



# THE BULLETIN OF THE BARBADOS MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL 1964—1965

The Council has pleasure in presenting its Report on the affairs of the Society for the year 1st. May 1964 to 30th. April 1965.

### COUNCIL

Under Article V, Section 6, Robert Challenor Esq., being the Member of the Council, other than an Officer, who had served the longest number of years, retired from the Council. In his stead C. C. Skeete Esq., O.B.E., B.A., was elected. Subsequently, on the death of W. A. Yearwood Esq., Vice-President, Mr. Skeete was appointed Junior Vice-President of the Society on Hon. Sir Frank Hutson, C.B.E., succeeding Mr. Yearwood as Senior Vice-President. R. S. Jordan Esq., O.B.E., resigned during the year and the two vacancies on the Council were filled by the appointment of D. A. Wiles Esq., C.M.G. and E. Graham Gooding Esq.

### MEMBERSHIP

At 1st. May 1964 there were 389 Members on the roll of the Society and on 30th. April there were 381 comprising Founder Members 2, Honorary Members 2, Life Members 38, Annual Members 229, Firm & Company Members 9, and Associate Members 101.

The following were admitted to Membership of the Society during the year.

### LIFE MEMBER

L. E. Howard-Taylor Esq.

### ANNUAL MEMBERS

W. A. Bascom Esq.  
W. A. Bell Esq.  
J. L. Bynoe Esq.  
M. J. Chandler Esq.  
E. Graham Gooding Esq.  
H. W. Webster Esq.  
Lt. Col. J. D. Hill, M.C.  
George Ingham Esq.  
Mrs. M. E. King  
John Patterson Esq.  
A. de V. Phillips Esq.

### ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Mrs. M. D. Chandler  
Mrs. C. Dyer  
N. A. Hinds Esq.  
Mrs. G. Ingham  
L. Squires Esq.  
Mrs. J. Walker

### TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

From Annual to Life Member  
J. Anthony Haynes Esq.  
From Annual to Associate Member  
Mrs. D. Coulter  
Mrs. O. Ramsay

### LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP

The Council deeply regrets to record the deaths of G. D. L. Pile Esq., C.B.E., a Life Member; of W. Therold Barnes Esq., H. V. Clark-Holman Esq., S. C. C. Greenidge Esq., and W. Armel Yearwood Esq., Annual Members, and of L. P. Bushell Esq., Samuel Daniels Esq., Mrs. A. V. Greaves, Miss C. V. Hutchinson and Mrs. E. B. Skeete, Associate Members.

### EXHIBITIONS & LECTURES

The following Exhibitions were held: Cunard Collection of Colour Prints of the West Indies, Schoolchildren's Art, Schoolchildren's Handicrafts, Contemporary Art (2 Exhibitions), Children's Books by the British Council, and the A.B.C. of Horticulture by the Barbados Horticultural Society.

Lectures were given at Meetings of the Society by C. C. Skeete Esq., O.B.E., B.A., on "Some Aspects of Weather Systems Influencing Weather in Barbados" and by John Bannochie Esq., M.A., on "Viet-Nam".

### OTHER ACTIVITIES

The Barbados Arts Council, the Barbados National Trust, the Barbados Horticultural Society, the Orchid Circle and the Women's Civic Circle all used the Society's premises for holding Meetings, and the British Council used the library to interview students intending to study abroad.

## CHILDREN'S SECTION

Twelve schools sent groups to classes held each term in the Children's Museum. Talks illustrated by an epidiascope and Museum specimens were given on "The Geology of Barbados", "Columbus and His Voyages" and "Oil". The total attendance was 862 children. At the end of the school year the Council, on the advice of the Chief Education Officer, discontinued the Art Classes held each term at Harrison College, as all schools now provide some training in Art. Instead, the number of prizes given at the Schoolchildren's exhibitions at the Museum was increased.

In June the Schoolchildren's Art Exhibition was held and in November the Handicrafts Exhibition. The holding of two exhibitions instead of one was found to be more satisfactory, owing to the increase in the number of exhibits.

## ART DEPARTMENT

The keeping of separate books of account for this Department was discontinued.

## CUNARD GALLERY

As the result of a successful application to Government the sum of \$3,511 was generously granted, \$2,861.00 for the reconditioning of the former storeroom, lighting and installing an air conditioner to make it suitable for the display of the Cunard Collection of Colour Prints which will be augmented by the Society's Collection, and \$650.00 for hurricane shutters. Work on the Cunard Gallery was completed by the end of April; this included the laying of a terrazzo floor, which was generously paid for by Mr. & Mrs. George Ingham. This floor greatly enhances the appearance of the Gallery and the Council wishes to express its deep appreciation to Mr. & Mrs. Ingham. A donor who wishes to remain anonymous sent a contribution of \$120.00 towards the Gallery for which the Council is very grateful. Nearly all Sir Edward Cunard's prints that required cleaning have now been finished and so have others of the Society's so that all the collection now presents a fine appearance.

Hurricane shutters have been fitted to the windows of the Library, Office and Hall Gallery. Those for the Art Gallery have been ordered.

## SOCIETY'S HEADQUARTERS

The Council wishes to record its appreciation to Government for funds provided in 1963-64, so that a ceiling could be put in the Jubilee Gallery, new lighting installed and the Gallery redecorated. This work could not be carried out until last year, owing to the Jubilee Gallery needing a new roof; the old one had been leaking in many places for a long time. The re-roofing of the Jubilee Gallery absorbed the annual grant made by Government through the Public Works Department for 1964-65. Work in the Jubilee Gallery necessitated the closing and emptying of the Jubilee Gallery and part of the adjoining Coronation Gallery, which placed a severe tax on the Society's limited storage space.

The Council wishes to express its appreciation to the Director of Public Works for the

efficient manner in which work on the Jubilee Gallery and Cunard Gallery was carried out.

The entire headquarters was sprayed for pest eradication. Part of the approach road to the Museum was repaired as this had been in a bad state for some time.

## MUSEUM & LIBRARY

During the year several gifts were made to the Museum and Library. The National Art Collections Fund, London, gave a generous grant of \$720.00 for the purchase of a silver-gilt cup of 1840 which had been presented by the St. Andrew's Regiment of Militia to Colonel Richard Morris. This cup is a replica of a similar cup of 1798 presented to Col. Morris's father, Major J. M. Morris, by the St. Andrew's Battalion of the Scotland Regiment of Militia in 1818. Funds were previously provided by the National Art Collections Fund for the purchase of the cup of 1798. These cups make a handsome display. Lt. Col. Hon. Eric Harvie, Q.C., made available the sum of \$500.00 through the Glenbow Foundation for the purchase of specimens for the Museum. The Council is deeply grateful to Col. Harvie for his generosity. Mr. Julian Seale gave a portrait of Thomas Rogers at one time Editor of *The Barbadian*, also 16 watercolour drawings of fruit and flowers by his daughter Mary Rogers.

Dr. E. M. McConney has completed the Indexes to Volumes XVI, XVII, XVIII and XIX of the Society's Journal, and has presented a copy of each to the Library. The Council is extremely grateful to Dr. McConney of this voluntary undertaking which is of immense value to the Museum.

## MUSEUM COLLECTIONS FUND

During the year purchases were made by means of the Museum Collections Fund amounting to \$1,639.17. This figure includes the purchase of the Morris cup with funds donated by the National Art Collections Fund. The Council is indebted to the National Art Collections Fund, London, to Mrs. David Gile, Sir Frank and Lady Hutson, Sir Basil Macfarlane, C. C. Shepherd Esq., and Ronald Tree Esq., for donations to this fund.

During the year the number of acquisitions to the Museum & Library amounted to 175 of which 53 were acquired by purchase and 122 by gift.

## JOURNAL

The November 1964 issue of the Journal is the last to be published. The Council is grateful to advertisers for their continued support without which publication of the Journal would not be possible. Two Bulletins were published during the year.

## DONATIONS

The Council would like to thank the following for donations towards the work of the Society:

Barbados Horticultural Society, Mt. Gay Distilleries Ltd., Barbados Light & Power Co. Ltd, Miss V. Law, West India Rum Refinery Ltd,

ATTENDANCE

During the year 12,451 persons visited the Museum; this is an increase of 3,018 persons, in spite of the fact that the admission fee was raised from 12c to 25c on 1st July.

VOLUNTARY HELP

The Council is grateful for voluntary help in connection with the Journal to Mrs. H. W. Ince; with exhibitions to Mr. H. C. Connell, Mrs. D. A. Clarke, Mrs. F. Godson, Mrs. L. Hutson, Miss K. Hollinsed, Mrs. H. W. Ince, Mrs. E. Parry; to Mrs. Evelyn Robinson for drawing specimens for catalogue purposes; to Mrs. H. W. Ince for her continued help in writing labels for specimens and to Mrs. D. G. Leacock for help with the Library.

12th. July, 1965.

J. D. CHANDLER  
President.

AUDITORS

The Council wishes to record its grateful thanks to Messrs. Fitzpatrick Graham & Co., The Society's Honorary Auditors.

THE BARBADOS MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1965

1964							
\$ 4,545	Opening Balance at 1st May, 1964	...	...	...	...	...	\$ 4,713.02
	EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS						
1,059	Barbados Museum & Historical Society	...	...	...	...	...	—
441	Museum Collections Fund	...	...	...	...	...	—
	Children's Museum	...	...	...	...	...	39.37
\$ 6,045							\$ 4,752.39

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EXCESS OF PAYMENTS OVER RECEIPTS

146	Children's Museum	...	...	...	...	...	—
1,186	Art Department	...	...	...	...	...	—
—	Museum Collections Fund	...	...	...	...	...	116.26
—	Barbados Museum & Historical Society — General A/c	...	...	...	...	...	837.47
\$ 4,713							\$ 3,798.66

CLOSING BALANCES AT 30TH APRIL, 1965

\$ 335	Barclays Bank D.C.O. — Current A/c	...	...	...	...	...	\$ 216.98
1,635	Barclays Bank D.C.O. — Savings A/c.	...	...	...	...	...	1,119.48
2,254	The Barbados Government Savings Bank	...	...	...	...	...	2,025.39
489	Cash in Hand	...	...	...	...	...	436.81
\$ 4,713							\$ 3,798.66

AUDITORS' REPORT

We hereby certify that we have prepared the above Summary of Receipts and Payments from the Books and Records furnished us, and certify it to be correctly drawn up in accordance therewith.

FITZPATRICK GRAHAM & CO.

HON. AUDITORS.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS.

1st July, 1965.

THE BARBADOS MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1965

MUSEUM COLLECTIONS FUND

1964	RECEIPTS	1964	PAYMENTS
\$ 393	Donations... .. \$1,133.85	\$ 683	Purchase of Exhibits ... .. \$1,634.29
700	Sales ... .. 359.50	4	Travelling and Transport ... 4.60
35	Interest ... .. 29.56	—	Postage and Sundries ... .. .28
—	Excess of Payments over Receipts 116.26	441	Excess of Receipts over Payments —
<u>\$1,128</u>	<u>\$1,639.17</u>	<u>\$1,128</u>	<u>\$1,639.17</u>

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

\$ 960	Government Grant ... .. \$ 960.00	\$ 240	Salary Guide Teacher ... .. \$ 240.00
3	Interest ... .. 5.21	290	Art Teacher's Fees ... .. 95.00
234	Donations to Children's Gallery Fund ... .. —	9	Sundries ... .. 29.45
68	Donations Under Deed of Covenant ... .. —	683	Children's Gallery ... .. —
11	Sundry Receipts ... .. —	12	Postage ... .. 4.48
146	Excess of Payments over Receipts —	15	Advertising ... .. 43.16
		173	Prizes — Children's Art and Handicrafts Exhibitions ... 189.75
		—	Showcases ... .. 324.00
		—	Excess of Receipts over Payments 39.37
<u>\$1,422</u>	<u>\$ 965.21</u>	<u>\$1,422</u>	<u>\$ 965.21</u>

ART DEPARTMENT

EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF COUNCIL OF THE BARBADOS MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY DATED 15TH JUNE, 1964

"The Director reminded the Council that at its Meeting of 8th July, 1963, it was decided that when the credit balance of the Art Department was expended, that the keeping of separate books for the Art Department would be discontinued. In future, sales of pictures and expenses in connection with exhibitions should be shown under such heads in the General Accounts of the Society. Of the credit balance in the Art Department only \$1,376.30 had been spent on the new storeroom, and there remained at the end of the financial year 1963/64 a credit balance of \$1,141.86. On the proposal of Mr. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Challenor, it was decided to close the Art Department accounts as from 30th April, 1964 and that the credit balance of \$1,141.86 be placed in a Savings Account, which sum was not earmarked, for any special purpose."

THE BARBADOS MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1965  
GENERAL ACCOUNT

1964		RECEIPTS		1964		PAYMENTS	
\$ —	Life Members ...	...	...	\$ 240.00	\$ 5,520	Director's Salary ...	\$ 5,520.00
1,693	Annual Members ...	...	...	1,809.95	1,680	Museum Assistant's Salary ...	1,680.00
192	Associate Members ...	...	...	204.00	360	Entertainment Allowance ...	360.00
50	Firm and Company Members ...	...	...	425.00			
				<u>\$ 2,678.95</u>			
270	Donations — Museum ...	...	...	179.40	2,013	Wages ...	2,048.00
160	„ — Cunard Gallery ...	...	...	978.56	1,913	Printing and Publishing Journals ...	1,444.03
10,040	Government Grant — Recurrent ...	...	...	\$10,040.00	197	Stationery and Postage ...	267.65
2,200	„ „ — Non-recurrent ...	...	...	3,511.00	112	Water Rates ...	110.66
				<u>13,551.00</u>	203	Insurance ...	204.30
12	Sundry Receipts ...	...	...	46.83	138	Electric Light ...	190.18
594	Gate Receipts ...	...	...	783.40	180	Winding and Maintenance of Clocks ...	180.00
893	Sales of Journals, Guides, etc. ...	...	...	506.65	102	Telephone ...	107.25
70	Exchange ...	...	...	84.88	90	Subscriptions to Journals and Publications ...	36.36
46	Discount on sale of Stamps ...	...	...	55.18	1,310	Purchase of and Repairs to Equipment ...	519.95
283	Interest ...	...	...	347.59	768	Miscellaneous Expenses ...	237.72
455	Advertising in Journal ...	...	...	430.00	62	Upkeep of Library ...	175.57
200	Sale of book ...	...	...	—	13	Advertising ...	336.15
25	Covenant ...	...	...	—	—	Purchase of Government Bonds ...	288.00
—	Artists' Sales ...	...	...	1,678.97	109	Transfer to Art Department ...	—
—	Commission on Artists' Sales ...	...	...	232.33	200	Transfer to Museum Collections Fund ...	—
—	Excess of Payments over Receipts ...	...	...	837.47	1,100	Ceiling Jubilee Gallery ...	—
					54	Cunard Gallery ...	3,648.05
					—	Repairs to Building ...	374.80
					—	Maintenance ...	2,610.27
					—	Hurricane Shutters ...	350.00
					—	Artists' Sales ...	1,702.27
					1,059	Excess of Receipts over Payments ...	—
<u>\$17,183</u>				<u>\$22,391.21</u>			<u>\$22,391.21</u>

SUMMARY OF INVESTMENTS HELD AT 30TH APRIL, 1965

Life Members Account, Barbados Government	5 $\frac{3}{4}$ %	Bonds	1973	...	\$ 800.00
„ „ „ „ „	6 $\frac{3}{4}$ %	Debentures	1978/83	...	500.00
„ „ „ „ „	6 $\frac{3}{4}$ %	Debentures	1980/85	...	300.00
Dowding Bequest — Government of Australia	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ %	Stock	1977/80	...	2,440.00
Howell Clarke Bequest — Barbados Government	6 $\frac{3}{4}$ %	Debentures	1978/83	...	500.00
					<u>\$ 4,540.00</u>

