

of the south aisle. The decorated string course has been cut away from under the east window, both inside and out. Nichols also mentions, on the authority of the same MS., the destruction of another column or buttress, similar to that now at the north east angle of the north aisle.

There is in the chapel of Ashby-de-la-Zouch Castle a doorway piercing the east wall with a circular arch, which looks like an insertion, and made to communicate with some apartments, probably those of a priest, built subsequent to the chapel, at the north east angle.

The tower and broach spire of Hallaton Church are a very fine specimen of Early English, and in remarkably good preservation; but the crosses in the windows, gables, and finials of the pinnacles (an unusual feature in a broach spire) are lost. If these were replaced it would much improve the appearance of the Church, and the cost need not be very much.

November 24th, 1890. Bi-monthly Meeting.

THE REV. L. W. WOOD in the chair.

Mr. W. J. Freer, Hon. Sec., reported the result of an interview with Alfred Paget, Esq., with reference to the taking of land in St. Nicholas Square by the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Company, and the probable demolition of the Jewry Wall, upon which the following Resolution was put from the Chair, and carried *nem. con.*:—

“That the Leicestershire Architectural and Archæological Society cordially supports the action taken by the Leicester Literary and Philosophical Society, with respect to the Jewry Wall, and most strongly urges the Corporation of Leicester to use all the means in their power to preserve this ancient and interesting relic of Roman time, and also the Tessellated Pavement in Jewry Wall Street.”

“And that copies of this Resolution be sent to the Leicester Literary and Philosophical Society, the Leicester Corporation, and the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Company.”

Herbert Parr Rodgers, Esq., of Mapleshurst, Knighton, was duly elected a Member of the Society.

The following antiquities, &c., were exhibited:—

By MR. E. JACKSON:—A series of interesting photographs of the rood screen at Atherington, Devon. This screen reaches from the ground nearly to the roof, and consists of four half divisions

with two doors. It is of oak, unpainted, with very rich fan tracery. It is one of the finest in Devonshire, perhaps in England.

By MR. J. W. WARTNABY:—Leather bottel, dated 1728, marked with stars and half-moons, a piece cut out of the side. When bought it was filled with nails.

Also a silver seal, supposed to belong to the Roumien family, formerly Counts of France; date unknown.

By COLONEL BELLAIRS (for the REV. J. CHARLES COX, LL.D., F.S.A.): Drawings of Fibulæ and pottery, found at Saxby during the recent excavations by the Midland Railway Company. It was RESOLVED to publish these Drawings, and a Paper kindly promised by Dr. Cox, in the Society's *Transactions*; the details to be left to Colonel Bellairs.

It was also RESOLVED to publish "Some further Notes on the Family of Bainbrigg, of Lockington," by the Rev. W. G. D. Fletcher, F.S.A., supplemental to the Notes on the early history of that family, printed in the *Transactions*, VII., 132, &c. Also to publish the paper on "The Family of Goodacre, of Leicestershire," by Hugh Goodacre, Esq.

It was also RESOLVED that in future the Meetings of the Society be held in the Society's Rooms at No. 13, New Street, Leicester; the Committee Meetings at 11.30 a.m., and the Bi-monthly Meetings at 12 noon.

The following paper was then read by Colonel Bellairs, for the Author (HUGH GOODACRE, Esq., of 21, Portsea Place, Connaught Square, London, W.), on

THE FAMILY OF GOODACRE, OF LEICESTERSHIRE.

There are families whose records, though unchronicled by history at large, may yet lay claim to a place in the local archives of county genealogy. Such an one is the subject of the present paper. The traditional founder of the family of Goodacre was one Guy d'Acre, said to have been knighted on the field of battle, and to have received as his armorial bearings the three knights' helmets still borne by the family. In a little penny book of Christian names, published by Messrs. Ward and Lock, occurs the following: "For the sources of surnames that are curious in themselves, and apparently without meaning, that of a Leicestershire family, the Goodacres, may be adduced as an example: those who bear this name obtained it from some crusader who won the name of Guy of Acre (Guy d'Acre), for some deed of valour at the old seaport of Palestine, and transmitted it to his descendants." I have endeavoured to find out the author of this little work, but Messrs. Ward, Lock and Co., have lost all record of him. The book