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1.—That this Society be named "THE HAMPSHIRE FIELD CLUB AND ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY," and that the object of the Club be the study of the Natural History and Antiquities of the County.

2.—That the Club consist of ordinary members and honorary members.

3.—That scientific men of distinction, non-resident in the County, may be proposed and elected as honorary members of the Club at any meeting of the Committee, such honorary members not to exceed twenty-five in number.

4.—That ladies be eligible for election as members of the Club.

5.—That the annual subscription of ordinary members be seven shillings and sixpence, due in advance on the 1st January, and from new members on admission. That the names of persons newly elected be not entered on the list of members until their subscription has been paid.

6.—That the Financial Secretary be required to give notice to members in arrear, and that the Proceedings of the Club be not sent to any whose subscription shall remain unpaid. The name of any member in arrear for one year shall be removed from the list.

7.—That the Headquarters of the Club be at Southampton.

8.—That the government of the Club be vested in a Committee, to be elected annually, and to consist of the President, the Vice-Presidents, the Treasurer, the Editor and Secretaries, and not less than six other members. The President and Vice-Presidents shall not hold office for more than two years consecutively.

9.—That three be a quorum of the Committee.

10.—That the Committee be empowered to appoint Local Secretaries for any part of the County, who shall be *ex-officio* members of the Committee.

11.—That persons who are members of any recognised kindred Society, publishing proceedings, be eligible for admission as members of the Club without ballot, and that other persons, having been duly proposed and seconded by two members of the Club, may be elected to the Club by the ballot of the Committee.

12.—That the proposer of any candidate be required to state the particular branch of Natural History or Antiquities in the study of which any candidate for admission into the Club is engaged, or is interested, or any other qualification, or special line of study.

13.—That in order for any such candidate to be elected a member of the Club, the ballot by the Committee be unanimous.

14.—That the Club hold not less than four ordinary field meetings in each year.

15.—That an annual meeting for general business be held in the early part of each year.

16.—That the financial report of the Club be brought up at the annual meeting in each year.

17.—That any member of a recognised kindred Society, publishing proceedings, be eligible to attend any field meeting of the Club as a visitor, on the introduction of a member of the Club.

18.—That each member of the Club be at liberty to introduce one visitor (who may not be a member of any recognised kindred Society) to each field Meeting of the Club; but not the same visitor more than once in any one season.

19.—That members of the Club who do not attend any meeting, after they have given notice of their intention to attend, be liable for their share of any expenses which may be incurred by the Committee in connection with such meeting.

20.—That the Club discourage the practice of removing and rooting up rare plants from characteristic localities, and the extermination of rare birds, and also use its influence with landowners for their protection.

21.—That the Club use its influence to promote the preservation of objects of antiquity.

22.—That the number of members be limited to 250, but the Committee are empowered to include beyond that number persons of special attainments, or likely to promote the objects of the Club. Other candidates may be elected as vacancies occur.

REPORT FOR 1899.

Read at Winchester, 29th March, 1900.

Since the last Annual Meeting, the Committee regret to state the Club has lost by death, the Rev. A. A. Corfe and Colonel Lenthall. Both were well known and active members, and the former often rendered efficient service in the botanical excursions.

During 1899 the Club held eight Field Meetings, viz:— at Brockenhurst and Boldre on the 20th April; at Titchfield on the 9th May; at Romsey on the 25th May; at Alresford and Cheriton on the 13th June; in the New Forest on the 28th June; in the Isle of Wight on the 4th July; at Clatford and Abbot's Ann on the 24th July; and at Hackwood Park and neighbourhood on the 12th September.

The meetings were very well attended, and papers full of interesting matter and original research were contributed. The Secretary thinks it right to mention that the Winchester newspapers have printed nearly all these papers in full, and a large proportion appeared in the *Hampshire Independent* and *Southampton Times*. The attention of the members is called to this fact, because only a portion of the information given at the Field Meetings finds its way into the published proceedings owing to the want of space, and but for the excellent newspaper reports much valuable information given at the meetings would be unrecorded.

The members were kindly entertained by the Rev. R. A. R. White, at Titchfield; by the Right Hon. Evelyn Ashley, at Romsey; by Mrs. Dutton, at Hinton Ampner; by Mr. Hammans, at Clatford; and by Mrs. C. Hoare, at Hackwood Park, to all of whom the best thanks of the Committee are respectfully tendered.

At the Annual Meeting held last year, the sum of £10 was voted to the King Alfred Millenary Fund. Towards the close of the year a further sum of £10 was voted towards

the repairs of the Guard Room adjoining the West Gate, Southampton, under the following circumstances. In the report of last year the Committee congratulated the Town Council of Southampton, on having voted the sum of £50— for repairs to the roof of this chamber, but on receiving a report from the Borough Surveyor, Mr. W. G. B. Bennett, who is a member of the Club, that any effective repairs would amount to £160—the Estates Committee recommended that the grant of £50 be rescinded and that it was inexpedient to spend money on the building. This resolution was only defeated by the casting vote of the Chairman. The matter was then taken up by the Rev. G. W. Minns, F.S.A., who addressed a letter to the Committee and asked to be permitted to guarantee the balance (£110) required to carry out the repairs as estimated by the Borough Surveyor. This offer was accepted and the work is now being carried out under the direction of the Borough Surveyor, to whom Mr. Percy Stone, F.S.A., has given his experience. An appeal for the sum guaranteed by the Rev. G. W. Minns, supported by the Club and the Society of Antiquaries, met with a ready response, and the whole amount was raised. Thus another historic land-mark of old Southampton has been saved from destruction, and will be utilized for public purposes.

The Committee are also glad to add that the beautiful 14th Century vault or undercroft in Simnel Street, Southampton, about which the Club have several times used their influence, is now secured from destruction. The following resolution was lately moved in the Town Council by Mr. H. Glasspool, and was carried by a large majority.

"That in dealing with the question of the vacant land in Simnel Street, the new roadway be so arranged as to prevent the unnecessary demolition of the undercroft, and that all previous resolutions be rescinded."

The citizens of Winchester are to be congratulated on the restoration of the West Gate and its opening to visitors, after being closed and disfigured for over three hundred years. This good work initiated during the Mayoralty of Mr. Alfred Bowker, was ably seconded by Mr. W. H. Jacob, who with Mr. N. C. H. Nisbett, contributed a valuable paper on the subject to the last part of the Papers and Proceedings.

The Committee feel sure that the members will appreciate the efforts which have been so successful in saving from destruction objects of antiquarian value and interest in the County.

HAMPSHIRE FIELD CLUB.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS for Year ending 31st December, 1899.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.				
Balance brought forward from the year 1898	..	68	5	8	Subscription to Commons Preservation Society	..	0	10	6		
3 Members' Subscriptions for 1897	..	..	1	2	6	Subscription to Footpath Preservation Society	..	0	10	6	
19	..	..	7	2	6	Donation to King Alfred's Millenary Commemoration Fund	..	10	10	0	
218	..	..	81	15	0	Donation to Restoration Fund, Ancient Guard House, Southampton..	..	10	10	0	
8	..	..	..	3	0	0	Subscription to Congress of Archaeological Societies, 1899 and 1900..	..	2	0	0
1	..	..	..	0	7	6	Official Year Book and new Cheque Book..	..	0	11	6
By Sale of Copies of " Proceedings "	..	..	2	19	6	Balance paid on Printing, Part 1, Vol. IV, "Proceedings"	..	12	6	3	
						Balance paid on Illustrations, Part 1, Vol. IV, "Proceedings"	..	2	6	6	
						Part-payment on Printing, Part 2, Vol. IV, "Proceedings"	..	25	0	0	
						Part-payment on Illustrations, Part 2, Vol. IV, "Proceedings"	..	8	19	10	
						Printing Notices, and of Meetings..	..	11	7	6	
						Bookbinding	..	0	13	0	
						Expenditure per Hon. Editor	..	1	12	6	
						" Hon. Corresponding Secretary	..	4	1	0	
						" Hon. Organizing Secretary	..	11	7	11	
						" Hon. Financial Secretary	..	2	0	0	
						" Hon. Treasurer	..	0	4	6	
						Fee to Assistant Secretary	..	5	5	0	
						Postal, &c., Expenditure per Assistant Secretary	..	2	15	0	
						Balance carried forward..	..	52	1	2	
								£164	12	8	

Audited and found correct this 6th day of February, 1900.
 EDWARD WHITTAKER, Auditor.

MORRIS MILES, Hon. Treasurer.
 January, 1900.

REPORT FOR 1900.

Read at Winchester, 26th March, 1901.

The Meetings held by the Club during 1900, numbered in all eight, without reckoning the Annual Meeting at Winchester, with which the season was inaugurated. Although intended only as a business meeting it is but fair to state that the Annual Meeting has always, through the kindness of our Winchester members, been made of Archæological interest, and that held on the 29th March last year was no exception. The Hon. Local Secretary, Mr. Norman C. H. Nisbett, F.R.I.B.A., conducted the party to the County Hall, the architecture of which he described. Mr. William W. Portal, the newly elected President, gave some interesting information concerning the history of King Arthur's Round Table, and his remarks were followed by a discussion. The ancient Sally Port of the Castle was also visited, and by the courtesy of the Mayor and Corporation was specially illuminated with the electric light; subsequently the members were kindly entertained at tea by Dr. W. M. Harman.

The ordinary Field Meetings were as follows:—At Fareham, Porchester and Rowner on April 24th; at Wonston, Bullington and Hunton on May 17th; at South Stoneham, Durley and Bishops Waltham on May 28th; in the New Forest on June 24th; at Petersfield, Butser Hill and Buriton on July 10th; at Yarmouth and Freshwater in the Isle of Wight on July 25th; at St. Mary Bourne, Hurstbourne Tarrant and Ashmansworth on September 18th. The papers read at these meetings were, as usual, excellently

reported by the representatives of the Winchester and Southampton newspapers. The Committee desire to express their thanks to the proprietors and would urge upon all members who wish to rescue from oblivion the valuable information contributed at the meetings of the Club, to obtain and preserve these reports as they appear.

There was, in addition, a supplementary Meeting at Silchester on October 2nd, for the purpose of inspecting the results of the year's explorations. The Museum at Reading was first visited, and the newly arranged Silchester objects were described by the Honorary Curator Mr. George E. Fox, F.S.A. The meeting proved very attractive and justified the occasional innovation of going beyond the borders of our County.

The members have been kindly entertained by the Rev. E. S. Prideaux-Brune, Rector of Rowner; the Rev. R. F. Bigg-Wither, Rector of Wonston, on the occasion of our visit to their parishes; and by Mr. H. W. Trinder, F.R.G.S., Northbrook House, Bishops Waltham, to all of whom the thanks of the Committee are respectfully tendered.

Since the last Annual Meeting, Part II., Vol. IV. of the "Proceedings" of the Club has been published, and the Committee venture to think that the Members will agree with them that our Journal continues to hold the high reputation which it has achieved. Those who have seen the first volume of the *Victoria History of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight*, in the course of publication, will have noticed how largely the writers have drawn their information from the Proceedings of the Club, and they do not fail to acknowledge their indebtedness to the contributors to our pages.

HAMPSHIRE FIELD CLUB.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT of RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS for Year ending 31st December, 1900.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance brought forward from 31st December, 1899	52	1	2	Final payment for Printing Part 2, Vol. IV. "Proceedings"	13	3	0
1 Subscription for 1898	..	..	..	Final payment for Illustrations Part 2, Vol. IV. "Proceedings"	7	16	3
18 " 1899	..	..	..	Receipt Books for Financial Secretary	..	..	..
208 " 1900	..	..	..	Printing Notices, &c., per <i>Hampshire Independent</i>	13	17	6
11 " 1901	..	..	..	Part payment of Illustrations for Part 3, Vol. IV. "Proceedings"	8	2	11
By Sale of "Proceedings"	..	..	..	Part payment for Printing of Part 3, Vol. IV. "Proceedings"	25	0	0
Donation from the Rev. G. S. Prideaux-Brune	..	..	..	Subscription to Birds Preservation Society	..	..	..
towards expenses of Illustrations	..	..	..	Commons	..	..	..
				Footpaths	..	..	..
				" Archaeological Congress	..	..	..
				Hon. Editor	..	..	..
				Hon. Corresponding Secretary	..	..	..
				Hon. Organising	..	..	..
				Hon. Isle of Wight	..	..	..
				Hon. Financial	..	..	..
				Hon. Treasurer	..	..	..
				Assistant Secretary in Postage	..	..	..
				Fee to Assistant Secretary	..	..	..
				Balance in hand of Assistant Secretary	..	..	..
				Balance at Bank 31st December, 1900	£42	2	2
					£145	6	8

Audited and found correct, this 5th day of February, 1901.
EDWARD WHITTAKER, Auditor.

MORRIS MILES, Treasurer.
J. BLOUNT THOMAS, Hon. Financial Sec.