

# Proceedings of the Oxford Architectural and Historical Society, 1895.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND.

A Visit (No. CCXXX.) was made to Corpus Christi College, where the President, the Rev. T. FOWLER, D.D., received the party, and gave a full description of the College and its history. The magnificent pre-Reformation plate and the Founder's Crozier were shewn.

At a Bye-Meeting held in the Hall of the College, Lawrence Hardy, Esq., was elected a Member of the Society.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH.

A Visit (No. CCXXXI.) was made to St. John's College, where the President, the Rev. JAS. BELLAMY, D.D., met the party and gave a short address. The Rev. W. H. HUTTON conducted them over the buildings and described the remaining parts of the Bernardine Foundation, which preceded the College. The party then proceeded to St. Giles' Church, which was described by the Vicar, the Rev. H. J. BIDDER, and by JAS. PARKER, Esq.

At a Bye-Meeting held in St. John's, the following were elected Members of the Society:—Miss Gough, 15, Rawlinson Road, Oxford; Mrs. Poulton, 56, Banbury Road, Oxford; H. G. de Waltteville, Esq., Christ Church; Miss Radford, 141, Woodstock Road, Oxford.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH.

A Meeting was held at 8.15 p.m. in the new Ashmolean Museum, the President in the chair.

Jas. Park Harrison, M.A., was elected a Vice-President of the Society.

P. MANNING, Esq., exhibited two Palæolithic implements found at Wolvercote, Oxon, and a bronze spear head found near Shotover, Oxon.

Miss SWANN exhibited a drawing by P. Sandby of an old house at Eynsham, Oxon.

A vote of condolence was ordered to be sent to Mrs. Earwaker, wife of the late J. P. Earwaker, Esq., F.S.A., Secretary of the Society, 1871-4.

W. H. DRAPER, Esq., read a paper on recent excavations at Kenilworth Priory.

In the absence of F. J. HAVERFIELD, Esq., some notes on the excavations on the site of a Romano-British settlement at Northfield Farm, Long Wittenham, Berks, were read by J. L. MYRES, Esq.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH.

A Meeting was held at 8.15 p.m. in the new Ashmolean Museum, the President in the chair.

The following were elected Members of the Society:—Miss Seager, Chalfont Road, Oxford; T. H. Warren, Esq., M.A., President of Magdalen College; Miss Peto, 17, Winchester Road, Oxford.

Professor M. BURROWS read a paper on the Brocas family of Beaurepaire, and the history of English rule in Gascony.

The Rev. S. SPENCER PEARCE exhibited tracings of a fine 15th century painting of the Doom, lately discovered in Long Combe Church, Oxon.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2ND.

An Excursion (No. CCXXXII.) to Littlemore and Sandford-on-Thames took place. Under the guidance of Messrs. MANNING and MOWBRAY, the party saw the Mynchery at Littlemore, where are some late 15th century remains of a nunnery; then Sandford Church, a small plain 11th century building; and lastly the remains of the Knights' Templar Preceptory, which are partly of the 13th century.

TUESDAY, MARCH 5TH.

A Meeting was held at 8.15 p.m., in the new Ashmolean Museum, the President in the chair.

F. W. Butterfield, Esq., Ingledene, Oxford, was elected a Member of the Society.

The Committee announced that they had decided to publish the Proceedings of the Society in the new "Berks, Bucks, and Oxon Archæological Journal."

C. L. SHADWELL, Esq., read a paper on Clog Almanacs, and exhibited three specimens.

JAS. PARKER, Esq., read a paper on Cumnor Place, Berks, with special reference to Amy Robsart's death and Scott's "Kenilworth."

SATURDAY, MAY 11TH.

An Excursion (No. CCXXXIII.) to Cumnor and Appleton, Berks, took place.

A short halt was made at Botley, where Mr. PARKER called attention to the Mill, and to the neighbouring site of the vanished village of Seacourt. At Cumnor Church, which has a tower of the 13th century, and nave and chancel of the 14th and 15th, the Rev. S. Y. N. GRIFFITH met the party. Mr. PARKER then pointed out the site of Cumnor Place, and discussed the question of Amy Robsart's death. Appleton Church is mainly Transition Norman, and adjoining it, within a moat, is a Manor House, the residence of J. W. Weaving, Esq., where is a very fine Transition Norman doorway.

At a Bye-Meeting held during the Excursion, the following were elected Members of the Society:—R. T. Günther, Magdalen College; A. M. Hale, St. John's College.

SATURDAY, MAY 18TH.

An Excursion (No. CCXXXIV.) to Blenheim Park, Combe, and Church Hanborough took place. At Blenheim, the site of the old Palace and Rosamond's Well were visited. At Combe Church, built anew in 1396, the party were met by the Rev. S. SPENSER PEARCE, who described the recently uncovered paintings of the Doom, etc. Thence the Roman Villa at North Leigh was visited, under the guidance of P. MANNING, Esq. At Church Hanborough, the Rev. W. W. WILSON received the party, and described the Church, which has a rich Norman door with sculptured tympanum, and a fine 15th century rood screen.

Excursions (No. CCXXXV.) to St. Alban's, and (CCXXXVI.) to Marsworth, Wing, and Tring, had to be abandoned, owing to lack of support.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH.

An Excursion (No. CCXXXVII) to Wood Eaton and Noke, Oxon, took place. At Wood Eaton, Mr. MANNING described the Church, a small 13th century building, altered in the 15th. The site of the Romano-British station on Middle Hill was next visited, and the large bed of oyster shells pointed out. At Noke, the Rev. H. THORP met the party and described the Church, a small building of the 13th century, much altered in the 16th. The remains of the Elizabethan Manor House were also visited. Mr. Thorp kindly provided tea at the Rectory.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND.

A Visit (No. CCXXXVIII) to the new City Buildings was made, under the guidance of H. J. HARE, Esq., the architect. Afterwards

the party went to St. Martin's Church, Carfax, which is shortly to be pulled down. The late Rector, the Rev. C. J. H. FLETCHER, met them and gave an account of the building.

At a Bye-Meeting held in the Town Hall, the following were elected Members of the Society:—Miss Lewis, 48, St. John's Street, Oxford; Rev. H. T. Inman, M.A., Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge; Mrs. Inman; Major G. T. Thornton, 3 Farndon Road, Oxford.

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH.

A Meeting was held at 8.15 p.m., in the new Ashmolean Museum, the President in the chair. The following were elected Members of the Society:—T. W. Taphouse, Esq., 3, Magdalen Street, Oxford; R. Evans, Esq., City Buildings, Oxford; R. S. Thornewill, Esq., Trinity College; H. G. Fynes Clinton, Esq., Trinity College; Miss Hyde, South Parks Road, Oxford.

The election was announced of the Hon. B. J. Stapleton as Librarian, *vice* Rev. L. Ragg, resigned.

A vote of condolence was ordered to be sent to Mrs. Drinkwater on the death of H. G. W. Drinkwater, Esq., Treasurer of the Society; and the election of Miss Swann to the vacant post was announced, Mrs. Mee filling the vacancy on the Committee.

Miss SWANN described two chalices, formerly at Monifieth Church, near Dundee, one dated 1638, the property of the Earl of Rosebery, the other 1642, the property of the Rector of Exeter College.

The Rev. C. J. H. FLETCHER read a paper on St. Martin's or Carfax Church, which is shortly to be pulled down.

Miss SWANN read a note on a 15th century Font, once in the Church of Long Combe, Oxon, and now used as a well head in that village. It was decided to take steps for the restoration of the Font to the Church.

P. MANNING, Esq., exhibited several objects of the Bronze Age, Late Celtic and Roman periods, found near Oxford.

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH.

A Meeting was held at 8.15 p.m., in the new Ashmolean Museum, the President in the chair.

Mr. H. W. TAUNT read a paper on the Cistercian Abbeys of Beaulieu and Netley.

JAS. PARKER, Esq., gave a short account of the Cistercian Abbey of Mellifont, in Ireland.

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH.

A Meeting was held at 8.15 p.m., in the new Ashmolean Museum, the President in the chair.

The Hon. B. J. STAPLETON read a paper on the Society's collection of books, prints and drawings.

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH.

The Annual Meeting was held at 8.15 p.m., in the new Ashmolean Museum, F. Madan, Esq., in the chair.

The following were elected Members of the Society :—H. S. Rogers, Esq., Oriel College ; T. V. Harvey, Esq., Christ Church ; H. Paintin, Esq., 14, Regent Street, Iffley Road, Oxford ; Mrs. Sotham, 8, Warnborough Road, Oxford. The retiring Officers and Committee were all re-elected, viz. :—President, Jas. Parker, M.A. ; Committee, Prof. M. Burrows, M.A., F. J. Haverfield, M.A., F.S.A., Falconer Madan, M.A., R. K. W. Owen, B.A., Mrs. Mee ; Auditors, M. H. Green, M.A., and C. M. Laing, B.C.L.

The Annual Report having been read, P. MANNING, Esq., exhibited a number of articles illustrating some bygone Oxfordshire industries and customs.

H. HURST, Esq., described an early stone paved roadway found in excavations at Carfax, Oxford.

*Genealogical Queries*, a quarterly magazine devoted to genealogy, family history, heraldry and topography, edited by G. F. Tudor Sherwood. Vol. I., No. 1. Mr. Sherwood's name is well known to our readers as a valued contributor to this journal. He has inaugurated a new magazine devoted to genealogy, in which subject he takes so keen an interest, and judging from the first number it will soon become a most valuable aid to genealogists who wish to trace the pedigree of their families. All who are so minded cannot do better than communicate with Mr. Sherwood, 99, Angell Road, Brixton, S.W.

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We regret that we omitted to state that the illustrations of mural paintings at Ashampstead appeared in our last number, by the kind permission of the Editor and Publishers of "The Reliquary and Illustrated Archæologist." We are much obliged to them for the use of the excellent blocks.