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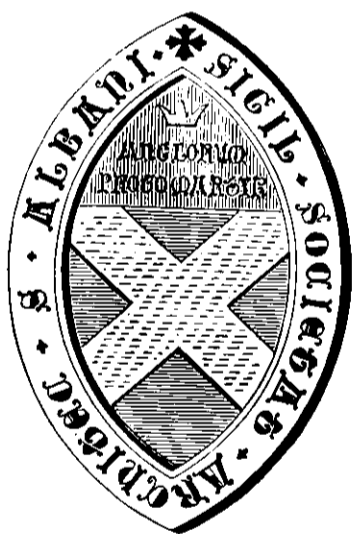
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PROCEEDINGS.

Meeting held at the Town Hall, S. Albans,
March 29th, 1892.

Present—John Evans, Esq., D.C.L., P.S.A., &c., in the chair; H. J. Toulmin, Esq., Rev. H. Fowler, Hon. Local Sec., Rev. Canon Liddell, G. N. Marten, Esq., S. Flint Clarkson, Esq., W. J. Hardy, Esq., F. W. Kinneir Tarte, Esq., with other members and friends.

The audited Balance Sheet for 1891 was read by the Chairman, and accepted.

Mr. Fowler expressed on behalf of the Ven. Archdeacon Lawrance and the Rev. Canon Davys their regret at being unable to attend. He announced the plan of an Archæological Excursion, proposed by the Rev. Canon Davys, to take place in the first week in August.

On the motion of the Chairman the Rev. Valentine Browne, Vicar of Flamstead, was elected an Honorary Member of the Society. P. Jenner Weir, Esq., of Lattimore Road, S. Albans, proposed by Mr. W. J. Hardy, was elected an Ordinary Member.

The Chairman submitted to the Meeting the appeal of the Rev. V. Browne for aid in repairing the tower of Flamstead Church. Mr. Flint Clarkson read some notes on the architectural history of the tower.

The Chairman exhibited specimens of ancient pottery, discovered recently at Gustard Wood Common in the manor of the Rectory of Wheathampstead, on land held by Mr. Wright. He remarked that these were pronounced by Mr. Franks, of the British Museum, to belong to the end of the fourteenth century. A kiln probably existed on the site, which adjoined the 14th century wayside chapel, illustrated in the Transactions of 1888. Some of

the fragments, which were possibly Roman, seemed to indicate the existence of pottery works here at a much earlier period. Other early pottery works probably existed at Pottern End and Potter's Crouch in this county. A photograph of a water-ewer, in a perfect condition, from the find at Gustard Wood, was exhibited.

The Rev. Canon Liddell, M.A., read a paper on "Bede, and the Church in which he worshipped," illustrating by drawings and photographs. Mr. Kinneir Tarte offered some remarks on the subject, as also did the Chairman and others. The thanks of the Meeting were cordially given to Canon Liddell.

A paper was read by Mr. W. J. Hardy, F.S.A., on "Some old Lawsuits relating to S. Albans." Remarks were offered by Dr. Evans, Mr. Toulmin, and Mr. Fowler. The hope was expressed that Mr. Hardy's paper would be printed in the Transactions.

The Chairman exhibited a case of British coins collected in the neighbourhood of Verulam. The thanks of the Meeting were heartily accorded to him.

GEORGE U. ROBINS.

Excursion, August 4th, 1892.

On August 4th an Archæological Excursion was conducted by the Secretaries. About twenty members and friends assembled at Berkhamstead at 10.18 a.m., where carriages were taken. At the parish church of S. Mary, Northchurch, Mr. S. Flint Clarkson, F.R.I.B.A., gave an address on the natural features of the district, the history of the church, and the alterations the fabric had undergone since the 13th century. He pointed out the characteristic features in detail, directing special attention to the tower. Mr. Andrew Oliver gave a note on "Peter the Wild Boy," and his memorial. The Rector, the Rev. A. F. Birch, gave information about the work of the restoration.

The party were driven over Berkhamstead Common to Aldbury. Here the church of S. John the Baptist was inspected under the guidance of Mr. F. Kinneir Tarte, who read notes on the history of the manors and the church, directing special attention to the chantry

chapels, and describing the monuments they contain. The Rector, the Rev. H. T. Wood, rendered kind assistance. In the park called "The Stocks" a picnic lunch was partaken of.

The party now proceeded into Buckinghamshire over the Ivinghoe downs, striking into the Icknield way. The Vicar of Ivinghoe, the Rev. A. E. Wauton, received them, and gave information about the restoration of the church of S. Mary effected under the late Mr. G. E. Street. The Rev. H. Fowler guided, and read a paper on the history of the parish, the church, and its founder. The characteristic features of the structure and the monuments were pointed out in an inspection. The travellers then proceeded over the high lands, whence a splendid prospect was obtained, to Edlesborough. Here Mr. F. Trevor Davys conducted, and read an architectural description of the church and an account of the manors within the extensive parish. The ancient features of interest, notably the canopied pulpit, the chancel stalls, and sedilia were inspected, the Incumbent, the Ven. Archdeacon Brooks, rendering kind assistance. The fine brass of Rector John de Swynstede was described by Mr. A. Oliver, who exhibited a rubbing. The Tithe Barn, a grand specimen of mediæval timber-work, was visited, also the Vicarage. Eaton Bray was reached about 4.30 p.m. The Rev. Canon Davys met the party at the church (having been previously detained by parochial duties). He read a paper on the history of the manor and the church, describing the remarkable structural and decorative features of the fabric, notably the rich example of Early English work existing in the northern arcade; afterwards pointing out in an inspection the well-preserved reredos of a side altar, early iron-work, and other interesting details. He drew attention to the precarious condition of the structure, also the efforts which are being made by the Vicar, the Rev. E. Sutton, for its careful restoration under the architectural superintendence of Mr. R. W. Edis.

The S. Albans party proceeded to Dunstable, leaving it by the 5.40 train for their several destinations.

The weather proved remarkably propitious. The day's proceedings appeared to afford much gratification to those who took part in the expedition.

G. UPTON ROBINS.