

## Oxford Ladies' Archwological and Brass Rubbing Society.

## YEAR 1907-1908.

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50 Members.

The O.L.A.B.R.S. has completed its fourteenth year, and the number of its members has never fallen below 50, while there are always candidates waiting for admission as vacancies occur.

There have been some changes in the committee. The Society has experienced a great loss by the death of Mrs. T. H. Rose. She had always been a most valuable member in helping to procure good Papers and Lecturers for the Society, she was a constant attendant at all Meetings and was most hospitable in entertaining the Society to tea. Her place on the Committee has been filled by Mrs. Odgers.

Miss Green, after many years' service as Honorary Librarian, has felt obliged to relinquish the post, and Mrs. Whitmarsh has kindly consented to take it, and to house the Society's Library in St. Rognvald's Lecture Room.

Six meetings have been held during the year, and there has been a large attendance at each, except at the first, when an excursion was made in pouring rain to Witney and Cogges, only 12 members went, but they had the advantage of seeing Witney Church under the guidance of the wife of the Rector, Mrs. Kirby, who gave a most interesting and full account of the church and the monuments it contains.

On November 19th, a meeting was held in the evening at the Ashmolean Museum, by the kind permission of Dr. Evans, when the Rev. Dr. Odgers gave a most learned and instructive Paper on "The worship of the God Mithras." It was illustrated by lantern slides, and listened to with great attention.

On February 11th, Miss Legge read a Paper to the Society on Japan, and related many incidents of her stay in that country. She also exhibited many photographs of Japanese scenery, and many of the articles in domestic use in the country.

On March 2nd, Dr. Evans again kindly allowed an evening meeting to take place in the Ashmolean Museum, when Miss Mabel Rose gave a most enjoyable account of her visit to South Africa in 1905, with the British Association. She also showed a magnificent collection of photographic slides, taken by herself, those relating to life in the Kraels being particularly interesting. After the lecture, Dr. Murray told some of his experiences during the same visit to South Africa, and spoke of the finding of the tree on which Dr. Livingstone carved his name, the letters of which were still distinctly traceable.

On May 28th, Dr. Eastwood read a paper on Durham and Lindisfarne, being a continuation of a previous paper of his on Iona. This was well illustrated by photographs.

The annual Excursion of the Society took place on June 15th, when a large party of members and friends went by the steamer, Alaska, to Day's Lock. They started from Oxford at 9.30 a.m. and returned at 8.30 p.m. Dorchester Abbey Church, Little Wittenham Church and Sinodun Hill were all visited, and a very enjoyable day was spent.