

March 30th, 1914. Bi-Monthly Meeting, held at the Society's Room, at the Library of the Old Town Hall, Leicester.

THE REV. E. JACKSON, M.A., in the Chair.

Apologies for absence were received from Col. G. C. Bellairs, V.D., J.P., H. Hartopp, Esq., and H. H. Peach, Esq.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

VOTES of thanks were passed to the Cambridgeshire and Huntingdonshire Archæological Society, for Part 9, Vol. III. of the Transactions; and the Essex Archæological Society, for Part 3, Vol. XIII., of the New Series of the Transactions.

It was RESOLVED to send a cheque to Mr. Hugh Goodacre, for superintending the digging of the trial holes in the excavations at High Cross. It was also RESOLVED to postpone the question of printing Mr. Dyson's Paper on "The Monuments in Stanford Church" to a future meeting.

A letter was read from Mr. Dyson with reference to the finding of an underground wall at Misterton, which is supposed to be the exact site of St. John's Hospital. After discussion, a sum not exceeding £1 was voted to enable trial holes to be dug, and Mr. S. P. Pick, the Rev. Cecil Stocks, Mr. S. H. Skillington, and Mr. A. H. Dyson were appointed as a Sub-Committee to deal with the matter.

Mr. F. S. Herne reported that he had nearly completed the collection of the missing volumes to complete the Society's library, and after discussion, it was left to Major Freer and Mr. Fosbrooke to settle which volumes it was most urgent to bind this year; and it was also RESOLVED to print the catalogue in the next part of the *Transactions*.

A hearty VOTE of thanks was passed to Mr. F. S. Herne, for the great amount of trouble he had taken in cataloguing the books.

The following new Members were elected:—T. M. Hazlerigg, Esq., King Street, Leicester; Edgar Reeve, Esq., "Heatherley," Great Wigston; and Frank Moore, Esq., Burbage.

The Rev. S. T. Winckley reported the result of the Annual Meeting and Lectures in January last, and presented the Accounts, which showed a balance in hand of 3s. 10d. On the proposition

of the High Sheriff, seconded by Mr. Wartnaby, a hearty VOTE of thanks was passed to him for the trouble he had taken in making the meeting such a great success.

With reference to the Annual Excursion, Mr. Winckley reported that he had made arrangements for the Society to stay at the Pultney Hotel, Bath, during the Society's stay for the Annual Excursion on the 3rd and 4th June. Mr. A. Hamilton Thompson and Mr. S. George Gray would conduct the party to the principal places of interest, and it was hoped that the excursion would be very successful.

Councillor Squire was requested to see the Chairman of the Museum Committee, and enquire when it was likely that the Corporation would take over the custody of the 14th century glass on the terms offered by the Society.

Mr. Joseph Young read a Paper on "The Token Coinage of Leicestershire and Rutland in the 17th Century," with a catalogue and exhibition of 127 distinct specimens, viz.: Ashby, 11; Belton, 1; Billesdon, 2; Bowden, 1; Burrough, 1; Burton Overy, 1; Langton, 1; Hallaton, 3; Hinckley, 10; Leicester (Borough), 30; Loughborough, 17; Lutterworth, 6; Market Bosworth, 2; Market Harborough, 15; Medbourne, 1; Melton Mowbray, 7; Mountsorrel, 3; Shepshed, 1; Waltham, 2. RUTLAND: Liddington, 1; North Luffenham, 2; Oakham, 3; Uppingham, 6.

VOTES of thanks to Mr. Young for his Paper, and to the Chairman for presiding, ended the Meeting.

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*May 25th, 1913.* Bi-Monthly Meeting, held at the Society's Room, at the Library of the Old Town Hall, Leicester.

THE REV. A. O. JAMES, M.A., in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

VOTES of thanks were passed to various Societies for copies of their Journals or Transactions.

The resignations of the Rev. F. S. Edmonds and Mr. J. H. Clark were received with regret.

A letter was read from Mr. A. H. Dyson, with reference to excavations that had been made at Misterton, to ascertain if the stone remains existing in a field there were the actual remains of the ancient Hospital of St. John. Trial holes had been made, but it appeared to be impossible to say whether this was the actual site without the evidence of wrought stone.

In response to a letter from the Secretary of the Ancient Earthworks Committee (Congress of Archæological Societies) asking that some one should be appointed to keep a watch on earthworks in the district, Mr. G. M. Henton was requested to act in this capacity, and also to report on the threatened destruction of any ancient buildings.

Major Freer reported that the Archæological Index of 1909 was now ready, and he had arranged to take 300 copies at 8d. each for distribution amongst the Members of the Society, on condition that they gave 20 to make up the number required. These terms had been agreed to.

He also reported that owing to the meeting of the Secretaries of the Associated Societies being at York this year, none of the Secretaries of this Society had been able to attend.

Dr. Day had, however, sent in Papers.

Mr. Herne reported that the cataloguing and arranging of the Society's library was now nearing completion, and he had settled with Major Freer and Mr. Fosbrooke as to which books should be bound this year.

The cost of purchasing the additional parts required to complete the volumes amounted to £5 19s. 6d. He had already had £5 on account, leaving a balance of 19s. 6d. due to him. He strongly advised the Society to complete the Derbyshire Archæological and Natural History volumes, which would cost £2 15s. This the Committee agreed to do, and a hearty VOTE of thanks was passed to Mr. Herne for the great trouble he had taken. The balance due to him was passed for payment.

It was also RESOLVED to try to exchange Transactions with the Thoroton Society, Nottingham.

On the proposition of Mr. Fosbrooke, seconded by Major Freer, it was RESOLVED to print the Report and Accounts for 1912, 1913, and 1914 in the next part of the *Transactions*.

The Rev. S. T. Winckley reported as to the arrangements for the excursion to Bath, Glastonbury and district next week.

Mr. Hartopp reported that the Calendar of Leicestershire Wills and in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury during the period of the Civil Wars of Charles I. and the Commonwealth, 1642 to 1669, was nearing completion so far as it was possible to get it from the official calendars from Somerset House. It had been a very difficult matter, but about 1250 references had been obtained. Mr. Hartopp was thanked for his services, and it was RESOLVED not to print the records at present.

Major Freer reported that up to the present no arrangement had been made with regard to the preservation of the remains of Ulverscroft Priory, but that the agent to the estate had promised to see him shortly. With regard to the preservation of the old 14th century glass now in the Society's possession, he hoped that before the next meeting he would have a report from Councillor Squire, who had promised to see the Leicester Corporation on the matter.

The following new Members were elected:—J. A. Barfoot, Esq., Beaumont Leys; and Miss Patey, 6, Newtown Street.

A VOTE of thanks to the Chairman for presiding ended the Meeting.

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*July 27th*, 1914. Bi-Monthly Meeting, held at the Society's Room, at the Library of the Old Town Hall, Leicester.

THE REV. E. JACKSON, M.A., in the Chair.

Apologies for absence were received from Col. G. C. Bellairs, V.D., J.P., Mr. S. P. Pick, Col. C. F. Oliver, Mrs. Fielding Johnson, the Rev. W. G. Whittingham, M.A., and the Rev. A. O. James.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

VOTES of thanks were passed to the Cambridge Antiquarian Society, for No. 65 of the Proceedings; the Leicester and Leicestershire Society of Architects, for the Report for 1913; the

Oxfordshire Archæological Society, for the Report for 1913 ; the Suffolk Institute of Archæology and Natural History Society, for Part 1, Vol. XV. of the Proceedings ; the Thoresby Society, for two Parts of the Publications for 1913 ; and the Yorkshire Archæological Society, for programme for the Excursion to Beverley on August 6th next.

Major Freer stated that he attended the Archæological Congress on the 26th June last, at Burlington House, his colleague being unable to be present, and that he would report fully thereon at the next meeting.

The Rev. S. T. Winckley reported that the Excursion to Glastonbury, Malmesbury and district on June 3rd, 4th and 5th last had been a great success, and presented the Accounts, showing a balance in hand of £1 17s. 9d., which it was proposed to hand over to the Society.

On the proposition of Major Freer, seconded by Mr. J. W. Wartnaby, a hearty VOTE of thanks was passed to Mr. Winckley for the excellent arrangements he had made, and to Mr. A. Hamilton Thompson and Mr. Brakespear for the great assistance given during the visit.

A VOTE of thanks was also passed to the Ven. Archdeacon Stocks, for his kind gift of Vol. VI. of the Yorkshire Archæological Journal, to complete the volumes in the Society's library.

It was RESOLVED to ask Mr. Joseph Young, one of the Society's oldest members, to read his Paper on "The Leicester Mint," recently given before the British Numismatic Society, at a future meeting.

A discussion arose with regard to a "Loving Cup" in the possession of a firm at Folkestone, which once belonged to the Leicester Corporation, and the following RESOLUTION was passed on the proposition of Major Freer, seconded by the Rev. S. T. Winckley : "That this Society hears with much interest of the existence of a loving cup at Folkestone, formerly in the possession of the Leicester Corporation, and hopes that the present Corporation will make an effort to recover this at a fair price."

The hope was also expressed that some of the wealthy citizens of Leicester might be disposed to aid in this laudable effort.

A letter was received from Mr. Leonard Fosbrooke, stating that the ancient library at Ashby-de-la-Zouch, to which attention had been called by the Society, was receiving adequate and satisfactory attention.

The following new Members were elected: H. C. Snow, Esq., Leicester; F. B. Cooper, Esq., A.R.I.B.A., Leicester; and C. Kempson, Esq., A.R.I.B.A., Leicester.

Col. C. F. Oliver and Dr. R. C. Stewart exhibited a fine series of photographs taken during the recent excursion.

The following Accounts were passed for payment:

Mr. F. S. Herne (balance)	...	17s. 10d.
Messrs. Spink and Thackery (binding)	£1 18s.	0d.
Messrs. Bates and Co. (binding)	... £4 11s.	2d.
		£7 7s. 0d.

A further grant of £2 2s. 0d. was voted to Mr. Herne for the great trouble he had taken to make the Library complete.

VOTES of thanks to the Exhibitors, and to the Chairman for presiding ended the Meeting.

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*September 28th, 1914.* Bi-Monthly Meeting held at the Society's Room, at the Library of the Old Town Hall, Leicester.

THE REV. S. T. WINCKLEY, M.A., in the Chair.

Apologies for absence were received from Col. Bellairs, V.D., J.P., and Major Fræer, D.L. (Hon. Sec.).

VOTES of thanks were passed to the Essex Archæological Society, for Part 4, vol. XIII. of the New Series of the Transactions; the Society of Antiquaries, London, for the Second Report on the Excavations on the site of the Roman town at Wroxeter, Shropshire, 1913; and the Leicester Literary and Philosophical Society, for Vol. XVIII. (1914), of the Transactions, together with the Report of the Council and Annual Reports of the Sections.

The Rev. S. T. Winckley reported that Mr. G. M. Henton had represented this Society at the recent opening of Tattershall Castle, the invitation being sent by Lord Curzon. He also reported that the Excursion Sub-Committee had reluctantly decided to postpone until next year the local excursion to Kirby, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, and Breedon-on-the-Hill. Mr. Joseph Young had kindly acceded to the Society's request to read his Paper on "The Leicester Mint" at a future meeting.

Mr. S. Russell exhibited a fine series of photographs of Lacock, Malmesbury, and Wraxall, taken during the Society's recent visit to the district.

VOTES of thanks to the Exhibitor, and to the Chairman for presiding, ended the Meeting.

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*November 30th, 1914.* Bi-Monthly Meeting, held at the Society's Room, at the Library of the Old Town Hall, Leicester.

THE REV. S. T. WINCKLEY, M.A., in the Chair.

Apologies for absence were received from Major Freer, D.L., F.S.A. (Hon. Sec.) and Mr. S. P. Pick, F.R.I.B.A.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

VOTES of thanks were passed to the Cambridgeshire and Huntingdonshire Archæological Society, for Part 10, Vol. III., of the Transactions; the Shropshire Archæological and Natural History Society, for Part 1, Vol. IV., of the Transactions; the Surrey Archæological Society, for the Index to Vols. I. to XX.; the Royal Archæological Society, for No. 1, Vol. XXI. of the Second Series of the Archæological Journal; and the Yorkshire Archæological Institute, for Part 90, Vol. XXIII., of the Yorkshire Archæological Journal.

A VOTE of condolence was passed with the widow and relatives of Mr. Stockdale Harrison, for many years a member of the Society, expressing admiration of his great abilities and personal charm, and stating that in him the Society had lost a good friend and valuable helper.