fellow-worker. It is not possible here to render due homage to his extraordinary abilities and characteristics. That has been amply done at home and abroad. He joined the Society in 1891 and, as has been above stated, edited with Miss Mary Bateson the Charters of the Borough. His decease on the 19th of December removed one of its most brilliant names from the roll of members.

The sudden close on the 22nd of January to the distinguished career of Sir Michael Foster, who had been a member since 1885, carried off one who had done much for Cambridge, but whose activities were mainly directed to other fields of study than that of Archæology.

The death of Edward Milligen Beloe of King's Lynn on the 22nd of March has made a great gap in the ranks of students who devote themselves to the history of their native places. An antiquary by heredity, he very early began his researches into the antiquities of King's Lynn and its neighbourhood, on which he became the recognized authority. In the midst of all his occupations as a lawyer in large practice, and as the local antiquary, he found time to give our Society papers in 1890 on the Great Fen Road and in 1895 on the Padders' Way.

Cambridge is much the poorer by the deaths of Prof. Newton and Dr Routh both on the 7th of June last. The former was elected a member in 1877, the latter in 1887. Though he made no contributions to our transactions, Prof.

Newton took a warm interest in the Society, and made valuable additions to the Museum of Archæology and Ethnology, the foster-child of the Society.

We regret also to record the death of Dr Waraker who joined the Society in 1890 and died on the 18th of August, 1907, after a long period of weakness.

In addition to these very serious losses by death, ten other members have resigned, most of them because they have left the neighbourhood, and three names have been removed on revision, making a total of 20. Fifteen new members only have been elected as compared with thirty-eight in the previous year, and the Society has therefore actually diminished in numbers from 301 to 296. There has been no change in the list of honorary members.

After the exceptionally busy Session of 1905-6 a reaction was perhaps to be expected, but the falling off in the supply of material for meetings was unsatisfactory to the responsible official. Happily this feature has not continued, as the ensuing Session promises to be a busy one. Only nine meetings were held as against twenty-four in the previous year. At these the following papers were read:

A. C. Haddon: *The Morning Star ceremony of the Pawnee.*

May 27, 1907.

The Messrs Hubbard: *Neolithic man on the Hills and in the Plains.*

Feb. 11, 1907.

Prof. T. McK. Hughes: *Herculaneum from a geological aspect.*

Nov. 19, 1906.

S. Perkins Pick: *Decay of Artistic Handicraft.*

Jan. 28, 1907.

W. B. Redfern: *Exhibition of objects from his collection.*

Oct. 22, 1906.

Captain Mark Sykes: *A journey in the plains of Mesopotamia, the forests of Pontus and the Highlands of Kurdistan.*

May 13, 1907.

Baron A. von Hügel: *On the gold armilla found in Grunty Fen in 1844 and other prehistoric gold objects in the Archæological collections in the Museum.*

April 29, 1907.

- Baron A. von Hügel: *Exhibition of recent additions to the Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology.* Oct. 22, 1906.  
April 29, 1907.
- H. B. Walters: *On the Arretine Vase in the Archæological Museum.* May 27, 1907.
- Mrs Wherry: *The dancing towers of Italy.* May 13, 1907.
- Rev. C. H. Evelyn White: *On the Manuscript at Caius College containing notes of the visitation of the Archdeacon of Ely in 1284.* Feb. 25, 1907.
- Rev. A. C. Yorke: *Historical notes on Fowlmere.* Dec. 3, 1906.

Mr Redfern's exhibition of objects from his collection was of much interest as usual, including as it did a collection of guns of primitive type, and objects of local use now fast passing into oblivion.

Mr Yorke's paper on Fowlmere was excellent and the Society would willingly see more of this type. Inhabitants can collect facts relating to their own district in a way that no outsider can, and these collections become of great value.

It is somewhat remarkable that a full account of the discovery of the gold armilla in Grunty Fen in 1844 was not inserted in the Society's proceedings at the time, nor when it was purchased by subscription in 1847. It has however been possible to correct this omission from newspaper records. The illustrations, which have been published of similar objects found elsewhere, give an opportunity for interesting comparisons, whereby the date may be approximately fixed and the provenance possibly ascertained.

Mr Walters' paper on the Arretine Vase in the Museum drew attention to another interesting find made in the District.

The ms. in Caius College relating to the early ecclesiastical history of the county, on which a paper was read by Mr Evelyn White, certainly ought to be published, and it is hoped that it may be possible to arrange this. It has often been referred to by students of ecclesiastical antiquities.

The studies made by Mrs Wherry of the dancing towers of Italy interested a large audience in a folklore survival, quite unknown to most people.

Dr Haddon's power of entering into sympathetic relations with strange peoples has enabled him to make a close investigation of the ceremonial practices of the North American Indians in the tribal assemblies during his recent visit to the meeting of the Americanist Congress in Canada. This subject has for some time past created much interest among American Anthropologists, and illustrated articles have appeared in publications of many Societies there.

The attention of the learned world has been lately drawn to the proposals for the excavation of Herculaneum, and the paper by Prof. Hughes, giving the geological explanation of the catastrophe which destroyed the town and describing the way in which the buildings would be affected and the points which would require attention, excited much interest.

The Messrs Hubbard were kind enough to lecture on a subject, of which they have made a special study, and drew from dewponds and ancient trackways many suggestions as to the life histories of the early inhabitants of Britain.

Mr Pick's lecture called attention to the disappearance of the artistic spirit from many handicrafts and emphasized the necessity for something more than cheapness in products.

Captain Sykes came from Yorkshire at short notice to give an account of his travels through a part of the world almost unexplored, and interesting both from an archæological and anthropological point of view as the meeting place of the East and West and showing a curious mixture of the characteristics of both.

Other branches of the Society's work have progressed. Owing to the energy of the Curator, the fund for the building of the new Museum of Archæology and Ethnology has increased to £3367. 17s. 6d.<sup>1</sup> It is only a very small part of the sum required, but it is by persistence that the end desired will be attained, and it is hoped to make a further strong effort to increase the fund during the coming year. A copy of the latest report of its progress is circulated herewith.

The photographic record of the county under the care of Dr Allen continues to flourish. A report from him is in Appendix I.

<sup>1</sup> £7744 is the amount collected to present date June 1908.

The collection of portraits of notable persons connected with the County, University, and Borough has also increased. The number on the 1st October was 744. Among those added are:

A photograph of the portrait in the Fitzwilliam Museum of the late Duke of Devonshire, Chancellor of the University, presented by the present Chancellor.

A portrait of the late Professor Charles Cardale Babington, F.R.S., one of the founders of the Society, presented by his widow.

A mezzotint portrait of Christopher Monck, 2nd Duke of Albemarle, appointed Chancellor of the University in succession to the Duke of Monmouth.

A portrait of the late Sir Michael Foster, K.C.B., presented by his widow.

A portrait of the late Professor Newton, F.R.S., presented by Miss Newton.

An oil painting of Mr James Brown, formerly postmaster of Cambridge, presented by Mrs Thomas Hunnybun.

A photograph of the portrait of Henry Kirke White by Hoppner, R.A., presented by Mr F. J. Sebley.

A mezzotint of the portrait by Beechey, R.A., of Joshua King, President of Queens' College, presented by G. B. Finch, Esq.

Card catalogues have been made, giving in three series the names, offices and other distinctions, and the colleges of the persons portrayed. This work has absorbed much time and attention. The Secretary asks members to bear in mind that additions in any shape are acceptable, whether in the form of pictures or of engravings, silhouettes or photographs.

Some excavations have been carried on in the district during the past year. The Rev. F. G. Walker continues his interest in this work and proposes in the autumn to explore the site called the Moats at Caxton, for which purpose the Council have made a grant. At the instance of Prof. Hughes, he also superintended the disinterment of several skeletons found near the War-ditches at Cherryhinton. In August last he carried out excavations in a tumulus at Lord's Bridge which resulted in the discovery of many interesting objects, the most important being a stone coffin belonging to the Romano-British period.

Prof. Hughes himself opened a tumulus on Newmarket

Heath, and instigated our member, Mr G. L. Keynes, of Pembroke College, and Mr Harold Evelyn White, of Wadham College, Oxford, to make excavations in the earth-works, called the Bulwarks, at Earith.

Arrangements for the exchange of publications have been made with the following Societies and Institutions :

*Canada.* The Ontario Historical Society.

*France.* La Société Historique et Archéologique de l'arrondissement de St Malo.

*Norway.* Det Kongl. Norske Videnskabers Selskabs of Trondjem.

The Secretary would be obliged if members would give him the names of other Societies with which relations might be established.

The publications have been two in number :

By J. W. Clark, M.A., F.S.A.; *The Riot at the Great Gate of Trinity College, February 1610-11.*

The third part completing the eleventh volume of *Proceedings* (the fifth of the New Series) and containing the Transactions and Communications for the Session 1905-6. It is No. XLVII in the Series issued by the Society.

The second publication forms an exceptionally large and interesting volume of *Proceedings* to which many members and friends have contributed.

An excursion to Castle Hedingham, Little Maplestead, and Halstead took place on the 6th July. Our member, Mr Adams of Halstead, was good enough to make the local arrangements, and to offer hospitality at his house. It was attended by a party of 18. Of Castle Hedingham and Little Maplestead it is not necessary to say anything, as the history of the seat of the De Veres for seven centuries, and of the latest of the English Round Churches, has been fully recorded, but a special note must be made that in the chapel attached to the brewery at Halstead are preserved some of the furniture and internal decorations from the Church of All Hallows the Great, which stood in Thames Street, London, and was pulled down about 1858 to carry out a street improvement. The most interesting object is the font, the cover of which is the work of Grinling Gibbons.

The Society has made its usual contribution towards the purchase of local objects for the Museum, a list of which is in Appendix II.

The balance sheet showing the financial position of the Society to the 31st of December, 1906, is published with this report.

There have been a good many changes in the Council. The Rev. William George Searle has retired from the Presidency, after holding office for two years, and Dr Venn has been chosen to succeed him. Professor Rapson consented to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Miss Bateson, and the election of Mr Ellis Hovell Minns of Pembroke College has made the number complete.

Dr Venn and Mr Fawcett attended the Congress of Archæological Societies held at Burlington House on the 3rd of July. A report of the proceedings is circulated herewith.

Mr Herbert George Fordham attended the Congress of the Belgian Archæological and Architectural Federation held at Ghent from the 2nd to the 7th of August as a delegate of the Society and will make a report of the proceedings at a future date.

The thanks of the Society are again presented to the donors of the following publications, namely to Mr W. M. Fawcett for the gift of the *Ely Diocesan Remembrancer* and *Fenland Notes and Queries* and to Mr Elliot Stock for the gift of *The Antiquary*.

Thanks have also been conveyed to Mons. E. Dupont of St Malo, who presented his tractate on "Le Mont Saint-Michel et les pays étrangers," and to Mons. Héron de Villefosse, an honorary member, who presented the following reprints of papers which appeared in archæological journals:

"Un miroir découvert à Alise,"

"A propos d'un inscription du Musée Calvet."

The accession of new members is a permanent necessity if the Society is to flourish, and friends are asked to bring its work and publications to the notice of any persons interested.

## APPENDIX I.

PHOTOGRAPHIC RECORD OF CAMBRIDGESHIRE,  
REPORT, 1907.

Since the last report a few valuable prints have been presented to the Record collection, and a few have been acquired by purchase. Among the new acquisitions are views of the *old* All Saints' Church previous to 1865. Many of the amateur photographers of Cambridge have negatives of important subjects, from which prints ought to be made for the County Record: but since the owners of the negatives do not use either of the permanent processes of photographic printing, it has not been possible as yet to obtain prints suitable for the Record. There is reason to believe that some hundreds of such important negatives exist; and it would be worth while to ask the owners to allow permanent prints to be made from them by a professional, the expense to be defrayed from a fund to which both the Antiquarian Society and the Photographic Club might contribute.

F. J. ALLEN.

## APPENDIX II.

PURCHASES BY THE CURATOR OF THE MUSEUM OF  
ARCHÆOLOGY AND ETHNOLOGY WITH GRANTS  
FROM THE COUNCIL.

## STONE IMPLEMENTS.

FROM THE RIVER DRIFT OF NORFOLK AND SUFFOLK.  
7 of various forms.

## CELTS.

3 from Cranwich, Stoke Ferry and Weeting, Norfolk, 1 from Lakenheath Fen, Suffolk, 3 from Fordham, Swaffham Fen and Upper Hare Park, Cambs.

## ADZES.

3 from Downham, Eriswell and Lakenheath, Suffolk, and 5 from Norfolk and Suffolk.

## PICKS.

7 from Norfolk and Suffolk.

## FABRICATORS.

8 from Norfolk and Suffolk.

## KNIVES.

16 from Cambridgeshire, Norfolk and Suffolk, including fine specimens from Icklingham, Lakenheath and Mildenhall, Suffolk.

## BORERS.

19 from Norfolk and Suffolk.

## ARROWS.

*Tanged and barbed.*

13 from Norfolk and Suffolk, including specimens from Icklingham and Eriswell.

*Tanged.*

4 from Suffolk including one from West Stow.

*Leaf shaped.*

6 from Norfolk and Suffolk including specimens from Croxton, Norfolk, and Icklingham and Mildenhall, Suffolk.

*Lozenge shaped.*

3 from Undley and Tuddenham, Suffolk.

*Triangular.*

8 from Suffolk and Cambridgeshire, including specimens from Burnt Fen, Cambs., Eriswell, Icklingham, Lakenheath, Santon Downham, Undley and West Stow, Suffolk.

*Single barbed.*

1 from Burnt Fen, Cambs.

## JAVELIN HEADS.

*Leaf shaped.*

10 from Norfolk and Suffolk, including specimens from Icklingham, Mildenhall and Santon Downham, Suffolk, and Thetford, Norfolk.

3 starshaped implements from Eriswell, Suffolk, and Cranwich and Weeting, Norfolk, and resemble well-known Egyptian forms.

43 "pigmy" from Lakenheath, Suffolk.

## ROMAN.

## BRONZE.

3 fibulae from Lakenheath and Tuddenham, Suffolk.

A small cupshaped weight from Lakenheath, Suffolk.

## GLASS.

3 beads from Eriswell and Lakenheath, Suffolk.

## EARTHENWARE.

Two plain wide-mouthed urns and a quantity of fragments from Gloucester Street, Cambridge.

## SAXON.

## BRONZE.

A thin metal disc with an incised pattern and 5 bosses.

## MEDIÆVAL AND LATER.

## BRONZE.

An oval seal, with the device of St Margaret and inscribed, found at Eriswell, Suffolk, and a finger ring found at Manea, Cambs.

Half an annular brooch, a button and 10 buckles found at Lakenheath, Suffolk.

Two thimbles and a key from the same place.

A double-ended pestle found at Cambridge.

## IRON.

Two long door keys from Brandon, Suffolk, and Chesterton, Cambs.

Two cabinet keys from Kingston, Cambs.

A door lock from Madingley, Cambs.

A pewter chalice (c. 1630-1650) from Hail Weston, Hunts.

## NEW MEMBERS ELECTED 1906-7.

1906. Oct. 15. John Charrington, M.A.  
Arthur Byars Day.  
Herbert Somerton Foxwell, M.A.  
Cecil Home Nicoll.
- Nov. 15. Very Rev. Monsignor Arthur Stapylton Barnes.  
Miss Alice Greenwood.  
Miss Bertha Surtees Phillpotts.
- Dec. 3. Edward James Rapson, M.A., *Professor of Sanskrit*.  
Charles Stephenson Squires.
1907. Feb. 4. Mrs Georgette Bendall.  
Mrs Maria Elizabeth Grove.  
Rev. Richard Winkfield.
- April 22. Miss Ellen Annette McArthur.
- May 6. Louis Camille Von Glehn, M.A.  
20. William Cutlack.

# CAMBRIDGE ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY.

## SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 1906.

Receipts.	£	s.	d.	Payments.	£	s.	d.
1906, Jan. 1. Balance brought forward			18 4 2	Publications, XII., Printing			49 7 4
Annual Subscriptions:				"    "    "    "    "    "			26 9 4
Current (202)	212 2 0			"    "    "    "    "    "			25 13 6
Arrears (18)	18 18 0			Proceedings, XLIII., "			44 16 5
	—		231 0 0	List of Members			17 16 9
Life Members (2)			21 0 0	Miscellaneous			31 3 2
Interest on £700 G. E. R. 4 per cent.				Books, Stationery, &c.			
Debiture Stock, January	13 6 0			less sale of two lists of Members			12 15 3
July	13 6 0			by Secretary			2 0
Interest on Deposit Account			26 12 0	Papers and Lectures expenses			12 13 3
Sale of Publications:			3 6 1	Museum of Ethnology and Archaeology, Local Ac-			6 9 4
Macmillan & Bowes	7 19 1			cessions			
Deighton Bell & Co.	4 19 1			Excavations at Fowlinere per Rev. A. C. Yorke			50 0 0
Luard Memorial (Grace Books):			12 18 2	Payments to Attendants			6 7 4
University Press Warehouse	41 9 5			"    per Secretary			1 7 6
Macmillan & Bowes	21 12 0			Clerical Assistance per Secretary			6 7 6
	—		63 1 5	Postages per Secretary			20 17 6
				Miscellaneous payments:—			8 6 10
				Hattersley for Teas			
				Carriage per Secretary			3 18 9
				Collection of Portraits per Secretary			3 0
				London Excursion			12 3
				Sundries			6 8
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				"    "    "    "    "    "			2 2
				Cheque Books (2)			6 7 7
				Dec. 31, 1906. Balance carried forward			10 0
							62 16 0
							£376 1 10

Audited, and found to agree with the Bank Pass Book and Vouchers, showing a credit balance of £62. 16s. 0d.

Signed, J. B. PEACE  
GEORGE KETT } *Auditors.*

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