THE CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY

FOLK MUSEUM

2 CASTLE STREET, CAMBRIDGE



THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD 1st APRIL, 1969 TO 31st MARCH, 1970



ELEVATION FROM CHESTERTON LANE CORNER

THE CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM

(Incorporated 5th June, 1946)

COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT

as on 31st March, 1970

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS:

Patron:

Sir Hamilton Kerr, Bt.

President:

*Sir Henry Willink, Bt., M.C., Q.C.

Chairman:

Alderman P. J. Warren

Vice-Presidents:

M. C. Burkitt, J.P.

*Dr. G. H. S. Bushnell

*Alderman Mrs. M. E. Henn

Miss D. M. Howlett

J. Saltmarsh

Treasurer:

*P. J. Morton

ELECTED MEMBERS:

Councillor A. W. Arundale, Hon. Councillor E. H. Cherry, *R. G. Heffer

NOMINATED MEMBERS:

Aldermen Mrs. M. E. Henn and P. J. Warren; Councillors Mrs. J. A. C. Barker, A. D. Cornell, Mrs. N. R. David, Mrs. E. L. Davison, E. E. Harmer, D. Maltby, *C. K. Phillips

*Councillor F. A. Reeve

*Dr. G. E. Daniel

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by Cambs. & Isle of Ely County
Council

" Council of the Senate of the University

" Cambridge Antiquarian Society

" N.U.T. Cambridge Branch

, N.U.T. Cambridgeshire Branch

Curator and Secretary: Miss E. M. Porter

*Members of the Executive Committee

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Proceedings of the Annual General Meeting, 1969

The Twenty-Fourth Annual General Meeting of the Association, being the thirty-third since the opening of the Museum, was held on Wednesday, 1st October, 1969 at 2.45 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Guildhall, Cambridge.

The Chairman, Alderman P. J. Warren, was in the Chair. Apologies were received from Sir Hamilton Kerr and Sir Henry Willink.

Before proceeding to the business proper, the Chairman informed the meeting that he would thank the Chairman of the Property Committee of the City Council for granting permission to hold the meeting in the Council Chamber.

He then referred to the loss suffered by the Association by the sudden death of one of its Vice-Presidents, Hon. Alderman F. J. Priest. He said that Frank Priest had been a tireless worker for the Association for some eighteen years, and had held the office of Treasurer from 1960 to 1967. To him must be given much of the credit for the comparatively healthy state of the Museum's finances at the present time. Members stood in silence as a mark of their respect.

The Chairman also referred, with great regret, to the illness of the Curator, Miss Enid Porter, who had been in Brookfields Hospital since 2nd September. As she had been unable to find anyone to replace her, the Museum had had to be closed. The meeting instructed the Chairman to convey to Miss Porter their hopes for her speedy recovery.

The Hon. Treasurer, Mr. R. Robins, who, at a meeting of the Council of Management held on 25th June, 1969, had announced his forthcoming retirement from the office, then introduced Mr. P. J. Morton who had agreed, subject to the Association's approval, to replace him. Alderman Mrs. M. E. Henn proposed, and Dr. G. H. D. Bushnell seconded, that Mr. Morton be appointed his year of office. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Hon. Treasurer introduced the audited accounts for the year ending 31st March, 1969. The Chairman moved their adoption; this was seconded by Councillor A. W. Arundale and carried.

The Annual Report was introduced by the Chairman; its adoption was moved by Councillor F. A. Reeve, seconded by the Chairman and carried.

Councillor A. D. Cornell proposed that Messrs. Chater & Myhill be re-appointed auditors for the year ending 31st March, 1970, and that their fee for the year ending 31st March, 1969, should be 15 guineas. This was carried.

Councillor Mrs. Barker proposed, and Mr. R. G. Heffer seconded, that the Patron, President, Chairman, Vice-Presidents and Elected Members should be re-elected. This was carried. The Chairman moved that Alderman Mrs. M. E. Henn be elected a Vice-President. This was seconded by Councillor E. E. Harmer an carried unanimously.

This concluded the formal business of the Annual General Meeting.

Dr. Glyn Daniel, F.S.A., then gave an extremely interesting talk on *The Past in the Present*, at the conclusion of which a vote of thanks was moved by Councillor A. W. Arundale and carried in the usual manner.

HON. TREASURER'S REPORT

The accounts for the financial year ended 31st March, 1970, are similar to those of previous years in terms of regular income and expenditure.

Once again National Insurance and Graduated Pension payments were increased during the year, and are reflected in the accounts.

Considerable work was undertaken during the year on the complete redecoration of the majority of the Museum's rooms at a cost of over £400. It is hoped to have the remainder redecorated later this year.

Expenditure on rent and rates was higher than in the previous year, but on the other hand, that on heat, light and water fell appreciably.

A reserve has been created in the accounts to cover future repairs to and redecoration of the Museum.

A further £209 was repaid to the City Corporation during the year, bringing the balance of the loan down to £818; this in turn reflects the lower figure for interest charged during the year.

The large deposit account balance will be used to meet current liabilities, and the general expenses of the Museum, pending receipt of the Corporation grant in August.

Income for the year was slightly higher, although donations were down on the previous year. Our thanks are due to those who generously subscribe to the Museum, and to those Councils and Committees who continue to make grants. A list of their names is included in the report.

CURATOR'S REPORT

A total of 8,110 visitors came to the Museum during the year ending 31st March, 1970. The number of school children visiting in organised parties was 1,211; of these, 900 were from City and County schools, the remainder from Huntingdonshire, Norfolk, Essex, Northamptonshire and Lincolnshire. It is pleasing to report that an increased number of undergraduates have visited the Museum over the past twelve months, the majority of them asking to see, particularly, the collection of old Cambridge photographs and pictures which are always shown on request.

The Museum has, again, served as an information bureau, over 1,500 enquiries, from this country and abroad, being dealt with. Several talks were given by the Curator. Loans of exhibits were made to schools, Village Colleges, the B.B.C. and Anglia Television Ltd.

Four new cases have been made and installed, while in November and December, 1969, all the rooms, with the exception of Room 2, were re-decorated. The City Council has intimated that the exterior of the building is to be painted in the spring of 1970.

Shortage of space continues to be a problem. A further two rooms could be filled from our reserve stock, and extended display space for our topographical collections would be highly desirable. Meanwhile, offers of large and weighty objects have, unfortunately, to be refused. A solution to the problem is difficult to find, since the present building cannot be enlarged, but one will, before long, have to be found if the Museum is to continue to meet the increasing demands made upon it for its services.

Because of continuing ill-health, which prevented his regular attendance at meetings, Sir Henry Willink offered, in the summer of 1969, to resign from the office of President. The Council of Management, however, at a meeting held on 25th June, unanimously agreed that he should continue in office and that Alderman P. J. Warren be elected, under Article 69 of the Memorandum of Association, to serve as Chairman of the Council.

Some interesting accessions have been received during the past year. Our collection of Victorian and Edwardian dolls has been increased by the addition of no fewer than twelve, all in their original clothing. Two German-made mechanical toys, of c.1906, were welcome additions to the children's rooms as our collection of such toys is small. Welcome, too, and very popular with small boy visitors, was the excellent, large model, complete in every detail, of the Ford Trimotor Aeroplane G-ABHO. This was made in 1942, by the donor's father, the late Mr. A. P. Foreman, and is a model of the aeroplane which was registered at Ford, Sussex, in 1930 and was originally owned by the Earl of Lovelace. Eventually it was used to carry mail to Paris and, during the second World War, as a flying ambulance by the Royal Australian Air Force.

A large model horse and cart, the gift of Sir Desmond and Lady Lee, is another handsome accession and so, too, is the large mahogany stereoscopic viewer presented by Mrs. J. R. Conolly. This is not only fitted with the lenses for viewing stereoscopic photographs, but also with a large mahogany-framed magnifying glass which gives almost a 3-dimensional effect to ordinary photographs. The same donor is to be thanked for the unusual peepshow of 1866, with its fine pictures of an ascent of Mont Blanc.

With money from the Purchase Fund several items were acquired when the Lion Hotel was demolished in 1969: the engraved glass panel from the Coffee Room door, the 18th century wrought iron balustrade from above the front porch, the metal name-scroll which ran along the facade of the hotel, and a collection of menu cards. These last, 100 in all, recall the many official banquets, dinners and luncheons held, in the last century, in the hotel by Town and County societies, University clubs and the many Masonic Lodges. They join our already fairly extensive collection of such cards, a collection which is often consulted by students of art and typography.

The family-size ice cream maker, the gift of Miss W. Bates, fills a long-felt want in our domestic section, as does, too, the wooden washing dolly from Cottenham, given by Mr. I. Robinson.

Professor C. F. D. Moule has presented two water-colours, one of Falcon Yard, the other of old houses formerly in Silver Street, painted in c.1850 by a member of his family, Henry Joseph Moule (1825-1904), M.A. of Corpus Christi College and Curator of the County Museum, Dorchester, from 1882 to 1904. In 1951, the Dorchester Museum presented us with 46 of Henry Moule's water-colours of Cambridge and Cambridgeshire, to contain which the late Lord Fairhaven had a special case made. These two latest examples of the artist's work are welcome additions to that collection.

Nearly 200 photographs have been added to our collection in the past year. Of these, 130 were taken by Mr. H. Culpan of Green End Road, Cambridge, to whom the Curator is especially grateful. He has walked tirelessly round Cambridge to record streets, buildings and houses likely to be demolished in the near future; he has, for example, photographed, before demolition, the entire area affected by the building of the new Chesterton Bridge. as well as the various stages in the bridge construction. Often he has had to take his photographs on Sundays, when he has hoped for less traffic to be on the roads, and has, more than once. returned several times to get a picture unspoiled by parked or passing vehicles. The record he has built up will be an invaluable one in years to come.

LIFE MEMBERS 1969-1970

(Donors of 10 guineas and upwards)

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Trinity College
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Cambridge Corporation
Cambs. & Isle of Ely County Council
City Education Committee
County Education Committee
Chesterton Rural District Council
South Cambridgeshire Rural District Council

LIST OF PRINCIPAL ACCESSIONS

APRIL 1969 TO MARCH 1970

Social Life

Customs

BIRTHDAY AND CHRISTMAS CARDS, collection of: 1900-1914. Mrs. E. E. Hill.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR CARDS, collection of: 1880-1890. Mrs. J. R. Conolly.

PHOTOGRAPH of undergraduate's Mock Funeral, c.1910. Mr. Wallman.

Education

BRONZE MEDALS awarded to the Misses Dickinson of Fulbourn in Egg-Laying Trials held by the Cambs. Council for Agricultural Education: 1932, 1936. Exrs. of the late Misses Dickinson.

Elections

ELECTION ADDRESSES issued by the candidates at the East Cambs. bye-election, 1902, and the general election, 1906; CALENDAR for 1906, issued by the Liberal candidate. Mrs. E. E. Hill.

Family Entertainment

DOMINOES, set of ivory, in wooden chest, with CRIBBAGE BOARD. Late 19th century. Mr. T. W. Bagshawe.

PEEPSHOW, with 14 hand-coloured views of the ascent of Mont Blanc. c.1866. Mrs. J. R. Conolly.

PANORAMA: hand-coloured pictures of street cries, mounted on rollers in leather-covered case, c.1740. The Syndics of the Fitzwilliam Museum.

STEREOSCOPIC VIEWER, folding mahogany, with stereoscopic photographs, c.1890. Mrs. J. M. Ilett.

STEREOSCOPIC VIEWER AND PHOTOGRAPH MAGNI-FIER, mahogany, c.1880. Mrs. J. R. Conolly.

SPELLICANS, game of, c.1900. Mrs. J. R. Conolly.

The Inn

GLASS PANEL, engraved Coffee Room and with figure of lion, removed from door of dining room of the Lion Hotel, Petty Cury, on demolition in 1969. Purchased.

PAINTED METAL SCROLL, bearing name of Lion Hotel, removed from front of buildings at demolition. Purchased.

WROUGHT IRON BALUSTRADE from above the porch of the Lion Hotel. Purchased.

Local Government

SEAL of the Chesterton Rural District Council, in use until 1966; PROGRAMME of the opening of the new Council offices, 1966. Chesterton R.D.C.

Societies

MENU CARDS, collection of 100; banquets, dinners, etc., held by Masonic Lodges, societies, University clubs, etc., at the Lion Hotel, Cambridge, 1882–1895. Purchased.

The Household

The House

BRICKS (2), 16th century; from chimney of Five Gables Farm, Eversden. Each with imprint of calf's foot. Mr. D. A. H. Ellis.

The Nursery

BABY'S BASKET, purchased 1857 for use of Charles Griffinhoofe, later the Rev. C. Griffinhoofe of St. John's College. Mrs. North.

Kitchen Equipment

ICE CREAM MAKER, early 20th century. Miss W. Bates.

PRESERVE JAR, 9 lb; brown glazed earthenware. Mrs. M. J. Clegg.

POSSET POT, Delft ware with red and blue under-glaze decoration. Late 18th century. Miss C. Dunn.

Laundry Equipment

DOLLY, wooden. Early 20th century. Mr. I. Robinson. PATENT LAUNDRY BRUSH, c.1920. Dr. Ellis. GAS IRON, Clark's Fairy Prince, c.1930. Miss C. Dunn.

The Individual

Objects of Personal Use

CARD CASE, lady's; crocodile leather. 1898. Mrs. E. E. Hill.

- CARD CASE, gentleman's; silver. H.M. 1898. Mr. E. B. Haddon.
- LADY'S BAG; fine canvas entirely covered with steel beads; metal frame, clasp and chain handle. 1900. Mrs. E. E. Hill.
- LADY'S BAG; ivory silk with hand-painted pastoral scene. Drawstring top, mirror in base. 1880. Mrs. G. Patman.
- PARASOLS, 3; white cotton cover overlaid with lace; beige silk cover lined pale blue silk; green and beige watered silk. 1870–1890. Mrs. J. Boys Smith.
- WATCH STAND, with magnifying glass and battery-operated light. 1920. Mrs. J. R. Conolly.
- LORGNETTE, silver-mounted. 1890. Mrs. J. R. Conolly.
- APPLE CORER, polished bone with screw top, for carrying in pocket. c.1890. Mrs. J. R. Conolly.

Sewing and Knitting Accessories

- PINCUSHION; ivory silk cover with silver tassels at corners. Front decorated in pins with spray of leaves and AP 1831. Mrs. J. R. Conolly.
- SHEATHS, 2; turned bone. For protecting ends of knitting needles. 19th century. Mrs. J. R. Conolly.

Writing Materials

WRITING CASE; folding leather, with metal clasp and lock. 1890. Mrs. M. J. Clegg.

PEN NIBS, packet of 4. Stainless steel. c.1910. Mr. E. B. Haddon.

Children's Toys and Games

DOLLS, 3. 1898-1900. Miss A. Tebbutt.

DOLL, purchased in Cambridge in 1930. Mrs. Auton.

DOLL, 1880. Miss Fison.

DOLLS, 2. 1870 and 1845. Mrs. M. Tebbit.

DOLL, 1895. Mrs. Foster.

DOLLS, 2. Early 1920's. Mrs. D. Felts.

DOLLS, 2. 1875 and 1910. Mrs. J. R. Conolly.

BUILDING BRICKS, coloured stone, in box with booklet of models to copy. 1887. Mr. B. M. Scott.

GUARDSMEN, set of 8; coloured plaster. 1898. Mr. C. C. Scott.

MECHANICAL TOY: climbing monkey. 1906. Purchased.

CLOCKWORK TOY: mandarin in sedan toy drawn by coolies. 1903. Mr. G. E. Smith.

HORSE AND CART, child's model. c.1890. Sir Desmond and Lady Lee.

PUZZLE, pictorial. Biblical series. 1896. Mr. Willis.

DISSECTED PUZZLES, box of. Natural History series. c.1880. Mrs. M. J. Clegg.

DOLL'S HEAD, porcelain; hand-painted. c.1840. Purchased.

MODEL of Ford Trimotor Aeroplane G-ABHO, 1928; made by donor's father in 1942. Miss D. Foreman.

Occupations

Agricultural Worker

TOMAHAWK, reaper's, late 19th century; DITCHING SPADE, wood, iron-tipped, late 19th century. Mr. A. R. Randell.

HARVEST RAKE, 19th century. Sir Frank Engledow.

TITHE BOOK: MS record of tithes due for sowing and mowing in Haddenham End Fen, 1736. Mr. A. F. Twist.

Baker

BREAD RASP, 19th century; OVEN PEEL BLADE, modern; PHOTOGRAPHS, set of 15 showing interior of Christmas' bakery in Newmarket Road, prior to demolition in 1969. Mr. T. Willis.

Chemist

DRUG JARS, 2; blue and white Delft ware. Late 19th century. Purchased.

CORK PRESSER, c.1890. Mrs. M. J. Clegg.

CACHET FILLER, early 20th century. Purchased.

PILL BOXES, 2, bearing labels of Cambridge chemists. Late 19th century. Dr. Forbes.

MUSTARD LEAVES, tin of, c.1916. Miss C. Dunn.

MEDICINE GLASS and MINIM MEASURE in leather-covered case, c.1900. Mrs. J. R. Conolly.

Domestic Crafts

PAPER WORK: 3 bookmarks of paper canvas cut by hand to resemble lace; mounted on crimson silk. 1880. Mrs. J. R. Conolly.

FLOWER PAINTINGS, 2: Aquilegia and Morning Glory. 1846. Mrs. J. R. Conolly.

Gardener

SCRAPER, hand-made wooden; for cleaning tools. 1875. Mrs. E. Hopkins.

Pig Killer

SCUDDER, with Hook, for removing bristles and toe nails from carcase. 1910. Mr. D. Sansom.

Tailor

SILVER SHIELD, SILVER and BRONZE MEDALS, awarded in 1904 and 1906 by the Institute of British Tailoring to G. H. Jacob of Cambridge. Mr. K. Jacob.

Tobacco Pipe Maker

Collection of unused decorative CLAY PIPES, late 19th century.

Mrs. M. J. Clegg.

Wood Carver

TANKARDS, 2; wooden, with hand-carved decorative bands and motifs. Made in Trumpington, late 19th century. Mrs. G. Patman.

Topography

ENGRAVING: North-West Prospect of Cambridge; S. &. N. Buck, 1743. Purchased.

WATER COLOURS: Falcon Yard and Old Houses in Silver Street, c.1850. Professor C. F. D. Moule.

Photographs

Mathematical Laboratory, demolished 1969. Purchased.

Former St. Andrew's Parish Workhouse. Purchased.

Cambridge Gas Works; 10 views taken prior to closure of works. The Curator.

Site of Cambridge Scientific Instrument Company's Works prior to the new buildings of 1957. Mr. D. Unwin.

Site of the Y.M.C.A. (old Brazen George Inn), 1870. Purchased.

Laying of Foundation Stone of Y.M.C.A., 1870. Purchased.

Old Bird Bolt Hotel, St. Andrew's Street, 1870. Purchased.

Hoop Hotel, Bridge Street in 1870's. Purchased.

Petty Cury, 1875. Purchased.

Collection of photographs of St. Andrew's Street, Emmanuel Street, King Street, Fitzroy Street, Adam and Eve Street, etc., prior to rebuilding in 1950's and 1960's. Mr. K. North.

Photographs of Newnham College students in 1890's. Mrs. M. J. Clegg.

Houses in Jesus Lane, demolished 1897-8 for building of Westcott House. Councillor F. A. Reeve.

Collection of 25 postcards, 1904–20: photographs of proclamation of George V; May Week scenes; Cambridge cartoons, early aerial views of Cambridge, etc. Mr. H. R. Mallett.

Collection of 130 photographs taken between May 1969 and March 1970: areas affected by building of the new Chesterton bridge; stages of the bridge building; Cheddars' Lane old pumping station; districts to be affected by future development, etc., etc. Per Mr. H. Culpan.

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(Incorporated 5th June, 1946)

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR PERIOD ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1970

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY FOLK MUSEUM

In our opinion, the Accounts set out herewith give a true and fair view of the state of the Society's affairs at 31st March, 1970, and of its Deficit for the year ended on that date, and comp'y with the Companies Acts 1948 and 1967.

CHATER & MYHILL

Accountants, 10 Jesus Lane, Cambridge