

The  
Cambridge & County Folk Museum  
Association.



Second  
ANNUAL REPORT  
for the  
Year Ending December 31st, 1937.



THE CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM,  
2, CASTLE STREET, CAMBRIDGE.

# The Cambridge & County Folk Museum Association.

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\*Miss Catherine E. Parsons, F.S.A.

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# CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM ASSOCIATION.

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SECOND ANNUAL REPORT.  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1937.

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**T**HE first Annual General Meeting of the Association was held at the Lecture Rooms, Mill Lane, Cambridge on March 9th, 1937, Alderman H. Franklin (Chairman of the County Council) presiding in the unavoidable absence of the Patron, Mr. C. R. W. Adeane. The general and financial reports for the year were adopted and the officers and members of the Committees were elected.

After the meeting a lecture, illustrated by lantern slides in colour, was given by Mr. Peter Holm, on the Old House Folk Museum, Aarhus, Denmark, of which he is Director. The President (Councillor E. Saville Peck) presided, and there was a large attendance of members and friends who much appreciated Dr. Holm's interesting and informing address.

With a view to increasing the membership and gaining fresh financial support, letters of appeal were sent out throughout the year to representative bodies and to individuals known to be interested in local affairs. As far as national organisations are concerned, this step was unsuccessful, but the Cambridge Borough Education Committee responded with a payment for the year of £10 for visits by school children, which they propose to renew. The Committee also wish again to acknowledge with gratitude the assistance given by the Colleges. Twelve Colleges are now life members and two are ordinary members, while others have given or lent objects of much interest. The new membership subscription list now includes the Cambridge Branch of the Historical Association, the Cambridge Borough Teachers' Association, and a few of the leading business firms of the town.

Membership acquired by subscription shows a substantial increase in numbers.

	<i>New.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Life members . . . . .	8	36
Ordinary members . . . . .	30	77
Associate members . . . . .	28	63
Total Subscribing members . . . . .	66	176

The number of members who actually paid subscriptions during the financial year was 148, an inclusive subscription having been paid by 28 life members in 1936. In addition, 24 donations were received which also are not recurrent.

Steps have been taken during the year to make the Museum better known to the public. An interesting article by Councillor W. H. Swift appeared in the Borough Library Record and several illustrated notes by Dr. Palmer and others have been published in the *Cambridge Daily News*. Addresses, some illustrated by lantern slides, have been given by the President in the courses arranged by the Borough Library Committee and the Ely Literary Society, by Mr. Saltmarsh to the Cambridge Antiquarian Society, and by other speakers to the County Federation of Women's Institutes, as well as to individual Institutes. A small poster with an attractive wood-cut by the Custodian, Mr. R. C. Lambeth, has been displayed on premises in the Borough, and the Museum has been included in the itineraries of local guide books. It was also brought to the notice of students attending the Summer School organised by the University Board of Extra-Mural Studies.

The Committee are indebted to the *Cambridge Daily News*, the *Cambridge Review*, the *Cambridge Borough Library Record* and the local Guide Books for the publicity which they have facilitated in their columns.

The number of visits recorded in the Custodian's register as having been paid during the year is 4,735. Of these, 3,883 were ordinary visits and 852 in organised parties. Of the organised visits 571 were paid by children and their teachers from the Cambridge Borough Schools in 24 parties from individual schools, 70 and 44 by girls from the County High School and the Perse School respectively, 15 by teachers from County Schools, and 31 by students from the Saffron Walden Training College. Other organised parties added 100 to the total, and included the Workers' Educational Association and a group from Fellowship House entertained by the President.

The Executive Committee were glad to learn through the Borough Education Officer of the appreciative reports received from the Teachers on the organised visits paid by school children. The Committee have, with the assistance of Miss F. Chapman, the representative of the Borough Teachers' Association, given special consideration to the general arrangements and have made recommendations for the guidance of the Teachers which it is hoped will increase the educational value of the visits without unduly disturbing the ordinary conduct of the Museum.

When considering the total visits it should be remembered that the visiting hours are limited to three hours daily and six days in the week. The work of conducting parties has fallen mainly on the Custodian, with occasional assistance from members of the Executive Committee.

It will be seen from the balance sheet that a sum of approximately £30 was taken at the door during the year in admission fees and anonymous donations by visitors and from the sale of picture postcards illustrating the Museum and its contents.

It is of practical interest from the financial point of view to note that, apart from organised parties, 1,377, or 35 per cent. of the total visits were paid on Saturdays, the day on which no charge is made for admission. The fact that this is the most convenient day for visitors from the parts of the County outside Cambridge and week-end visitors points to loss of income from this source.

Early in the year an insurance policy was taken out to cover possible loss of exhibits by fire or otherwise, and in view of the rapid increase in total value the question of revaluation for insurance purposes is at present under consideration. Provision for fire extinction has been made in accordance with advice kindly given by the Chief Constable for the Borough.

The Committee are happy to be able to record that the owners of the building, the Borough Council, have shown further practical sympathy by their recent decision to allow the Association the use of the adjoining house. When certain alterations

have been carried out which have been suggested to the Council as being necessary the whole of the block will be available for the purposes of the Museum. This will not only increase the space for exhibits, but will enable the resident Custodian to be better housed and will afford some office room.

Throughout 1937, the first complete year since the Museum was opened, the Executive Committee and the officers have kept before them the primary object of the Association, viz. to interest the ordinary citizen in aspects of local social life which are disappearing in Cambridgeshire under changing conditions. The Committee feel that this object has in a considerable measure been achieved, judging from the interest taken by visitors and the numerous articles presented by members of the general public on their own initiative. The number of exhibits given or lent, mainly gifts, increased rapidly to a total of 1,604 at the end of the year. It is a matter for regret that lack of space stands in the way of accepting some large objects which would be approved on their merits, though a point has been strained to admit a hackney carriage, a Sheriff's coach and two hand fire-engines to the inn yard. Moreover, the Committee cannot lose sight of the fact that to be eligible for acceptance objects are, with few exceptions, required actually to have belonged to the area of the geographical county of Cambridge.

The Committee have decided that business ledgers and manuscripts generally do not come within the scope of the Folk Museum, and certain such objects offered to them have been directed to appropriate institutions. As an example, mention may be made of a very interesting commercial register recording the business transactions in the eighteenth century of Messrs. Hattersley, a well-known firm of grocers in Trinity Street. This can now be consulted at the Marshall Library.

The Committee gratefully acknowledge their indebtedness to many people for help given in various ways. Among them may be mentioned Girton College and Messrs. Matthew & Son for cases and other fittings, Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Keynes for assistance in many ways, Mrs. Law for her frequent gift and arrangement of flowers, and the Misses Buckenham for much neighbourly help.

The thanks of the Committee are also specially owing to Miss Catherine Parsons, who has continued to give much time to her duties of Honorary Curator, to Dr. Mary Scruby, who has rendered valuable assistance in preparing the index of exhibits, and to their Custodian, Mr. R. C. Lambeth, for the devotion shewn to the interests of the Association over a wide range of duties.

In concluding this report the Committee would again express their appreciation of the support given by the Cambridge Corporation, the Colleges and members of the public. The fact that gifts and loans have often followed visits to the Museum encourages the belief that it does fulfil a useful purpose and has aroused genuine interest.

The Honorary Curator, Miss Catherine E. Parsons, regrets that there is no space in the report to publish the list of gifts and loans received during the past year, and the names of their contributors through whose generosity each room in the Museum has gained considerably in interest.

# THE CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM ASSOCIATION

## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1937.

### EXPENDITURE.

To/	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Rent, Rates and Insurance .. ..	32	6	0			
Heat, Light and Water .. ..	23	12	5			
Cleaning .. ..	8	10	3			
				64	8	8
Custodian's Salary and National Insurance				111	6	10
Printing, Postages, Stationery, Advertising and Sundry Expenses .. ..	21	2	3			
Purchase of Exhibits .. ..	2	18	6			
Framing Print .. ..		3	0			
Clerical Assistance .. ..	6	17	5			
Cartage .. ..	1	10	0			
Photographic Prints and Slides .. ..	9	0	0			
Expenses of Annual Meeting .. ..	4	7	6			
Cheque Books .. ..		15	0			
				46	13	8
Repairs and Renewals .. ..					12	7
Gas Fire and Furnishing .. ..				3	7	10
				£226	9	7

### INCOME.

By/	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Ordinary Subscriptions .. ..	88	1	0			
Associate Subscriptions .. ..	20	0	6			
Donations .. ..	43	15	0			
Admission Fees, Sale of Postcards, and Donations from Visitors .. ..	32	7	8			
Proportion of Life Membership Subscriptions .. ..	37	12	0			
Interest on Deposit Accounts .. ..	3	7	6			
<i>Excess of Expenditure over Income for year .. ..</i>	1	5	11			

£226 9 7



BALANCE SHEET 31st DECEMBER, 1937.

*LIABILITIES.*

<i>Accumulated Fund:</i>			
Balance 31st December, 1936	.. ..	12 15 10	
Less: Subscription for 1936 transferred to Life Membership Account	.. ..	10 0 0	
Excess of Expenditure over Income for 1937	.. ..	1 5 11	
		<hr/>	11 5 11
			1 9 11
<i>Life Membership Subscriptions:</i>			
Balance 31st December, 1936	.. ..	264 12 0	
Add: Received during 1937	.. ..	53 0 0	
Transferred from Subscriptions for 1936		10 0 0	
		<hr/>	327 12 0
Less: Transferred to Revenue	.. ..	37 12 0	
		<hr/>	290 0 0
Sundry Creditors	.. ..		14 17 7
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			£306 7 6
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*ASSETS.*

<i>Cash at Bankers:</i>			
Lloyds Bank, Current Account	.. ..	36 19 8	
Cambridge Trustee Savings Bank, Deposit Account	.. ..	267 10 4	
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Rates paid in advance	.. ..		1 17 6

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£306 7 6

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AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

We have prepared the above Accounts from the books and vouchers, and certify the same to be correct and in accordance therewith.

Norwich Union Buildings,  
Downing Street,  
Cambridge.  
22nd February, 1938.

PETERS, ELWORTHY & MOORE,  
Chartered Accountants,  
Hon. Auditors.

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(a) 1936.

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Caius College	L. F. Newman
C. M. Coote	Dr. W. M. Palmer
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Downing College	E. Saville Peck
Emmanuel College	Queens' College
The Master of Emmanuel	Mme. Raverat
Lord Fairhaven	Dr. F. Robinson
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J. M. Keynes	Lt.-Col. L. Tebbutt
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 Dr. C. H. Budd  
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