

THE  
CAMBRIDGE & COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM  
ASSOCIATION

FIFTH  
ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE  
Year ended 31st December, 1940



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THE Fourth Annual Meeting of the Association was held on April 19th, 1940, when an address on "Disappearing Bedfordshire" was given by Mr. T. W. Bagshawe, F.S.A.

Although faced by special difficulties, the Committee have kept the Museum open throughout the year, and every effort has been made to render it both useful and attractive. The extent to which this aim has been attained is shown by the number of visits which rose to 4,790, the highest figure yet reached. The educational side has not been neglected. Parties of school-children, both local children and those billeted here, were received two or three times a week, mainly during the summer vacation. They were always accompanied by one or more teachers, and talks on groups of exhibits were given by Mr. Lambeth, Assistant Curator, and were much appreciated. Some of the older boys were brought by their teacher to make drawings in the yard of the Museum. Among the sketches of wagons and other vehicles, several reached a high standard.

A shilling book published by the Association and written by Mr. Lambeth, fully illustrated by his drawings of agricultural implements in the Museum, has had a steady sale and has assisted in making the Museum widely known outside Cambridge. The book can be obtained at the Museum or from any bookseller.

In the course of the year, premises on Honey Hill near the Museum, consisting of a disused smithy and large shed, have been rented from the Borough Council. This additional accommodation is of great value as a workshop and store, and it is hoped eventually to recondition part of it as a smithy,

for which all the fittings have already been provided. The acquisition of the shed has made it possible to clear the stable in the Museum yard of miscellaneous stores, and it has now been converted into a brewhouse and a dairy, where appropriate exhibits are displayed.

In September, Mr. Lambeth was enabled to undertake work of national importance but continues to reside in the Museum building. This has made it possible for him to retain general oversight, while Mrs. Lambeth has kindly undertaken to open and attend the Museum at the usual hours.

The Committee's thanks are due to the many friends who during the past year have contributed 195 gifts or loans, bringing up the total number of exhibits to 3244. Special thanks are due to Mr. Louis Clarke for his vigilance in diverting to the Museum objects of folk interest. A road wagon from Mr. Bagshawe, which came from Streetley Hall, is a welcome loan, as is also a cork model, lent by Mrs. Fred Dale, of one of James Burleigh's wagons, illustrating a method of transport at the time of the Napoleonic wars. Dating from the same period are a number of broadsides presented by Mr. Morley Stuart. These were printed in Cambridge in 1803 and express sentiments almost equally appropriate at the present time. An important gift of 24 exhibits has been received from the executors of the late Mrs. Basil Chaplin of Fulbourn. Mr. Lambeth has given a Churchwarden pipe-rack constructed out of old horse-shoes, Mr. Claydon contributes a group of woolwork flowers made at Willingham, to add to the four groups of wool or wax-work fruit and flowers in the Museum. These, together with shell-work boxes from Miss Parsons, should form an interesting exhibit when opportunity offers. Mrs. Keynes has given an iron fire-back bearing Royal arms of the Tudor period. Alderman Peck has given a silver cup presented to Alderman Wm. Cockerell in 1868 "in recognition of his successful efforts in resisting the introduction of University voters into the Borough Constituency." Dr. Cobbett has contributed a doctor's vinaigrette walking-stick and some fine bronze mortars. The Master and Fellows of Gonville and Caius College have kindly sent three iron posts with chains as a specimen of the iron-work given up by them for war purposes.

The above serve to illustrate the variety of gifts received by the Committee. It is with great regret that they find themselves unable to give a complete list of the gifts with the names of the Donors for 1940.

Private subscriptions and donations have again been the largest source of income, the number of subscribers comprising 36 life-members, 69 ordinary and 58 associate members. Apart from life-members this means a reduction from 138 to 127 annual subscribers, many due to war conditions. Annual grants from the Cambridge and Cambridgeshire Education Committees and from the Thomas Wall Trust have been of substantial assistance, and the Association are indebted to the Cambridge Borough Council for a special donation towards the cost of a new heating installation. The receipts from the sale of Mr. Lambeth's booklet on agricultural implements have almost repaid the cost of production.

To meet current expenditure it has been necessary to withdraw a substantial sum from the life-membership deposit in the Savings Bank, and an increase in the number of subscribing supporters will be necessary if this drain on the Capital Account is not to continue.

The Committee regret to report the resignation of the Honorary Curator, Miss Catherine Parsons. Miss Parsons was largely instrumental, in co-operation with Alderman Peck and Dr. Robinson, in establishing the Museum in the first instance, and has been Hon. Curator throughout the five years of its existence, including the preparatory period. The Committee desire to express their great appreciation of the generous way in which Miss Parsons has devoted her expert knowledge to the service of the Museum, and their regret that war conditions have made it impossible for her to continue her valuable assistance.

Mr. Donald Missen, who has kindly acted as Hon. Secretary for two years, has also resigned. The Committee are very grateful to him for his services. They regret that in his case also, war conditions have compelled him to retire.

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