

THE CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM

2 CASTLE STREET, CAMBRIDGE

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1951



The Cambridge and County Folk Museum

(Incorporated 5th June, 1946)

COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT

as on 31st December, 1951

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS:

Patron:

The Rt. Hon. the Lord Fairhaven, M.A., D.L., J.P., F.S.A.

President:

E. Saville Peck, M.A. D.L.

Vice-Presidents:

E. A. B. Barnard, M.A., F.S.A.
Councillor Miles Burkitt, M.A., J.P., F.S.A., F.G.S.
L. C. G. Clarke, M.A., F.S.A.
Mrs. J. N. Keynes, J.P.
H. I. Fyjis-Walker, M.B.E.

Hon. Treasurer:

Reverend R. Corboy, M.A.

Hon. Secretary:

Alderman F. J. Priest

Hon. Curator:

L. C. G. Clarke, M.A., F.S.A.

Resident Curator:

Miss E. M. Porter, B.A.

ELECTED MEMBERS:

Sir Henry McAnally, W. Brereton, E. B. Haddon, T. N. Gallyon, R. Heffer.

NOMINATED MEMBERS:

Councillor D. V. Durell	by Cambridgeshire County Council.
Aldermen A. C. Taylor, F. Doggett,	
F. J. Priest, Mrs. C. D. Rackham,	
Councillors G. F. Hickson, R. Hensher,	
H. R. Mallett, W. Stockbridge, Mrs.	
T. R. Henn	„ Cambridge City Council.
J. A. Saltmarsh	„ Council of the Senate of the University.
Dr. G. H. S. Bushnell	„ Cambridge Antiquarian Society
Miss D. M. Howlett	„ N.U.T., Cambridge Association.
Mr. B. G. W. Cash	„ N.U.T., Cambridgeshire Association.

THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

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Proceedings at the Annual General Meeting, 1951

THE SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Association being the fifteenth since the opening of the Museum, was held on Thursday, 15th March, 1951, in the Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology.

The Patron, Lord Fairhaven, was in the Chair, supported by the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. K. Taylor, J.P., and the Hon. Secretary, Alderman F. J. Priest, and about 60 members.

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 9th March, 1950, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

The Annual Report for the year ending 31st December, 1950, was received and adopted. The audited statement of accounts was presented by the Hon. Treasurer and adopted. Mr. Chater Blows was re-appointed Auditor at a remuneration of five guineas.

The Patron, the President, the Vice-Presidents and the Hon. Secretary were unanimously re-elected. There being no nomination for the office of Hon. Treasurer in place of Mr. J. K. Taylor who had resigned, it was left to the Executive Committee to make an appointment.

Three vacancies on the Council of Management were filled by the appointment of Sir Henry McAnally, Mr. T. N. Gallyon and Mr. R. Heffer. Mr. B. G. W. Cash of Bottisham Village College was nominated to represent the Cambridgeshire Branch of the National Union of Teachers.

At the conclusion of the meeting a most entertaining lecture on "Old Church Musical Instruments," with practical demonstrations, was given by the Reverend Noel Boston, M.A., F.S.A., Vicar of East Dereham, for which he was warmly thanked by Mr. E. A. B. Barnard.

The outstanding event of the past year was the visit of T.R.H. the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester to the Museum on Wednesday, 1st August, when, in the unavoidable absence of the Patron, the President, Mr. E. Saville Peck, received the royal visitors. The visit lasted for nearly an hour and Their Royal Highnesses showed considerable interest in many of the exhibits as they were being conducted round by the Resident Curator.

A reception and tea given by the President and Mrs. Peck at the Museum on May 23rd, was greatly enjoyed by upwards of 60 guests.

ABBEY HOUSE

During the year the exterior of the Abbey House has been repainted and some interior decoration to an attic carried out. The fence in Beche Road has been repaired and further deprecations to the old wall prevented.

Steps are being taken to covenant the property with the National Trust.

RESIDENT CURATOR'S REPORT

Once again a slight increase in attendance can be reported, the total number of visitors to the Museum during 1951 being 3,700. It is encouraging to see that the number of school visits has risen to the record figure of 754.

Curators of several other Museums have visited us during the year, including the Director of the Children's Museum in Brooklyn, New York, who was on a tour of English museums which offer special educational services.

Training College students in the City continue to make full and frequent use of the Museum. For this reason it is important that a collection of books, dealing with the subjects covered by the Museum, should be built up so that students can consult them during their visits. In the past some books were kindly presented by friends of the Museum, and these, with the Resident Curator's own collection, are much in demand. Further additions to our library would, however, be greatly appreciated.

Visitors to the Museum have on many occasions asked whether a Guide or Catalogue were obtainable. As some of the exhibits are changed from time to time to allow as many as possible to be shown in turn in our now very restricted space, a detailed catalogue was not possible. A brief Guide has, however, been published and is now on sale. Two of the photographs from the book are reproduced in this report.

Three more special exhibitions were held during the year: "Local Maps and Plans"; "Cambridge at Work—a Survey of some Typical Industries of the City and County" and "Fashion Plates, 1751-1951." The last named exhibition was attended on the opening day by the Mayoress, Mrs. H. O. Langdon. In the preparation of the Festival exhibition of Cambridge at Work the Resident Curator was greatly indebted to the various local firms who assisted her by lending and, in some cases, by giving suitable material for such an exhibition.

Exhibits have again been loaned to local schools and Village Colleges, while a series of exhibitions have been arranged at the Perse School for Boys throughout the year.

During 1951 the Resident Curator gave over 50 talks in Cambridge and surrounding villages and a full programme is already arranged for 1952.

We are, as always, most grateful to the Editor and Staff of the Cambridge Daily News who are always ready to print items of news concerning the Museum and whose reporters are unfailingly the first visitors to any exhibition or function held at the Museum.

HON. TREASURER'S REPORT.

In the Revenue Report of the Folk Museum I have to point to the deficit on the year of £34 10s. 2d.

Grants received from the City Corporation amounted to £350 and in July it was decided by the City Council to meet whatever deficit there should be on a year's working, up to the amount of £500; in other words, to meet any deficit in any year, provided it is also supported by voluntary effort.

All must be grateful for this both necessary and generous subsidy. It is at the same time a recognition of the loyalty and liberal-mindedness of those who over the years have subscribed to and supported the work of the Museum. May they continue to do so and their numbers increase.

RECORD OF VISITORS

COMPARATIVE YEARLY ATTENDANCE

<i>Year ended 31st Dec.</i>	<i>Total.</i>	<i>Free Admission included in Total.</i>	<i>School Children included in Total.</i>
1937	4,735	692	685
1938	4,178	1,204	No Record
1939	3,975	676	588
1940	4,790	No Record	No Record
1941	4,663	2,275	347
1942	3,988	2,142	No Record
1943	4,396	2,001	No Record
1944	4,439	1,766	No Record
1945	4,208	1,738	No Record
1946	3,746	1,428	148
1947	2,682	959	134
1948	2,655	671	426
1949	3,150	753	623
1950	3,551	970	591
1951	3,700	721	754



Corner of the City and University Room

Photo by Edward Leigh, Cambridge.



Fireplace in the Bar Parlour

Photo by Edward Leigh, Cambridge.

Life Members

(Donors of 10 guineas and upwards)

Mrs. C. Armstrong	Miss Muriel Kenny
T. W. Bagshawe	Mrs. J. N. Keynes
Mrs. E. Blackman	King's College
R. C. Blows	Provost of King's
Captain R. G. Briscoe	L. F. Newman
Major the Hon. H. R. Broughton	Miss C. E. Parsons
Cambridge Preservation Society	E. Saville Peck
Clare College	Pembroke College
L. C. G. Clarke	Peterhouse
C. M. Coote	Queens' College
Dowring College	A. B. Ramsay
Emmanuel College	Mme. Raverat
Master of Emmanuel	Mrs. Rees Thomas
Lord Fairhaven	St. Catharine's College
Lieut.-Col. O. B. Foster	St. John's College
Girton College	J. Saltmarsh
Gonville and Caius College	Sidney Sussex College
W. Balfour Gourlay	Dr. E. M. W. Tillyard
E. B. Haddon	Mrs. E. M. W. Tillyard
N. O. Higgins	Trinity College
Jesus College	Mrs. Dudley Ward
Miss Agnes Kenny	

ORDINARY MEMBERS (Annual Subscribers of 1 guinea and upwards)

T. W. Bagshawe	Percy Johnson
E. A. B. Barnard	King and Harper, Ltd.
M. C. Burkitt	King's College
G. H. S. Bushnell	G. S. R. Kitson Clark
Cambridge Antiquarian Society	W. Eaden Lilley and Co., Ltd.
Cambridge and District	Mrs. A. Lilley
Co-operative Society	George Lister and Sons, Ltd.
National Union of Teachers,	Lloyds Bank, Ltd.
Cambridge Branch.	Magdalene College
National Union of Teachers,	Professor Sir Ellis Minns
Cambridgeshire Association	Major P. C. D. Mundy
L. C. G. Clarke	Sir Henry McAnally
Miss Eddington	Denis Payne
Emmanuel College	Pembroke College
H. I. Fyjis-Walker	Perse Boys' School
Gonville and Caius College	R. C. Pierce
T. N. Gallyon	Dr. S. H. Pritchard
W. Balfour Gourlay	Mrs. Rees Thomas
E. B. Haddon	Professor D. S. Robertson
Dr. R. E. M. Harding	St. John's College
Miss L. M. Heffer (the late)	J. Saltmarsh
Homerton College	Dr. Z. M. Scruby
Jesus College	J. K. Taylor
H. S. Johnson	Trinity College
Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Johnson	Mrs. Vulliamy

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS (Annual Subscribers of 5/- and upwards)

C. J. Bourne	Mrs. R. M. Rattenbury
W. Brereton	S. A. Rolfe
Sir G. de Montmorency	Miss A. H. Spalding
Rev. R. E. Dudley	Miss A. M. Spalding
R. H. Edelston	J. T. Spittle
Miss A. Edelston	C. F. Tebbutt
Sir Harold Gray	Mrs. Vincent Bruns
Lady Gray	Women's Institutes
Canon C. L. Hulbert-Powell	(Cambridgeshire Federation)
Mrs. K. E. Long	H. Woods
Mrs. C. D. Rackham	A. H. Wooll

ANNUAL GRANTS

Cambridge Corporation
 Cambridge City Education Committee
 Cambridgeshire County Education Committee

LIST OF THE PRINCIPAL ACCESSIONS, 1951

SOCIAL LIFE

The Inn

INN SIGN: "The Half Moon," formerly in Trumpington Street and later at 5, Little St. Mary's Lane. Mr. N. Teulon Porter
 INN SIGN: "Tally Ho," Trumpington, painted on copper, mid 19 c. Miss I. Marshall

Education

SAMPLERS (3), 1800, 1830, 1851, the work of 3 generations of one family. Mrs. E. Banister
 INDENTURE of Apprenticeship, 1898. Alderman F. J. Priest

Calendar Customs

CARDS, Birthday, New Year and Valentine, 19th c. Mrs. Money

Folk Lore

CORN DOLL, made at Chippenham for the Royal Show at Cambridge, 1951. Mrs. J. W. Hely-Hutchinson

Post Office

TELEGRAM, sent to Cambridge Town Club, 1871. Mr. J. Johnson

Government and Administration

ACCOUNT of J. Webb, Printer, for expenses incurred in the Election of Messrs. Adair and Hibbert, 1857. ORDER FORM, to Edmond Foster, Cambridge Election Officer, to pay the account of J. Webb, 1857. Mr. J. Johnson

THE HOUSEHOLD

House Fittings

WALL CLOCK, from Haslingfield, 1837. Mr. and Mrs. W. Bishop
HAND FIRE SCREENS (2), 1860. The late Mrs. W. Ellis
BRACKET, oak, made from beam of the roof of the old hall of Caius College, 1441. Mr. N. Teulon Porter

Cooking Utensils

WAFERING IRONS, early 19 c. The late Mrs. W. Ellis

Lighting

TINDER LIGHTER, c. 1720. Anon., per Mr. T. N. Gallyon

THE INDIVIDUAL

Objects of Personal Use

PHIALS, Attar of Roses (2). Mrs. Money
SHOE WARMER, glazed, 19th c. The late Mrs. W. Ellis
TOWEL, formerly in the possession of H.M. Queen Charlotte, 1727. The Marquess of Cambridge

Toys

DOLLS' TEA SERVICE, white and brown earthenware, Copeland, 1890. The late Mrs. W. Ellis

Sewing Appliances

PINCUSHION, heart-shaped Valentine, decorated beads and mottoes. The late Mrs. W. Ellis
SEWING MACHINE, brought to Cambridge from America, c. 1880. Mr. H. Birch

OCCUPATIONS

Brickmaking

WATER BOX, brickmaker's, 19th c. Mr. C. Swann

Lime Burning

SACK LADDER, 19th c. BASKETS (2), made by Shrive of Cambridge, 19th c. All used for lime carting. Mr. C. Swann

Glovemaking

SECTIONAL BLOCKS, glovemaker's. Major P. C. D. Mundy

Shoemaking

HAND LEATHER, POLISHING BONE, EDGING IRONS, wood, Mr. B. Day
PUMP IRONS, wood, mid 19th c.

Brushmaking

BENCH KNIFE, GLUE SCREWS, SPOON BITS, PITCH PAN,
SHEARS, HORSE HAIR BENCH COMB, Cambridge Brush Company

Locksmith

KEY, from Shudy Camps, 15th c.

KEY, from Whittlesford Church, 17th c.

Miss C. E. Parsons

Farming

CORN RIDDLES (2), 19th c. HAY KNIFE.

Mr. C. Swann

TURF CUTTER, 19th c., MUCK CHROME, RABI HOOKS (2),
DRAINING HOE, all from Kingston.

Mrs. Williamson

SPADES, Norfolk Clay (2), used at Coton. Cambridge Preservation Society

Dyeing

WOAD INDUSTRY, Wisbech; specimens of woad plant, balled woad
and photographs of woad mill at Parson's Drove.

University School of Botany

Well Sinking

WELL BORING SHELLS (2), 19th c.

Mr. N. Hudleston

Fishing

FISH SPEAR, 17th c., found at Harston.

Museum of Archaeology

Coopering

COOPER'S TOOLS, set of 12.

Star Brewery, Ltd.

Cabinet Making

BOTTLE, *lignum vitae*, made by Swan, 19, Sidney Street, c. 1860, for
presentation to apprentices.

Messrs. R. G. and G. T. Pilgrim

Textiles

PILLOW LACE MAT, made at Gamlingay, c. 1890, LACE PATTERN
PRICKER, LACE MAKER'S BOBBINS (12), TATTING, samples
of, 1880.

The late Mrs. W. Ellis

FULLER'S TEAZLES, TEAZLE HANDLE. University School of Botany

PRINTING AND BOOKS, ETC.

Bookbinding

PHOTOGRAPHS (14), of bindings executed by Miss R. Philpott at the
Marygold Bindery, Cambridge, c. 1905, and of the Bindery in Tenison
Avenue. TRADE CARD of Miss R. Philpott. BOOK: "Poems of
Browning," bound at Marygold Bindery, c. 1897.

Lieut.-Col. R. S. Gibson

BOOK: "Child's Garden of Verses," Stevenson, bound at Marygold
Bindery, Cambridge, 1909.

Mrs. E. Blackman

Directory

DIRECTORY of Cambridge, Spalding's, 1937-38, Messrs. W. P. Spalding

Newspapers
CAMBRIDGE CHRONICLE, 2nd July, 1830 and 24th June, 1887;
CAMBRIDGE DAILY NEWS, 23rd June, 1897; CAMBRIDGE
EXPRESS, 26th November, 1898. The Misses Spalding

Maps
CAMBRIDGESHIRE, Saxton's map of, 1580. The Misses Spalding

Pamphlets
NOTICE of intention to erect Hospitaller buildings in Cambridge for the
Order of St. John of Jerusalem, 1883. The Misses Spalding

Books
FARMER'S JOURNAL, Evans and Ruffy, 1822. Mr. D. Pearson
ANNALS OF CAMBRIDGE, Cooper; CAMBRIDGE BOROUGH
DOCUMENTS, Maitland. Purchased

FASHION PLATES

Set of 75 Fashion Plates, 1775—1812. Mrs. M. Pease
Set of 6 Fashion Plates, 1820—1825. Mrs. Haslewood
2 Fashion Plates, 1830. Mr. N. Teulon Porter

TOPOGRAPHY

PHOTOGRAPHS (3), Liddiard's Garage, St. Andrew's Hill, before
demolition, 1951. The Chief Constable

PRINT: "The Miller of Trompington and Two Scholars," 1727.
Miss I. Marshall

PHOTOGRAPHS: Gwydir House, Cambridge; Bonfire on Midsummer
Common to celebrate Relief of Mafeking, 1901. The late Dr. Graham

PHOTOGRAPH: "Half Moon Inn," Trumpington Street, 1870.

WATER COLOURS: View from 5, Little St. Mary's Lane, by E. M.
Hart; Devil's Dyke, by E. Vulliamy. PHOTOGRAPH, True Blue
Inn, Sidney Street, 1913. Mr. N. Teulon Porter

PHOTOGRAPHS, set of 16 newspaper pictures of Old Cambridge.
The Misses Prior

PHOTOGRAPH, New Square, Cambridge, c. 1900. Miss E. Talbot

OIL LAMP, formerly in use at the Old University Library, prior to 1915.
Mr. R. G. Pilgrim

WATER COLOURS, collection of Cambridge paintings and drawings by
Henry Moule, 1825—1904. Dorchester Museum

THE CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the Year ended 31st December, 1951

EXPENDITURE				INCOME					
1950	To			1951	1950	By			1951
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.				£ s. d.
60 12 0	Rent, Rates and Insurance ..	60 15 0			75 10 0	Ordinary Subscriptions		73 19 0	
46 16 0	Heat, Light and Water	43 13 5			6 19 6	Associate Subscriptions		6 9 6	80 8 6
56 6 3	Cleaning including Cleaner's Wages	61 12 9		166 1 2					
163 14 3					82 9 6				
239 13 8	Assistant Curator's Salary	281 15 4				Grant from Cambridgeshire		60 0 0	
23 16 7	National Insurance	6 9 1		288 4 5		County Council			
					15 0 0	Grant from City Education		15 0 0	
263 10 3					500 0 0	Committee			
75 19 6	Printing, Postages, Stationery, Telephone and Sundry Expenses	81 9 2				Grant from Cambridge Corporation		350 0 0	425 0 0
3 13 0	Bank Charges and Cheque Books	4 3 0							
5 5 0	Legal and Audit	16 8 9			515 0 0				
12 6 9	Repairs, Renewals (General)	40 12 11		142 13 10	43 1 3	Admission Fees, Sale of Guides and Postcards and Donations from Visitors			52 0 6
97 4 3						Interest on Cambridge and District Trustee Savings Bank Deposit Account			5 0 3
119 13 2	Balance Surplus for the year carried down				3 11 2	Balance deficit for the year carried down			34 10 2
<u>£644 1 11</u>				<u>£596 19 5</u>	<u>£644 1 11</u>				<u>£596 19 5</u>

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT

To				By			
£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Deficit for the year brought down		34 10 2	3927 6 0	Balance forward 1st January, 1951		4046 19 2
4046 19 2	Balance carried forward	4012 9 0		119 13 2	Surplus for the year brought down		
<u>£4046 19 2</u>		<u>£4046 19 2</u>		<u>£4046 19 2</u>			<u>£4046 19 2</u>

ABBAY HOUSE FUND

1950	To	EXPENDITURE	1951	1950	By	INCOME	1951	1950
£ s. d.			£ s. d.	£ s. d.			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
10 11 7		Rates, Water and Insurance ..	10 11 11	144 10 8		Subscriptions, Donations and		
54 7 10		Repairs, Redecorations and	277 16 3	250 0 0		Income Tax recoverable ..	144 10 8	
		Rebuilding		1 9		Rent receivable (Gross) ..	250 0 0	
11 9		Adverts, Printing and Sundry	11 9	394 12 5		Interest on Deposit Accounts	13 5	
		Expenses	13 1 9	— — —		Dilapidations received ..	18 19 0	
13 1 5		Commission	302 1 8				414 3 1	
78 12 7								
56 4 11		Balance Surplus for the year	112 1 5	£394 12 5				
		carried down	£414 3 1					
£394 12 5								

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT

To	£ s. d.	By	£ s. d.
Balance carried forward ..	168 6 4	Balance forward 1st January ..	56 4 11
		Surplus for the year brought down	112 1 5
	£168 6 4		£168 6 4

BALANCE SHEET, 31st December, 1951

1950		1951		1950		1951	
£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
ACCUMULATED FUNDS AND RESERVES:—				FIXED ASSETS:—			
241	2 9			3750	0 0	Property (Freehold) at cost—	
						The Abbey House	
		241	2 9			3750 0 0	
		10	10 0			CURRENT ASSETS:—	
				3	0 6	Abbey House Fund—	
4046	19 2			62	10 0	Sundry Debtors and Payments	
				164	2 8	in Advance	
		4012	9 0			68 18 5	
						Rents Accrued	
4288	1 11		4264	1 9		62 10 0	
56	4 11					Cash at Bank on Deposit	
		168	6 4			Account	
					13	221 8 10	
4344	6 10		4432	8 1		Cambridge and District Trustee	
						Savings Bank Deposit	
						Account	
				230	6 2	13 0	
						353 10 3	
				171	9 10	General Fund—	
						Sundry Debtors due from	
41	17 6	15	10 0			Abbey House Fund, as per	
				2	2 2	contra	
						171 9 10	
2	11 5	13	14 1	1	7 6	Cash in Hand (Petty Cash)	
171	9 10					Do. (Hon. Treasurer)	
		171	9 10	191	17 5	1 0 5	
						Cash at Bank, Current	
				213	2 6	Account	
						128 8 9	
215	18 9		200	13 11		Cambridge and District	
						Trustee Savings Bank	
						Deposit Account	
						228 12 9	
						529 11 9	
				579	19 5		
£4560	5 7	£4633	2 0	£4560	5 7	£4633 2 0	

Report of the Auditor to the Members of the CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM

In accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1948 I report to the Members of the Cambridge and County Folk Museum that I have examined the foregoing Balance Sheet together with the annexed Income and Expenditure Accounts, dated 31st December, 1951, with the books of the Company, and that I have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of my knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of my Audit. In my opinion proper Books of Account have been kept by the Company so far as appears from my examination of those Books.

In my opinion and to the best of my information and according to the explanations given to me, the above Balance Sheet and the annexed Income and Expenditure Accounts, which are in agreement with the Books of Account, give the information required by the Companies Act 1948 in the manner so required, and give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31st December, 1951, and of the Surplus for the year ended on that date.

R. CHATER BLOWS, Auditor.