

THE
CAMDEN SOCIETY,



FOR THE PUBLICATION OF

EARLY HISTORICAL AND LITERARY REMAINS.

At a General Meeting of the Camden Society held at No. 25, Parliament Street, Westminster, on Monday, the 3rd day of May, 1858,

JOHN BRUCE, ESQ., THE DIRECTOR, IN THE CHAIR,

THE Director having opened the business of the Meeting,

The Secretary read the Report of the Council agreed upon at their meeting of the 21st of April, whereupon it was

Resolved, That the Report be received and adopted, and that the Thanks of the Society be given to the Director and Council for their services.

Thanks were then voted to the Local Secretaries and to the Editors of the Publications for the past year.

Then it was Moved, Seconded, and Resolved Unanimously, That

This Meeting desires to express its strong sense of the loss which the Camden Society has sustained in the Death of its President, the late Right Hon. THE LORD BRAYBROOKE. The interest which for many years he took in the welfare of the Society, his application of his own literary talent to its service in the Editorship of the Autobiography of Sir John Bramston, and his conduct as President, both in the Council and at the general meetings—always able and impartial—deservedly placed him high in the estimation of the Society, and rendered his decease a subject of universal regret.

The Society offers to the family of their late President a sincere expression of their condolence and sympathy on this melancholy occasion, and with that view directs that a copy of these Resolutions be respectfully transmitted to the Right Hon. The present Lord.

The Secretary then read the Report of the Auditors, agreed upon at their Meeting of the 21st of April, whereupon it was

Resolved, That the Report of the Auditors be received and adopted, and that the Thanks of the Meeting be given to the Auditors for their trouble.

Thanks having been voted to the Treasurer and Secretary, the Meeting proceeded to the Election of Officers, when

The Earl JERMYN, M.P., F.S.A.

was elected PRESIDENT of the Society ; and

WILLIAM HENRY BLAAUW, Esq. M.A., F.S.A.

JOHN BRUCE, Esq. V.P.S.A. [*Director*]

JOHN PAYNE COLLIER, Esq. F.S.A. [*Treasurer*]

WILLIAM DURRANT COOPER, Esq. F.S.A.

BOLTON CORNEY, Esq. M.R.S.L.

JAMES CROSBY, Esq. F.S.A.

JOHN FORSTER, Esq.

EDWARD FOSS, Esq. F.S.A.

THOMAS W. KING, Esq. F.S.A., York Herald,

The Rev. LAMBERT B. LARKING, M.A.

PETER LEVESQUE, Esq. F.S.A.

Sir FREDERICK MADDEN, K.H., F.R.S.

FREDERIC OUVRY, Esq. Treas. S.A.

WILLIAM JOHN THOMS, Esq. F.S.A. [*Secretary*] and

WILLIAM TITE, Esq. M.P., F.R.S., F.S.A.

were elected as the Council of the Society ; and

GEORGE R. CORNER, Esq. F.S.A.

ROBERT PORRETT, Esq. F.S.A., and

WILLIAM SALT, Esq. F.S.A.

were elected Auditors of the Society ; for the year then next ensuing.

Thanks were then voted to the Director for his able conduct in the Chair, and the great interest always taken by him in the welfare of the Society.

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL
OF
THE CAMDEN SOCIETY,
ELECTED 2nd MAY, 1857.

It is with feelings of deep regret that the Council have to record, as one of the events of the past year, the death of the Right Hon. the LORD BRAYBROOKE, the second President of this Society. Among his contributions to literature *Pepys's Diary, the History of Audley End, the Letters of the Cornwallis Family, and the Autobiography of Sir James Bramston,* are works which occupy an important position in historical and topographical literature. This Society is not merely indebted to him for the editorship of the last named of these works. Before he was elected President of the Society he took an active part in the Council, and after his election was a frequent attendant at their meetings. Failing health ultimately prevented his doing so except at long intervals, but in his communications with the Council he ever evinced a due sense of the importance of this Society, and exhibited the most anxious desire to promote its welfare. The Society will no doubt express in the strongest manner their regret on this melancholy occasion, and their sympathy and condolence with the family of their late President.

The Council refer with satisfaction to the Report of the Auditors for proof of the continued prosperity of the Society. It will be seen that, during the past year, the funded property invested in the names of the Trustees has been increased from £974 16s. 3d. to £1016 3s. 1d.

The Council have appointed The Reverend JOHN BESLY, D.C.L. of Long Benton, Local Secretary for Newcastle-upon-Tyne and its neighbourhood.

In addition to the President of the Society, the Council have to regret the deaths during the past year of the following Members:—

W. WINGFIELD BAKER, Esq.
CHARLES BELLAMY, Esq., D.C.L.
ROBERT BICKERSTETH, Esq.

The Rev. PHILIP BLISS, D.C.L. F.S.A.
 The Right Hon. JOHN WILSON CROKER, LL.D. F.R.S.
 JOHN DISNEY, Esq., F.S.A.
 The EARL FITZWILLIAM.
 The LORD HANDYSIDE.
 JOHN KENYON, Esq.
 G. W. NEWELL, Esq.
 Rev. RICHARD PARKINSON, B.D. F.S.A.
 CHARLES E. RUMBOLD, Esq.
 Rev. WALTER SNEYD, M.A.

To them must be added the name of a nobleman to whom the Camden Society, in common with other institutions for the promotion of English Literature, was under many obligations. To his Grace the late DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE this Society was indebted for its second publication, Bishop Bale's Play of King Johan, and shortly before his death the Duke placed in the hands of Mr. COLLIER a volume of the Letters of Thomas Savile Lord Halifax, and his brother, with a view to such a publication from them as should be deemed right by the Council.

The Books issued since the last General Meeting have been :—

1. Journal of the Very Rev. Rowland Davies, LL.D., Dean of Ross, and afterwards Dean of Cork, from March 8, 1689, to Sept. 29, 1690. Edited by RICHARD CAULFIELD, B.A.

A volume which has many claims on the attention both of the local and general historian.

2. The Domesday of St. Paul's; a Description of the Manors belonging to the Church of St. Paul's in London in the year 1222. Edited by the VEN. WILLIAM HALE, M.A., Archdeacon of London.

A most important work, of especial interest to the London Topographer, and of great value with reference to our early ecclesiastical and social history. The labours of the Editor, the VENERABLE ARCHDEACON HALE, to the extent and success of which the Council bear willing testimony, have set forth this work to the best advantage. Its great value has been already made apparent in the History of Latin Christianity by the Dean of St. Paul's, and it cannot be doubted that, to the honour of the Editor and the Society, it will take rank, on equal terms, both on the score of historical importance and careful Editorship, with the most valuable publications of its class.

During the past year the Council have added the following works to the list of suggested publications:—

The *Liber Famiculus* of Bulstrode Whitelock. To be edited by JOHN BRUCE, Esq. V.P.S.A.

Narratives of the Days of the Reformation, chiefly selected from the Papers of John Foxe the Martyrologist. To be edited by JOHN GOUGH NICHOLS, Esq. F.S.A.

The Journals of Richard Symonds, an Officer in the Royal Army temp Charles I. To be edited by CHARLES E. LONG, Esq. M.A.

Letters of George Lord Carew, afterwards Earl of Totnes, to Sir Thomas Roe. To be edited by JOHN MACLEAN, Esq. F.S.A.

In addition to these more extensive works the Council have accepted several contributions towards a new volume of *THE CAMDEN MISCELLANY*.

In closing their Report the Council beg to congratulate the Society on the important steps now taking by the Master of the Rolls (with the sanction of the Government) for the promotion of English Historical Literature, by the publication of Calendars of our State Papers and editions of our Early Chronicles. When this Society was instituted, all publication of historical materials at the expense of Government had been suspended. Nor was there any other channel open by which such valuable books as the Domesday of St. Paul's, and many others of this Society's works, could be made known. If the labours of this Society—imperfect substitute as they may have been—have partially supplied the void, or led the way to a state of things more creditable to us as a people conscious of the benefit of sound historical literature, the fact is one of which the Society may feel proud. Whilst those publications are in progress some portion of the original design of the Society will probably fall into partial abeyance. Such books as the Chronicles of Joscelin de Brakelond, Ris-hanger, and Peterborough, with the others before mentioned, will now find other channels of publication. But this is not a circumstance which will be in any degree detrimental to the Society. On the contrary, the limitation of our operations to Documents, Letters, Diaries, Poems, and other works not contemplated by the Master of the Rolls, will probably tend to advance the interest and popularity of the Society's publications, and will justify the Council in printing historical illustrations of a more recent date.

By direction of the Council,

JOHN BRUCE, Director.

WILLIAM J. THOMS, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS,

DATED APRIL 21ST, 1858.

WE, the Auditors appointed to audit the Accounts of the Camden Society, report to the Society, that the Treasurer has exhibited to us an account of the Receipts and Expenditure from the 1st of April, 1857, to the 31st of March, 1858, and that we have examined the said accounts, with the vouchers relating thereto, and find the same to be correct and satisfactory.

And we further report, that the following is an Abstract of the Receipts and Expenditure during the period we have mentioned.

RECEIPTS.	£.	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£.	s.	d.	
Balance of last year's account	174	4	4	By Purchase of Stock (£41 6s. 10d.)	40	0	0	
Received on account of Members whose Subscriptions were in arrear at the last Audit.	115	0	0	Paid for printing and paper 750 copies of "Trevelyan Papers, Vol. I."	105	17	6	
The like on account of Subscriptions due 1st May last (1857)	342	0	0	The like of 750 copies of "Diary of Dean Davies"	105	14	9	
The like on account of Subscriptions due 1st May next.	17	0	0	Paid for binding 600 copies of "Knights Hospitallers"	25	4	0	
By compositions received from five Members.	50	0	0	The like of 600 copies of "Trevelyan Papers"	21	12	0	
One year's dividend on £974 16s. 3d. 3 per Cent. Consols, standing in the names of the Trustees of the Society, deducting Income Tax.	28	7	9	The like of 600 copies of "Davies's Diary"	21	12	0	
				Paid for "Index to Domesday of St. Paul's"	16	16	0	
				Paid for delivery and transmission of 600 copies of "Davies's Diary," with paper for wrappers, &c.	8	10	3	
				Paid for Advertisements	2	15	6	
				Expenses connected with the transfer of Stock to New Trustees on the retirement of Sir Henry Ellis	6	6	9	
				One year's payment for keeping Accounts and General Correspondence of the Society	52	10	0	
				Paid for Miscellaneous Printing	11	5	0	
				Paid for postage, carriage of parcels, and other petty cash expenses	6	4	6	
				Balance by one Composition	£10	0	0	
				" by Cash	292	3	10	
					302	3	10	
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And we, the Auditors, further state, that the Treasurer has reported to us, that over and above the present balance of £302 3s. 10d. there are outstanding various subscriptions of Foreign Members, of Members resident at a distance from London, &c. which the Treasurer sees no reason to doubt will shortly be received.

ROBERT PORRETT, }
GEO. R. CORNER, } Auditors.

21st April, 1858.

WORKS OF THE CAMDEN SOCIETY.

For the Subscription of 1838-9.

1. Restoration of King Edward IV.
2. Kyng Johan, by Bishop Bale.
3. Deposition of Richard II.
4. Plumpton Correspondence.
5. Anecdotes and Traditions.

For 1839.

6. Political Songs.
7. Hayward's Annals of Elizabeth.
8. Ecclesiastical Documents.
9. Norden's Description of Essex.
10. Warkworth's Chronicle.
11. Kemp's Nine Daies Wonder.

For 1840.

12. The Egerton Papers.
13. Chronica Jocelini de Brakelonda.
14. Irish Narratives, 1641 and 1690.
15. Rishanger's Chronicle.

For 1841.

16. Poems of Walter Mapes.
17. Travels of Nicander Nucius.
18. Three Metrical Romances.
19. Diary of Dr. John Dee.

For 1842.

20. Apology for the Lollards.
21. Rutland Papers.
22. Diary of Bishop Cartwright.
23. Letters of Eminent Literary Men.
24. Proceedings against Alice Kyteler.

For 1843.

25. Promptorium Parvulorum: Tom. I.
26. Suppression of the Monasteries.
27. Leycester Correspondence.

For 1844.

28. French Chronicle of London.
29. Polydore Vergil.
30. The Thornton Romances.
31. Verney's Notes of Long Parliament.

For 1845.

32. Autobiography of Sir J. Bramston.
33. Correspondence of Duke of Perth.
34. Liber de Antiquis Legibus.
35. The Chronicle of Calais.

For 1846.

36. Polydore Vergil's History, Vol. I.
37. Italian Relation of England.
38. Church of Middleham.
39. The Camden Miscellany, Vol. I.

For 1847.

40. Life of Lord Grey of Wilton.
41. Diary of Walter Yonge, Esq.
42. Diary of Henry Machyn.

For 1848.

43. Visitation of Huntingdonshire.
44. Obituary of Richard Smyth.
45. Twysden on Government of England.

For 1849.

46. Letters of Elizabeth and James VI.
47. Chronicon Petroburgense.
48. Queen Jane and Queen Mary.

For 1850.

49. Bury Wills and Inventories.
50. Mapes de Nugis Curialium.
51. Pilgrimage of Sir R. Guylford.

For 1851.

52. Secret Services of Chas. II. & Jas. II.
53. Chronicle of Grey Friars of London.
54. Promptorium Parvulorum, Tom. II.

For 1852.

55. The Camden Miscellany, Vol. II.
56. Verney Papers to 1639.
57. The Ancren Riwle.

For 1853.

58. Letters of Lady B. Harley.
59. Roll of Bishop Swinfield. Vol. I.

For 1854.

60. Grants, &c. of Edward the Fifth.
61. The Camden Miscellany, Vol. III.
62. Roll of Bishop Swinfield. Vol. II.

For 1855.

63. Charles I. in 1646.
64. English Chronicle 1377 to 1461.
65. Knights Hospitallers.

WORKS OF THE SOCIETY.

For 1856.

66. Diary of John Rous, Incumbent of Santon Downham, Suffolk, from 1625 to 1642. Edited by Mrs. EVERETT GREEN.

67. The Trevelyan Papers. Part I. Edited by J. P. COLLIER, Esq. F.S.A.

68. Journal of the Very Rev. Rowland Davies, LL.D., Dean of Ross, from March 8, 1689, to Sept. 29, 1690. Edited by RICHARD CAULFIELD, B.A.

For 1857-8.

69. The Domesday of St. Paul's; a Description of the Manors belonging to the Church of St. Paul's in London in the year 1222. Edited by the VEN. WILLIAM HALE, M.A., Archdeacon of London.

70. The Liber Famelicus of Sir James Whitelocke. Edited by JOHN BRUCE, Esq. V.P.S.A.

For 1858-9.

71. Narratives of the days of the Reformation, and the contemporary Biographies of Archbishop Cranmer: selected from the Papers of John Foxe the Martyrologist. Edited by JOHN GOUGH NICHOLS, Esq. F.S.A. (*Nearly ready.*)

Works in Progress.

The Romance of Blonde of Oxford and Jehan of Dammartin. Edited by THOMAS WRIGHT, Esq., M.A., F.S.A. (*Nearly ready.*)

Surrenden Papers. From the Originals in the possession of Sir Edward Dering, Bart. Edited by the Rev. LAMBERT B. LARKING, M.A. (*In the Press.*)

The Journals of Richard Symonds, an officer in the Royal Army, temp. Charles I. Edited by CHARLES EDWARD LONG, Esq. M.A. (*In the Press.*)

Letters of Thomas Savile, Lord Halifax, and his Brother. From a MS. in the possession of His Grace the Duke of Devonshire and from H.M. State Paper Office. Edited by WM. DURRANT COOPER, Esq. F.S.A.

Letters of George Lord Carew, afterwards Earl of Totnes, to Sir Thomas Roe. Edited by JOHN MACLEAN, Esq. F.S.A.

The following have recently been added to the List of Suggested Publications:—

I. A Selection from the Case-Book of Sir Theodore Mayerne, illustrative of the Personal Characteristics, Habits, Peculiarities, &c. of almost all the Historical Celebrities of the reign of James I. and Charles I. To be edited, with translations where required, by VINCENT STERNBERG, Esq.

II. Privy Purse Expenses of King William III. To be edited by J. Y. AKERMAN, Esq. Sec. S.A.

III. An historical Narrative of the two Houses of Parliament, and either of them, their Committees and Agents', violent Proceedings against Sir Roger Twysden. From the original in the possession of the Rev. LAMBERT B. LARKING.

IV. Narrative of the Services of M. Dumont Bostaquet in Ireland. To be edited by the Rev. JAMES HENTHORN TODD, D.D.

V. The Correspondence of Sir Robert Cotton, from the Cottonian MS. Julius C. III. To be edited by the Rev. JOSEPH STEVENSON, M.A.

VI. The Household Book of William Lord Howard, "Belted Will." To be edited by JAMES CROSBY, Esq., F.S.A.

VII. A Diary of Mr. Henry Townsend, of Elmley Court, co. Worcester, for the years 1640—42, 1656—61, from the original MS. in the possession of Sir T. Philipps, Bart. To be edited by Mrs. EVERETT GREEN.

The subscription of One Pound is due in advance on the 1st of May in every year.

No Books are delivered until the Subscription for the Year has been paid.

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W. J. THOMS, Secretary.

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