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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH.

An Excursion* (No. ccxlix) was made to the three Parish Churches of St. Aldate's, St. Ebbe's and St. Thomas'. Soon after 2 p.m., Canon CHRISTOPHER, the Rector, met the party at St. Aldate's and exhibited plans of the old and new church; after which the President (Mr. JAMES PARKER) gave an historical address on the early history of the building. After inspecting the font and the crypt under the Ducklington aisle, the Society moved on to St. Ebbe's, where the Rector (the Rev. JOHN ARKELL) was awaiting them, but deputed to the President the task of describing the edifice and its associations. Some notes were also added on the Black Friars, whose House was adjacent. At St. Thomas' Church the President kindly undertook a third speech, but the exigencies of time presented a full examination of the glass and other features of the Church.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH.

A Meeting† was held at 8.15 p.m. at the Ashmolean Museum, by permission of the Keeper,‡ the President taking the chair. After

* See *Oxford Journal*, Feb. 13th, 1897.

† See *Oxford Journal*, Feb. 20th, 1897.

‡ For kind permission to hold the Evening Meetings throughout the year in the Ashmolean Museum, the Society is indebted to the Keeper of that institution.

some proposed modifications of the Rules had been discussed, the President congratulated the members on the satisfactory turn which the affair of the Carfax Tower had taken. One new member, Mr. T. E. Horrigan, was elected. Mr. C. B. Hutchinson then read an interesting lecture on "The Origin and Development of Renaissance Architecture in Italy," well illustrated by diagrams, photographs and lantern slides.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH.

The second Meeting* was held at 8.15 p.m., in the Ashmolean Museum, by permission of the Keeper, the chair being taken by the President. The following were elected members:—Miss S. M. Mowbray, 26 Winchester Road; H. A. Cook, Esq., Caius College, Cambridge; T. A. Cook, Esq., High Field, Wantage; E. Backhouse, Esq., Balliol; Miss G. E. Marson and Miss A. C. Marson, 52 Aston Street, Iffley Road; H. W. Fisher, M.A., Exeter College.

Mr. MANNING apologised for being unable to exhibit some earthenware vessels found in recent drainage works at All Souls, owing to a College order not having been obtained; and in their place he showed some drawings which threw light on the structural history of St. Ebbe's Church. The Rev. Dr. F. H. ARNOLD, F.S.A., then read a paper on "Roman Remains in Sussex, especially with reference to recent discoveries," after which a discussion ensued, in which the President, Mr. Manning, Mr. Mowbray and Mrs. Mee took part.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH.

On Excursion† No. ccl the Society visited, at 2 p.m., three modern Churches, St. Barnabas', St. Paul's and the youngest of all, St. Margaret's. At the first-named, the Vicar (the Rev. M. H. NOEL) received the members, and after exhibiting the fine set of vestments and calling attention to various architectural features of the building, delivered an address on the foundation and development of St. Barnabas, all the more valuable from the unbroken connexion of the speaker with the church. At St. Paul's, the Rev. W. B. DUGGAN, the Vicar, undertook to direct the attention of the members to what was interesting, such as the font designed by Dr. Pusey and the Agnus Dei painted by Holman Hunt. St. Margaret's presented a few features of interest, such as the six-sided font from All Saints' Church. Mrs. HARTLEY, the Vicar's wife, pointed out

* See *Oxford Journal*, Feb. 27th, 1897.

† See *Oxford Journal* March 6th, 1897.

to the visitors the design for a tower and porch shortly to be carried out.

TUESDAY, MARCH 9TH.

At 8.15 p.m., the last evening Meeting* of the term was held at the Ashmolean Museum, the President being in the chair. The proposed alterations in the Rules were carried without opposition, and the following were then elected members :—Mrs. Wörmer, 12 Bardwell Road ; George Parker, Esq., 39 Wellington Square ; Miss Walter, 8 Rawlinson Road. Mr. MANNING exhibited a small octagonal cresset, dug up ten years before in excavating for a new bridge at Oseney ; and Dr. KREBS, Librarian of the Taylor Institution, described and exhibited a copy of Coronelli's engravings of Oxford Colleges, founded on those of Loggan. Mr. HURST then read a paper on "Remains of exterior Pargetting in Oxford," and was congratulated by the President on the novelty of the subject and on the drawings which he had brought to illustrate the lecture.

SATURDAY, MARCH 13TH.

Excursion† No. ccli was to Yarnton and Cassington. At the former place the Manor House, now undergoing restoration, was first visited. At the Church the President gave a brief historical summary, and the Vicar (the Rev. E. W. LOMAX) pointed out many noticeable features, such as the glass, the font and the Spencer Chapel, and Mr. GARNER conducted the members over the building. A move was then made to Cassington, where the President undertook a short account of the Church and village, not forgetting the curious almsdish of latten. Some of the party also inspected the old Manor House with the remains of its chapel.

At a bye-meeting, held at Yarnton, the following were elected members of the Society :—Miss Sherlock, 43 Marston Road ; John H. Blake, Esq., F.G.S., 16 Polstead Road ; Miss L. M. Blake, do. ; E. Gurney, Esq., New College ; W. H. Castle, Esq., Grove Place.

SUMMER TERM, 1897.

SATURDAY, MAY 15TH.

About twenty-four members drove in conveyances at 1.20 p.m. to Waterperry,‡ where the President called attention to the architecture and monuments of the Church, the latter belonging chiefly to the Curzon family. The next stopping-place was Worminghall,

* See *Oxford Journal*, March 13th, 1897.

† See *Oxford Journal*, March 20th, 1897.

‡ See *Oxford Journal*, June 12th, 1897 : Excursion No. cclii.

where the Rev. H. M. DRUMMOND, the Vicar, met them and described the Church, the President adding some remarks about the history of the parish. The party next drove to Ickford, where they were hospitably entertained at tea by the Rector, the Rev. T. A. TURNER, who first exhibited the Church plate, and then led the way to the Church, which it is proposed to restore, and about which he gave an address. After visiting the old Manor House, the Society proceeded to Shabbington Church, which was described by the Vicar, the Rev. A. F. Q. BROS. The return to Oxford was viâ Ickford Bridge and Tiddington.

TUESDAY, MAY 25TH.

Excursion No. ccliii* was made in fine weather to Wantage, Childrey, Sparsholt and the White Horse. The start was as early as 9.15 a.m., and at Wantage the Vicar, the Rev. T. A. HOUBLON, met the party, and the President delivered an address on the town and church. The Rev. C. J. CORNISH pointed out the features of Childrey Church, and was supplemented by remarks from the President. At Sparsholt Church they were met by the Rev. L. B. DUNDAS; and from thence the party drove to the Blowing Stone, while many walked on to the White Horse and Uffington Camp; and the drive ended at Uffington Station, Oxford being finally reached at about half-past eight.

At a bye-meeting held at Wantage the following were elected members:—G. L. Davey, Esq., Oriel College; Mrs. Iliffe, 13 Warnborough Road; Mrs. Boodle, 4 Farndon Road; Miss Rylands, Longford Hall, Stratford, Manchester; O. J. R. Howarth, Esq., Christ Church; H. E. Counsell, Esq., 27 Banbury Road.

THURSDAY, JUNE 3RD.

The party started on Excursion No. ccliv at 2.15 p.m., train being taken to Bicester, but no stay was made till Caversfield was reached, where the Vicar, the Rev. W. BRYANT, showed them over the Church. The drive was continued to Bucknell, where the Rev. W. B. GASCOIGNE met the members, and to Middleton Stony, where the Church and old military earthwork were visited under the guidance of the Rev. W. H. DRAPER. The return journey was made by train from Bicester.

The attention of the Society was again directed during the Long Vacation to the burning question of Carfax Tower, and the Sub-Committee appointed by the General Committee sent a letter, dated

* See *Oxford Journal*, June 19th, 1897.

July 14th, 1897, to the Carfax Tower Committee of the City Council, which is printed in the *Oxford Journal* of July 31st, 1897.

MICHAELMAS TERM, 1897.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30TH.

Wolvercote, Godstow and Wytham were the objects of the Excursion No. cclv. At the first-named place the Rev. W. D. SARGENT gave an interesting historical account of the Church; and at Godstow Nunnery and Wytham the President gave an account of each place.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH.

At 2.15 p.m., the members met for Excursion* No. cclvi in St. Aldate's Church, where Canon CHRISTOPHER met them, but as the Society had so recently visited it, attention was chiefly paid to the South Aisle, which long served as the Chapel of the adjacent Broadgates Hall. On reaching Pembroke College the Rev. D. MACLEANE gave a long and interesting lecture on the history of Broadgates Hall and the College, especially the memorials of Dr. Johnson, and conducted the party to the Hall, Garden and Chapel. Members were then shown the most interesting features of the Almshouse to the east of the College, by the kind invitation of, and und under the guidance of the Rev. Canon Kinnaird.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH.

A Meeting was held at 8.15 p.m. in the Ashmolean Museum, with the President in the chair. The Secretary read the Report of the Sub-Committee on Carfax Tower already referred to, and it was unanimously adopted. The Secretary (Mr. PERCY MANNING) then read a paper on "The Primitive Architecture of the South-West of Ireland," and a discussion ensued in which the President and Messrs. Bros, Hurst and Taunt took part.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH.

The cclviiith Excursion† took place on this day at 2.15 p.m., the members assembling at St. Edmund Hall, where the Principal, the Rev. E. MOORE, welcomed them, and the Rev. G. F. LOVELL, the Vice-Principal, gave an address, and subsequently led the way from the Hall to the Chapel, Garden and Library. The adjacent Church of St. Peter's in the East was next visited, where the Vicar (the Rev. J. R. KING), the President and Mr. H. HURST divided the task of pointing out the chief features of the Church and Crypt.

* See *Oxford Journal*, November 20th, 1897.

† See *Oxford Journal*, Dec. 4th and (letter) Dec. 11th, 1897.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD.

The Annual Meeting* was held in the Ashmolean Museum at 8.15 p.m., the Librarian (the Hon. B. J. STAPLETON) in the chair. The following were elected members :—C. F. Bell, Esq., Assistant Keeper of the Ashmolean Museum ; Rev. M. T. Pearman, M.A., Iwade Vicarage, Kent ; H. R. Rainey, Esq., Holwell Vicarage, Oxon ; C. C. Morrell, Esq., Christ Church ; Col. James Hoole, Manor House, Headington ; Mrs. Jackson, 16 Rawlinson Road ; B. R. T. Grindle, Esq., Queen's College ; R. S. Rait, Esq., New College ; C. H. Blakiston, Esq., Christ Church ; H. R. Maynard, Esq., Non-Collegiate ; H. E. Trask, Esq., Lincoln College. The following elections of officers for the ensuing year then took place :—As President, Mr. James Parker ; as Vice-Presidents, Viscount Dillon and Messrs. R. L. Poole and C. H. Firth ; for Committee, Prof. Burrows, Mr. Madan, Mrs. Mee, Mr. de Watteville, Rev. A. R. Pinel ; as Auditors, Messrs. M. H. Green and C. M. Laing. The Secretary then read the Annual Report, and exhibited some drawings and lantern-slides relating to St. Aldate's Church, Pembroke College and the old Almshouse near it.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7TH.

The last meeting† of the term was held in the Ashmolean Museum at 8.15 p.m., the chair being taken by the President. It was announced that the Committee had elected the following officers :—As Secretaries, Messrs. P. Manning and H. G. de Watteville ; as Treasurer, Miss Swann ; as Librarian, the Hon. B. J. Stapleton. Mr. J. L. Myres had been elected, and Mr. C. F. Bell co-opted, as members of the Committee. The report of a Subcommittee on a proposed Photographic Survey of the County of Oxford was read. Mr. Manning then exhibited some Anglo-Saxon antiquities recently found at Standlake, and Mr. Myres read a paper on some Gothic Churches in Cyprus, illustrated by diagrams and lantern-slides.

* See *Oxford Journal*, Dec. 11th, 1897.

† See *Oxford Journal*, Dec. 18th, 1897.