

# REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF THE THOROTON SOCIETY OF NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1958

THE year has been a quiet but successful one for the Society. Its normal activities have been well sustained despite problems of finance and membership which are noticed below.

It is with deep regret that the Council records the deaths of Dr. Felix Oswald and Mr. J. Bramley, both vice-presidents of the Society. Memoirs appear elsewhere in this volume.

*The 61st Annual General Meeting* was held at Flintham Hall, near Newark, on Saturday, April 12th, by kind permission of Mrs. S. H. Hildyard and the Honorary Secretary, and was very well attended. The formal business was followed by tea, and members were shown over the house and grounds. Screveton and Car Colston Churches were visited on the way home.

*Transactions.* The usual volume has been issued, though unforeseen difficulties prevented its publication until the autumn, six months later than usual.

*Financial Position.* The loss on the General Account still continues owing mainly to the continued suspension of the return of income tax on covenanted subscriptions. Only a favourable solution of this issue, and a substantial increase in membership can restore the Society's finances to a sound position.

*Membership.* The comparative membership figures are as follows :—

			<i>December</i>	<i>December</i>
			1957	1958
Honorary Members	..	..	12	11
Life Members	..	..	21	23
Ordinary Members	..	..	344	332
Associate Members	..	..	169	158
			546	524

Continually rising costs make it necessary to maintain our membership at a higher level than at present if the Society is to survive, and the Council is considering ways and means of increasing numbers. Suggestions for doing this would be gratefully received. But without question the best recruiter is the ordinary member of the Society and each one is asked to try to get new members.

The Council would like to place on record its grateful thanks to Messrs. Mellors, Basden & Mellors for once again auditing the Accounts of the Society.

*Lectures.* During the year the following lectures have been delivered to the Society :

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| Wednesday,<br>15th January, 1958 | “ Monumental Brasses ” by K. S. S. Train, Esq., A.R.C.S.  |
| Saturday,<br>8th February, 1958  | “ Prehistoric Man in Derbyshire ” by J. P. Heathcote, Esq., M.A., F.S.A.                                    |
| Wednesday,<br>5th March, 1958    | “ Archaeology in Nottinghamshire— Achievements and Problems ” Part I. by M. W. Barley, Esq., M.A., F.S.A.   |
| Wednesday,<br>8th October, 1958  | “ Oliver Cromwell — a tercentenary appreciation ” by Professor A. C. Wood, B.Litt., M.A., D.Phil.           |
| Saturday,<br>8th November, 1958  | “ Archaeology in Nottinghamshire — Achievements and Problems ” Part II. by M. W. Barley, Esq., M.A., F.S.A. |
| Wednesday,<br>3rd December, 1958 | “ Excavation of the Medieval Manor House of Stoke Bardolph ” by S. Revill, Esq., B.A.                       |

The experiment of holding some lectures in the evening has not met with the success which was hoped for, and the Council has now decided to revert to afternoon lectures.

*Excursions.* The following excursions were carried out, despite the poor weather which affected the attendance :—

Saturday, 17th May, 1958	Stapleford Park and Melton Mowbray Church.
Saturday, 7th June, 1958	Chesterfield Church and South Wingfield Manor.
Saturday, 5th July, 1958	Grimsthorpe Castle and Edenham Church.
Saturday, 6th September, 1958	Sookholme Chapel, and Warsop and Mansfield Parishes Churches.

The Honorary Secretary is always glad to have suggestions for future lectures or excursions.

*Publications.* Sales of " A History of Nottinghamshire " by Professor A. C. Wood continue steadily. Copies are obtainable from the leading booksellers or from the Honorary Secretary, price 21/-.

There is a continuous demand for Record Section publications, obtainable from Mr. K. S. S. Train, who would be grateful, also, to know of any available copies of the earlier volumes.

Owing to the splendid response for back numbers of the *Transactions*, it has been possible to meet many requests for copies. The Council is most grateful to those ladies and gentlemen who have responded to our appeal. More back numbers are still needed, particularly for the years 1897, 1898, 1900, 1901, 1908, 1911 and 1930. The Honorary Secretary would be pleased to hear of any copies which are available.

*Record Section.* During the year five more libraries have joined the Record Section, including four from the U.S.A. Whilst welcoming more institutional members, of which there are now 69 out of a membership of 102, the committee has not lost sight of the desirability of obtaining more private members, and steps are being taken to remedy this.

The Poll Books of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire, 1710, have been published, the largest annual volume to be issued since the lists of Parliamentary Land Enclosures were printed in 1935. It should be most valuable to local historians because of the 2,000 biographies of voters which it contains.



**SUMMARY**  
**OF**  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**





**RECORD SECTION ACCOUNT**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1958**

Year ended 31/12/57.	EXPENDITURE	£	s.	d.	Year ended 31/12/57.	INCOME	£	s.	d.
£					£				
7	To General Editor's Postages, Stationery, etc.	6	4	11	100	By Subscriptions			98 2 2
11	General Editor's work on Clergy Lists	..	10 16	1		" Grants :—			
210	" Printing	..	371 19	6		Nottingham Public Library	50	0	0
16	" (Balance)	..	—	—		Notts. County Council	..	50	0 0
		..	—	—	100	General Account	..	25	0 0
		..	—	—			—	125	0 0
		..	—	—	44	" Sale of Volumes	..	41	1 9
		..	—	—		" Balance being excess of expenditure over income for the year	..	124	16 7
		..	—	—			—	—	—
		£244	0	6			£244	0	6
		£389	0	6			£389	0	6



PUBLICATION OF "A HISTORY OF NOTTINGHAMSHIRE" (SECOND EDITION) ACCOUNT  
 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1958

	Year ended 31/12/57.	
Year ended 31/12/57.	£	£ s. d.
EXPENDITURE		INCOME
To Balance, being excess of income over expenditure for the year .. .. .	£26 15 8	£26 15 8
	£21	By Sale of Volumes .. .. .
	£	£
	s.	s.
	d.	d.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

DETAILS OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1958

	Year ended 31/12/57.	
Year ended 31/12/57.	£	£ s. d.
RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS
6 To Entrance fees .. .. .	3 13 6	25 By (Annual General Meeting) .. .. .
— „ Life Membership fees .. .. .	21 0 0	„ Balance, being excess of receipts over pay- ments as per Balance Sheet .. .. .
27 „ Bank Interest .. .. .	30 10 6	55 4 0
	£33	£55 4 0
	£	£
	s.	s.
	d.	d.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1958

As at 31/12/57. £	LIABILITIES	£	s.	d.	£
					s.
					d.
901	<i>Capital Account</i> :—				
	As per last Balance Sheet ..	900	17	5	
	Add—Excess of receipts over payments for the year ..	55	4	0	
		956	1	5	
297	<i>Record Section Account</i> :—				
	As last Balance Sheet ..	296	15	10	
	Deduct—Excess of expenditure over receipts for the year ..	124	16	7	
		171	19	3	
116	<i>History Account</i> :—				
	As per last Balance Sheet ..	116	4	4	
	Add—Excess of income over expenditure for the year ..	26	15	8	
		143	0	0	
14	<i>Subscriptions in Advance</i>				
			34	0	6
28	<i>Sundry Creditors</i>				
			4	0	0
		£1,356			£1,309
			1	2	2
					£1,309
			1	2	2

  

As at 31/12/57. £	ASSETS	£	s.	d.	£
					s.
					d.
	<i>Cash at Banks</i> :—				
	Nottingham Savings Bank ..	901			
	Nottingham Savings Bank—Current Account ..		45	14	4
	Mansfield Savings Bank—Excursion Account ..		48	6	1
			94	0	5
	Less—Lloyds Bank ..		20	6	6
		245			73
			13	11	
	<i>General Account</i> :—				
	Balance as last Balance Sheet ..		210	2	9
	Add—Excess of expenditure over Income for the year ..		69	3	1
		210			279
			5	10	
		£1,356			£1,309
			1	2	2

We have audited the books and accounts of The Thoroton Society of Nottinghamshire and certify that the above Balance Sheet is in accordance therewith.

MELLORS, BASDEN & MELLORS } *Honorary*  
A. W. RICHARDSON } *Auditors.*

N. M. LANE, *Honorary Treasurer.*



**SOCIETIES IN UNION**  
**FOR THE INTERCHANGE OF PUBLICATIONS**

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Bristol and Gloucester Archæological Society,  
c/o City Library, Brunswick Road, Gloucester.

Cambridge Antiquarian Society,  
Museum of Archæology and Ethnology,  
Downing Street, Cambridge.

Carmarthenshire Antiquarian Society,  
2 Quay Street, Carmarthen.

Derbyshire Archæological Society,  
c/o The Honorary Librarian,  
County Library, St. Mary's Gate, Derby.

East Riding Antiquarian Society,  
c/o The Curator,  
The Museum, Hull.

Hunter Archæological Society,  
3 High Wray Close, Sheffield, 11.

Leicestershire Architectural and Archæological Society,  
The Guildhall, Leicester.

Lincolnshire Architectural and Archæological Society,  
c/o G. S. Dixon, Esq., Holton-le-Moor, Lincoln.

Northamptonshire Architectural and Archæological Society  
c/o W. T. Pearse, Esq.,  
"The Knowle", 502 Wellingborough Road, Northampton.

The Institute of Archæology,  
Inner Circle, Regents Park,  
London, N.W.1.

Royal Historical Society,  
96 Cheyne Walk, Chelsea,  
London, S.W.10.

Royal Irish Academy,  
19 Dawson Street, Dublin.

Society of Antiquaries of London,  
Burlington House,  
Piccadilly, W.1.

Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle-upon-Tyne,  
Black Gate, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

Thoresby Society, 16 Queen's Square, Leeds, 2.

Yorkshire Archæological Society, 10 Park Place, Leeds, 1.



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