Report of the Curator of the Somerset County Guseum, from July 13, 1927, to July 17 (Annual Heeting), 1928

As stated in the last report, 1926–27, the Wyndham Lecture Hall was being built at the headquarters of the Somerset Archæological Society at Taunton Castle during the spring and summer of 1927. It was opened in the presence of the donor, Mr. William Wyndham, on 11th October 1927, when there was a good attendance of members and friends to offer him thanks for his generosity. The chief speakers invited for the occasion were Dr. J. Wells, ex-vice-Chancellor of the University of Oxford and ex-Warden of Wadham College, Sir Henry A. Miers, F.R.S., and Mr. F. Howard, H.M. Inspector of Schools for the South-West. Colonel J. Wm. Gifford, President of the Society, was in the chair. As previously reported, Mr. Wyndham gave the Society the sum of £1,475 for the erection and equipment of this hall, with restrictions to the effect that it would be used primarily by the Wyndham Lecture Trusts for the Taunton Elementary and Secondary Schools.

Mr. Wyndham has established similar lecture trusts for schools at Yeovil, Weston-super-Mare and Wells, for the teaching of the history, archæology and natural history of the

county of Somerset.

When Tone House with about 1½ acres of land came into the market in the autumn of 1927, Mr. Wyndham very kindly purchased the property for the Society for the sum of £2,000. A part of the land is actually within the Castle precincts, and its acquisition is of the greatest importance to the Society, and especially as it is proposed to extend the County Museum in this direction, or very near, when sufficient funds are available for the purpose. There is considerable congestion existing

both in the Museum and Library departments, and it is impossible at present to display the collections in the manner which their local importance demands. A small proportion of the Museum specimens are not exhibited at all, nor even stored in a manner to be readily accessible; and the collections are constantly growing, especially those having reference to archæological excavations conducted in the county.

Excavations have been and are still in progress at Taunton Castle for the double object of (1) archæological discovery, and (2) providing space, not already occupied by ancient walling, which will become available for Museum extension. It is hoped that the results of these investigations will be reported

to the Society at their annual meeting in 1929.

For all these purposes a large sum of money will be required, but before a general appeal has been circulated, a few of the members have made contributions in advance to enable the

Society to proceed by easy stages.

From excavations during the year a large number of objects have been received from the Meare Lake Village, Kingsdown Camp, Camerton and Taunton Castle. It is expected that all these operations will be continued next season. The remains discovered at Glastonbury Abbey in the excavations conducted jointly by the Society of Antiquaries and the Somerset Archæological Society will eventually be shown in the Abbot's Kitchen, where a museum for Abbey remains has been established.

In addition to Mrs. St. George Gray, who has been Assistant for over nine years, Miss F. G. Stuart Sheppard has been added to the staff. From this fact Museum work which had been getting into arrears has obtained greater attention. Several series have been re-arranged, including the extinct mammalia chiefly from Mendip, and this work has entailed a considerable amount of re-ticketing. The Ham Hill collections are also receiving attention, and a series of Saxon antiquities from Somerset is now being formed. Until recently few Saxon remains appear to have been found in the county.

Among the chief donors of 'bygones' and other local objects is Mr. S. Lloyd Harvey, and in his endeavours he has been assisted by his friends in the neighbourhood of Radstock.

The Wyndham Hall has relieved the staff to a certain extent in making special arrangements for holding meetings in the Museum.

The Botanical Section held a general meeting at head-quarters on 21st December 1927, and the Microscopical Section on 12th January 1928. The Entomological Section held its annual meeting on 14th February. The Ornithological Section had its autumn meeting on 13th October, and the annual meeting took place on 22nd March; in the afternoon, jointly with the Taunton Field Club, the Section held a meeting to hear lectures by the Revs. F. L. Blathwayt and C. J. Pring. The Taunton Field Club also had meetings in the Wyndham Hall on 8th December and 9th February.

The Somersetshire Archæological and Natural History Society consisted of 1,061 members in July 1928, including twenty-one life members and four honorary members.

The Museum and Library were visited by 8,909 persons in 1923, 8,302 in 1924, 7,763 in 1925, 8,289 in 1926, and 8,650 in 1927.

H. ST. GEORGE GRAY,

Assist.-Secretary and Librarian, Som. Arch. and Nat. Hist. Society, Curator of the Somerset County Museum.

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I. ARCHÆOLOGY

(1). STONE IMPLEMENTS

Palæolithic implement of chert, of early St. Acheul type; found by Mr. W. G. Larcombe on a heap of broken-up chert in the gravel pit on the northern side of the road at Bateham's Dairy in the valley of the Axe, parish of Thorncombe, N.W. Dorset, but within 300 yards of the Somerset county boundary.

The pit is only about 500 yards in a bee line south of Chard Junction Station, and about 1½ miles farther up the river than the Broom quarry.

The implement is of a long pointed variety, having a considerable amount of the cortex remaining on the surface. Its length is $9\frac{5}{8}$ in.; max. width $4\frac{1}{4}$ in.; thickness $1\frac{3}{4}$ in. (Figured and more fully described in *The Antiquaries Journal*, vii, 1927, pp. 71–72.)

Deposited on loan by the finder.

Chert implement (?), Whitford, Staple Fitzpaine; chert core, from which long narrow flakes have been struck, Hayne, Corfe Hill, Taunton; flakes, etc., Norton Camp, near Taunton.—Given by Mr. J. H. Shufflebotham.

Three flint implements of Neolithic type, unpatinated, found on the surface of a field E. of Priddy long-barrow, 1928.—Given by the Rev. Father E. HORNE, F.S.A.

Several flint flakes, etc., from a Neolithic settlement on Shap-wick Heath. (See also *Proc. Som. Arch. Soc.* li, i, 71; lvi, i, 92; lxii, lx).—Given by Dr. A. BULLEID, F.S.A.

Flint scraper of horse-shoe form, patinated white. Picked

up by the donor on the surface on Bindon Hill, Lulworth Cove, Dorset, 1928.—Given by Mr. D. G. MARTIN.

Well struck flake of chert, found at Bathealton.—Given by

Mr. A. MILNER BROWN.

(2). MISCELLANEOUS

The Antiquities found during the twelfth season's excavations at the Meare Lake Village, field no. 2, in August-September 1927, under the direction of Dr. Arthur Bulleid and Mr. H. St. George Gray.—Presented by the Somerset County Council.

The following ornaments found by a quarryman in 1926 in an Anglo-Saxon grave in a quarry at Camerton (procured by W. J. Wedlake): Two gold bracteates, of Kentish type, 18 mm. and 27 mm. respectively in diameter; plain bronze pin, length 42 mm.; four glass beads and two of shell; piece of blue glass; bezel of a finger-ring, of a very brilliant blue glass, ornamented with strapwork; five silver rings (? ear-rings). See also paper on Camerton in Part II of this volume.—Purchased.

The following ornaments found by Father Horne in August 1925 in an Anglo-Saxon grave in a small quarry on the s. side of Barrow Hill, Buckland Dinham; depth 1 ft. 9 in.: Two silver rings of fine wire (? ear-rings); two long beads of amethystine quartz; two rounded glass beads, about 1 in. in diameter; and two saddle-shaped beads of white shell. The 'find' is a pagan one of the sixth century. (See also Antiquaries Journal, vi, 1926, pp. 77–78).—Given by the Rev. Father E. HORNE, F.S.A.

Stone coffin found in the Saxon cemetery at Camerton, 11th August 1926; of Roman date.

It contained a perfect female skeleton, but no coins nor ornaments. The coffin has no cover; its length is 6 ft. 3 in., external width at shoulders 2 ft., at base 14 in. The bottom is flat, the sides tooled obliquely inside and out. It was found full of earth, at a depth of 10 in. below the surface.

Given by Sir Frank Beauchamp, Bart., C.B.E.

Bronze celt, of the thin, flat, triangular variety, length 140 mm. $(5\frac{1}{2}$ in.), with crescentic cutting-edge, slightly bevelled but quite blunt. Found on the Devon-Somerset border near the Wellington Monument, just within the boundary of Hemyock parish.

This celt, which weighs 370·32 grammes, was for many years kept on the mantelpiece in the kitchen of a house in Holcombe Rogus, and was sold about 1909 to the donor. A similar, but smaller, celt was found at Staple Fitzpaine some years ago (*Proc. Som. Arch. Soc.*, 1, 1904, ii, 110–112).

Given by Mr. J. W. CLARKE, Bridwell, near Uffculme.

A few remains picked up on the surface of Ham Hill, S. Somerset, by the donor, consisting of two arrowheads, five scrapers and part of a knife (all of flint), two pieces of pottery and part of a red tile impressed ——IMP——Given by Mr. C. E. Bean.

A few fragments of Roman pottery, etc., found in digging in the donor's garden at Faulkland, Norton St. Philip, depth 2 ft., 1912.—Given by Mr. A. H. RICHARDS.

Whistle shaped from a solid piece of bone, length $4\frac{9}{16}$ in.; found, deep, in altering the Castle Hotel, Taunton, 1928.—Given by Mr. George Gibbs.

II. ETHNOGRAPHY

Two carved wooden figures,—caricatures of Venetian musicians, on pedestals ($35\frac{1}{2}$ in. in height); the figures, with their stringed instruments, are 29 in. and 35 in. in height respectively.—Bequeathed by the late Mr. J. G. VILE.

Ordinary bicycle, *circ*. 1896, formerly ridden by the late Mr. A. E. Banfield, East Gate, Taunton.—Given by his son, Mr. R. K. BANFIELD.

Two moulds (halves), one in oak, one in stone, for casting leaden bullets; two flint-gun hammers, King's Sedgemoor; large U-shaped fire-steel, length 4.8 in.; old pocket-knife, with pistol-shaped handle; part of a knife with bone handle, called a 'lady's girdle knife'; egg-cup of pewter, height 2.3 in.; four clay tobacco-pipes; whip-stock handle of iron (most of the above specimens obtained at Long Sutton).—Given by the Rev. G. H. Lewis.

Cheese-stand of mahogany, length 17 in.—Given by Mr. WILLIAM WYNDHAM.

Miniature grate—a traveller's sample—8 in. by $7\frac{1}{2}$ in., from which a Victorian grate was ordered for Tone House, Taunton. —Given by Miss Wickenden.

Small horse-shoe; implement, used for veterinary work, in giving a horse a ball, called 'balling-iron', length in handle

14 in.—Given by Mr. Lockwood C. Hamlin.

Collier's 'guss', Radstock, consisting of a single coil of hempen rope of sufficient size to fit round the waist.

Connected to the rope-ring is an iron chain about 26 in. long, which passes downwards in front of the wearer's body and between his legs to a 'free' iron hook. This when in use is attached to a putt which conveys the coal from the pit-face to the wheeled 'tubs' on rails (Som. County Herald, 30th September 1927).

Collier's cap, Somerset, with iron candlestick and candle, also a clay tobacco-pipe attached.

Given by Mr. S. LLOYD HARVEY.

Collier's cap-candlestick of copper, length 54 in.—Given by Mr. Charles James, Radstock (through Mr. S. Lloyd Harvey).

Being of copper this appliance belonged to a bailiff or overman. It was given to the donor by Richard Ashman when he finished work at Foxcote Colliery in 1869. James Wilkins was manager there at that time.

Miner's cap-lamp, used for burning colza oil; the 'tapped' socket piece was used for screwing over the wick end for carrying in the pocket, or at the other end to form a stem for fixing in cap; length 41 in.

Miner's cap-lamp, used for burning petroleum wax; all of

brass, except the hook which is of tin; height $2\frac{1}{4}$ in.

Given by Mr. Wm. Robinson (through Mr. S. Lloyd Harvey).

Three pomade-pot covers, (1) 'Country Quarters'; (2) 'On Guard'; (3) Patriotic illustrations.—Given by Mrs. A. M. West, daughter of Mr. S. Lloyd Harvey.

Two small pistols, length 53 in., for percussion caps, by 'Harcourt, Ipswich'; middle of XIX Century.—Given by Dr. R. L. MEADE-KING.

Two face-brasses for horses, cast, modern; eight clay

tobacco-pipes, marked, found in the neighbourhood of Downside.—Given by the Rev. Father E. HORNE.

Parts of eleven clay tobacco-pipes, marked; found at Cheddar.—Given by Mr. R. F. Parry.

III. NUMISMATICS

Two silver medals, West Somerset Yeomanry, diam. 34.5 mm., with loop for suspension. Obv.—West somerset Yeomanry=c. K. K. Tynte col. Rev., one blank; the other inscribed for XXI YEARS SERVICE, July 30th, 1842,—Given by Mrs. St. D. M. Kemeys-Tynte.

Two notes of the Collumpton and Devonshire Bank, (1) One Pound, payable at Messrs. Marsh, Sibbald, Stracey, Fauntleroy & Stewart, bankers, London, 1809; (2) One Pound, for Chambers, Granger, Chambers & Co., 1812.—Given by Mr. Murray T. Foster.

One Pound Note, 'Yeovil Bank, Somersetshire, 1821', signed Hen. M. Watts, 'for Samuel Watts & Compy.'—Given by Mr. W. A. WOODLEY.

Three Somerset trade tokens, seventeenth century, (1) Giles King, Milverton; (2) John Streete, Minehead, 1666; (3) William Serle, Bradford, near Taunton, 1659.—Given by Miss Emily J. Carey.

Half-crown, James II, gun-metal, Irish, Dec. 1689; two one-shillings, James II, gun-metal, Irish, Sept. and Nov., 1689; Irish farthing, George III, 1806; 'second brass' coin of Domitian, A.D. 72–96 ('Moneta Augusti' type); counter for reckoning on a counting-board, Low Countries, made soon after 1559.—Given by Mr. W. T. Ashwell, Liskeard (through Mr. S. Lloyd Harvey).

Half-crown, James II, gun-metal, Irish, July 1690.—Given by Mr. Fredk. Blacker (through Mr. S. Lloyd Harvey).

Halfpenny, James II, 1691, Limerick money; found in the donor's garden at Timsbury.—Given by Mr. J. A. Dennis (through Mr. S. Lloyd Harvey).

Medalet of white metal, diam. 31 mm., damaged; found near the bank of the Parret at Hawker's Cottage, Bristol Road, Bridgwater, 1928.—Given by Mr. Fry (per Mr. P. Sturdy).

IV. MANUSCRIPTS, DRAWINGS, ENGRAVINGS, PHOTOGRAPHS, PRINTED MATTER, ETC.

Coloured print of the N.W. view of Wells Cathedral (In frame measuring 30 in. by $23\frac{1}{4}$ in.).

To the Rt. Rev. Richard Beadon, D.D., Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells; drawn and ctched by John Buckler; engraved by F. C. Lewis; published by J. Buckler, Bermondsey, Surrey, June 1806.

Lithograph of old Taunton, middle Nineteenth Century; by La Rivière, London (framed).

Engraving of Brigadier-General John Jacob, c.B. He was Aide-de-Camp to Queen Victoria and Commandant Scinde Irregular Horse; engraved by T. L. Atkinson from the original picture.

John Jacob was born on 11th January 1812 at Woolavington, Somerset, being the fifth son of Stephen Long Jacob, vicar of Woolavington-cum-Puriton, by his wife Eliza Susanna, eldest daughter of James Bond, vicar of Ashford, Kent. John, the general, died at Jacobabad, India, 5th December 1858. There is a bust to Jacob in the Shire Hall, Taunton.

Given by Mr. Charles Tite.

Four pencil drawings (in three frames) of Cleeve Abbey, by Alfred A. Clarke, 1856–7, (1) The Chapter House from the east, (2) The Gatehouse, s. side, (3) The Gatehouse, n. side, (4) The Refectory, inside.—Given by His Honour Sir Edward Parry.

Print of Louis Duras, Seigneur de Durfort, Earl of Feversham (1640 ?–1709), who commanded the Royal forces at the Battle of Sedgemoor, 1685.—Given by Mr. MAURICE WILKINSON.

Eight air photographs of Somerset earthworks, viz., Nether Stowey Castle, Castle Neroche, Cadbury Castle, Blacker's Hill Camp, Maesbury Camp, St. Michael's Hill (Montacute), Ham Hill Camp, and Dolebury Camp (all 1928, taken by the Royal Air Force, Old Sarum).—Given by the Rev. Father E. Horne.

Photograph of a sepia drawing of Orchard Wyndham, *circ*. 1820; probably by J. C. Buckler. — Given by Mr. W. Wyndham.

Photograph of the Adam ceiling at Bathealton Court, 1923.

—Given by Mr. C. F. Moysey.

Photograph of the screen in the church at Combe St. Nicholas.
—Given by the Rev. G. de Y. Aldridge.

Water-colour drawing of the front of the Castle Hotel, Taunton, by Harry Frier, 1891 (this building was pulled down, Nov. 1928).—Given by Mr. F. Harrison.

Copy of the will of Richard Dudderidge of Toobridge (Obridge), Taunton, dated 29 Henry VIII (1538).—Given by the Rev. S. E. DODDERIDGE.

Small parchment bound book $(5\frac{1}{2}$ in. by $3\frac{1}{4}$ in. by $1\frac{7}{8}$ in.), entitled 'Johan. Kirchmanni Lubecensis de Funeribus Romanorum Libri Quatuor . . . Lugd. Batav. apud Hackios, 1672'.—Given by Mr. Philip Sturdy.

Photograph of Tea consignees' letter, dated Boston, U.S.A., 1773, in which the East India Company is mentioned.—Given by Mr. J. Martin.

V. NATURAL HISTORY

Common Scoter, Oidemia nigra nigra (L.); fine adult male. Shot by the donor at the Exe Valley Fishery, Dulverton, 12th October 1927.—Given by Mr. T. F. TRACY.

Skin of Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax carbo carbo*, L.), immature male. Shot by George Foster, Haymoor's End, North Curry, 18th October 1927.—Given by the Rev. C. J. Pring, M.B.O.U.

Collection of British lepidoptera (butterflies and moths), without data, having been bought at a sale.—Given by Lady MOUNTAIN, Oare Mead, Brendon.

The best of these insects have been preserved and arranged in five drawers in the Museum by Mr. H. Doidge,—a collection suitable for children, as the English names are given.

Specimen of galena found in the 'rock' or 'badger' vein of the Farrington coal series at Lower Writhlington Colliery, by the donor.—Given by Mr. John S. Biggs (through Mr. S. Lloyd Harvey).

Dr. F. S. Wallis has examined the specimen and reports as follows: Galena (sulphide of lead). This mineral always contains a certain amount of sulphide of silver, but judging from the physical characteristics it would appear that the percentage of silver in these particular examples is low.

Galena generally occurs in small veins and fissures in the Carboniferous Limestone, but in this instance it has been deposited in a similar manner in the Coal Measures. This latter type of occurrence is rare, but is not previously unknown. In both cases the mineral was deposited from descending solutions containing lead.

Nodule of Marcasite (Iron disulphide F_eS_2); from Bishops Hull, 1927.

Thirteen dorsal vertebrae of *Ichthyosaurus* sp. (part of a specimen about 25 ft. long); found, in the Upper Lias, in a new quarry on Atherstone Hill, Whitelackington, 1927.—Given by Drs. H. Downes and W. H. Maidlow.

Two vertebrae of a saurian, found in Tolcis Quarry, Membury, E. Devon, apparently in clay resting on the blue lias.—Given by Mr. W. G. LARCOMBE.

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DONATIONS

Archæologia, vols. lxxvi, lxxvii.—Presented by the Society of Antiquaries of London.

The Bridgwater Pageant, 1927,—large paper edition, illustrated by photographs of all the episodes, etc.; A Dictionary of Roman Coins, by S. W. Stevenson; Sydenham Manor, Bridgwater, by the donor.—Presented by Mr. Philip Sturdy.

The Pardee Genealogy, edited by D. L. Jacobus, 1927.—Presented by Mr. J. Homan Pardee.

Henry Adams of Somersetshire, England, and Braintree, Mass., compiled by J. Gardner Bartlett, 1927.—Presented by Mr. EDWARD DEAN ADAMS.

Sixteen reprints of the donor's papers, 1866–88.—Presented by the Hon. Prof. Sir W. Boyd Dawkins, f.r.s.

Wells and Springs of Somerset, by L. Richardson.—Given by H. M. Geological Survey, England.

The Palace of Minos at Knossos, vol. ii (in 2 parts), by Sir Arthur Evans, f.r.s.—Presented by Mr. Wm. Wyndham.

The Servant of All: Pages from the Life of my Father, James Wilson, 2 vols., 1927; A St. Luke of the Nineteenth Century, 1922; Essays on the Purpose of Art, 1914; The Life of Walter Bagehot, 1915; The Works of Walter Bagehot, 9 vols. (edited by the donor, 1915).—Presented by the Authoress, Mrs. Russell Barrington.

Ightham: the Story of a Kentish Village and its Surroundings, by F. J. Bennett.—Given by Mr. G. P. Chamberlain.

New England Historical and Genealogical Register, nos. 196, 203 and 287 (to complete the Library set).—Given by the N. E. H. Society.

Proceedings, Bath Branch, Som. Arch. & N. H. Society, 1927. Supplementary Catalogue, Bryant and May Museum of Fire-Making Appliances, 1928.—Given by the Company.

Report, Wells Nat. Hist. and Archaeol. Society, 1925, 1926,

1927.

Report on Somerset Birds, 1927; British Birds, 1928.—Given by the Ornithological Section.

The Journal of Botany, 1928.—From the Botanical Section.

Note on the Cornish Flora, by E. Thurston, 1927.—Given by the Author.

Pipe Roll Society, vol. xlii, 14 Henry III.—Presented by a member of the Pipe Roll Society.

Suffolk Green Books,—Dictionary of Herveys, 1040–1500, vol. iii, Suffolk.—Given by the Compiler, the Rev. S. H. A. Hervey.

A Short History of the Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, by E. M. Tenison, 2nd edit., 1922.—Given by Major E. H. T. Parsons, c.b.e.

The Parish Church of Kingston St. Mary, by Rev. I. S. Gale and others, 1927.—Given by Miss E. L. C. Eden.

The Parish Church of St. Andrew, Clevedon, by the Rev. F. H. Fowler, 1928.—From the Author.

Some Account of the Parish of Poyntington, by the Rev. A. H. Bell, 1928.—From the Author.

The Manorial History of Donyatt, by W. L. Radford, 1928.— From the Writer.

Old Somerset, by H. P. Palmer, 1925.—From the Author.

George A. Fripp and Alfred D. Fripp, by H. Stuart Thompson, 1928 (the Fripps of Bristol were originally of Somerset stock).

—From the Writer.

Somerset Descent of Mrs. George Dodderidge, by the Rev. S. E. Dodderidge, 1927.—From the Writer.

The Origin of the name Cadbury, by Walter Barrow, 1928.— From the Curator.

A Primitive Dye-Stuff, by Rendel Harris, 1927 (several Somerset references, Watchet, etc.).—Given by Miss A. D. Greenwood.

Seventeenth Century Tea Spoons, by Francis Buckley, 1928.

—Given by the Author.

The Protection of our English Churches,—Report of the Diocesan Advisory Committees, 1928.—Given by the Compiler, Mr. F. C. EELES.

Bulletin of the British Ornithologists' Club, 9 vols., 1906–1914 (reports on migrants).—Given by the Rev. F. C. R. JOURDAIN.

Microscopic Fresh Water Life, by F. J. W. Plaskitt, 1926.—Given by the Microscopical Section.

Microscopy in the Service of Man, by R. M. Neill.—Given by Mr. Joseph Clark.

British Architects' Conference, Bath, June 20–23, 1928.—Given by Mr. Mowbray A. Green, f.R.I.B.A.

Gloucestershire Fonts, pts. 16, 17, and Index i-xvii.—Given by the Author, Dr. A. C. Fryer, f.s.a.

Hull Museum Publications, nos. 124 (new edit.), 144, 148, 149–154.—From the Director.

Arlette, mother of William the Conqueror, and account of Grestain Abbey, Honfleur, by the Rev. C. H. D. Grimes, 1927.—From the Author.

The Downside Review, nos. 129-131.

Report on the Public Museums of the British Isles to the Carnegie United Kingdom Trustees, by Sir Henry Miers, 1928; A Report on American Museum Work, by Dr. E. E. Lowe, 1928.

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Proc. Som. Arch. & N. H. Soc., 1926.—From Mr. J. Fearnsides.

National Trust Act, 1907; Report, National Trust, 1926–27. 50th Annl. Report, Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, 1927; Index of Annl. Reports, 1878–1927.

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Annl. Report & Proc., S.W. Naturalists' Union, 1927;

Bristol Botany in 1927, by J. W. White; The Apterygota of the S.W. of England, pt. iv. Several reprints from the Bristol Naturalists' Society.

44th Annl. Report, Watson Botanical Exchange Club, 1927–28. Report, Bath Ryl. Lit. & Scientific Institution, 1926, 1927; William Smith, by Dr. F. A. Bather, F.R.S., 1926.

The following Museum and Library Reports: Salisbury Museum (1926–27); National Museum of Wales (1926–27);

Ashmolean Museum (1927); Colchester Museum (1926–27); Russell-Cotes Museum, Bournemouth (Bulletin, vol. vi, nos. 3, 4; vol. vii, nos. 1, 2; Annl. Report, 1927–28); Halifax Corporation Museums (1926–27); Taunton Public Library (1927).

Somerset County Gazette, 1927–28.—From the Proprietors.

Somerset County Herald and Taunton Courier, 1927–28.—
From the Proprietors.

LANTERN SLIDES

160 lantern slides, given by Mr. C. Tite; 55 by the Rev. Father E. Horne; and 31 (flightless birds) by Mrs. J. Wiglesworth.

MANUSCRIPTS

Court Rolls of the Manor of Crocombe-Studley (Kingsmill family),—a manuscript book, covered in parchment, $14\frac{1}{2}$ in. by 9 in.; extracts only for various years between 1661–1710, 1769–1783; complete copies for 1717, 1720, 1723 to 1742 inclusive.—Given by the Rt. Hon. Henry Hobhouse.

Taunton in the Eighteenth Century, by the late Mr. H. Byard Sheppard (typewritten in 55 folio sheets).—Given by

Mrs. Byard Sheppard.

Sixty-three lantern slides to illustrate the above.—Given by

Mrs. Sheppard and Mr. H. S. Hare.

Two large sheets of Pedigrees, Somerset, compiled by the donor,—(1) The Osler family, showing descendants of William Osler (1749–98); (2) The family of Folletts.—Given by Mr. VIVIAN H. KING, A.R.I.B.A.

Thirteen Somerset deeds.—Given by Mr. J. W. CLARKE,

Bridwell, near Uffculme, Devon.

Thirty-two Somerset deeds.—Given by Lt.-Colonel H. R. Phipps, D.S.O.

Seventy Somerset deeds dealing with land in Blackford, Sparkford, North Cadbury, Limington, Weston Bampfield and Kingsbury Episcopi, 1586–1770.—Presented anonymously.

One Somerset deed.—Given by Mr. ARTHUR W. MARKS.

Map of Luxborough new road, prepared by road authority, 1832.—Given by Dr. C. R. Killick.

RECEIVED FROM SOCIETIES IN CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE EXCHANGE OF PUBLICATIONS

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Associated Architectural Societies—Reports and Papers, vol. xxxviii, pt. 1.

Bristol and Gloucestershire Archæological Society—*Transactions*, vol. xlix.

Cambrian Archæological Association—*Archæologia Cambrensis*, 7th ser., vol. vii, pt. 2; vol. viii, pt. 1.

Cambridge Antiquarian Society—Proceedings, vol. xxix; Index, vols. ix-xxiv (1895–1922).

Cardiff Naturalists' Society—*Transactions*, vols. lvii, lviii, lix. Chester and North Wales Archæological and Historic Society—*Journal*, n.s., vol. xxvii, pt. 2.

Cumberland and Westmorland Archæological Society—Transactions, n.s., vol. xxvii.

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