



## Oxford Ladies' Brass Rubbing Society.

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YEAR 1894-5.

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### President :

Miss SWANN, Walton Manor.

### Committee :

*President* :—Miss SWANN.

*Hon. Treasurer* :—Mrs. DRINKWATER.

*Hon. Secretaries* :— { Miss PARKER.  
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*Hon. Librarian* :—Miss THOMAS.

Mrs. WHITMARSH.

Mrs. SADLER.

25 Members.            1 Corresponding Member.

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A MEETING was held at the residence of James Parker, Esq., The Turl, Oxford, on Nov. 14th, 1894, at which it was decided to found a Ladies' Brass Rubbing Society in Oxford. Many ladies being keenly interested in Brasses, and having Collections of Rubbings of Brasses, it was thought that by banding together into a Society much help and furtherance of the study might be given.

Five Meetings have been held in the course of the year, at which the following Papers have been read :—

An Opening Address by the President.

"General Remarks on Brasses", Miss PARKER.

- "Head-dresses from Brasses", Mrs. DRINKWATER.
- "Practical directions for Brass Rubbing", Miss FOWLER.
- "Ways of Fixing Ancient Brasses", Miss SWANN.
- "Bracket Brasses", Miss PARKER.
- "Family Brasses in Northamptonshire", Miss GREEN.
- "Collection of Epitaphs from Cheltenham and neighbourhood", Miss VAUGHAN JENKINS.

Two Meetings are held in each Term at the Society's room in the Polstead Road, at which Papers are read and Rubbings of Brasses with descriptions are shewn, also quaint and well authenticated Epitaphs are read by Members. Books are kept by the Librarian containing entries of all Epitaphs read before the Society, notices of Effigies, and descriptions of all Rubbings of Brasses shown at the Meetings, as well as one containing contributions by Members of drawings, engravings, photographs, etc., of Brasses and Effigies. These and illustrated books on Brasses, photographs, etc., are exhibited at all Meetings for the inspection of Members.

During the year much progress has been made by the Society, the number of Members having increased from 8 to 26, and by the evident interest taken in Brasses and Brass Rubbing the Society may well congratulate itself on its foundation.

