

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY.

FEBRUARY 7TH, 1859.—A Committee Meeting was this day held in the Society's Room, in Silver-street, when the Secretary reported that, in compliance with the resolution of the last Meeting, he had sent a Circular Letter and List of the Queries, approved by the Committee, to the Messrs. Whellan, together with 200 copies of the List of Members and Rules of the Society. The Secretary also reported the purchase of "*Rotuli Parliamentorum*," which are now placed in the Library for the use of Members. Resolutions were passed, that the Accounts of the Society be audited annually instead of every two years as heretofore; and that a copy of the "*Records*" be sent to Lord Carington, as Lord-lieutenant of the County, with the request that his Lordship will give his support to the Society. Mr. Field presented several Coins and Tokens to the Society. B. Beedham, Esq., Kimbolton, Huntingdon, and H. Bode, Esq., Dinton, were proposed and seconded as joining Members.

It was resolved to hold a General Meeting in Aylesbury, on Monday, May 2nd; and the Annual Meeting was proposed to be held this year at Newport Pagnell.

MAY 16TH, 1859.—A General Meeting was held in the Evening of this day, in the Large Room of the White Hart Hotel, Aylesbury. Amongst other objects of interest the following were exhibited:—Some Rubbings from Shakspeare's tomb at Trinity Church, Stratford-upon-Avon, to compare with a Rubbing taken from a Monumental Slab from the neighbourhood of Dinton, by Vice-Admiral Smyth; a Mediæval Key found at Creslow, in the Warren, in November, 1858, sent by R. Rowland, Esq.; a Fransisca, or the Iron Head of a very small Axe, used by the Franks as a casting weapon, found by Mr. Fordom, jun., on his farm at Little Kimble, in December, 1858, and presented by him to the Society; the Barbed Head of a Spear, also found by Mr. Fordom, jun., at the same place and in the same month as the last-named "*find*," and presented to the Society; the Head of a Spear, found on Benhill, near Aylesbury, in November, 1858, together with Human and Stag Bones, &c., presented by Mr. E. Terry, jun.; also a Lady's Shoe, some 200 years old, found embedded in the wainscoting of an old house, the property of Mr. R. Gibbs, and presented to the Society as an object of curiosity.

The Rev. G. A. Cuxson presided. The Rev. C. Lowndes read a Financial Account, in the absence, from indisposition, of Mr. R. Dell, the Treasurer, showing that, after the various expenses of the Society for 1858 had been paid, there remained a balance of £25 15s. 1½d. to meet the current year's expenses. The next business was that of proposing sixteen new Candidates, who had already passed the Committee, for Membership. Their names, which were as follows, were put and carried *nem. con* :— Acton Tindal, Esq., Aylesbury; R. Sutton, Esq., 44, Queen Ann Street, London; R. M'Cormick, Esq., Aylesbury; B. Beedham, Esq., Kimbolton, Hunts; H. Bode, Esq., Dinton; Herbert Cooper, Esq., Aylesbury; Archibald Garrioch, Esq., Aylesbury; W. Meyrick, Esq., Parliament-street, London; the Rev. H. Ferrier, Chalfont St. Peters; the Rev. G. R. Ferris, Hulcott; the Rev. J. M. Price, Cuddington; Mr. E. Terry, jun., Aylesbury; Mr. E. Eames, Aylesbury; Mr. J. Griffiths, Aylesbury; Mr. J. S. Stone, Terrick; and Mr. J. Williams, Aylesbury. The Secretary then mentioned the following presentations to the Society :— "Catalogue of Egyptian Antiquities in the Museum of Hartwell House," by J. Lee, Esq.; "Some particulars relative to Colonel Richard Beke, of Haddenham," by J. Lee, Esq.; "Britannia Romana," by Vice-Admiral Smyth; "Second Report of Researches in a Cemetery, of the Anglo-Saxon period, at Brighthampton, Oxon," by J. Y. Akerman, Esq.; "Furca et Fossa," by J. Y. Akerman, Esq.; also eleven Coins of the "find" in Weston Underwood, presented by Sir Robert Throckmorton, together with a great many pieces of Roman Pottery, but not sufficient to discover the kind of vessel of which they originally formed a part. The Secretary next reported that he had received the 2nd volume of the "Transactions of the London and Middlesex Archaeological Society," with a note from its Secretary saying that that Society would be glad to act in unison with the Bucks Society. The matter was then put to the Meeting, and it was decided that the thanks of the Bucks Society be given to the London and Middlesex Society for its present, and that the Society should be informed of the willingness of the Bucks Society to act in unison with it. The Chairman then stated that a note had been received from Vice-Admiral Smyth requesting the Secretary to read his Paper to the Meeting in his unavoidable absence. The Rev. C. Lowndes then read the Paper in question, which was "Notice of certain Relics found at Benhill Farm, near Aylesbury," with further "Remarks on Rubbings." The presentation from Mr. May, photographer, of five Stereoscopic Views of the interior of the Museum, at Hartwell House, was then duly acknowledged, and the views, which were very correct, and executed with considerable artistic skill, were passed round the room. Mr. Lowndes, at the request of Mr. Stone, of Terrick, read a Paper, "Notes on an ancient foundation discovered in the Parish of Ellesborough." This was followed by the reading of an interesting Paper, by Mr. Lowndes, from the Rev. H. Roundell, vicar of Buckingham, "On Hillesden House in the Civil Wars." Thanks were then voted to the Writers of the respective Papers, the Secretary and Chairman, after which the Meeting dissolved.

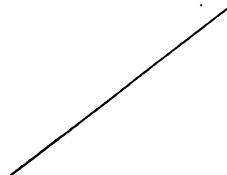
ARCHÆOLOGICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL SOCIETY

FOR THE COUNTY OF BUCKINGHAM.

ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1858.

Receipts.

	£	s.	d.
Balance in the Treasurer's hands.. .. .	22	9	5½
Subscriptions for the Year 1858	14	10	0
Arrears of Subscriptions, and in advance..	15	14	6
By Sale of "Records"	1	10	0

			
	£54	3	11½

Payments.

	£	s.	d.
Pickburn's Account for Printing	13	13	4
Nichols and Son, for 400 Prints of Quarrendon Chapel	1	1	3
Day and Son, for Lithographing a View of Quarrendon Chapel	2	15	0
Door Plate.....	1	6	0
Akerman's Roman Coins, 2 vols., and 2 Parliamentary Tracts	1	16	0
Postage Stamps and Parcels	4	4	5
Advertisements	1	16	6
Envelopes	0	4	7
Expenses of the General Meeting.....	1	11	9
Balance in hand December 31st, 1858.....	26	15	1½
	£54	3	11½

Examined, Audited, and compared with the Vouchers.

Z. D. HUNT,
CHARLES LLOYD, } *Auditors.*