



THE BULLETIN OF THE BARBADOS MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL 1965-1966

The Council has pleasure in presenting its Report on the affairs of the Society for the year 1st May 1965 to 30th April 1966.

COUNCIL

Under Article V, Section 6, Ronald Tree 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 Captain W. H. R. Armstrong was elected; Membership of the Council was otherwise unchanged.

MEMBERSHIP

At 1st May 1965 there were 381 Members on the roll of the Society and on 30th April 1966, there were 388, comprising Founder Members 2, Honorary Members 2, Life Members 43, Annual Members 229, Firm and Company Members 9, and Associate Members 103.

LIFE MEMBERS

Henry Breck Esq.
Miss E. Hester Eversley
O. S. Mitchell Esq.
Mrs. M. K. Mitchell

ANNUAL MEMBERS

B. W. G. Austin Esq.
J. E. Barnwell Esq.
N. W. M. Carter Esq.
Mrs. J. C. Carrington
Dr. J. Handler
R. T. A. Johnson Esq.
Mrs. R. L. B. Laurie
R. L. Norcott Esq.
A J. Steele-Greig Esq.
C. R. Webster Esq.
C. M. Hope Esq.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Mrs. G. A. Briggs
Mrs. W. Donowa
Lunn Easten Esq.
Mrs. E. G. Gooding
Mrs. E. Gunby
L. Lounsbury Esq.
Mrs. J. A. Skinner

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP FROM ANNUAL TO LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Mrs. J. A. Haynes Hon. C. W. W. Greenidge

FROM ASSOCIATE TO ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

Mrs. E. G. Gooding Mrs. G. M. White

LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP

The Council deeply regrets to record the deaths of G. F. Sharp Esq., O.B.E., a Life Member, of C. R. Armstrong Esq., E. D. Armstrong Esq., Harry Bennett, Jr., Miss Hilda Packer, Raymond J. Pearson Esq., and Herbert A. Watson Esq., Annual Members, and Mrs. H. A. Vaughan, Associate Member.

EXHIBITIONS

The following exhibitions were held: Schoolchildren's Art Exhibition, the Society's collection of pictures, Schoolchildren's Handicrafts, Horticultural Society Exhibition, Contemporary Painting and one-man exhibitions by R. J. MacLeod and Leslie Lounsbury, and an exhibition by Fielding Babb, C. Murrell and C. M. Drakes.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

A lecture was given at a Meeting of the Society by Professor Ripley P. Bullen, Chairman of the Department of Social Sciences of the University of Florida on

"Barbados and the Archaeology of the Lesser Antilles". Professor and Mrs. Bullen were in Barbados for several weeks. They inspected many of the archaeological sites and carried out excavations at several places and examined the archaeological collections of Mr. & Mrs. G. E. Clark-Holman. The Director and Mr. Ronald Taylor assisted Professor and Mrs. Bullen in their archaeological survey.

The Graphic Arts Committee of the Barbados Arts Council, the Barbados National Trust, the Barbados Horticultural Society, the Orchid Circle, the Cactus Society and Women's Civic Circle held their meetings at the Society's Headquarters.

PROPOSED SUGAR GALLERY

The Council has in mind the building and equipping of a Gallery devoted to the Sugar Industry, which would be an exhibit where the history of sugar production could be studied. Barbados was the first British territory on which sugar was cultivated as a crop and it was here that many new sugar cane seedlings were bred. It is, therefore, fitting that such an exhibit should be at the Barbados Museum, and this scheme is under consideration.

CHILDREN'S SECTION

Eleven schools sent groups to classes held here each term in the Children's Museum. Talks illustrated by an epidiascope and Museum specimens were given on "Reefs", "Arawaks and Caribs" and a "Tour of the Museum."

In June-July, the Schoolchildren's Art Exhibition was held and in November the Handicrafts exhibition took place. Both exhibitions were well represented.

CUNARD GALLERY

The Cunard Gallery was opened by the Premier, Hon. Errol Barrow on 6th October 1965 and has aroused much interest among visitors to the Museum.

SOCIETY'S HEADQUARTERS

The Council wishes to express its appreciation to Government for funds provided in 1964-65 by means of which a concrete floor was laid in the entrance gallery and this room was redecorated. British American Tobacco Co. Ltd., generously bore the cost of covering this cement floor with terrazzo tiles.

MUSEUM & LIBRARY

During the year several gifts were made to the Museum and Library. Dr. E. M. McCon-

ney has completed the Index to Volume XX of the Society's Journal and has presented a copy to the Library. Dr. McConney's painstaking task is of immense value. Captain W. H. R. Armstrong presented a collection of 30 pamphlets on Barbados and the West Indies. Mr. & Mrs. George Ingham presented a pair of silver salt cellars of 1808; Mr. Jack Warmington added to his previous gifts seven silver tea spoons dating from 1732 to 1800. Miss E. Hester Eversley gave a baccarat glass and a Clichy paperweight. From Hon. C. W. W. Greenidge came a circular pedestal dining table about 1800 formerly at Government House, Nevis, and at which Nelson is said to have dined. From the same donor came a chair from a 1st class carriage of the Barbados Light Railway.

MUSEUM COLLECTIONS FUND

During the year purchases were made by the Museum Collections Fund amounting to \$1,578.25. The Council is indebted for donations to this Fund to the American Women's Club, Mrs. A. Colls, Mrs. E. Carter in memory of Mrs. Nellie Inniss, Mrs. H. Croucher, Mr. Davies, Mr. R. B. Fiske, Mr. Mayo, Captain M. Parker, Mr. C. C. Shepherd, Mr. E. Howard Taylor, Mr. Ronald Tree and Mr. Thompson.

During the year the number of acquisitions to the Museum & Library amounted to 154 of which 69 were acquired by purchase and 85 by gift.

JOURNAL

The Council is grateful to advertisers for their continued support without which publication of the Journal would not be possible. Two Journals and 2 Bulletins were published during the year.

DONATIONS

The Council would like to thank the following: the Barbados Government for its Annual Grant, the Barbados Horticultural Society, Mt. Gay Distilleries Ltd., Barbados Light & Power Co. Ltd., the West India Rum Refinery, Miss V. Law, and a small bequest from the late Miss Hilda Packer all of which contribute greatly to the work of the Society.

ATTENDANCE

During the year 10,741 persons visited the Museum.

AUDITORS

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

VOLUNTARY HELP

The Council is grateful for voluntary help with the Journal to Mrs. H. W. Ince; with exhibitions to Mrs. D. A. Clarke, Mrs. F. Godson, Miss E. Heath, Miss K. Hollinsed, Mrs. H. W. Ince, Mrs. E. Parry and Mrs. J. Walcott; to Mrs. Evelyn Robinson for

drawing specimens for catalogue purpose and to Mrs H. W. Ince for continued help in writing labels for specimens.

FRANK C. HUTSON

18th. July, 1966

Vice-President.

THE BARBADOS MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1966

1965		
\$4,713	Opening Balance at 1st. May, 1965	\$3,798.66
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS		
—	Barbados Museum & Historical Society — General Account	2,487.45
39	Children's Museum	13.44
<u>\$4,752</u>		<u>\$6,299.55</u>
LESS:		
EXCESS OF PAYMENTS OVER RECEIPTS		
116	Museum Collections Fund	472.96
837	Barbados Museum & Historical Society — General Account	—
<u>\$3,799</u>		<u>\$5,826.59</u>
CLOSING BALANCES AT 30TH APRIL, 1966		
\$ 217	Barclays Bank D.C.O. — Current Account	\$ 620.76
1,120	Barclays Bank D.C.O. — Savings Account	2,585.63
2,025	The Barbados Government Savings Bank	1,852.24
437	Cash in Hand	767.96
<u>\$3,799</u>		<u>\$5,826.59</u>

AUDITOR'S REPORT

We hereby certify that we have prepared the above Summary of 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.

2nd. September, 1966.

THE BARBADOS MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1966

MUSEUM COLLECTIONS FUND

1965	RECEIPTS		1965	PAYMENTS	
\$1,133	Donations	\$ 860.97	\$1,634	Purchase of Exhibits ...	\$1,578.25
360	Sales	226.00	5	Travelling and Transport	—
30	Interest	24.06	—	Postage and Sundries ...	5.74
116	Excess of Payments over Receipts	472.96			
<u>\$1,639</u>		<u>\$1,583.99</u>	<u>\$1,639</u>		<u>\$1,583.99</u>

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

\$ 960	Government Grant	\$ 960.00	\$ 240	Salary — Guide Teacher	\$ 240.00
5	Interest	8.32	95	Art Teachers' Fee	—
			30	Sundries	20.30
			4	Postage	9.45
			43	Advertising	56.50
			190	Prizes — Children's Art and Handicraft Exhibitions	217.50
			324	Showcases	324.00
			—	Equipment	87.13
			39	Excess of Receipts over Payments	13.44
<u>\$ 965</u>		<u>\$ 968.32</u>	<u>\$ 965</u>		<u>\$ 968.32</u>

THE BARBADOS MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL, 1966

GENERAL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS										1965	PAYMENTS									
1965										\$ 5,520	Director's Salary	...	...	...	\$ 5,520.00		
\$ 240	Life Members	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,680	Museum Assistant's Salary	...	...	...	1,680.00
1,810	Annual Members	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	360	Entertainment Allowance	...	...	...	360.00
204	Associate Members	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
425	Firm and Company Members	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	\$ 7,560					\$ 7,560.00
<u>\$ 2,679</u>																				
179	Donations — Museum	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	380.63	2,048	Wages	...	...	...	2,324.69
979	„ — Cunard Gallery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	1,444	Printing and Posting Journals	...	...	...	2,147.23
—	„ — Sugar Gallery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,859.20	267	Stationery and Postage	...	...	...	339.05
10,040	Government Grant — Recurrent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12,340.00	111	Water Rates	...	...	...	150.10
3,511	„ — Non-Recurrent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,000.00	204	Insurance	...	...	...	293.28
47	Sundry Receipts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	95.82	190	Electric Light	...	...	...	246.68
783	Gate Receipts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	911.50	180	Winding and Maintenance of Clocks	...	...	...	180.00
507	Sale of Journals, Guides, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	772.32	107	Telephone	...	...	...	117.00
85	Exchange	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	79.65	37	Subscriptions to Journals and Publications	...	...	...	47.95
55	Discount on Sale of Stamps	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	44.85	520	Purchase of Repairs to Equipment	...	...	...	1,435.56
348	Interest	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	376.44	238	Miscellaneous Expenses	...	...	...	126.62
430	Advertising in Journal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	415.00	176	Upkeep of Library	...	...	...	88.19
1,679	Artists' Sales	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,994.06	336	Advertising	...	...	...	305.56
232	Commission on Artists' Sales	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	440.45	288	Purchase of Government Bonds	...	...	...	300.00
837	Excess of Payments over Receipts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	—	3,648	Cunard Gallery	...	...	...	1,007.41
									—	375	Repairs to Buildings (Hoods)	...	...	...	1,056.00		
									—	2,960	Maintenance	...	...	...	2,156.43		
									—	1,702	Artists' Sales	2,776.32					
									—	—	Excess of Receipts over Payments	2,487.45					
<u>\$22,391</u>																				
									<u>\$25,145.52</u>											
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SUMMARY OF INVESTMENTS HELD AT 30TH APRIL, 1966

Life Members Account, Barbados Government	5½%	Bonds	1973	...	\$ 800.00
„ „ „ „ „	6½%	Debentures	1978/83	...	500.00
„ „ „ „ „	6½%	Debentures	1980/85	...	300.00
„ „ „ „ „	7%	Debentures	1981/86	...	300.00
Dowding Request — Government of Australia	5½%	Stock	1977/80	...	2,440.00
Howell Clarke Bequest — Barbados Government	6½%	Debentures	1978/83	...	500.00
					<u>\$4,840.00</u>

