

indoor meetings at Taunton Castle and the Botanical Section had regular field-days last summer and again this spring. The Entomological Section has practically ceased to function from want of support from persons under the age of fifty. But the Parent Society hopes to publish in the *Proceedings* for 1939 a list of all the new records of Lepidoptera in the county since Mr. A. E. Hudd's list was printed in the *Victoria County History* in 1903 ; this compilation has been undertaken by Mr. A. R. Hayward of Crewkerne. The Ornithological Section has produced its Report for 1938, covering 42 pages, which is given gratis to members of the Section. With increased cost of printing and illustrations, the Section will have to reduce the size of its annual report unless a rather better membership can be obtained. The subscription is 5s., but only 2s. 6d. to those who are members of the Parent Society. The value of the report is fully recognized in ornithological circles, and we solicit greater support to maintain our position.

'Taunton Castle was visited during 1938 by 10,450 persons, including 1605 attendances from members and a greater influx of school-children than ever before. In 1937, there were 9,348 persons, and 10,127 in 1936 (now the second largest total).

'The Wyndham Lecture Hall has been used as much if not more than ever, largely in connection with Air Raid Precautions and for the school lectures under the Wyndham Trust.'

On the proposition of Mr. Philip Sturdy, seconded by Mr. Roger Clark, the adoption of the Report was carried unanimously.

Finances

Mr. ARTHUR E. EASTWOOD, Chairman of Finance, presented the Accounts of the Society for 1938, and they were formally adopted. They have already been printed in *Proceedings*, vol. lxxxiv.

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**Annual Accounts of the Somersetshire Archaeological and Natural History Society,
Taunton Castle**

GENERAL RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1939

	RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Balance as at 31.12.1938	...	£ 23 6 2	By General Printing and Stationery
" Members Subscriptions—1938	...	23 17 0	" Fuel and Light
" 1939	833 18 0		" " Proceedings," Volume 84,
" 1940	5 5 0		" Less Sundry Receipts towards
" Museum Receipts	863 0 0		cost of Volumes 84 and 85
" Somerset County Council—Educational	166 15 8		4
Grant			Reserved, 1938
" Publications	300 0 0		200 0 0
" Less Payments on account of same	18 3 5		
" Rents	1 15 0		
" Profit on Excursions	16 8 5		Add Reserve
" Investment Income (Endowment Fund)	89 4 0		... 204 8 6
" Miscellaneous	42 12 4		" Repairs to Buildings (including Ina Cottage) 151 17 1
" Bank Interest—Deposit Account	16 2 8		" Less Transfer from Reserve 100 0 0
	0 14 5		
	8 14 3		Repairs and Renewal of Furnishings
			" Extensions of Furnishings
			" Curator's Salary
			" Wages of Staff (including Assistant Curator)
			" General Postages
			" Subscriptions to Societies
			" Insurances
			" Rates and Taxes
			" Telephone
			" Accountancy Charges
			" Architects' Fees
			" Petty Expenses, including Travelling
			" Premium, Assistant Curator's Insurance
			" Scheme
			" Pensions Fund Transfer
			" Motor Lawn Mower
			" Balance as at 31 December 1939

£4,326 17 11

£1,526 17 11

COMBINED RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR SPECIAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 1939

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	RECEIPTS.	PAYMENTS.
To Balance as at 31.12.1938	...	£ s. d.
Dividends received—		845 12 10
3½% War Loan	...	3 10 0
4½% New Zealand Stock	...	4 6 0
3½% Local Loans	...	68 13 0
Buenos Ayres Great Southern Railway Debenture Stock	...	14 10 0
Donations—Specimens Fund	...	90 19 0
" Do. Book Fund	...	1 10 0
" Do. Development Fund	...	6 6 0
" Bank Deposit Interest	...	4 4 10
" Wyndham Hall Lettings	...	30 0 3
" New Members Entrance Fees	...	23 12 6
" Pensions Fund—Transfer from General Account	...	46 13 0
" Museum Box	...	0 4 2
" Repairs carried out in 1938 to Ina Cottage transferred to General Receipts and Payments Account	...	2 7 6
		<hr/> <hr/>
		£1,032 10 1
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		£1,032 10 1

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SPECIAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1939

ENDOWMENT FUND ACCOUNT

PAYMENTS.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	RECEIPTS.	£ s. d.
To Balance as at 31 December 1939—			By Balance as at 31 December 1938	547 8 9
3½% War Loan at cost	216 4 8		" New Members' Entrance Fees for year	23 12 6
(Nom. Value £234 9 8)	...		" Transfers from Book Fund and Specimens Fund re Book and	...
3½% Local Loans at cost	241 17 4		Specimens sold	...
(Nom. Value £264 8 9)	...		...	10 10 0
" Cash at Bank	123 9 3			
		581 11 3		
		£581 11 3		
				£581 11 3

DEVELOPMENT FUND ACCOUNT

PAYMENTS.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	RECEIPTS.	£ s. d.
To Transfer to Ina Cottage Fund	30 0 0	By Balance as at 31 December 1938	30 17 6	
" Balance as at 31 December 1939	...	" Donations	6 6 0	

				£37 3 6
		£37 3 6		

PENSIONS FUND

PAYMENTS.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	RECEIPTS.	£ s. d.
To Balance as at 31 December 1939	By Balance as at 31 December 1938	288 9 6
			" Transfer from General Receipts and Payments Account	46 13 0
				£335 2 6
		£335 2 6		

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MUSEUM FUND

	PAYMENTS.	RECEIPTS.
To Transfer to Ina Cottage Fund	£ s. d. 103 19 6 By Balance as at 31 December 1938 ...
" Balance as at 31 December 1939	£103 19 6 £103 19 6

R. W. PAUL BEQUEST

	PAYMENTS.	RECEIPTS.
To Transfer to Ina Cottage Fund	£ s. d. 97 6 6 " 8 11 By Balance as at 31 December 1938 ...
" Balance as at 31 December 1939	£177 15 5 " Interest on Deposit Account ...

MEADE-KING FUND

	PAYMENTS.	RECEIPTS.
To Balance as at 31 December 1939	£ s. d. 380 1 2 By Balance as at 31 December 1938 ...
"		" One year's Interest received ...

INA COTTAGE FUND

	PAYMENTS.	RECEIPTS.
To Balance as at 31 December 1939	£ s. d. 256 6 0 By Fryer Bequest (1938) ...
"		" Transfer from Development Fund ...
"		" Transfer from Museum Fund ...
"		" Transfer from Paul Bequest ...
		£256 6 0

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SPECIAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1939

	WYNDHAM LECTURE HALL FUND	SPECIMENS FUND	BOTANY FUND	MEARE LAKE VILLAGE CASES FUND	BOOK FUND	WIGLESWORTH FUND	MICROSCOPICAL FUND	TITLE BEQUEST
Balances brought forward from 1938...								
Hall Lettings ...	£147 16 6	£241 13 3	£3 19 9	£23 9 0	£199 0 1	£14 14 7	£2 4 0	£2000 0 0
War Loan Interest ...	30 0 3	3 10 0						
New Zealand 4% Stock Interest ...					4 6 0			
Interest on 3% Local Loans ...					0 11 3			
Interest on Deposit Account ...	1 11 3	0 18 0	0 0 9	0 4 8	34 6 6	0 2 7	0 0 6	68 13 0
Transfer—Interest on Title Bequest ...		34 6 6						
Museum Box ...		0 4 2						
Donations, etc. ...		1 0 0			1 10 0			
<i>Less Heat and Light ...</i>	£179 8 0	281 11 11	4 0 6	23 13 8	239 13 10	14 17 2	2 4 6	2068 13 0
Wages ...	£4 16 0							
Repairs ...	1 0 0	0 8 6	6 4 6					
Museum Specimens, etc.								
Library Fittings, Books and Bookbinding ...			97 1 3			63 19 0		
Transfer to Endowment Fund re Specimen and Book sold ...				0 10 0		10 0 0	1 1 0	
Books purchased ...								
Transfer to Specimens Fund and Book Fund ...								68 13 0
Balances as at 31-12-1939 ...	£173 3 6	184 0 8	4 0 6	23 13 8	165 14 10	13 16 2	2 4 6	2000 0 0

GENERAL STATEMENT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1939

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		<i>f s. d.</i>	<i>f s. d.</i>		<i>f s. d.</i>	<i>f s. d.</i>				
To Balances at Westminster Bank Ltd:										
Deposit Account	1000 17 5		By Balances:						
	9 8 9	<u>1010 6 2</u>		Endowment Fund ...	...				
Current Account ...	... ..			Development Fund ...	...				
				Wyndham Lecture Hall Fund ...	...				
" Investments:				Specimens Fund ...	...				
New Zealand 4% Stock at cost (Book Fund)	107 11 4			Botany Fund ...	...				
3½% War Stock at cost (f534 9s. 8d.) ...	319 18 2			Mearé Lake Village Cases Fund ...	...				
3½% Local Loans (f2,253 3s. 10d.)	2241 17 4			Book Fund ...	...				
National Savings Certificates at cost (Pensions Fund)	285 0 0			Wiglesworth Collection ...	...				
Buenos Ayres Great Southern Railway Debenture Stock (f500) as valued 31-12-37 (Meade-King Fund)	382 10 0			Microscopical Fund ...	...				
" Ina Cottage at cost ...	256 6 0			Tite Bequest ...	...				
				Pensions Fund ...	...				
				Paul Bequest ...	...				
				Meade-King Fund ...	...				
				Ina Cottage Fund ...	...				
				By "Proceedings"—Reserve ...	...				
				" Repairs—Reserve as at 31.12.38 ...	...				
				" Less Transfer to Receipts and Payments Account 100 0 0						
				" Wyndham Show Cases—Reserve as at 31.12.38 ...	79 17 4					
				" Less Expended ...	<u>9 10 0</u>					
				" Suspense re County Council Grant (Amount received applicable to 1940) ...		70 7 4				
				" General Receipts and Payments Account—Balance			75 0 0			
								10 14 6		
									<u>f4,603 9 0</u>	

Stafford House, Tauton,

23 January 1940.

I have examined the above Accounts with the Books, Vouchers and Bankers' Certificate relating thereto and certify the same to be correct. I have ascertained that the Inscribed Stocks are duly registered in the name of the Trustees.

EDGAR D. MOLE, *Chartered Accountant, of the firm of A. C. Mole, Sons & Browne.*

F. L. ENGLAND, *Hon. Treasurer.*

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Excavation Funds

MEARE LAKE VILLAGE

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1939

	RECEIPTS.	PAYMENTS.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
To Balance at Somerset Savings Bank, 2 Jan., 1939	£ 11 3 7	By Wages, Removing Fencing	... 0 5 0
" General Donations	13 19 4	Insurance of Office Shed	0 6 0
" Grant, Bath Branch, S.A. & N.H. Society	3 3 0	" Ronald Baker, Rent	1 0 0
" Northern Branch ditto	4 4 0	" Travelling Expenses, H. St. George Gray	0 10 6
" West Somerset Branch ditto	2 2 0	" Supply of Paper Knives for sale	1 0 10
" " Taunton Field Club	2 2 0	" Postages and Sundry	0 1 11
" Miss M. E. Haviland	5 0 0	" Balance at Somerset Savings Bank, 30 Dec., 1939	53 11 8
" Mr. William Wyndham	4 4 0		
" Mr. E. P. Lewis	2 2 0		
" Mr. Roger Clark	2 2 0		
" Mr. and Mrs. C. Titchmarsh	2 2 0		
" Sale of Paper Knives of Lake Village oak	1 6 7		
" Interest at Bank	0 7 5		
		<hr/> £ 36 15 11	<hr/> £ 56 15 11
		H. ST. GEORGE GRAY, Secretary and Joint Director.	
		ROGER CLARK, Hon. Treasurer.	

NOTE—Owing to the outbreak of War at the time of the proposed resumption of Excavations at the Meare Lake Village, it was with much reluctance that the Directors resolved to cancel the work for the season. It was much regretted especially as all arrangements had been made and the usual diggers had been provisionally engaged. None of the donations subscribed for the work have been refunded, but are held in the hope that the Excavations may be continued at the first opportunity.

Excavation funds

THE MUMP, BURROWBRIDGE, 1939

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS.	f s. d.	PAYMENTS.
To Donation from Major A. G. Barrett (owner of the property) ...	10 0 0	By Wages and Insurances of Workmen ...
" Other Donations (listed in the Excavation Report) ...	13 12 6	" Watchmen ...
" Grants—		" Compensation (tenant) ...
Somerset Excavation Fund		" Photographs ...
Northern Branch, S.A. & N.H.S.	.. ..	" Drawings for Illustrations ...
Bath Branch, S.A. & N.H.S.	.. ..	" Towards cost of Blocks ...
Taunton Field Club	.. ..	" Motor-car, 7/11 miles ...
" Box Collections	.. ..	" Other Transport and tolls ...
" Interest at Bank	" Ordnance Sheet and Royalty ...
		" Postages and Sundries ...
		H. ST. GEORGE GRAY Director and Treasurer.
		£40 0 3

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CAMERTON. ROWBERROW FIELD EXCAVATION. 1939

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1939

RECEIPTS.	f s. d.	PAYMENTS.
To Bath Branch, S.A.S.	By Wages and Insurance ...
" Northern Branch, S.A.S. (1938)	" Car Hire for Director ...
" Haverfield Trust	" Carriage of Shiel ...
" Bath Branch (extra)	
" Donation, Miss N. Smith	
" Balance from 1938	Deficit ...
		ETHELBERT HORNE Hon. Treasurer and Director.
		£26 18 2

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Excavation Funds RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER, 1939

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.
To Balance at Bank, 31 December, 1938	68 4	By Wages and Insurance of Workmen ...
" Grant from the Administrative Trustees, Glastonbury Abbey	75 0	" Sub-Director ...
" Box Collections during the year at the Abbey ..	15 0	" Travelling Expenses, Director ...
" Interest on Deposit Account ...	0 5 7	" " Secretary ...
		" Reprinted Report, 1938 ...
		" Postages ...
		" Cheque Book ...
		" Balance at Bank, 31 December, 1939 : ...
		Deposit Account £20 14 8
		Current Account £14 16 4
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	<hr/> £158 9 8	<hr/> £158 9 8

SOMERSET EXCAVATION FUND

Started from the balance remaining over from the Ham Hill Excavation Fund.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1939

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.
To Balance at Bank, 31 December 1938	14 19 6	By Grant to the Burrowbridge Excavation Fund, 1939 ...
" Interest on Deposit Account ..	0 1 11	" Balance at Bank, 31 December 1939 (Deposit Account) ...
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	<hr/> £15 x 5	<hr/> £15 x 5

Election of Officers

The vacancies in the list of Vice-Presidents were filled by the re-election of Dr. A. Bulleid, Sir Henry C. Maxwell Lyte, and the Rt. Rev. Dr. F. Underhill, Bishop of Bath and Wells.

Mr. A. W. Vivian-Neal, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Editor, Major F. M. E. Kennedy, Honorary Secretary, and Mr. F. L. England, Honorary Treasurer, were re-elected.

In the Council of fifteen there were six vacancies. The following were re-elected : Mrs. J. B. Clark, Mr. A. E. Eastwood, Major J. A. Garton, the Rev. Preb. G. W. Saunders, and Dr. W. Watson. Brigadier R. Benson was also added to the Council. It was reported that the Mayor of Taunton and his successors had been co-opted to the Council under Rule IX (e).

Somerset Record Society

In the absence of Prebendary T. F. Palmer, Mr. Vivian-Neal presented a short report.

With the co-operation of the S.A. & N.H. Society a leaflet describing the Somerset Record Society's work had been sent out in the *Proceedings* for 1938 to all the members of the former society. The Record Society had been actively engaged since 1887, and with much work still awaiting publication it would be a disaster if lack of support brought its activities to an end.

The *Bridgwater Borough Archives*, 1377-1400, had been issued for 1938, and Sir Henry Maxwell Lyte was completing his work upon the *Registers of Bishops King and Hadrian*, which would be issued for 1939. The Society owed a debt of deep gratitude to Sir Henry. The volume of *Consistory County Depositions* was in preparation for 1940.

The Council was investigating the possibility of proceeding with work upon the Manor of Taunton Deane, but a great deal depended upon the amount of fresh support which the present appeal secured.

Glastonbury Abbey

Mr. F. BLIGH BOND proposed the following resolution—

That in consequence of the loss of all visible token of the true traditional length of Glastonbury Abbey owing to the removal

or concealment of data of foundation work excavated and marked out under the Society's superintendence in 1908-1909, it is the opinion of this meeting that some permanent record of the lost data should be marked upon the ground; and that His Majesty's Commissioners of Works should, as the ultimate authority concerned in the preservation of the Abbey as a National Monument under the Act of 1913, be invited to take, in conjunction with the Executive Trustees of the Abbey, such steps as may be required under the said Act in order to ensure the same.

The matter was debated at some length. The discussion was brought to a close without a division on the 'previous question' being voted.

The President for the Year

The PRESIDENT (Mrs. EDWARD CLIVE) then took the chair. It was the first time that the office of President of the Society had been held by a woman, and reference was made to the special interest of the occasion.

As the afternoon was already far advanced, Mrs. Clive informed the meeting that she had decided not to read the address on *The Story of the Holy Grail*, which she had prepared, but suggested that the members should at once proceed to Brympton, where tea had been made ready. Great regret was expressed that the discussion during the meeting had lasted so long that members were deprived of the privilege of hearing the address. Those who were acquainted with Mrs. Clive's views on its subject knew that it would have been of great interest.

Brympton d'Evere

The motors travelled to Brympton *via* the Yeovil road and East Chinnock Hollow. On arrival the members were received by Mrs. Clive and found tea ready for them in the reception rooms.

After seeing the house the members visited the Church (the Rev. H. D. C. Brown, Rector). Here Mrs. Clive spoke, and she was followed by Dr. F. C. EELES, O.B.E., whose material he has since amplified.