THE CAMBRIDGE & COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM ASSOCIATION

SIXTH

ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE

Year ended 31st December, 1941



THE CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM
2 CASTLE STREET, CAMBRIDGE

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THE Fifth Annual Meeting of the Association was held on February 20th, 1941. The President was supported by the Patron, the Lord Lieutenant, who referred to the excellent attendance of school children at the Museum. He was glad, he said, to find that the youth of to-day took an interest in the

youth of yesterday.

Miss Parsons, Hon. Curator, and Mr. Missen, Hon. Secretary, having resigned, these posts were filled by the election of Mr. L. F. Newman and Mr. Fyjis-Walker. The other officers were re-elected. The Report and the Accounts for 1940 were adopted. An interesting lecture on "Some aspects of Craftsmanship in the 17th and 18th centuries" was given by Professor A. E. Richardson, A.R.A., F.R.I.B.A., F.S.A.

During 1941 the Museum has continued to fulfil its function of reminding the present age of the life and times of our fathers and grandfathers, and the exhibits tend to show that in spite of wars the continuity of ordinary life in England has been unbroken. Public support was well maintained and parties of school children accompanied by their teachers took

advantage of the special arrangements made for them.

During the year the Hon. Curator, Mr. L. F. Newman, found himself compelled to resign. The Executive Committee appointed Mr. R. C. Lambeth, Acting Honorary Curator, and Mrs. Lambeth, Acting Assistant Curator. The thanks of the Association are due to Mr. Newman for his great help and interest. It is sincerely hoped that he will be able to resume office in happier times. Mr. Lambeth has devoted all his spare time to the supervision of the Museum and has watched beth has attended daily and acted as Assistant Curator with marked success.

A Museum publication on "Domestic Utensils", written and illustrated by Mr. Lambeth, was issued at 4d. and which it is hoped to continue as occasion offers. The Museum

has now a good set of lantern slides of exhibits, which is available for lectures. Permission can also be obtained to photograph

objects in the Museum, under certain conditions.

The leases of the premises were renewed by the Corporation for a further five years at the existing rent, so that the continuance of the Museum is assured, provided that the public, for whose benefit it exists, supports the Association in its work of preservation, the value of which increases in these times of destruction.

Although the number of acquisitions for the year has dropped considerably, several important items have been added to the list. The Vicar and Churchwardens of St. Giles with St. Peter have handed over the large fire-hook, formerly kept in St. Peter's Church for the use of the parish, in which parish it will fortunately still remain. It bears the date 1739 and the letters A.P. X. S.P. on the neck.

Another gift, from the late Hon. Curator, Mr. L. F. Newman, is a print by H. Bunbury, dated 1785, showing the interior of a barber's shop. This print solves a problem which has puzzled many museum officials, since it shows a barber using a pair of iron tongs of a type often seen in Museums, but of which the use was forgotten. The print proves that this implement was used for heating and pressing the curls of wigs, and illustrates therefore an early form of permanent waving. Mr. Newman has also presented a collection of fourteen local Trade Cards: it is hoped this will form a nucleus for a more extensive collection. From the same donor comes an ingenious cross-bow having a magazine for the quarrel and is of the type

used by poachers in the last century.

An interesting appliance for burning off paint, together with plumber's irons, comes from Mrs. Webster, and a large collection of tools connected with the plumbers' and leadburners' trades from Mr. H. E. Greef, through the generosity of Ald. E. Saville Peck. The business of Greef of King's Parade was founded in the seventeenth century, and twice in its history has re-leaded the roof of King's College Chapel. was unfortunately found impossible to preserve the interesting lead workers' table with its quaint mechanism, owing to its large size and the restricted space available in the museum. The most important gift in relation to this old business was from Mr. Greef himself. This is a large copper beer-jug engraved with the Arms of the Plumbers' and Lead Workers' Company and bearing an inscription on the lid " In Memento,

T. Greef. Ob. 1 July 1846." Mr. T. Greef left a request that this jug should be filled with beer at the "Eagle" every payday and the contents shared amongst the workmen of the firm.

Another side-light on a vanished trade is shown by the gift to the Museum of a number of examples of "turned" wood-ware from the once well-known business of Starling, of King Street. The family have been wood-turners and hamcurers for several generations, and this gift is from Mrs. Starling of King Street.

The Committee feel that it would be an advantage if in the near future the Museum might have a gallery over the vehicle sheds in the yard, in which could be shown material dealing with vanished local trades and industries. At the present time these objects have to be stored, as there are no means of exhibiting them in the Museum.

The number of gifts and loans for the year amount to seventy, which considering the difficulties in carrying on the

Museum may be considered as encouraging.

The number of visits paid during the year was 4,663, against 4,790 in 1940. Of these, 347 were visits by groups of school children, for whose free admission annual grants are made by the County and Borough Education Committees. In addition, 2,522 persons visited on the days of free admission, while 1,794 paid the small admission fee of three pence. Although museum takings showed an increase on the previous year, the lack of more substantial financial support by the visiting public is disappointing and makes all the more valuable the assistance of subscribers and private donors. Their contributions, together with the grants from the Education Authorities and the Thomas Wall Trust, form the mainstay of the Museum.

War conditions have again reduced the number of private subscriptions. The total number of such subscriptions was 110, compared with 127 in the previous year and 138 in 1939. It is much to be hoped that this downward trend may be arrested.

The Committee wish to place on record their deep regret at the death of Mrs. Adeane, a member of the General Committee. She presided at the opening of the Museum and was a constant subscriber, who gave her unfailing support whenever her help was asked for.

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| 9 | 9 | 2 | Printing, Postages, Stationery, and | | | Grant from County Education Com- mittee Grant from Thomas Wall Trust | 10 0 0 20 0 |) | | |
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Examined with the books and vouchers and found correct.

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Hon. Auditor.