



## ABSTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS 1906-1907

### EXCURSIONS IN 1907

Though the longer excursion which had been contemplated had, for various reasons, to be abandoned, the Society showed its activity by arranging three shorter ones, two of them in the City, and one in its immediate vicinity. Subjoined will be found accounts of each of these.

On Thursday afternoon, June 13th, a large party of the members of the Chester and North Wales Archæological and Historic Society made an excursion to "The Roft," at the Rossett, by kind permission of Mrs. Boscawen. The weather, which was showery at first, cleared up as the party approached their destination.

At the Roft, Mr. W. Shone, F.G.S., pointed out the various remains of the once formidable earthen ramparts and ditches, which on the two accessible sides had converted the position into one of great strength. The party gathered around the artificial mound of gravel at the north end of the camp, from which a most extensive range of country could be observed: to the north, Chester and the Cheshire hills; on the east, the Cheshire plain; and on the west, Hope Mountain, Mold, Holywell, and the Clwyddian range beyond.

Mr. Shone referred briefly to the great historic events connected with this area, remarking that the Roft was a fortification in British times on the borders of the Ordo-

vices, the Cornavii, and the Brigantes. He mentioned also the "Alleluia" victory under St. Germanus, near Mold, over a marauding band of Picts and Saxons, about 429 A.D., and the battle of Chester, about 607 A.D., which was fought in the vicinity. He also referred to other important historical events relating to this neighbourhood.

The party, after leaving the Roft, visited Trevalyn, and were conducted by Mr. Boscawen over this most interesting and historic Elizabethan mansion, the ancestral home of the Trevalyn family. The mansion has not been much altered since it was built, hence its unique interest. It bears the date 1576. Among others who contributed to the success of the excursion were Dr. Bridge, F.S.A., and Mr. Henry Taylor, F.S.A.

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About forty members of the Chester and North Wales Archæological and Historic Society and their friends visited the old parts of the Castle (by kind permission of Major Clifford and other military authorities) on Wednesday, July 17th; and afterwards, under the guidance of Mr. Tasker, visited places connected with Matthew Henry.

The chief point of interest in the Castle was St. Mary's Chapel in Cæsar's Tower. This, as well as the chamber underneath, has a groined roof of stone, and from the style of the workmanship it may be ascribed to the same date as the Lady Chapel of the Cathedral, viz., 13th century. In the chapel is an awmbry (or recess for one) on the north wall; while the piscina is in the east wall on the south side of the place where the altar stood, where there is an arched recess. It is impossible to say whether the base of this formed the altar slab, or whether the recess contained figures, or was at one time a window.

It was in this Chapel that James II. heard Mass during his stay in Chester. Its dimensions are about 19ft. by 16ft., and its height is also about 16ft. It has been disused as a

Chapel for many years, and has been used as a storehouse for ammunition, &c., but at present it is quite clear. Traces of a fresco were distinctly observable about a hundred years ago; and a representation of this, as also of the Chapel itself, are given in Hanshall's "History of the County Palatine of Chester." In a note Hanshall suggests that the picture represents Moses receiving the table of the Commandments, while the devil, as a monster, is making a formidable attempt to seize them. Traces of a bishop and monks observing this are seen in the right corner of the picture. The ramparts were also visited, but time did not permit of the inspection of the old armour and other things in the officers' mess-room.

The party then went to Bolland's Court House, by kind permission of Dr. and Mrs. Newall, and saw the summer-house in the garden where Matthew Henry is supposed to have written his Commentary. Looking in at Trinity Church to see Matthew Henry's tomb and the brass in his memory, the party adjourned to Matthew Henry's Chapel in Trinity Street. Here the pulpit from which he preached is to be seen, and also other furniture handed down from his time. The Communion plate used by him; his diary of church matters; his Commentary, and other relics were also inspected. Mr. Tasker also read a paper giving an interesting account of the chapel, and of Henry's connection with it, which it is hoped will appear in the future Transactions of the Society; and he was cordially thanked by the Archdeacon on behalf of the members present for the trouble he had taken in arranging the details of the visit. All present were agreed that the afternoon's excursion had been a great success.

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The heavy rain on Wednesday, August 14th, had the effect of preventing many from joining in the City excursion. About twenty-five, however, braved the elements, and met at the Church of St. Mary-on-the-Hill, at 2-30 p.m.

Here the Archdeacon gave a brief description of the church, and then directed special attention to various points of interest: as the nave roof; the old glass in the Troutbeck Chapel; and the monuments. A small brass to Rowland Waring, gent., who died May xiii., 1695, was pointed out. This, which has a beautifully engraved coat of arms, has been moved from the north to the south side of the chancel arch, so as to bring it into sight. From the registers we learn that Mr. Waring was married three times, and that he was a "Razargrinder."

The roof still requires some treatment, as some of the timber is whitened by the chemical which was used to destroy the worm or beetle with which it was infested. It is hoped that funds will soon be forthcoming for the purpose.

With reference to the monuments, the Archdeacon drew attention to the remarkable offices held by some of those to whom they were erected. Thus, Randle Holme was "Sewer extraordinary to King Charles II., and deputy to ye King at Arms." Peter Proby was "an esquire for the body to Queen Elizabeth, and to King James, and for both Princes Keeper of the Records in the Tower of London, and Post Master for Ireland." Ralph Worsley was "Page of the Wardrobe, Steward of the Chamber," and was made by King Henry VIII., in return for services rendered, "Sergeant of the Crown, Keeper of the Lions, Lionesses, and Leopards within the Tower of London, Porter of the Great Wardrobe, Controller in the Counties of Chester and Flint, Clerk of the Crown of Lancaster, and Escheator in the County Palatine of Lancaster." These various offices open out a wide and interesting field of enquiry, and might afford subjects for future investigation. After inspecting more closely the different objects of interest in the Church, the party went into the churchyard, and saw the churchyard Cross, which was much admired.

By the favour of Mr. Poyser, Gamul House was next visited. Only the entrance hall, with its large and elabo-

rate fireplace and some trace of the roof, now remains ; but it is interesting to know that King Charles I. must have passed before that fireplace in September 1645.

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The party then went to St. Olave's Church. There is not much of interest remaining in the building, which was converted into a school a good many years ago, though it is now again restored to its original purpose, and used as a Church occasionally.

After visiting Randle Holme's House ("The Old King's Head"), the party went to St. Michael's Church, where the Vicar had the church plate and the churchwardens' accounts displayed in the vestry. The roof of the chancel is somewhat unusual, and is handsome, while along the north wall there is a carved wall-plate, which attracted attention. Some of the inscriptions on the mural tablets were very interesting. The Archdeacon thanked the Vicar for opening his two churches to the Society, and for the trouble he had taken.

### COUNCIL MEETINGS

At a Meeting of the Council, held on Tuesday, 5th June, 1906, the Venerable Archdeacon Barber in the Chair, eight new members were elected. A letter was received from the Hon. Secretary of the Grosvenor Museum Management Committee, respecting the formulation of a scheme for the transfer of the Museum Buildings to the Local Education Authority, but the consideration of the terms of transfer was deferred, pending the submission of a scheme by the Management Committee.

Proof copies of Volume XII. of the Society's Journal were submitted, and it was decided to print 500 copies of Mr. W. E. B. Whittaker's Paper upon "The Glynnnes of Hawarden," to sell at 2/6 per copy.

A letter from the keeper of Denbigh Castle was received, asking, on behalf of Mr. Vaughan Williams of Denbigh, if this Society had any surplus specimens of Roman Pottery which could be spared for their Castle Museum ; and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the Society had no surplus specimens at present.

Mr. F. W. Longbottom reported the find of a number of copper coins at Blacon, near Chester.

At a Meeting of the Council, held on Tuesday, 19th June, 1906, the Venerable Archdeacon Barber in the Chair, the terms and conditions upon which this Society would consent to the transfer of the Museum Buildings to the Local Education Authority were drawn up and adopted.

A letter was received from the Grosvenor Museum Management Committee, asking this Society's consent to the removal into the Library of the lettered boards recording the names of the Presidents and Kingsley Memorial Medalists of the Natural Science Society ; and it was decided to offer no objection to suitable boards being displayed in the Library.

The Chairman submitted a circular setting forth the advantages and terms of membership of the Society, which he proposed sending to the county residents who were not already members, which was approved.

The presentation to the Society, by Mr. Frank Freeth, M.A., of London, of a copy of June (1906) issue of "The Connoisseur," containing an article written by him upon the Toft Dish, which is among this Society's collection, was reported, and accepted with thanks. The Secretary reported that the block of the Toft Dish had been kindly lent to the Society by the Editor of "The Connoisseur" for reproduction in the next volume of the Society's Journal ; and instructions were given for 350 copies to be printed off. One new member was elected.

At a Meeting of the Council, held on Friday, 27th July, 1906, the Venerable Archdeacon Barber in the Chair, a letter was received from the English Drama Society, containing a proposal to reproduce in Chester the ancient "Chester Mystery Plays"; and a resolution was passed signifying the Council's approval of the proposal and desire to co-operate with the English Drama Society in the undertaking.

A letter was received from Mr. W. E. B. Whittaker suggesting that the reprints of his Paper, upon "The Glynnes of Hawarden," be offered to Hawarden parishioners at a reduced price; but the Council could not see their way to agree to this.

The election since the last Council Meeting of four new members of the Society was reported, and six new members were also elected.

The Secretary reported a financial deficit upon the Annual Summer Excursion of £1 9s. 9d.

It was reported that the City Council contemplated making certain building alterations in the district between Love Street and the Baths, and it was resolved that the Secretary be instructed to write to the Town Clerk to the effect that, in the event of a new street being made in that district, this Council respectfully suggest that it be called "Barnston Street."

Mr. H. B. Dutton suggested that a visit to Erddig Hall and Park, near Wrexham, would be interesting to the members of the Society; and it was decided to endeavour to arrange a visit there in September.

The Curator reported that there were some bases of Corinthian columns upon the premises of the "Grotto Hotel," Bridge Street, Chester, and that Mr. Henry (the proprietor's manager) had offered to present them to the Society; the offer was gladly accepted, and Mr. G. W.

Haswell kindly undertook to remove the bases to the Museum.

The Secretary reported that application had been made by the Hon. Secretary of the Congress of Archæological Societies for the payment of this Society's subscription; and the Secretary was instructed to make enquiries as to what are the advantages of being in union with the Congress.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held on Monday, 13th August, 1906, the Venerable Archdeacon Barber in the Chair, for the purpose of meeting Mr. Nugent Monck, the Secretary to the English Drama Society, to discuss the proposed reproduction of the "Chester Mystery Plays"; details of the cost of reproduction, &c., were considered, and it was decided to publish preliminary notices to the effect that the Society, in co-operation with the English Drama Society, hope to reproduce the Plays at Whitsuntide 1907. Mr. H. B. Dutton suggested that a Public Meeting be called to enlist further support to the undertaking; it was also suggested that Lectures leading up to the Plays might be given during the ensuing session.

The Chairman reported that Mr. Philip Yorke had granted permission to the Society to visit Erddig Hall and Park, Wrexham, and the arrangements for the visit were left in the hands of the Chairman and Secretary.

At a Special Meeting of the Council, held on Friday, 8th October, 1906, the Venerable Archdeacon Barber in the Chair, seven new members were elected. With regard to the proposed reproduction of the "Chester Mystery Plays," a letter was received from the Dean of Chester, dissenting from the proposed revival.

The Secretary reported that Dr. T. N. Brushfield had promised to give a Paper upon "The Punishments and Amusements of the 17th Century," at the opening meeting of the session.



At a Special Meeting of the Council, held on Monday, 8th October, 1906, it was reported that the Mayor of Chester, in response to an informal request to convene and preside at a Public Meeting, undertook, upon receiving a formal requisition from the Council of this Society, to do so; and it was

*Resolved* :—“ That the Council of the Chester and North Wales Archæological and Historic Society respectfully request the Mayor to call a Public Meeting, on Friday, the 19th October, 1906, at 3 p.m., to consider the proposal, emanating from the English Drama Society, to reproduce in Chester in 1907 the whole cycle of the ‘ Chester Mystery Plays.’ ”

A further letter from the Dean of Chester was read, notifying his disapproval of the revival of the Plays. The Manchester Public Free Libraries were elected to the list of members of the Society.

At a Meeting of the Council, held on Tuesday, 16th October, 1906, the Venerable Archdeacon Barber in the Chair, six new members were elected. A letter was received from Mr. W. W. Tasker, resigning his seat upon the Council in consequence of his inability to attend the meetings, which was received with regret.

It was reported that Professor Gollancz had consented to give a Paper upon the “ Chester Mystery Plays,” at the November Sessional Meeting.

With regard to the proposed transfer of the Museum Building, a draft scheme drawn up by the Museum Management Committee was received, which was found to coincide with the terms drawn up by this Society, with the exception that the terms of clause 2 in its conditions were not provided for, and the Secretary was instructed to reply to the Museum Management Committee to this effect.

At a Meeting of the Council, held on Tuesday, 20th November, 1906, the Venerable Archdeacon Barber in the Chair, six new members were elected, and three resignations reported.

An offer to exchange publications was received from the Yorkshire Architectural Society; and it was decided to ask them for a specimen copy of their publication. It was decided to continue to subscribe to the Congress of Archaeological Societies. Mr. Henry Taylor, F.S.A., was elected a representative of the Society upon the Grosvenor Museum Management Committee, in place of Mr. W. W. Tasker resigned.

At a Meeting of the Council, held on Tuesday, 15th January, 1907, the Venerable Archdeacon Barber in the Chair, the death of the Mayor of Chester (Mr. F. F. Brown), who was for many years a member of the Society, was reported, and the Secretary was instructed to convey to his family the sympathy of the Council in their bereavement. Two new members were elected.

Dr. J. C. Bridge kindly undertook to give two Papers before the Society, at the February and March Sessional Meetings respectively, entitled "Two Cheshire Soldiers of Fortune: Sir Hugh Calveley and Sir Robert Knolles."

The Hon. Curator reported that a cabinet would be required for the Library Card-Catalogue; also someone to be employed to write the cards; and he was authorised to procure them, and to proceed with the work as soon as possible.

It was decided to reproduce in the next Journal of the Society a photograph and biography of Dr. T. N. Brushfield. Mr. Frank Simpson was elected a member of the Subcommittee appointed to revise the Rules of the Society, in the place of the late Mr. A. W. Butt.

At a Meeting of the Council, held on Tuesday, 19th February, 1907, the Venerable Archdeacon Barber in the Chair, the Secretary reported that Volume XIII. of the Society's Journal was in the press.

At a Meeting of the Council, held on Tuesday, 19th March, 1907, the Venerable Archdeacon Barber in the Chair, it was reported that Volume XIII. of the Society's Journal would be issued to the members by the end of April. One new member of the Society was elected.

A letter from Mr. F. H. Williams, of Brook Street, Chester, was read, to the effect that a manuscript which he believed belonged to the Library of the Dean and Chapter was among the books of this Society, and requesting that the matter be enquired into; and the Archdeacon was requested to do so, and that if Mr. Williams' statement be corroborated, the manuscript be returned to the Dean and Chapter.

At a Meeting of the Council, held on Monday, 6th May, 1907, the Venerable Archdeacon Barber in the Chair, a letter from the Rev. H. Grantham was received, offering to give a donation to the Society of £1 is. towards the deficit incurred up to the 31st March, 1907; and a vote of thanks was accorded him for his kind gift, which was gladly accepted. One new member of the Society was elected, and one resignation reported.

The General Secretary submitted a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st March, 1907, which was approved, subject to audit, and ordered to be circulated with the Annual Report among the members. The Annual General Meeting of the members was fixed to take place on Tuesday, 28th May, 1907, at eight o'clock.

The following gentlemen were elected to represent the Society upon the Grosvenor Museum Management Com-

mittee for the ensuing year: The Venerable Archdeacon Barber, Mr. T. S. Gleadowe, Mr. Henry Taylor, Mr. F. Simpson, Mr. H. B. Dutton, and Mr. G. W. Haswell.

Mr. W. E. B. Whittaker intimated that a proposal had been made to make a survey and take plans and sections of the Roff Encampment at Marford, for the purpose of filing by the "Committee on Ancient Earthworks and Fortified Enclosures"; and desiring the advice and assistance of the Society, suggesting that the work should be carried out under the Society's *ægis*. It was decided to adopt the proposal, and Mr. Henry Taylor, Mr. William Shone, and Mr. W. E. B. Whittaker, were requested to deal with the matter on behalf of the Society.

At a Meeting of the Council, held on Tuesday, 28th May, 1907, the Venerable Archdeacon Barber in the Chair, Dr. J. C. Bridge reported that he had received an offer from Miss Tomlin, of "Estyn," Chester, to loan her collection of musical instruments to this Society for a period of five years, as she was leaving Chester. It was thought, however, that the collection was of general rather than particular interest to this Society, and Dr. Bridge was requested to thank Miss Tomlin for her kind offer, and suggest that the collection would be better placed in the custody of the Museum Management Committee.

The Chairman reported that Mr. T. S. Gleadowe (a Vice-President of the Society) had forwarded to him a cheque for £23 18s. 7d., for the purpose of extinguishing the deficit shewn by the Statement of Accounts for the past year; and it was

*Resolved*:—"That the Council of the Chester and North Wales Archæological and Historic Society beg to offer to Mr. T. S. Gleadowe their most warm thanks for his most generous gift to the funds of the Society, whereby the deficit on the Accounts has been wiped off."

Mr. Henry Taylor reported that he had received a cheque for £5 from Dr. T. N. Brushfield, of Budleigh-Salterton, Exeter, as a donation to the funds of the Society; and it was

*Resolved* :—“That the Council of the Chester and North Wales Archæological and Historic Society beg to offer to Dr. T. N. Brushfield their most warm thanks for his generous gift to the funds of the Society.”

One new member of the Society was elected.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the members of the Society, held at the Grosvenor Museum, Chester, on Tuesday, 28th May, 1907, at 8 p.m. :—

Present: The Venerable Archdeacon Barber in the Chair, Mr. W. E. Brown, Mrs. W. E. Brown, Mr. Charles Blease, Dr. J. C. Bridge, Mr. H. B. Dutton, Mr. H. T. Dutton, Mr. Henry Taylor, Mr. H. Gleadowe, Mr. G. W. Haswell, Mr. F. W. Longbottom, Mr. C. H. Minshull, Mr. Robert Newstead, Mr. F. Simpson, Dr. H. Stolterfoth, Mr. W. W. Tasker, Mr. W. E. B. Whittaker, and Mr. Walter Conway (General Secretary).

The General Secretary read the Notice convening the Meeting.

The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting of members, held 15th May, 1906, were read, affirmed, and signed by the Chairman.

The Annual Report of the Council, the Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts, and the Hon. Curator and Librarian's Report were taken as read; and it was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Henry Taylor, and

*Resolved* :—“That the Report of the Council, together with the Hon. Curator and Librarian's Report, and the Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts, be received, approved, and adopted.”

The Chairman thereupon notified the members of the very generous donation of £23 18s. 7d. from Mr. T. S. Gleadowe, to clear the deficit at the end of the financial year; and he notified a further donation of £5 to the funds of the Society from Dr. T. N. Brushfield.

It was Proposed by Mr. W. W. Tasker, Seconded by Mr. C. Blease, and

*Resolved* :—“ That the following retiring members of the Council be re-elected, viz. : Rev. H. Grantham, Mr. G. W. Haswell, Mr. F. W. Longbottom, and Mr. C. H. Minshull.”

Proposed by Mr. W. E. Brown, Seconded by Mr. C. H. Minshull, and

*Resolved* :—“ That a vote of thanks be presented to the donors of books and objects of antiquarian interest during the past year.”

Proposed by Dr. Stolterfoth, Seconded by Mr. F. W. Longbottom : “ That the Society record its deep debt of gratitude to the Chairman for the exceptional amount of time and trouble he has given in connection with the affairs of the Society.” The proposition, being put to the meeting, was carried with acclamation.

## REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

THE Council beg to submit to the members their Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st March, 1907.

Six Meetings have been held during the Session, when the following Papers were read :—

16th October, 1906—Dr. T. N. Brushfield.

“ The Punishments and Amusements of the 17th Century ” ; illustrated by Lantern Slides.

20th November, 1906—Prof. H. Gollancz, M.A., D.Lit.

“The Chester Mystery Plays.”

18th December, 1906—Rev. F. Sanders, M.A., F.S.A.

“The Quakers in Chester under the Protectorate.”

15th January, 1907—Mr. Frank Simpson.

“The River Dee”; illustrated by Lantern Slides.

Two Lectures upon “Two Cheshire Soldiers of Fortune of the 14th Century,” by Dr. Joseph C. Bridge, M.A., F.S.A. :—

19th February, 1907—“Sir Hugh Calveley”;

19th March, 1907—“Sir Robert Knolles”;

Illustrated by Lantern Slides.

The Annual Summer Excursion took place on Thursday, 19th July, 1906, to Park Hall, Oswestry (the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wynne Corrie), Whittington, and Halston, a full account of which appears in Volume XIII. of the Society's Journal.

On Tuesday, the 11th September, 1906, an Excursion was also made to Erddig Hall and Park, Wrexham, by kind invitation of Philip Yorke, Esq. Wrexham Station was reached at 2-44 p.m., from whence a special tramcar conveyed the party to Felin Puleston Mill. After a short walk the entrance of the woods was reached, where the members were cordially welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Yorke, who acted as guides through the woods and park. The avenue of giant silver-beeches was particularly admired, the lofty trunks and arching branches, which assume the form of a roof, giving the whole an appearance which has been aptly described as “The Temple of Peace.” Watt's Dyke (marking the ancient boundary between England and Wales) was the next feature; and several verses written by Thomas Churchyard, a 16th century poet, descriptive of the ancient racial feuds, which were inscribed on boards near by, were read with much interest. Passing through the gardens, the Hall was reached, where tea was taken

by invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Yorke. An inspection of the Chapel, Library, and other rooms was then made; and both the house itself (which was built in 1715) and the extensive collection of treasures which it contains presented such a wide field of interest, that they could only be given a somewhat hurried inspection, owing to the limited amount of time available. The party returned to Chester at 7-10 p.m.

On Thursday, the 29th November, 1906, the English Drama Society gave two representations, at the Music Hall, Chester, of the three Nativity Plays, which form part of the series of the ancient Chester Mystery Plays.

Volumes XII. and XIII. (New Series) of the Society's Journal have been issued to the Members during the past year.

The Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Accounts for the year is submitted, shewing a deficit of £23 18s. 7d., which is carried forward; this does not, however, include the cost of printing and publishing Volume XIII., just issued.

It is gratifying to find that the appeal for increased membership has met with a very satisfactory response, 41 new members having been elected during the year, making 216 in all. There is, however, still urgent need for further support; and if the membership can again be similarly increased during the ensuing year, it will place the Society in a more satisfactory financial position. The Council, therefore, again appeal to members to use every endeavour to obtain more members.

The following gentlemen have been elected to represent the Society upon the Grosvenor Museum Management Committee for the ensuing year, viz.:—The Ven. Archdeacon Barber, Mr. T. S. Gleadowe, Mr. Henry Taylor, Mr. F. Simpson, Mr. H. B. Dutton, and Mr. G. W. Haswell.

Under Rule 4, the following members of the Council retire, but are eligible for re-election, viz.:—Rev. H.



Grantham, Mr. G. W. Haswell, Mr. F. W. Longbottom, and Mr. C. H. Minshull. Nominations should reach the Secretary not later than Tuesday, the 21st May, 1907.

Mr. W. W. Tasker, owing to frequent absence from Chester, has resigned his seat upon the Council.

### THE HON. CURATOR AND LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Your Curator has much pleasure in submitting his Report for the year ending March 1907.

As will be seen on reference to the subjoined list, there has been a marked falling off in the number of gifts and additions to the Society's Museum, due, in a large measure, to the absence of any extensive excavations in the City.

The work of cataloguing the books has been almost completed; and the card-catalogue will be ready for use by the end of the present month, or early in June. The ~~work~~ of re-writing the cards from the slips has, unfortunately, entailed considerable expense, and more than doubled the cost that was anticipated by the Council. Apart from the work of copying the slips, the Curator of the Museum (Mr. A. Newstead) has devoted an enormous amount of time and attention to the preparation of the catalogue, and the best thanks of the Council are due to him for his services. This experience will, however, prove of great value to him; and should materially facilitate the work of reference by the members of this Society.

#### ADDITIONS TO THE MUSEUM.

- 10 *Roman Coins*—Chester (the late F. Potts' Collection).  
Donor, Mr. Granger, Junr.  
*Elizabethan Coin (Gold)*—Queen's Park, Chester. Donor,  
Master Fred. Lindop.  
*Roman Coin (Tiberius, A.D. 14-37)*—Chester. Purchased.

- Collection of Medals and Coins.* Donor, Mrs. H. T. Brown.
- Fragment of Roman Glass*—Submerged Forest, Meols.  
Donors, Messrs. F. W. Longbottom and A. Newstead.
- Mediæval Hone or Sharpener*—Submerged Forest, Meols.  
Donors, Messrs. F. W. Longbottom and A. Newstead.
- Three Bones of Bos longifrons*—Submerged Forest, Meols.  
Donors, Messrs. F. W. Longbottom and A. Newstead.
- Prehistoric Stone Hammer*—Submerged Forest, Meols.  
Donors, Messrs. F. W. Longbottom and A. Newstead.
- Prehistoric Flint Chipping*—Submerged Forest, Meols.  
Donors, Messrs. F. W. Longbottom and A. Newstead.
- Two Stone Bases of Roman Columns*—"The Grotto" Inn,  
Bridge Street, Chester. Donor, Mr. Henry.
- Pair of Pattens and fragments of Roman Roofing Tiles.*  
Purchased.
- Roofing Tile* (period doubtful)—Conway. Donor, Miss  
Elliott.
- Fragments of Pottery, Bronze Pins, and a curious figure in  
pipe-clay of a female suckling two infants* (all of the  
Roman period). Purchased.

## ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

- Account of the principal events in the life of Uriah Plant of Winsford,  
Written by himself (1829). Donor, Rev. F. Sanders.
- \*Antiquarista Tidskrift för Sverige, Parts 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 18.  
"Antiquary" (1906) Purchased.
- \*"Archæologia Cambrensis," 6th Series, Vol. VI., Parts 2, 3, and 4 (1906);  
Vol. VII., Part 1 (1907).
- \*"Bonner Jahrbücher" (1906).
- \*Buckinghamshire, Records of, Vol. IX. (1906).
- \*Cambridge, Proceedings of the Antiquarian Society of, No. XLVI. (1904-5);  
No. XLVII. (1906).
- \*Cambridge Antiquarian Society. "Place Names of Bedfordshire," by  
Rev. W. Skeat (1906).
- "Chester Cambrian Societies," by Thos. Edwards (1760-1906). Donor,  
Mr. R. A. Yerburgh.
- "Chester Mystery Plays, their origin and purpose," by the Venerable  
Archdeacon Barber (1906).
- "Connoisseur" (June 1906). Donor, Mr. Frank Freeth.
- \*Essex Archæological Transactions, Vol. X., Part 1 (1906).
- "Index Library," Parts 103-106 (March-December 1906). Purchased.
- \*Ireland, Journal of the Royal Society of, Vol. XXXVI., Parts 1-4 (March-  
December 1906).

- \*Lancashire and Cheshire Institutes, Union of. 67th Annual Meeting, at Chester, September 27th, 1906.
- “Melandra Castle.” Report of the Manchester and District Branch of Classical Association, edited by R. S. Conway; introduction by Rev. E. L. Hicks (1906). *Donor*, Mr. W. E. Plummer.
- “Monumental and other Inscriptions of the Churches of Stoak, Backford, and Thornton-le-Moors, in the County of Chester” (1904), by J. Paul Rylands and F. C. Beazley. Purchased.
- \*Montgomeryshire, Collections Historical and Archæological relating to. Vol. XXXIV., Part 2 (1906).
- Poetry relating to a deceased Chester Postman (1833). *Donor*, Mr. C. P. Cockrill.
- 19 Portraits of the Glynn Family, Hawarden.
- \*Record Society of Lancashire and Cheshire. “Feet of Fines for Essex,” Part 7; “Chester Freeman Rolls” (1392-1700), Part 1; “Miscellanies,” Part 52 (1906).
- Roman Inscribed and Sculptured Stones in the Tullie House Museum, Carlisle, Catalogue of, by F. Haverfield (1899). *Donor*, Dr. Stolterfoth.
- \*Shropshire, Transactions of Archæological Society, Third Series, Vols. VI. and VII. (1906-7).
- \*Smithsonian Institution, Annual Report of (1905).
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" Admission to Lectures .....	5 9 0	" Subscriptions to kindred Societies .....	2 8 0
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