EIGHTY-FOURTH REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

FOR THE YEAR 1925.

The Council have the honour to present their report for the year 1925. During the year the Institute lost nine members by death and nine by resignation, and six libraries have ceased to subscribe; on the other hand twenty-two new members have been elected and three new libraries have been added to the list. This represents a net gain of one.

Among those who have passed away the Council regret to note the deaths of Sir Henry Fletcher, J. D. le Couteur, Canon Sutton and A. L. Radford.

Since the last report was presented another volume of the Journal has been published (lxxix), and it is hoped that volume lxxx will appear in the autumn. The Council regret that pressure of work has compelled Professor Hamilton Thompson to relinquish the editorship, which is now in the hands of the Secretary. Professor Hamilton Thompson has, however, kindly consented to act in an advisory capacity.

In 1925 the Summer Meeting was held at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and in the autumn a visit was paid to Leeds Castle, Kent. The cordial thanks of the Institute are due to the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, to Mr. W. C. Soden Bird who acted as Hon. Meeting Secretary at Newcastle, and to all others who helped to make these meetings a success.

As will be seen from the audited accounts which are attached to this report, the Institute has closed the year with a surplus of £50 9s. after making provision for the estimated cost of the publications in arrear. It will be observed that £500 Queensland 4½ per cent. Bonds have been paid off during the year and the proceeds have been applied to the purchase of £500 Queensland 5 per cent. stock (1940/60).

The President of the Institute, Sir William Boyd Dawkins, has expressed the desire to be relieved of his office and the Council, in accepting his

resignation, take leave of him with the greatest regret.

Sir Charles W. C. Oman, M.A. LL.D. D.C.L. F.S.A. M.P. has consented to accept the vacant Presidency and the Council recommend his election.

The members of the Council who retire are:—Major General B. R. Mitford, C.B. C.M.G. D.S.O. F.S.A; L. G. Bolingbroke; C. A. Bradford, F.S.A; the Rev. D. H. S. Cranage, Litt.D. F.S.A; and D. Cory-Wright, M.A. F.S.A.

To take their places and to fill the vacancy created by the death of Canon Sutton, the Council propose the election of W. Heward Bell, F.S.A; the Rev. Prebendary Clark-Maxwell, M.A. F.S.A; A. C. Fryer, M.A. Ph.D. F.S.A; A. G. K. Hayter, M.A. F.S.A; W. H. Knowles, F.S.A; and W. E. Miller, F.S.A.

The Council also recommend that Professor A. Hamilton Thompson and the Rev. D. H. S. Cranage be appointed Vice-Presidents, and Mr. Dudley Cory-Wright be appointed Hon. Auditor.

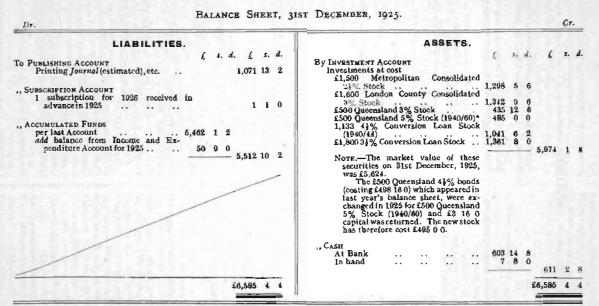
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We have examined the above Balance Sheet and the Income and Expenditure and Cash Accounts. In our opinion the same are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the Institute's financial position, according to the best of our information, and as shown by the books of the Institute.

FRANCIS NICHOLLS, WHITE & CO.,

14 Old Jewry Chambers, Chartered Accountants. London, E.C., 20th April, 1926. Examined and found correct,

W. E. MILLER, Hon. Auditor.