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 Howe, The Right Hon. General Richard William Penn, Earl, C.B., G.C.V.O., Lord-Lieutenant of the County. (*President*)
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RULES.

1. That the Society be called "THE ARCHITECTURAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF THE COUNTY OF LEICESTER."
2. That the objects of the Society be, to promote the study of Ecclesiastical Architecture, General Antiquities, and the Restoration of Mutilated Architectural Remains within the County; and to furnish suggestions, so far as may be within its province, for improving the character of Ecclesiastical Edifices, and for preserving all ancient remains which the Committee may consider of value and importance.
3. That the Society be composed of Patrons, Presidents, Treasurer, and Secretaries; and Honorary and Ordinary Members.
4. That the Members of the Society be privileged to propose new Members, either by letter or personally, to be elected at the Committee Meetings; and that Honorary Members shall be gentlemen who have either rendered signal service to the Society, or are specially learned in the subjects the study of which it is formed to encourage, and shall be nominated by the Committee at one of their Meetings, and proposed for election only at the General Annual Meeting of the Members to be held in the January of each year.
5. That Rural Deans within the County of Leicester be *ex-officio* Members of the Committee, on their signifying an intention to become Members of the Society.

6. That each Member shall pay an Annual Subscription of Ten Shillings, to be due on the first day of January in each year.

7. That the affairs of the Society be conducted by a Committee composed of the Patrons, Presidents, Rural Deans (being Members), all Secretaries of the Society, all Professional Architects (being Members), all Honorary Members, and not less than twenty Ordinary Members, of whom four at least shall have been Members of the Committee of the preceding year.

8. That the Meetings of the Members be held on the last Monday of every alternate month; that one of such Meetings to be held in the month of January be considered the Annual General Meeting, at which the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts be rendered and the Committee for the year be elected, and such new Rules or alterations in the Rules proposed and made as may be thought necessary: provided always that due notice of such new Rules or alteration in Rules be given by circular to each Member of the Society at least seven days before the Annual Meeting. That in addition to the Bi-Monthly Meetings—so including the Annual Meeting—Public Meetings for the reading of Papers, &c., may be held as provided for under Rule II.

9. That the Committee (of whom five shall be a quorum) have power to add to their number, and to elect from the Society the requisite number of Secretaries.

10. That the Members of the Committee in any neighbourhood may associate other Members of the Society with themselves, and form Committees for Local Purposes in communication with the Central Committee.

11. That the Public Meetings of the Society be holden at such times and places as shall be appointed by the Committee.

12. That the Committee meet at the times and places which they may themselves appoint.

13. That the Secretaries be empowered, on the requisition of five Members of the Committee, to call a Special Meeting of the Society.

14. That Donations of Architectural and Antiquarian Books, Plans, &c., be received; that the Committee be empowered to make purchases and procure casts and drawings, which shall be under the charge of the Secretaries.

15. That when the Committee shall consider any Paper, which may have been read before the Society, worthy of its being printed at its expense, they shall request the author to furnish a copy, and shall decide upon the number of copies to be printed, provided always that the number be sufficient to supply each Member with one copy, and the author with twenty-five copies. All other questions relating to publishing Plans and Papers, and illustrating them with engravings, shall be decided by the Committee.

16. That the Committee may every year publish, or join with other Architectural and Archæological Societies in publishing, for circulation among the Members, Transactions to contain descriptions and Papers connected with the objects of the Society.

17. That on application being made to any Member of the Committee, or to the Committee collectively, for the advice of the Society in the restoration of any Church, a Sub-Committee be appointed (of which the Incumbent or Resident Minister be one) to visit the Church, and submit a report in writing to the General Committee.

18. That all Plans for the building, enlargement, or restoration of churches, schools, &c., sent for the inspection of the Committee, be placed in the hands of one of the Secretaries of the Society, at least fourteen days before the Committee Meeting, for the Secretary to prepare a special report thereon.

19. That the Committee have power at any Meeting to make grants towards the objects of the Society, provided that if such grant—other than that for carrying out the objects contemplated in Rules 15 and 16—exceed 30s., notice be given in the circular or advertisement calling the Meeting.

The Bi-Monthly Meetings of the Society are held on the last Monday in January, March, May, July, September, and November,—the Meeting in January to be the General Meeting for the transaction of business. Committee Meetings at 2.30 p.m.; Bi-Monthly Meetings at 3 p.m., at the Society's Room, at the Old Town Library, Guildhall, Leicester.

NOTE.—The Society's Room is now at the Old Town Library, Guildhall, St. Martin's, Leicester, where the Library is kept, and is open daily from 10 to 4 for the use of Members. The keys can be obtained from the Hon. Secretaries.

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The Antiquarian Society of Stockholm.
 The Bradford Historical and Antiquarian Society.
 The British Archæological Association, London.
 The Cambridge Antiquarian Society.
 The Clifton Antiquarian Society.
 The Edinburgh Architectural Association.
 The Essex Archæological Society.
 The Kent Archæological Society.
 The East Herts. Archæological Society.
 The Historic Society of Lancashire and Cheshire.
 The Powys-land Club. (Montgomeryshire.)
 The Royal Archæological Institute.
 The St. Alban's and Herts. Architectural and Archæological Society.
 The Shropshire Archæological and Natural History Society.
 The Society of Architects, London.
 The Somersetshire Archæological and Natural History Society.
 The Suffolk Institute of Archæology.
 The Surrey Archæological Society.
 The Thoresby Society of Leeds.
 The Yorkshire Archæological and Topographical Association.

THE REPORT

of the Committee for the year 1899, read and adopted at the Annual Meeting of Members, held at the Society's Rooms, at the Old Town Hall Library, St. Martin's, Leicester, on Monday, the 29th day of January, 1900.

IN presenting to our Members the Forty-fifth Annual Report of the Society, we have unfortunately to deplore the loss of several valued Members, occasioned by death or resignation. In the late Sir H. E. L. Dryden, Bart., one of our oldest Honorary Members, we have lost one who up to the time of his death took the greatest interest in the work of the Society. The following has been compiled from various sources:—Sir Henry Edward Lee Dryden, Bart., was the son of the Rev. Sir Henry Dryden, Vicar of Leek Wootton, Warwickshire, and of Ambroseden, Oxfordshire. He was born on the 17th of August, 1818, and succeeded to the title in 1837. He was educated at Trinity College, Cambridge, where he graduated M.A. in 1839. He was appointed a Justice of the Peace of Northamptonshire in 1843, and was High Sheriff of the County in 1844, when the Queen and the Prince Consort visited Burleigh House to attend the christening of Lady Victoria, daughter of the second Marquis of Exeter. In 1846 he was appointed a Deputy-Lieutenant.

He was married in 1865 to Frances, the eldest daughter of the Rev. Robert Trederoft, Rector of Tangmere, Sussex, who died in January, 1899. Sir Henry died on July 24th last, and was succeeded in the title by his brother, Alfred Erasmus Dryden, a barrister of the Inner Temple. Sir Henry leaves an only daughter. The first baronet of the more ancient line (1733) was the second son of John Turner, a London Merchant, Chairman of the East India Company. Second baronetcy (1795) was conferred on the younger son of his successor in the title, who assumed the name of Dryden on marrying the niece and heiress of Sir John Dryden, seventh baronet, whose honours expired at his death. John Dryden, the poet, was the fourth son of Sir Erasmus Dryden, the first baronet. Sir Henry wrote a large number of papers and articles for the Scottish Society of Antiquaries, the Scottish Architectural Society, the Northants. Archæological Society, and our own and other kindred Societies. He was a fellow of the Scottish Society of Antiquaries, for whom he made a complete set of architectural drawings of St. Magnus Cathedral. Last year he presented to the Corporation of Northampton his large collection of drawings, plans, and rubbings that he had collected in Northants. during the last sixty years, contained in more than five hundred portfolios.

We have also lost by death the following valued members :—Miss A. Hamel, of Chester; The Rev. Thomas Hanbury, M.A., the esteemed Rector of Church Langton; Mr. J. H. Kirby, of Knighton Fields, also an old and valued Member; Mr. J. Paget, of London; Mr. A. T. Toller, the Recorder of Leicester; and Mr. J. H. Williams, also of Leicester.

Mr. William Barfoot has resigned his membership on leaving Leicester.

We are glad to report that during the past year no less than eighteen new Members have been elected, and we trust that this increase will be maintained in future years.

In January. Mr. Charles Weldon, The Lawn, Birstall; Mr. B. H. C. Fox, J.P., Misterton Hall, Lutterworth; the Rev. H. Hammond, of Arnesby Vicarage.

In March. Mr. Richard Dalgleish, J.P., Asfordby Melton; Mr. William Hurst, J.P., Earl Shilton; Mr. J. H. Thompson, The Woodlands, Knighton; Mr. W. J. Curtis, Halford Street, Leicester; Mr. H. W. H. Richards, Phoenix Cottage, Belgrave; Mr. J. Crisp Clarke, Birstall Hall, Leicester.

In July. Mr. Edward A. Gorman, 616, East Long Street, Columbus, U.S.A.; the Rev. T. B. Hardy, Narborough Rectory; the Rev. S. T. Winckley, M.A., Houghton-on-the-Hill Rectory; Mr. Arthur Walterley, London Road, Leicester; Mr. R. W. Satchell, Gallowtree Gate, Leicester; Captain J. Burns-Hartopp, Scraftoft Hall; the Rev. Hugh Bryan, Stoke Golding Vicarage.

In September. Mrs. William Goode Johnson, Vancouver City, B.C.

In November. The Rev. E. A. Beresford, Hoby Rectory.

The following Papers have been read during the past year :—

By Mr. E. G. Mawbey, C.E. (Leicester Borough Surveyor).—A Paper on "The Underground Passages in the Newarke, Leicester, found during recent excavations for a new Stormwater Sewer."

By Major Freer, V.D., F.S.A., Hon. Secretary.—"An Interim Report on Trinity Hospital," and "An Account of the Summer Meeting in 1898 at Bath and Bristol" (edited by Major Freer).

By Colonel G. C. Bellairs, V.D., Hon. Secretary, on "A Wooden Cross found at Higham-on-the-Hill.

By Mr. H. Hartopp.—A valuable Paper on "The Parish Registers of Leicestershire."

The year 1899 has been a particularly interesting one; not only have valuable relics of the past been discovered, but the Society has been able to arrest the hands of those who have endeavoured to destroy valuable Historical Buildings.

Your Committee are glad to be able to report that owing to the exertions of the Hon. Corresponding Secretary, the new Roman Pavement near St. Nicholas'

Church, found in 1898, has by the generosity of the owners been safely secured. A large cellar under the house has been built, glazed with white bricks, and lighted with electric light, and every care taken to preserve this valuable pavement. A small charge is made to visitors.

A most interesting Wooden Cross has been found at Higham-on-the-Hill, an account of which will be published in our Transactions, and a Roman Lead Coffin and other remains have been found in Millstone Lane, Leicester.

Your Committee have during the past year repeatedly urged upon the Corporation of Leicester the necessity of thoroughly protecting the valuable Roman Pavement under the Great Central Railway Station at Leicester, which is being much injured by rust and wet, and they have now reason to hope that at last due precautions will be taken to protect this most interesting piece of work. They will not relax their efforts until the same is made thoroughly secure.

The protection of the old Hospital of the College of the Newarke (founded by the Earl of Lancaster, Leicester, and Derby, father of Henry Grismond, Duke of Lancaster and Earl of Leicester) from demolition by the Trustees, has given the Hon. Secretaries and your Committee much anxious thought. A memorial was prepared by the Hon. Corresponding Secretary, signed and presented in triplicate to the Trustees of the Hospital, the Charity Commissioners, and the President of the Duchy of Lancaster.

Your Committee are much indebted to the Society of Antiquaries, London, and especially to Mr. St. John Hope, for their invaluable efforts in the same direction. They have also to thank the Northamptonshire Archæological Society, and the Leicester Literary and Philosophical Society, and their respective Presidents and Secretaries, for also petitioning against the proposed demolition of the Hospital. They are unable to report that the entire building will be saved, but some portion undoubtedly will be, and at the present time the amended plans are under the careful examination of Mr. Micklethwaite, the eminent Archæologist, and a Vice-President of the Society of Antiquaries, who will report upon the best way of preserving the Hospital.

Mr. Henry Hartopp reported the discovery of an original "Exchequer Subsidy Roll, 1 James I. (1603), relating to the Hundreds of East Goscote, Framland, and Gartree, in the County of Leicester. This has been transcribed, and has been published in the Associated Societies' Transactions. The document was found in the Muniment Room of Captain J. Burns-Hartopp, at Dalby Hall.

Your Committee regret to report that, after fifteen years' arduous work as Hon. Editorial Secretary, the Rev. W. G. D. Fletcher, M.A., F.S.A., feels compelled to resign his post owing to increasing archæological work as Hon. Secretary to the Shropshire Archæological and Parish Registers Societies. As a recognition of his valuable services, your Committee recommend his election as an Honorary Member of the Society. Mr. Fletcher has kindly promised to continue to take an interest in the work of the Society.

Your Committee are pleased to report that the Rev. Sidney Thorold Winckley, M.A., Rector of Houghton-on-the-Hill, has consented to act as Hon. Editorial Secretary in Mr. Fletcher's place if the Members approve.

Mr. W. H. Barfoot Saunt has resigned his office as Hon. Local Secretary for the Market Harborough district, and your Committee have pleasure in recommending that Mr. W. Bragg Bragg, of Market Harborough, an old Member of the Society, be appointed in his place.

CHURCH WORK IN THE COUNTY.

During the year the following Church Work has been carried out in the county:—

Asfordby.—Carved oak reredos, with hangings, &c., has been given by Mrs. Carey, and a brass eagle lectern by the children of the late Rector.

Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Holy Trinity.—New stonework and cathedral glass with iron stays in east window.

Bardon Hill, New Church of St. Peter's.—This church, which was consecrated on the 7th September, 1899, consists of nave, north aisle, narthex, vestry, organ chamber, and small transept. It is built in the English geometrical Decorated style, with stone from Bardon Hill Quarries, with a free use of Oolite stone dressings, the interior being lined with red bricks and Bath stone. There is a small arcade round the chancel, which adds much to the effect of this part of the church, and the reredos, which forms part of the arcade, is a marble panel of Christ blessing little children. The principal seatings, of canary wood, accommodate a congregation of 183, and there are in addition chairs for about 20 more. The chancel fittings are of oak, except the pulpit, which is of stone, and the lectern, which is of brass. The font occupies the centre of the narthex. At the west end there is a small tower, with a ring of three bells. A suitable organ is now being built.

Barkby.—Organ rebuilt, and stops added, at a cost of £130.

Belgrave, St. Michael's.—A site for a new church has been obtained. A small iron building, known as St. Gabriel's Mission Church, has been erected on part of the site. Total cost, £700.

Billesdon.—A carved oak rood-screen has been given by the Rev. C. R. Fowke, in memory of his father, at the cost of £100.

Birstall.—A carved oak font cover has been designed, worked, and presented by Mr. G. Cross.

Brentingby.—The Church has been repaired by R. A. Yarborough, Esq., M.P.

Brighthelm.—The tower roof, staircase, and bell frame have been restored. Cost, £90.

Brooksby.—The church tower has been repaired.

Burbage.—The interior of the church roof has been panelled, at a cost of £120.

Dalby Parva.—The three bells have been re-hung; cost, £40.

Ellistown.—Two new class-rooms and cloak-room have been added to the Infant Schools. Cost, £400.

Fleckney.—The Church roof has been reslated, and a new heating apparatus provided.

Frisby-on-the-Wreake.—A silver paten, and silk altar-frontal, and lamps for chancel, have been provided.

Gilmorton.—The boundary wall has been rebuilt, and a lych-gate erected at the north entrance to the churchyard. Cost, £85.

Goadby.—This church has been restored by the Parishioners. Cost, £180.

Great Glen.—A village hall, costing nearly £500, has been built out of money left to the parish by the late Mr. Chas. Packe, of Stretton Hall, site being given by Mr. W. J. Packe.

Hoby.—New heating apparatus and chancel stalls have been placed in the church.

Kirkby Mallory.—The west window in the tower has been restored at a cost of £40.

Leicester, All Saints.—Site for vicarage purchased and given by Mrs. Gleadow. Cost, £1,100.

Leicester, St. Margaret's.—New oak altar rails, in memory of late Miss Neal.

Leicester, St. Martin's.—The chancel rails altered and seats re-arranged; a new carved oak screen between the chancel and the Nedham Chapel. Cost, £400.

Leicester, St. Paul's.—Sunday Schools and Parish Rooms enlarged. Cost, £1,100.

Loughborough.—The peal of ten bells in the parish church has been recast, tuned, and re-hung, at the cost of Messrs. Taylor and Co., Bellfounders, Loughborough.

Lutterworth.—A cottage hospital has been built (cost, £700) by Mrs. Fielding Palmer, in memory of her husband.

Market Bosworth.—An oak lectern, costing £60, has been placed in the church, in memory of Thos. Drackley, twenty-five years churchwarden.

Mountsorrel, Christ Church.—The chancel has been enlarged, oak reredos, choir stalls, &c., and a new organ provided. Cost, £816.

Narborough.—An iron chancel-screen has been erected, to commemorate the eighteen years' ministry as Rector of Rev. William Langley, M.A.

Newbold Verdon.—The church (exclusive of tower) has been rebuilt. Cost, £3,000. The churchyard has been enlarged, the land being given by Sir Charles Hartopp, Bart.

Newton Harcourt.—A new organ has been given in memory of the late Lady E. Ursula Halford, and various improvements have been made to the church. Cost, £200.

Rotherby.—A new chiming clock has been placed in the tower, a new font cover provided, and vestry floor relaid. Cost, £100.

Saddington.—A new holy table, and oak reredos with stone steps, the gift of Mr. Francis Goodman, in memory of his parents.

Sapcote.—A new organ has been placed in this church. Cost, 200.

Shackerstone.—The organ has been rebuilt at a cost of £70.

Siteby.—A village hall, for church purposes, has been built by the late Mr. W. A. Pochin. Cost, about £800.

Snibston.—A site for a new church has been purchased. Cost, £322.

Stretton Parva.—This church has been restored at a cost of £500.

Syston.—An oak screen, separating the lady chapel from the south aisle, has been erected to the memory of the late H. W. Needham, by his widow and family.

Thurmaston.—The church and tower have been repointed. Simons' Trustees have given a piece of land to enlarge the school premises, and the same has been enclosed.

Whatton, Long.—A vestry has been added to the church, the tower repaired, and the bells re-hung. New seats and a fourteenth century screen have been placed on the site of the old vestry by Lord Crawshaw. Cost, £600.

Witherley.—A new class-room has been built. Cost, £472.

Wymeswold.—The schools have been enlarged from some glebe land, and the playground extended. Cost, £300.

Wyndham.—The church porch has been restored, and new iron gates added at a cost of £50.

Croft.—Three stained-glass windows have been placed in the church, in memory of William Brooks, Esq. Cost, £120.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.				PAYMENTS.			
1899.				1899.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
By Balance	18	6	11	To Rent and Salaries ..	5	0	0
„ Subscriptions and Arrears ..	74	0	0	„ Printing, &c.	19	0	9
„ Corporation Interest ..	2	18	8	„ Subscriptions, &c. ..	4	2	0
„ Sale of Books, &c. ..	0	4	6	„ Sundries	2	1	3
				„ Balance	65	6	1
	£95	10	1		£95	10	1

GEO. C. BELLAIRS, *Hon. Treasurer.*

JOHN WADE WARTNABY, *Hon. Auditor.*

COPY OF MEMORIAL.

*TO the Right Honourable the Chancellor of the County Palatine
of Lancaster,*

TO the Charity Commissioners of England and Wales,

*AND to the Master Assistants, Chaplain, and Poor, of the
Hospital of the Holy Trinity, Leicester.*

WE, the undersigned, humbly petition that the Trinity Hospital, situate in the Newarke, in the County Borough of Leicester, may not be pulled down, but remain as it is at present for the following reasons :—

This Hospital, formerly known as “The Old Hospital,” the name of the Trinity having been bestowed upon it in the comparatively late time of Elizabeth or James I., was built in the fourteenth century, and the present chancel of the chapel was the original chapel where the services were celebrated, and it was divided from the nave by a wooden screen. The present so-called transept of the chapel was formerly part of the hospital, and shows the original width thereof, the two end arches on each side of the nave having been destroyed to make the present chapel. The remaining arches of the nave still exist, and also the north aisle wall. The arch of the north wall of the hospital can still be seen. On the outside it is built of rubble masonry, with facings of stone at the angles and round the windows, which were square and small, some being of one light, and some of two or three lights, the mullions of these windows have been replaced by wooden frames. The original thickness of the wall is also plainly perceived, and the original height can be seen on the modern staircase, where the modern brickwork is placed on the top of the old wall, leaving a wide ledge.

At the time when the roof of the old hospital was renewed, a slate slab was placed over the entrance door, and on it was carved a statement to the effect that the hospital was rebuilt by George the Third. This is not so, as a visit to the building will show.

A great portion of the original work still remains, and if it is destroyed, one of the most interesting buildings in the town will cease to exist. It will be seen from an inspection of the proposed plans, that with the exception of the chapel, the whole of the old work of the hospital will be pulled down.

Your memorialists have inspected the hospital, which does not appear to be much out of repair, and are of opinion that there is no necessity for any alteration whatever in the present building. If it is necessary to enlarge the hospital, it would be much better done by adding a wing, to be built on the line of the new street, at the west end of the present building, or what we think would be even more advantageous, to build partly facing the river to the west (the ground in front being properly terraced and laid out), and partly facing the new road to the south, as shown on the plan hereto annexed.

The Newarke has always been one of the show places of Leicester, and many hundreds of people visit it, and the neighbouring church of St. Mary, and the Castle of Leicester, and it is to be hoped that it will be preserved as much as possible, and long spared to be an ornament of the town.

Signed in pursuance of a resolution passed by the Leicestershire Architectural and Archæological Society, at the Bi-Monthly Meeting, held at the Library of the Old Town Hall, Leicester, on Monday, the 27th day of March, 1899.

E. C. PETRIBURG,

*Bishop of Peterborough,
and Patron of the Society.*

JOHN W. WARTNABY,

Chairman of the Meeting.

W. J. FREER,

Hon. Secretary.