

this an additional aisle was erected on the south side. The doorway and window in the chancel were Norman, dating back to about the middle of the 12th century. There was also a very fine font of the same period. The beautiful chancel arch belonged to the Decorative period, whilst the archives were of the 14th century. The ironwork on the door was very old, although the door was somewhat new. The south side was erected about eight or ten years ago, the architect being a Mr. Allin, who was a resident of the neighbourhood. The splendid pillars in this part of the Church, of English oak, cut out of solid blocks, and the roofing of the same character, called forth much comment. The pretty east window was designed by a member of Lord Wantage's family—Lady Jane Lindsay. The figures on the windows represent St. George, St. Oswald, and St. Martin, with the three Archangels above, the Church being dedicated to All Saints. The solid heavy brass and beautifully-carved candelabra, which were brought home from Corfu, and which contained some very fine and old Venetian work, were much admired. At the west end of the Church there is a marble monument to the late Lady Overstone, the mother of Lady Wantage. When the Church was restored and the new aisle added, the original north aisle became the centre one, with the chancel, whilst the old chancel is now used as a vestry.

After thanking Lord and Lady Wantage for their kind hospitality, the party drove back to Didcot, and then took train for Reading, arriving at eight o'clock, after a most instructive and pleasant day.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH.

A Visit (No. cclxvii.) was made at 2.15 p.m. to Keble College. The Rev. the Warden (Dr. Lock) received the party in the Hall, and both there and in the Chapel described the chief features of interest. After inspecting the Library, the members moved to

Somerville College, the Ladies' College in St. Giles's, where the Principal (Miss Maitland), after kindly providing tea, gave a sketch of the growth of the institution, and pointed out the chief buildings.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST.

A Meeting was held in the Ashmolean Museum* at 8.15 p.m., the President in the Chair, at which the following election to membership was made:—Major-Gen. W. N. Waller, R.A., 92 Woodstock Road. The Rev. M. T. Pearman then read a paper on the history of Swyncombe, Oxfordshire, illustrated by some lantern slides. Messrs. J. Parker, Taunt and Mylne took part in the discussion which followed. Mr. Percy Manning then exhibited some interesting Oxford Caricatures of the 18th century.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH.

Visit No. cclxviii. was to Wadham College (2.15 p.m.), where Mr. J. Wells gave an account of the history and buildings of the College. At the Clarendon building, which was at one time the home of the University Press, and now chiefly contains University Offices and Delegates' Rooms, Mr. W. B. Gamlen, Secretary to the Curators of the University Chest, received the visitors, and exhibited by permission of the Vice-Chancellor the beautiful Pall used for the ancient memorial service of Henry VII.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH.

A Meeting was held at the Ashmolean Museum, at 8.15 p.m., the President in the Chair, when the following were elected members:—E. H. Evans, Esq., and G. H. Neal, Esq., Exeter College; H. B. Gardiner, Esq., New College; J. B. Drake, Esq., Trinity College; Edwin Cannan, M.A., Balliol College; Miss Colson, 59 Chalfont Road. Mr. James Parker gave some account of the old Bar Gate at Southampton, which had been threatened with destruction. The paper of the evening was by Mr. O. J. R. Howarth on some Architecture of Winchelsea, Rye and the neighbourhood, illustrated by lantern slides and brass-rubbings.

TUESDAY, MARCH 7TH.

A Meeting was held at the Ashmolean Museum, at 8.15 p.m., the President in the Chair. D. J. Medley, Esq., of Keble College, and Mrs. L. Rankine Wilson, of 18 Bardwell Road, were elected members. The President read a paper on the objects of the Society,

* By kind permission of the Keeper of the Museum all the evening meetings of the year were held in the Lecture Room of the Museum.

viewed in the light of its history, in commemoration of the foundation of the Society in March, 1839, sixty years ago. Mr. J. Garstang, of Jesus College, exhibited some lantern slides of the Roman Camp at Ribchester.

SATURDAY, MARCH 11TH.

Excursion No. cclxix. was to Bicester, by the train leaving Oxford at 2.25. The Vicar of Bicester, the Rev. G. P. Crawford, gave a clear account of the Church fabric and history, and some notes on the remains of the adjoining Augustinian Priory, which was visited in the course of the afternoon. The return train started at 5.6 p.m.

SUMMER TERM, 1899.

TUESDAY, MAY 16TH.

An Excursion (No. cclxx.) was made by train (at 12 noon) to Bletchley, and thence by carriage to Stewkley, where the Rev. R. Bruce Dickson, the Vicar, took the party over the fine and almost wholly Norman Church; and then proceeded to Wing, where the Church was described by Mr. C. H. Blakiston, the Secretary, and finally to Leighton Buzzard, where little time remained before the return journey commenced at 6.5 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 27TH.

Excursion No. cclxxi. was by carriage to Shipton on Cherwell, where the ex-Vicar, the Rev. H. W. Yule, explained all that was deserving of attention in the Church. A move was then made to Woodstock, and the Rev. J. E. G. Farmer, the Vicar, took the party over the Church, a subsequent visit being paid to the Old Manor House, by the kindness of Miss Haynes.

TUESDAY, MAY 30TH.

A Meeting was held at the Ashmolean Museum, at 8.15 p.m., the President in the Chair. The following were elected members of the Society:—A. Lee Warner, Esq., Univ. College; Mrs. Baldwin, Burcott, Banbury Road; J. C. Hopkins, Esq., and A. F. Barnes, Esq., Keble College; Miss Krebs, Taylor Institution; Miss M. and Miss H. C. Godring, 218 Iffley Road; H. A. D. Pereira, Esq., Jesus College; E. H. McDougall, Esq., New College; Hugh Blakiston, Esq., 1 Great College Street, Westminster; E. C. Alden, Esq., 35 Cornmarket Street; J. Aston, Esq., and E. P. S. Lomax, Esq., Ch. Ch.; R. A. Raven, Esq., Hertford College. The feature of the evening was a paper by James Park Harrison, Esq., F.S.A.,

of Christ Church, who had read his first paper before the Society on that day sixty years before (May 30th, 1839). The subject was Eastern Influence on the plans and ornamentations of some early Romanesque Churches. Mr. James Parker also exhibited some drawings of Churches in South France illustrative of the same subject.

FRIDAY, JUNE 9TH.

The Churches in the City of London were the object of Excursion No. cclxxii., organised by James Parker, Esq., and W. J. Bennett, Esq., St. Dunstan's House, E.C., both of whom bestowed much time and attention on the Society's interests, a full itinerary and large-scale map of the route being also provided. A numerous party started by train at 9.30 a.m., but were unfortunate in arriving late at Paddington. The programme was, however, carried out almost in its entirety, and included the Churches of St. Bartholomew's, Smithfield, St. Giles', Cripplegate, St. Helen's, Bishopsgate, Holy Trinity in the Minories, All Hallows, Barking, St. Edmund's, Lombard Street, St. Stephen, Walbrook, and finally St. Paul's Cathedral, where the Dean, the Bishop of Stepney and Mr. Somers Clarke welcomed the members, the latter kindly describing the recent decorations and other features of the Cathedral, including the vast crypts. Oxford was reached on the return journey at about 10 p.m., after a successful and enjoyable day.

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24TH.

A Meeting was held at the Ashmolean Museum, at 8.15 p.m., the President in the chair. Messrs. J. L. Myres and Percy Manning were elected Vice-Presidents of the Society. Mr. W. L. Bros gave an interesting lecture on Athens and its monuments, illustrated by lantern slides made from photographs personally taken by members of Mr. Bros's party, he having recently visited both the Athenian district and also the North-eastern part of the Peloponnese, of which latter district some account was also given.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28TH.

A small party left Oxford by train at 12.15 p.m. for the Excursion (No. cclxxiii.) to Somerton and Lower Heyford. The weather, however, which had been wet and threatening, cleared up completely in the course of the day. At Somerton the Rev. G. E. Barnes gave an account of the Church, especially of the curious reredos and the Fermor Chapel and monuments, and hospitably

entertained the party to lunch. After a walk to Lower Heyford, where the party was considerably reinforced by members who travelled by a later train, the ex-Rector, the Rev. H. Furneaux, described the features of interest in the Church, and the Rev. V. R. Lennard kindly gave the members tea. Oxford was reached by train at 6.45.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND.

A very large party gathered at 2.15 p.m. for the Visit (No. cclxxiv.) to the Castle, where Mr. Herbert Hurst addressed the members in the Central Hall of the County Court, with the aid of some good plans and drawings. The Castle Tower, the crypt of the Church of St. George and the ancient Mound were in turn visited, the Governor of the Castle giving every facility, as well as personal help, in the arrangements. Mr. Theodore Dodd also kindly helped to organise the visit.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH.

A Meeting was held at the Ashmolean Museum at 8.15 p.m., the President in the chair. The subject of the evening was the recent Excavations undertaken by the Society in the Long Vacation on the site of the City Wall between the Clarendon Building and the Bodleian Quadrangle. First a bastion was uncovered in the south-west part of the space, next a wall was traced from the bastion towards the Chapel of Our Lady, which probably occupies the site of a bastion at Smith Gate, and thirdly a piece of an ancient wall was found curving from the bastion first uncovered towards the south! This is of considerable interest as pointing to a narrower circuit of the City, at any rate at this part of the enceinte, than has hitherto been suspected. The President introduced the subject, which was discussed by Messrs. James Parker, Hurst, Penny, Gilbert, Manning and others. Some lantern slides from photographs of the work were kindly provided by Mr. Taunt and Mr. Parker and described by the latter.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH.

The Annual Meeting was held in the Ashmolean Museum at 8.15 p.m., the President in the chair. The following were elected members of the Society:—Rev. F. H. Penny, M.A., 11 Banbury Road; Rev. W. Mansel Merry, M.A., Vicar of St. Michael's; H. J. Grisewood, Esq., and J. E. Geoghegan, Esq., Ch. Ch.; E. C. O'Brien, Esq., Trin.; G. W. C. Hartley, Esq., St. John's. The following appointments were made later in the evening:—As President,

F. Madan, M.A., Brasenose College; as Members of Committee, J. L. Myres, H. G. de Watteville, James Parker, F. à C. Bergne; as Auditors, M. H. Green and C. M. Laing. The old rule (xxii. of the old set) constituting Corresponding Secretaries was re-enacted, and is reprinted in the List of Members, &c., for 1900. The Secretaries read their Annual Report on the past year. The private business thus concluded, Mr. O. J. R. Howarth exhibited lantern slides of Romanesque details in churches near Honover, on which he and Mr. De Watteville made some remarks.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH.

A Visit (No. cclxxv.) was made to Oriel College, at 5.15 p.m., in the Hall of which Dr. Shadwell gave an address on the history of the College, and then conducted the members to the Chapel and Library. At 3.45 the party moved to All Saints' Church, now the City Church, where the Rector, the Rev. A. J. Carlyle, gave a sketch of the vicissitudes both of the position which he held as head of the parish and of the fabric in which they were assembled.

Reviews.

POPULAR STUDIES IN MYTHOLOGY, ROMANCE AND FOLKLORE. (David Nutt, London.) We have received two volumes (Nos. 3 and 4) from the publisher of this charming series which will be heartily welcomed by all lovers of Folklore and the students of historical romance. The books are small and published at a small cost, but on account of the clearness of the style of the writing and the admirable Bibliographical appendices they will be found extremely useful. These volumes are "Ossian and Ossianic Literature," by Alfred Nutt, and "King Arthur and his Knights, a Survey of Arthurian Romance," by Jessie L. Weston. We most heartily commend them.