

A VOTE of thanks was passed to the Committee and officers of the Society for their services during the past year; and they were re-elected for the ensuing year.

The Hon. Secretaries suggested the desirability of each Member doing his best to obtain new Members of the Society.

It was RESOLVED that the Annual Summer Excursion be made to York.

It was RESOLVED that it be left to the Chairman and the Hon. Secretaries to decide what papers should be printed in the Associated Societies' Reports and Papers.

Mr. James Sherwin Dickenson, of Friar Lane, Leicester, and Kibworth, and Mr. Joseph Young, of Gallowtree Gate, Leicester, were duly elected Members of the Society.

VOTES of thanks were passed to the Mayor of Leicester, for so kindly permitting the Society to use the Guild Hall for its Meetings; to the Press, for reporting the proceedings of the Society; and to the Chairman.

February 27th, 1888. Evening Meeting.

MR. J. W. WARTNABY in the chair.

Dr. C. A. Moore, of King Street, Leicester, was duly elected a Member of the Society.

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

By THE REV. C. HENTON WOOD:—The correspondence, in Latin, with Dr. E. Schnippel, of Osterode, in Germany, and a pamphlet, in German, received from him on the subject of "Clog Almanacs,"—A paper, on which subject (by the late Rev. J. M. Gresley, Hon. Sec. of this Society,) was published in the *Transactions* of this Society, and had been sent to Dr. Schnippel, who had made enquiries about the same (See *Transactions*, I., 410).

By MR. F. MORLEY:—An illuminated pedigree of the family of Woodcock, and some correspondence thereon, showing that there was no connection with the family of that name at Coventry; and also an old book on "London in 1690," showing that a Sir John Woodcock was Lord Mayor in 1405, and Sheriff in 1397.

March 26th, 1888. Bi-monthly Meeting.

MR. J. W. WARTNABY in the chair.

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

By THE CHAIRMAN, for MR. RENOLS :—A large silver Gravy Spoon, weight 13 oz. London hall mark, 1759,—Crown, Royal Arms, and G. R., valued at £7, said to have been given by George II. to Henry Tegelmeyer, Esq.

By MR. S. KNIGHT :—A silver £1 piece of Charles I., dated 1642, much battered. It is of the Shrewsbury Mint (round) declaration type. Upon the obverse; the king on horseback, plume behind the king, CAROLUS, D.G.: MAGN: BRIT: FRA: ET: HI: REX. Reverse; EXURGAT: DEUS: DISSIPENTUR: INIMICI., with the figures XX., and above are three plumes, and below in two lines RELIG. PROT. LEG. ANGLI. LIBERT. PAR. 1642.

April 30th, 1888. Evening Meeting.

MR. J. W. WARTNABY in the chair.

Two letters from the Rev. W. G. D. FLETCHER, F.S.A., Hon. Secretary, concerning the *Lincoln Record Series*, and the *Lay Subsidy Roll* of 1327, in the Public Record Office, were read.

It was resolved that the Society do subscribe for a copy of the *Lincoln Record Series*, and that the *Lay Subsidy Roll* of 1327, for Leicestershire, be transcribed, and this, as also the oldest Register of St. Nicholas' Church, Leicester, be published by the Society in the *Transactions*.

The Hon. Treasurer reported that the sum of £100 ordered to be invested at the Annual Meeting had been invested in a Debenture of the Borough of Leicester, at 3½ per cent., in the names of himself and Mr. W. J. Freer, as requested, and he produced Certificate of Debenture.

THE CHAIRMAN exhibited a silver porringer, of the date of 1720, formerly belonging to the Wade family, the initials on the same being I. F. W., also a pair of silver spoons, the bowls of which were undoubtedly old, but the stems were probably modern.

May 28th, 1888. Bi-monthly Meeting.

THE REV. T. W. OWEN in the chair.

C. Tollemache-Scott, Esq., of Bosworth Park, was elected a Member of the Society.

The Rev. C. RODWELL exhibited a very fine specimen of Limoges enamel, of the first half of the 16th century, representing Christ bearing his cross, with the usual attendant figures, the

Thomas Bradford, of Castle Donington, clerk, bachelor, were granted by the P.C.C., to Christopher Bradford, his brother. The will of William Bradford, of Stoke Golding, tailor, dated 13th November, 1656, was proved in the P.C.C., 23rd June, 1659. In it he mentions his wife Joane, his sons, William (the eldest), Samuel, John, and Joshua (the youngest), and his daughters, Joane, Alice, and Hannah. (P.C.C., 360 Pell.) Collins, in his *English Baronetage*, 1741 edition, vol. ii., p. 7, *sub* Harpur, mentions that Wolston Harpur, citizen of London (son of William Harpur, of Bilston, county of Leicester, and of Alice, daughter of William Coke, son and heir of Sir Francis Coke, of Trusley, county of Derby, knight), married Bathsuah, daughter of William Bradford, of Stoke Golding, and had issue a son, John Harpur, rector of Stanton-juxta-Pontem, county of Derby, who was living in 1741. The Bradfords of Pennsylvania trace their descent from William Bradford, of the county of Leicester, a Quaker, who emigrated with his wife and son in 1682. His wife, Anne, died at Barwell in 1683. William and Anne Bradford had issue, a daughter, Elizabeth, who was baptized at Barwell in 1665, and a son, William, who was born in the county of Leicester, in 1658 or 1660, and baptized at Barwell in 1663. This William Bradford (the son) was apprenticed to Andrew Sowles, of London, and was printer to William and Mary. He married in 1685, at the Devonshire House Meeting, Bishopsgate, London, Elizabeth, daughter of Andrew and Tacey Sowles, printer, of Gracechurch street, London. He died 22nd May, 1752, aged 92, and was buried in Trinity Churchyard, New York; his wife died 8th July, 1731, aged 68, and was buried in the same place. The following marriages of the Bradford family are from the Pennsylvania Archives, Series II., vol. ii.:—Joseph Bradford and Sarah Hood, 17th March, 1774; Martha Bradford and Samuel Hall, 18th November, 1765; Mary Bradford and Samson Harvey, 15th March, 1760; Susanna Bradford and Robert Welch, 18th August, 1770; Tace Bradford and Joshua Maddox Wallace, 3rd August, 1773; Thomas Bradford and Mary Fisher, 23rd November, 1768.

The following shows some of the descendants of the above-named William Bradford, of Leicestershire.

I. William Bradford, of Barwell, co. Leicester, a quaker, emigrated in 1682, with his wife, Anne, and son William, to Pennsylvania, and landed where Philadelphia was afterwards built. By his wife, who died at Barwell in 1683, he had issue, with a daughter Elizabeth, who was baptized at Barwell in 1665, a son,

II. William Bradford, born in Leicestershire 1658 or 1660, apprenticed in London to Andrew Sowles, lived in Hanover Square, New York, printer to William III. and Mary, died 22 May, 1752, aged 92, and buried in Trinity Churchyard, New York. By his

wife, Elizabeth, daughter of Andrew Sowles, printer of Gracechurch Street, London, he had issue :

1. Andrew Sowles, born at Philadelphia 1686, married 1740 Cornelia Smith, of New York, and died 23 Nov., 1742, buried at Christ Church burying ground.
2. Tacey, married to Hyat, Sheriff of Philadelphia.
3. William of whom next.

III. William Bradford, of Hanover Square, New York, born *circa* 1688, married at Dutch Reformed Church, New York, 23 Nov., 1716, Sýtje Sandford, and had issue a son,

IV. Col. William Bradford, born at New York 1719, visited his relatives in England 1741, died 25 Sept., 1791, buried in the graveyard of the Second Presbyterian Church, in Arch Street, Philadelphia. By Rachel, his wife, daughter of Thomas Budd, of Philadelphia, whom he married in 1742, he had issue (with three daughters) three sons :

1. Thomas, of whom next.
2. William, M.A., of Nassau Hall College, Princeton, N.J., Attorney-General U.S., born 14 Sept., 1755, died 23 Aug., 1795, buried in the graveyard of the Second Presbyterian Church, Arch Street, Philadelphia. His wife, Susan Vergereau, only daughter of Elias Boudinot, of New Jersey, died at Burlington, N.J., 30 Nov., 1855, *æt.* 90.
3. Schuyler, died in the West Indies.

V. Lieut.-Col. Thomas Bradford, born at Philadelphia, 4 May, 1745, died there 7 May, 1838, married 23 Nov., 1768, Mary, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Fisher, of Philadelphia, and by her, who died Nov. 1805, had issue (with three daughters Elizabeth, Mary, and Susan) three sons.

1. Samuel.
2. William.
3. Thomas, of whom next.

VI. Thomas Bradford, LL.D., admitted to the Bar 25 Oct., 1801, born at Philadelphia, 11 Sept., 1781, died there 25 Oct. 1851, married May, 1805, Elizabeth, daughter of Vincent Lockerman, of Dover, Delaware, and by her (who was born 23 Dec. 1779, and died 8 April, 1842), had issue (with a daughter Eliza Lockerman, the wife of the Rev. Dr. William Theodore Dwight) four sons, of whom the eldest was :

VII. The Hon. Vincent Lockerman Bradford, a lawyer of Philadelphia, born there 24 Sept., 1808, died 7 August, 1884, married 21 July, 1831, Juliet S. Rey, of St. Martin's, West Indies.

The Boston and New York *Historical Magazine* says : " The family is reputed on fair evidence to be an old one, and Bradford [*i.e.*, William, No. II above], seems to have valued his privileges in this way, for though forbidden by his art from writing himself

Armiger, he still sealed very carefully with his arms." These were, with very little doubt, Argent on a fesse sable, three stags' heads erased or; and the crest, a stag's head erased or.

MR. A. GIBBONS, of Lincoln, contributed a paper, which was read for him by the Hon. Secretary, entitled—

NOTES ON AN EPISCOPAL VISITATION OF THE
NEWARKE, LEICESTER, IN 1525.

Extracted from the Archives of the Bishopric of Lincoln.

THE visitation seemed to have been an inquiry into a disturbance between the servants of the Dean of the College of the Newarke, and the servants of Lady Hungerford, and Sir Richard Sacheverall. This will be printed in the *Associated Architectural Societies' Reports and Papers*, vol. xix., 1888.

The thanks of the meeting were given to Mr. Gibbons for his kindness in sending the paper, which was ordered to be published in the *Transactions* of the Society.

June 25th, 1888. Evening Meeting.

MR. A. T. DRAPER in the chair.

There being a very small attendance, and no antiquities exhibited, nothing was done.

July 30th, 1888. Bi-monthly Meeting.

THE REV. T. W. OWEN in the chair.

MR. H. R. HARDING, who has made exact drawings of some of the ancient chancel and other screens remaining in the churches of this county, exhibited drawings of screens from Lockington, Queniborough, Asfordby, Cosby, and Braunstone Churches, which were much admired, and a wish expressed that these drawings should be published if possible by the Society.

Mr. Harding also exhibited two Nuremburg tokens, one, much defaced, being apparently of an uncommon pattern.

The Hon. Secretary (Col. Bellairs), placed before the Meeting the MS. of the first part of the

LEICESTERSHIRE LAY SUBSIDY ROLL of 1327,

Containing the Hundreds of Framland and Gartree, and the Borough of Leicester, and read an Introduction to the same by

the Rev. W. G. DIMOCK FLETCHER, F.S.A., Hon. Secretary. This Lay Subsidy Roll and Introduction are printed in the *Associated Societies' Reports and Papers*, vol. xix., 1887-8. The thanks of the meeting were given to Mr. Fletcher for his paper.

The Hon. Secretary (Col. Bellairs), also informed the meeting that the Royal Archæological Institute had intimated that it was the intention of some of their members to visit Leicester for one day after their meeting at Leamington, and had communicated with him, asking him to act as their guide in viewing the antiquities of the town; and they would proceed thence to Melton Mowbray, Burton Lazars, Burrough Hill, Ashby Folville, and Gaddesby, and also to Ratcliffe College to inspect the Museum there under the guidance of the Rev. F. Hirst.

August 27th, 1888. Evening Meeting.

No meeting was held, there not being a sufficient number of Members present to form a quorum.

September 24th, 1888. Bi-monthly Meeting.

THE REV. W. R. MANGAN in the chair.

COLONEL BELLAIRS and MR. W. J. FREER were appointed to represent this Society at the approaching Conference of Archæological Societies, to be held at Burlington House, on November 15th, 1888.

The question of altering the hour of meeting was discussed, and it was decided to postpone the matter until the Annual Meeting in January.

The sum of £2 2s. was voted from the Society's funds towards the much needed restoration of Crowland Abbey.

Mr. A. T. Draper was appointed to prepare plans and drawings of Trinity Hospital, and of the Newarke Gateway.

The following gentlemen were duly elected Members of the Society:—Mr. Montagu Browne, F.Z.S., Curator of the Leicester Museum, and Mr. A. W. Tunbridge, of Leicester.

THE REV. T. W. OWEN, Vicar of St. Nicholas', Leicester, exhibited some interesting Roman antiquities, and gave an account of Roman remains found in St. Nicholas' churchyard, during the excavations for new north transept, in August, 1888.