

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL  
OF  
THE CAMDEN SOCIETY,  
READ AT THE GENERAL MEETING  
ON THE 3RD MAY, 1886.

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The Council of the Camden Society have to regret the loss, by death, of the following Members during the past year—

FRANCIS CAPPER BROOKE, Esq.

Sir STAFFORD CAREY.

DR. GEORGE ELWES CORRIE, D.D.

REV. HENRY THOMAS ELLACOMBE.

R. BOWNAS MACKIE, Esq. M.P.

LORD PENRHYN.

WILLIAM J. THOMS, Esq. F.S.A.

Sir JOHN S. TRELAWNY.

The Council cannot but dwell with more than ordinary regret on the loss that they and the Society have sustained in the death of Mr. Thoms, whose name is familiar to every Member of the Society as its first acting Secretary and the Editor of several of its Publications.

The following have been elected Members of the Society during the past year:—

H. H. HENSON, Esq.

REV. WALTER P. SMITH.

THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, New York.

One of the volumes promised in the last Report, the Third Volume of the Lauderdale Papers, has been for some time in the hands of the Members; the other, Reports of Cases in the Star Chamber and the High Commission, will be ready for the binder in a few days.

The delay in issuing the volume on the Troubles connected with the Second Prayer Book of Edward VI. was occasioned by a difficulty with regard to the Index, which was got over by an offer of the Rev. J. W. Ebsworth to undertake the making of it.

In the course of the coming year, it is proposed to issue only two volumes, as each of them will be above the average size. They will be—

1. Selections from the Papers of Sir Edward Nicholas, Secretary of State to Charles I. and Charles II. Vol. I. To be edited by G. F. WARNER, Esq.

2. Portions of the Cartulary of Battle Abbey. To be edited by S. R. BIRD, Esq.

Both of these Volumes are now ready for the Press. The first of them, which will reach to the year 1654, contains, amongst other matter, the half of the Correspondence between Charles I. and Nicholas which was not printed in the Appendix to Evelyn's Diary, and a considerable amount of interesting material relating to the Court of Charles II. when he was in exile. The other throws light upon the tenure of land and manorial customs in the Thirteenth Century.

By order of the Council,

SAMUEL RAWSON GARDINER, *Director.*

JAMES GAIRDNER, *Secretary.*

## BALANCE SHEET 1885-86.

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 1885 to the 31st of March 1886, 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.
To Balance of last year's account...	237	8	8		Paid for printing 500 Copies Lauderdale Papers, Vol. III. ....	79	8	9
Received on account of Members whose Subscriptions were in ar- rear at last Audit .....	16	3	0		Do. do. Troubles connected with the Prayer Book, Edw. VI. ...	93	17	0
The like on account of Subscriptions due on the 1st of May, 1885.....	204	3	0		Paid for Miscellaneous Printing .....	4	9	0
The like on account of Subscriptions due on the 1st of May, 1886.....	20	1	0		Paid for delivery and transmission of Books, with paper for wrappers, warehousing expenses, &c. (in- cluding Insurance) .....	25	16	6
Two years' dividend on £466 3 1 3 per Cent. Consols, standing in the names of the Trustees of the Society, deducting Income Tax...	27	3	4		Paid for Binding.....	31	7	0
To Sale of Publications of past years.....	10	18	0		Paid for Transcripts .....	19	18	6
To Sale of Promptorium Parvulorum (3 vols. in 1) .....	4	10	0		Postages, &c. ....	3	11	7
					Clerical Assistance .....	6	6	0
					Legal Expenses ....	1	1	0
					Two Subscriptions returned .....	2	0	0
						£267	15	4
					By Balance .....	252	11	8
						£520	7	0
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JAMES RAE.