

Proceedings at the Meetings of the Society.

THE THIRTIETH GENERAL AND TENTH ANNUAL MEETING,

Held at the Society's Rooms, No. 22, Hart Street, Bloomsbury, on Wednesday, 26th July, 1865,

Mr. Deputy LOTT, F.S.A., in the Chair.

The Notice convening the meeting, and the Report of the Council and that of the Auditors, were read by the Rev. THOMAS HUGO.

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL.

“The Council congratulate the members of the Society on the improved state of its affairs since the last annual meeting, and more especially on the diminished amount of arrears of subscription, which has placed an increased *number of effective members on our list.*”

“A considerable increase in the balance at the bankers' will be reported by the Auditors; and the Council have great pleasure in informing the meeting that only a very small amount is owing by the Society.”

“The Sixth Part of the Transactions has been published and distributed to those members who have paid up their subscriptions.”

“The Council have had a London meeting under their consideration, which was to have included the Charterhouse, but under the advice of the authorities of that establishment this meeting has been postponed for the present.”

“The Council feel much pleasure in reporting the success of the Evening Meetings, the proceedings of which will be incorporated in the future Parts of the Society's Transactions.”

“In conclusion, the Council have much pleasure in *announcing that arrangements are in progress for holding a meeting during the month of September in the Hundred of Spelthorne.*”

AUDITORS' REPORT.

"We, the undersigned Auditors, having examined the accounts for the year ending Midsummer 1865, and compared the same with the vouchers, do find the same to be correct, and that the balance in favour of the Society is 52*l.* 7*s.* 9*d.*

(Signed)

"GEORGE RUSSELL FRENCH.

"ROBERT WESTWOOD."

THE BALANCE SHEET of the LONDON AND MIDDLESEX ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY from April 1864 to July 1865.

<i>Cr.</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>	<i>Dr.</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>
To Balance at Bankers at last Audit	24 11 8	Mr. Ivatts, Half-year's Salary as	
Legacy by the late Beriah Botfield,		Assistant to Honorary Secretaries	
Esq. M.P.	5 0 0	to Midsummer 1864	5 0 0
Ironmongers' Catalogue Committee	0 16 3	„ Farmer, Gas and Firing, Hart	
Dividends on £66 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> to Octo-		Street	6 13 9
ber 1864	3 0 0	„ Scott, Printer	10 8 6
Received for Transactions	2 15 6	„ Mitchener „	0 15 0
Donation to Illustration Fund, E. J.		„ Sachs, Engraver	2 10 0
Barron, Esq.	1 1 0	„ Moring, Die Sinker	2 0 0
Subscriptions 1864-5	137 0 0	„ Jobbins, Engraver	0 14 0
		„ Ivatts, Half-year's Salary to	
		Christmas 1864	5 0 0
		Grant to Evening Meetings	10 0 0
		Rent of Rooms, No. 22, Hart Street,	
		to Lady Day 1865	18 15 0
		Mr. Ivatts, Commission on Collec-	
		tion and Delivery of	
		Parts	10 15 0
		„ „ Removal of Books, &c.	
		from Danes Inn to	
		Hart Street	2 1 6
		„ „ Attendance and Ex-	
		penses on Evening	
		Meetings	2 16 3
		Stationery	4 10 0
		Messrs. Nichols and Sons, on ac-	
		count of Printing Transactions	30 0 0
		Expenses attending Country Excu-	
		sions to Hayes, Harlington, &c.	7 2 4
		Petty Cash and Postages	2 15 4
			£121 16 8
		Balance at Bankers	£60 6 8
		Less Cheques drawn	7 18 11
			52 7 9
			£174 4 5

Audited by us, this 25th day of July, 1865,

(Signed) { GEORGE RUSSELL FRENCH.
 { ROBERT WESTWOOD.

The following Resolutions were then proposed and carried unanimously:—

“That the Report of the Council, and that of the Auditors, be received, adopted, and printed.

“That the thanks of the meeting be given to the Council for their Report, and for the satisfactory position in which the Society stands.

“That the thanks of the Society are eminently due, and are hereby given,

to the Rev. T. Hugo and Mr. C. J. Shoppee, the Honorary Secretaries, for their continued exertions to promote the interests of the Society.

“That the thanks of the meeting be given to the Auditors, Messrs. French and Westwood, for their services and able Report.”

The Meeting then proceeded to the election of Officers and Council for the year ensuing, and the following were unanimously chosen :—

President, the Right Honourable Lord Talbot de Malahide.

Vice-Presidents as before, with Messrs. Ashpitel and J. G. Nichols.

Council as before, with Messrs. Berger and French.

Auditors, Messrs. R. Westwood and W. H. Overall.

Honorary Secretaries, the Rev. Thos. Hugo and Mr. Charles J. Shoppee.

The thanks of the meeting were then voted to the chairman, Mr. Deputy Lott, and the proceedings closed.

THIRTY-FIRST GENERAL MEETING.

Held at CORDWAINERS' HALL, on Tuesday, 30th January, 1866,

The Right Honourable the LORD MAYOR in the Chair.

Mr. FRANCIS, clerk to the Cordwainers' Company, read a paper on “The Ordinances of the Company and its early incorporation,” and exhibited the grant of arms and the first piece of plate possessed by the Company after the Great Fire of London.

The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor having left through pressure of his magisterial duties, Mr. Tite, M.P., succeeded him as Chairman.

The following resolution was then put and carried unanimously :—

“That the thanks of the meeting be given to the Master and Wardens of the Cordwainers' Company for the use of the Hall, and to Mr. Francis for his Paper.”

The Master, J. Hoppe, Esq., returned thanks for the Cordwainers' Company.

Professor LEWIS, F.S.A., read a paper on St. Bartholomew's Church and its restorations.

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Tite) made some observations on the Church and its condition prior to the Reformation.

The following resolutions were then put and carried unanimously :—

“That the best thanks of the meeting be given to Professor Lewis for his able paper on the Church.

“That a vote of thanks be given to Mr. Alfred White for his offer to restore to St. Bartholomew's Church some of the bosses which had come into his possession.

“That the sincere thanks of the meeting be given to the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor for his esteemed services as President of the meeting; and to Mr. Tite for his subsequent services in the same capacity.”

The meeting then adjourned to Heralds' College.

By permission of Sir C. G. Young, Garter, various grants of arms and heraldic MSS. were exhibited by Mr. Planché, and described by Mr. Black.

Votes of thanks were then proposed to Sir C. G. Young and Mr. Black, and carried unanimously.

The meeting then adjourned to St. Bartholomew's Church.

Mr. TITE at some length described the Church; and the thanks of the meeting were given to Mr. Tite and to the Rev. J. Abbiss, Rector.

THE THIRTY-SECOND GENERAL AND ELEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

Held at the Society's Rooms, No. 22, Hart Street, Bloomsbury, on Thursday, 19th July, 1866,

Mr. ALFRED WHITE, F.S.A., F.L.S., in the Chair.

The Notice convening the meeting, and the Report of the Council and that of the Auditors, were read.

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL.

“The Council have much pleasure in congratulating the Society on its continued prosperity, as evidenced in the steady increase in the number of members, and of the interest taken in the meetings.

“Since the last annual meeting the Society has held a general meeting on the 30th January last at Cordwainers' Hall, the Heralds' College, and St. Bartholomew's the Great, presided over by the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, at each of which places the Society received the greatest attention, and had access to all documents and objects of interest. Papers were also read by the gentlemen connected with those institutions.

“The interesting matter brought before the Evening Meetings, and the large attendance at them, render it unnecessary, and, in the opinion of the Council, undesirable, to call the members too frequently together in the earlier part of the day.

“Arrangements have been made for a Country Meeting on the 31st inst.

“Another Part of the Society's Transactions is in the press, and will, it is hoped, be in the hands of the members in a few weeks.

“The members can judge from the Auditors' Report, which will be now submitted to them, of the satisfactory state of the Society's finances.”

“In conclusion, the Council would press upon the members the great benefit which will result to the Society by their inducing their friends to join, so that it may more largely represent the City and County, and also by giving early information to the Council of the repair, restoration, or contemplated destruction of any ancient edifices; and they mention with satisfaction that, during the past year, they have thus been enabled to give useful advice in two instances.”

AUDITORS' REPORT.

“We, the undersigned Auditors, having examined the accounts for the year ending July 1866, and compared the same with the vouchers, do find the same to be correct, and that the balance in favour of the Society is 42*l.* 3*s.* 2*d.*

(Signed)

“ROBERT WESTWOOD.
“W. H. OVERALL.”

THE BALANCE SHEET of the LONDON AND MIDDLESEX ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY from July 1865 to July 1866.

<i>Cr.</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>	<i>Dr.</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>
To Balance at Bankers at last Audit	52 7 9	Mr. Ivatts, One and a Half-year's Salary as Assistant to Honorary Secretaries to Midsummer 1866	15 0 0
Dividends on £66 1 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> to April 1866	3 0 0	„ Collingridge, for Printing	3 15 0
Subscriptions and Entrance Fees, 1865 and 1866	132 10 0	Rent of Rooms at No. 22, Hart Street, for 12 months to Lady Day 1866	15 0 0
Donation, J. O. Hall, Esq.	1 1 0	Mr. Farmer, Gas and Firing to Midsummer 1865	4 4 3
		Messrs. Nichols and Sons, Printing Transactions	51 1 0
		Mr. Scott, Printing	7 18 0
		„ Mitchener „	0 15 0
		„ Collingridge, Printing for Evening Meetings	16 10 6
		„ Jewitt, for Woodcuts	1 9 10
		„ Ivatts, for Commission on Collection and Delivery of Parts of Transactions	7 8 6
		Stationery	3 19 0
		Expenses of General Meeting at Cordwainers' Hall	2 13 0
		Petty Cash and Postage	2 1 6
		Publishing Committee, for illustrating the Rev. T. Hugo's Paper on Moor Hall	15 0 0
			£146 15 7
		Balance at Bankers	£45 15 2
		Less Cheque drawn	3 12 0
			42 3 2
	<u>£188 18 9</u>		<u>£188 18 9</u>

Audited by us, this 17th day of July, 1866,

(Signed) { ROBERT WESTWOOD.
W. H. OVERALL.

The following Resolutions were then proposed and carried unanimously :—

“That the Report of the Council and that of the Auditors be received, adopted, and printed.

“That the thanks of the meeting be given to the Council for their Report, and for the satisfactory position in which the Society stands.

“That the thanks of the meeting be given to the Auditors, Messrs. Westwood and Overall, for their services and able Report.

“That the thanks of the meeting and of the Society are eminently due, and are hereby given, to the Honorary Secretaries, the Rev. Thomas Hugo, M.A., F.S.A., and Charles J. Shoppee, Esq., for their zeal and constant attention to the interests of the Society.

“That, in the absence of the Honorary Secretaries (the Rev. T. Hugo from illness and Mr. Shoppee from an urgent engagement), Mr. Barron be requested to communicate the above Resolution to them, and to express at the same time the appreciation entertained by the members of their services to the Society.

“That the thanks of the meeting be given to Mr. Price, the director of the Evening Meetings.”

The meeting then proceeded to the election of Officers and Council for the year ensuing, and the following were unanimously chosen :—

President as before.

Vice-Presidents as before, adding Mr. Deputy Lott, and with vote of thanks for their past services.

Council as before, omitting the names of Messrs Bassett Smith and Lott, and adding those of Messrs. Black and Campkin.

Auditors as before.

Honorary Secretaries as before.

The thanks of the meeting were then voted to the Chairman, Mr. Alfred White; and the proceedings closed.

THIRTY-THIRD GENERAL MEETING,

Held at LALEHAM, LITTLETON, STANWELL, and BEDFONT, on Tuesday,
31st July, 1866.

JOHN GOUGH NICHOLS, Esq., F.S.A., V.P., President.

The members from London proceeded to Staines, and thence to Laleham Church, where they were received by the Rev. J. Dawson Peake, the Incumbent, and the meeting commenced.

Littleton was the next place visited, and, after inspecting the Church, Littleton House was viewed by the kind permission of General Wood.

At Stanwell Church the company was received by the Rev. R. Parry Burnett, Vicar.

A Paper was read on the Brasses and Monuments in the Church by Alfred Heales, Esq., F.S.A.

The Free School, founded by Lord Knyvett, was also visited.

The party then proceeded to Bedfont Church, now in course of enlargement, and were there received by the Rev. H. Vincent Le Bas the Vicar, and by the Architect, James Deason, Esq., who offered some remarks on the architecture of the Church, and on some mural paintings discovered during the works.

The company then adjourned to a large barn, kindly lent by Mr. Francis Sherborn, where a collation was provided.

This terminated the day's proceedings.
