

THE CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY  
FOLK MUSEUM

ASSOCIATION

ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1946



THE CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM  
2 CASTLE STREET, CAMBRIDGE



# The Cambridge and County Folk Museum Association

## OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 1946

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H. P. W. Gatty, M.A., F.S.A.  
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R. C. Lambeth  
The Folk Museum

### *Hon. Treasurer:*

H. I. Fyjis-Walker  
8, Howes Place, Cambridge

### *Acting Assistant Curator:*

Mrs. Lambeth

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Hon. Secretary  
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Cambridge Antiquarian Society  
Cambridge Borough Council  
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L. F. Newman

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T. W. Bagshawe  
W. Brereton

H. S. Johnson  
Dr. Margaret Murray



# The Cambridge and County Folk Museum

(Incorporated 5th June, 1946)

## COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT

as on 1st January, 1947.

### EXECUTIVE OFFICERS :

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*Hon. Secretary :*

H. P. W. Gatty, M.A., F.S.A.

*Hon. Curator :*

R. C. Lambeth.

### ELECTED MEMBERS :

T. W. Bagshawe, F.S.A., W. Brereton, F.S.I., N. Higgins, M.B.E.

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Miss D. M. Howlett

„ Cambridge Borough Teachers Association

Mrs. Vincent-Brün

„ Cambridgeshire Teachers Association.



W. West.

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The Abbey House,  
Barnwell.

*From Gray's "Cambridge Revisited"*



# ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR 1946

THE TENTH ANNUAL MEETING of the Association was held on the 22nd March, 1946. The President, the Master of Magdalene, took the chair, supported by the Patron, Lord Fairhaven, and the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. There was a good attendance of members and friends. The Patron in moving the adoption of the Report and Accounts for 1945 said that he was delighted to know that the two conditions governing his gift of the Old Abbey House had been fulfilled. The appeal for £3,500 had been launched, achieved its object and been closed within a year; particular and grateful thanks being due to the Pilgrim Trust who had generously given the last £450. Mrs. J. N. Keynes gave a masterly address on "The Old Abbey House," tracing the history of Barnwell Abbey from the earliest times to the Dissolution, continuing the history of the site and of the Abbey House to the present day. She showed a number of slides, assisted by Mr. C. W. Craske, the Association's Architect for the Abbey House scheme.

The retiring officers and committees were re-elected pending the incorporation of the Association.

INCORPORATION: The Association was incorporated as THE CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM on 5th June, 1946. A special General Meeting was held on 24th July, 1946, at which it was resolved that the whole of the assets and liabilities of the Association be transferred on 1st January, 1947, to the Company, and that the Association do cease to exist on that date. On the same day the First General Meeting of the Company was held to conduct the formal business necessary under the Articles. The Association officers and elected members of the Committee were elected as the Council of Management of the new concern.

THE ABBEY HOUSE. A start was made in the great task of fitting the Abbey House for the purposes of the Museum. Mr. C. W. Craske, L.R.I.B.A., was appointed architect to make a survey of the buildings. He prepared detailed plans and drawings with a full report upon the work immediately necessary to preserve the fabric. A licence was obtained to make the northern end of the building safe and watertight, and the work was successfully carried out by Messrs. Johnson & Baily Limited, whose director Mr. H. S. Johnson, and foreman Mr. C. Hardingham, gave us advice and personal attention to detail for which we cannot be too grateful. The rest of the work recommended by Mr. Craske must await the easing of the housing position in the Borough and the issue of the necessary licences.



Mr. V. S. Daniell of Moulton Hall, Newmarket, was called in to advise upon the garden. He presented a plan to the Museum showing his suggestions, both immediate and final. Certain preliminary work was done under his supervision: the rest must wait like the building.

THE ACCOUNTS for 1946 show the effects of rising prices, the expenses being £21 more than in 1945. This increase is partly due to the installation of the telephone, which was ordered several years ago; but the general cost of running the Museum is inevitably rising. The income from Subscriptions and Donations shows a slight increase of £4, but this is off-set by a decrease in the receipts from visitors. The deficit has been met by drawing upon the reserve in the Trustee Savings Bank.

ACQUISITIONS during 1946 numbered seventy-six. The range was wide and some objects received were of outstanding interest. Among the more notable were a fine baby's cradle, said to have belonged to, and bought at the sale of, the Cotton Family of Madingley; this is of the shape in vogue during the 17th century, but appears to have been re-covered several times; it is a gift from Lord Fairhaven. Another interesting item is a large wooden figure of a Turk, which formerly embellished Messrs. Bacon's shop on Market Hill; the Museum is indebted to the Executors of the late Mr. F. R. Whitaker for this. Closely allied is another tobacconist's sign also carved out of wood, depicting a Turk and a Blackamoor and advertising that the shop-keeper sold "tobacco, snuffs and cigars," the donor being Capt. S. W. Sykes.

Several prints of Elizabeth Woodcock were presented to the Museum; in fact there appears to be a greater variety of portraits and literature in existence dealing with this lady than of many a greater celebrity; for her only claim to fame was that she was lost in the snow. She seems to be almost a subject in herself.

Some very interesting items came from Mr. E. B. Carless, including some first numbers of Undergraduate Journals. Mrs. W. W. Pemberton presented a very unusual bed airer: a large wooden frame in which a container of live charcoal was placed. From the same source we have also received a combined carriage-whip and parasol. Other gifts include a doll's lustre tea-service from Mrs. Warren; several framed prints of Old Cambridge from Captain G. R. Hattersley; a musical box and a number of very fine Valentines from Mr. R. W. Jacobs.

TALKS AND LECTURES: This side of the Museum's work has shown a steady increase during the past two years. During 1946 the Hon. Curator has had, reluctantly, to turn down requests for these talks, the number asked for being far



beyond the time available, in spite of which he travelled over 400 miles to address the following groups :—

- Bottisham Young Farmers' Club.
- Cambridge Rotary Club.
- Cambridge Rotary Boys' Club.
- Cambridge & District Model Engineering Society.
- Cambridge Insurance Institute (At the Museum).
- Caxton Women's Institute.
- Caxton Young Farmers' Club.
- Central Youth Club.
- Cherry Hinton Women's Institute (This talk led to a conducted visit to the Museum).
- Coton Women's Institute.
- Ely High School.
- Fen Drayton Women's Institute.
- Histon Junior School (2 Visits).
- Liberal Summer School.
- Linton Young Farmers' Club.
- Over Young Farmers' Club (2 Visits).
- Peterborough W.E.A. (At the Museum).
- Royal Empire Society.
- Sawston Young Farmers' Club.
- Teversham Women's Institute.

SCHOOL CHILDREN to the number of 148 visited the Museum in eleven organised parties, accompanied by their teachers. These came for the most part from the County.

EXHIBITIONS were again arranged away from the Museum. Costume was shown at Linton Village College and attracted more than 400 people in the week, quite the most popular exhibition the Museum has ever arranged. Two separate displays of old Agricultural Implements were taken at the request of the Cambs. War Agricultural Executive Committee, to Newton Hall where the Curator gave lantern talks to members of the Women's Land Army on "The Evolution of Agricultural Implements" and "The Farm House."

The total number of visitors to the Museum during the year was made up as follows:—2,170 paying visitors and 1,576 on free days, making a total of 3,746.

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The Committee wish to remind members that the Museum is open on Sundays from 2.30-4.30, and on weekdays, except Monday, from 2 o'clock to 4.30 p.m.



# Donors to the Abbey House Fund

31st December, 1946

- £500 : Mr. L. C. G. Clarke, Lord Keynes and Mrs. J. N. Keynes, Mr. E. Saville Peck.
- £450 : The Pilgrim Trust.
- £105 : Mrs. Charles Armstrong.
- £100 : Cambridge Preservation Society, the Hon. Lady Darwin, King's College, Trinity College.
- £75 : Mrs. A. H. Lloyd.
- £50 : Miss R. Darwin, Gonville & Caius College.
- £25 : St. John's College.
- £21 : Mr. Grafton Pryor.
- £20 : Capt. R. G. Briscoe, Jesus College, Magdalene College, Peterhouse, Mr. J. Saltmarsh.
- £15 : Christ's College, Clare College, Emmanuel College.
- £10 10s. : Mr. T. W. Bagshawe, Mr. R. C. Blows, Downing College, Mr. Balfour Gourlay, the Misses Kenny, Pembroke College, St. Catharine's College
- £10 : Dr. F. W. Aston, Mr. E. A. B. Barnard, Messrs. Bidwell & Sons, Corpus Christi College, Sir William Dampier and Miss Dampier, Mr. H. S. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. P. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Lambeth, Sidney Sussex College, Trinity Hall.
- £5 5s. : Mrs. D. K. Bland, Mr. F. G. Collins, Prof. and Mrs. A. V. Hill, Mr. C. J. L. Hull, Lord Inverclyde, Linton Village College Students, Mr. G. F. Roe, Earl Spencer, Messrs. C. H. Stockbridge & Son, Mr. and Mrs. Vulliamy.
- £5 : The Master of Downing and Lady Richmond, Miss Eddington, English Folk Dance & Song Society, Mr. H. H. Harper, Mr. H. C. Hughes, Air Vice-Marshal G. L. Keynes, Mrs. A. Lilley, Miss C. E. Parsons, Hon. Audrey Pauncefote, Mr. C. W. Phillips, Mr. R. Pierce, Mr. A. B. Ramsay, Mr. W. F. Reddaway, Mr. S. A. Rolfe, Sawston Village College Students, Lt.-Col. L. Tebbutt, Dr. E. M. W. Tillyard, Mrs. E. M. W. Tillyard, Dr. G. M. Trevelyan, Mrs. A. Wagstaffe.
- £4 : Cash received in small sums at the Museum.
- £3 3s. : Mr. Alex Christie, Mr. P. C. Gray, Mr. O. E. Johnson.
- £3 : "A Rough Hand."
- £2 2s. : Mr. and Mrs. Ewart Beattie, Mr. H. Franklin, Miss M. A. Graves, Lt.-Col. J. Groves, Mr. R. M. Hurrell, Mr. A. F. Leach, Messrs. Geo. Lister & Sons, Ltd., Mrs. B. M. Lock, Sir R. Meiklejohn, Mr. C. E. Ridgeon, Messrs. Robt. Sayle & Co. Ltd., Mr. S. Stubbs, Mrs. Granville Sharpe.
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- £1 : Mrs. Bond, Children of Histon Junior School, Mr. A. L. Percival, the Misses Spalding.
- 10s. : Mrs. Cameron, Mr. A. W. Dilley, Capt. Hatfield, Mr. A. Macdonald, "Mary", Mrs. Cole Phillips, Mrs. M. G. Scrase
- 5s. : Rev. R. W. M. Acworth.



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Cambridge Borough Education Committee  
Cambridgeshire County Education Committee  
The Thomas Wall Trust



# THE CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM ASSOCIATION

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the Year ended 31st December, 1946

1945 To	EXPENDITURE	1946			1945 By	INCOME	1946		
£		£	s.	d.	£		£	s.	d.
53	Rent, Rates and Insurance .. ..	56	1	0	62	Ordinary Subscriptions .. ..	68	9	0
35	Heat, Light and Water .. ..	37	14	2	19	Associate Subscriptions .. ..	15	13	0
33	Cleaning, including Cleaner's Wages	35	7	4	20	Donations .. ..	21	0	0
		129 2 6					105 2 0		
57	Assistant Curator's Salary .. ..					Grant from Borough Education Committee .. ..	10	0	0
13	Printing, Postages, Stationery, Telephone and Sundry Expenses .. ..	24	9	5	20	Grant from County Education Committee .. ..	10	0	0
	Bank Charges and Cheque Books .. ..		9	0	10	Grant from Thomas Wall Trust .. ..	20	0	0
3	Advertisements and Carriage .. ..	2	15	0	20		40 0 0		
2	Repairs and Renewals .. ..	2	18	7		Admission Fees, Sale of Postcards, and Donations from Visitors .. ..			36 0 11
		30 12 0				Interest on Cambs. and District Trustee Savings Bank Deposit Account .. ..			6 2 4
						Balance Deficit for the year .. ..			30 5 10
					39				
					5				
					1				
<u>196</u>		£217 11 1			<u>196</u>		£217 11 1		

## BALANCE SHEET, 31st December, 1946

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
9	Sundry Creditors as per list .. ..	11	9	6	1	Cash in Hand (Petty Cash) .. ..	3 8 3
-	Sundry Creditors (Abbey House)	50	6	3		Cash at Bank—	
	The Abbey House Fund at 1st January, 1946 .. ..	2012	18	3	25	Current Account .. ..	32 10 1
	<i>Add</i> Subscriptions, Donations, Rent and Interest .. ..	794	6	7		Cambridge and District Trustee Savings Bank Deposit Account and Interest Accrued .. ..	226 19 1
		2807 4 10					262 17 5
	<i>Less</i> Expenses 1946 .. ..	793	10	6	8	Payments in Advance .. ..	3 18 9
		2013 14 4				Cash on Deposit (Abbey House):—	
2013	Reserve for Life Membership					Cambridge and District Trustee Savings Bank .. ..	1525 0 0
	Subscriptions at 1st January, 1946 .. ..	222	4	9	1000	Lloyds Bank Ltd. .. ..	517 0 7
180	<i>Additions</i> in 1946 .. ..	9	9	0	972	Arrears of Rent (Abbey House) .. ..	22 0 0
42		231 13 9			41		2064 0 7
222	Accumulated General Fund at 1st January, 1946 .. ..	53	18	9			
54	<i>Less</i> Deficit for the year 1946	30	5	10			
1		23 12 11					
		£2330 16 9					£2330 16 9

### AUDITOR'S REPORT

NOTE—The Cambridge and County Folk Museum, a Company incorporated on 5th June, 1946, took over the Assets and Liabilities of the Association on 1st January, 1947, and in addition, on that date, held Freehold Property, The Abbey House, given by Lord Fairhaven, at a cost of £3,675.

I have examined the foregoing Accounts and Balance Sheet with the books of account of THE CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM ASSOCIATION and have obtained all the information and explanations I have required, and in my opinion such Balance Sheet dated 31st December, 1946, exhibits a correct view of the state of affairs of the Association from the best of my information and the explanations given to me, and as shown by the books of account.

February 4th, 1947

R. CHATER BLOWS, Auditor, Chartered Accountant.  
(J. CHATER & SONS, Cambridge)





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