



THE  
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BARBADOS MUSEUM  
AND  
HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL 1972 - 1973

The Council has pleasure in presenting its Report on the affairs of the Society for the year 1st. May, 1972 to 30th. April, 1973.

COUNCIL

The Council welcomes Mrs. Elsie Payne, Ph.D., (Cantab.), Headmistress of Queen's College and Dr. Woodville K. Marshall, B.A., Ph.D., Senior lecturer in History, Dean of the Faculty of Arts and General Studies of the U.W.I., as new Council Members.

Mr. Trevor Bowring who was Honorary Treasurer for many years retired on leaving the Island to reside abroad. The Council wishes to record his very valuable contribution to the Society.

The Council records with the greatest regret the death of the Director, Mr. Neville C. Connell on 19th. January 1973. The value of Mr. Connell's contribution to the Barbados Museum is not easy to estimate nor as a Director will he be easily replaced. The vacant post was advertised.

Mr. R. V. Taylor was appointed Director and assumed duties on 15th. March 1973. It is proposed to send Mr. Taylor on a course of study abroad. Dr. Woodville Marshall and Mr. R. T. A. Johnson were appointed as a special committee to look after the arrangements for such.

## MEMBERSHIP

At 1st. May 1972, there were 539 Members on the Roll of the Society and on 30th. April, 1973, there were 542, comprising; Founder Member 1, Honorary Member 1, Life Members 68, Annual Members 340, Firm & Company Members 12 and 120 Associate Members. The Council is anxious to increase the Membership of the Society and Members are asked to obtain new Members.

The following were elected to Membership of the Society during the year:

### LIFE MEMBERS

Mrs. L. Browning  
S. Forsberg

Mrs. G. Eastman

### ANNUAL MEMBERS

Major B. Merivale-Austin  
J. Foster  
Mrs. R. Goddard  
Mrs. R. Hunte  
P. D. Laurie  
H. La Forte  
Dr. W. Marshall  
Mrs. R. Perkins  
F. Packard  
Mrs. V. Smythe  
Mrs. M. Welsh

Dr. B. Blouet  
Dr. A. Glenn  
Mrs. C. Hickok  
J. Kitchen  
P. Lord  
Mrs. E. Moorjami  
M. Martin  
B. Parsons  
Mrs. C. Tenney  
Lt. Col. P. Tamlyn  
K. Watson

### ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

R. Armstrong  
Miss C. Gomes

Mrs. M. Gibson  
Mrs. E. Schmidt

### TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP ANNUAL TO LIFE MEMBER

Mr. & Mrs. E. G. B. Gooding.

### LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP

The Council deeply regrets to record the deaths of Mrs. M. P. Croucher, Mrs. Ruth Wright, Dr. Harold Skeete, Mr. A. S. Bryden, Miss Eleanor L. Nurse, Mr. Arthur S. Brooks, Major H. M. Reece, Mr. Arthur Hart, Mr. Lewis McGregor, Mr. Alan Martyr, Mrs. Robert Challenor and Mrs. G. M. Yard, Annual Members; and Mr. A. C. Bailey and Mr. Frank Dean, Associate Members.

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

Dr. Louis Lemieux and Mr. Hugh Schultz, Director and Deputy Director of the Canadian National Museum of Natural Sciences paid a visit to the Museum on 17th. February. They were accompanied by Mr. Mohammed Hanif, Executive Director of the Caribbean Conservation Association. They were met by the President of the Society and several members of the Council and escorted on a tour of the Museum.

Lady Chandler gave a talk on "Antique Glass Paperweights" and a vivid description of her visit to the factories producing them in France, Scotland and England.

The Barbados National Trust, the Barbados Weather Observers Association and the Barbados Horticultural Society, all held meetings at the Society's headquarters.

Dr. James Lazell of the National Geographic Society paid several visits to the Museum during the month of February. He was attached to the Bellairs Institute and was doing research on the Barbados Racoon, which he hoped was still Extant. Permission was granted for him to have the Museum's stuffed specimen X-rayed. He presented to the Museum a stuffed specimen of the Barbados Monkey.

## SOCIETY'S HEADQUARTERS

The Council wishes to express its appreciation to Government for the annual grant to assist with the running of the Museum and to enable the Ministry of Communications to begin the conversion of the Director's former Quarters into a new exhibition gallery to be called "The Warmington Gallery. The late Mr. Jack Warmington left the Museum the choice of his personal effects, Jewellery, etc., and one quarter of the residue of his estate. These objects d'art of great value will be placed on permanent exhibition in the Gallery to be called after its benefactor. The reconversion got under way in February under the capable supervision of Mr. David Rundle, R.I.B.A.

## WARMINGTON GALLERY

Certain proceeds from the sale of surplus furniture given to the Museum by the late Mr. J. E. Warmington are being used in the decoration of the New Gallery which will house most of the Warmington Collection. The Council is grateful to Mr. Harold Bowen for waiving the commission on the sale normally due him. The Council also wishes to record its grateful appreciation of the wise counsel of the Solicitors in the administration of Mr. Warmington's estate.

## MUSEUM & LIBRARY

During the year, several persons generously donated many valuable gifts. Medals of the Misses Shephard, by Miss Ella Shephard; Medals of the late Alex Jemmott, by Mrs. G. Skinner; Manuscript Material of the late W. A. Yearwood, by Mrs. A. R. E. King; Photograph of Sir Mark Young, Gov. by Mrs. Gordon Hamilton., Photograph of Sir Conrad Reeves, by R.V. Taylor; a Portrait of an Unidentified Young Girl, bequest of Miss Ailsa Fleming; 2 Masonic Jewels, 1 set Laws of Barbados, 2 French Bayonets of 1812, by Mr. Edmund Bayley; 1 Framed Picture, Staffordshire Colours, 2 Fans, 1 Case Capt. Yard's Medals, 1 Commemorative Glass 1953, 1 Lace Stole, 1 Collection farthings (groats), by Mrs. Heron of Stepney; 1 History of W. I. Regiment, 4 Copies Diary of B. Grant, by Mrs. John Manning; Copies of Photographs of Old Barbados, Numerous Museum Journals (Back numbers), by Mr. Edward Stoute; 1 German Shell Case, 2 W.I. Regiment Badges, 1 Feeding Bottle, Photograph of Evelyn Family, by Miss Mildred Phillips; 1 Portrait of Sir Randall Phillips, 8 Photographs of the Evelyn, Phillips and Reece families by Mr. E. E. Deane; a portion of the Moon Rock and an autographed letter of the President of the United States of America, Mr. Richard Nixon, by the U. S. Embassy.

## JOURNAL

Owing to the steep increase in the cost of producing the Journal it was possible to publish only one Number of the Journal and the Annual Report. The Council is most grateful to Mr. Peter Campbell for having undertaken the editorship of the Journal.

## CHILDREN'S SECTION

During the year groups of 12 Schools attended talks given at the Museum on "Soufriere, St. Vincent and other Valcanoes". The total number of children was 342. Owing to the death of Mr. Neville Connell all other scheduled classes were temporarily suspended. It is proposed to revive these in due course.

## MUSEUM COLLECTIONS FUND

Purchases were made of a Spode hot water Plate, part of the service belonging to Gov. Sir Evan McGregor. Three pieces of Jesuit-Ware which is a rare form of Chinese export porcelain were purchased. A sepia drawing of Stephney House, St. George signed and dated 1831 was purchased.

## DONATIONS

For Donations, the Council is grateful to: Mrs. W.E. Julien, Earl Higgenbotham, Mrs. Dorothy Bailey, Barbados National Trust, Barbados Light & Power Co. Ltd., Barbados Weather Observers Assoc., Mount Gay Diltilleries, W.I. Rum Refinery Ltd.

The Council is again indebted to Messrs. Pannell Fitzpatrick & Co., the Society's Honorary Auditors, for so freely giving their services.

## ATTENDANCE

During the year 13,548 persons visited the Museum, an increase of 109. There has been a considerable increase during the year of persons using the library for purposes of research. This brings to the attention the necessity of a Librarian even if only on a part time basis.

## VOLUNTARY HELP

Once again the Council wishes to thank Mrs. H. W. Ince for her help with the proofs of the Journal and for writing Labels and other valuable services too numerous to mention.

F. C. Hutson.

10th. December, 1973.

President.

THE BARBADOS MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH. APRIL, 1973.

REVENUE	1973	1972
Life members	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 358.23
Annual members	3,105.40	2,157.97
Associate members	332.50	212.00
Firm & Company members	231.92	325.00
	<u>\$ 4,869.82</u>	<u>\$ 3,053.20</u>
Government Grant	26,148.00	26,248.00
Donations	424.45	731.26
Gate receipts	3,630.00	4,191.45
Interest	1,806.05	1,472.51
Artists Sales	461.18	84.32
Prints & Postcards	605.60	( 855.00)
Exchange	316.11	217.52
Discount on sale of stamps	196.19	164.90
Sundry Revenue	78.36	1,114.28
	<u>\$38,535.76</u>	<u>\$36,422.44</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Salaries & wages etc.,	\$ 24,554.84	\$ 17,471.29
Repairs & maintenance	1,565.23	5,253.53
Equipment, Purchase & Repairs	1,383.02	328.51
Insurance	1,772.94	967.95
Journals, Guides etc.		
Expenditure: \$3,567.06		
Revenue: 1,210.13	2,356.93	658.68
Stationery & Postage	498.59	563.49
Light & water	593.78	519.47
Advertising	199.50	219.00
Upkeep of Library	24.10	97.70
Subscriptions	88.75	89.72
Winding - maintenance of clocks	180.00	194.00
Telephones	153.00	164.00
General Expenses	675.39	1,041.55
Prizes - Children's Exhibitions	149.54	-
	<u>\$34,195.61</u>	<u>\$27,568.89</u>
SURPLUS	<u>\$ 4,340.15</u>	<u>\$ 8,853.55</u>

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BALANCE SHEET AT 30TH. APRIL, 1973.

ASSETS

SPECIFIC INVESTMENTS			
Barbados Government Debentures	\$ 2,700.00		
"    "    "	500.00		
Australia Government 5½ Stock	<u>2,400.00</u>	\$ 5,600.00	
GENERAL INVESTMENT			
£ 4,091 Canadian Pacific Railway 4% Debentures			8,054.24
SUNDRY DEBTOR			
			8,716.00
CASH AT BANKS AND IN HAND			
Barclays Bank - Deposit for Sugar Gallery Fund	\$ 2,758.62		
"    " - Savings Account for Collection Fund:			
	\$ 2,236.16		
Cash for Collection Fund	<u>39.07</u>	2,275.23	
Barclays Bank Savings Account for Children's Museum	\$ 763.74		
Cash for Children's Museum	<u>49.14</u>	812.88	
Barclays Bank Savings Account		23,535.56	
"    " Current Account		246.71	
Government Savings Bank		2,360.81	
Cash	<u>789.24</u>	<u>32,779.05</u>	
			<u>\$55,149.29</u>

REPRESENTED BY:-

SPECIFIC FUNDS			
Life Members Fund	\$ 2,700.00		
Howel Clarke Bequest	500.00		
Dowding Bequest	<u>2,400.00</u>	\$ 5,600.00	
GENERAL FUNDS			
Provision for New Gallery Collection Fund at 30th. April 1972	\$ 2,993.97		
Income	<u>1,695.40</u>		
	\$ 4,689.37		
Expenditure	<u>2,414.14</u>	2,275.23	
Surplus	\$ 25,933.91		
Surplus for year to date	<u>4,340.15</u>	<u>\$30,274.06</u>	<u>49,549.29</u>
			<u>\$55,149.29</u>

No value has been placed on the exhibits, fixtures & fittings in the Museum.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have examined the accounts and records of the Barbados Museum & Historical Society. In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of affairs at 30th. April, 1973.

BARBADOS.  
4th. October, 1973

PANNELL FITZPATRICK & CO.  
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