



THE BARBADOS MUSEUM AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH APRIL 1982

The Council takes pleasure in presenting its report on the affairs of the Society during the past year.

ANNUAL REPORT

The past year has been a very eventful one for the Barbados Museum and Historical Society. On March 12th, 1981, Miss Alissandra Cummins was appointed Trainee Director. She is a young Barbadian who was studying Art at the University of East Anglia in Norwich. Due to many changes of staff at the Museum much of the Council's time during the year was taken up with administrative affairs. Mrs. Hinkson resigned in May. Also in May, differences between the Director, Mr. Robert Moss, and the Council had grown to such an extent that they were forced to ask for his resignation. This became effective May 31st. The Council decided to advertise for a new Director, and for the interim appointed the Administrative Officer, Mr. E. G. Fraser, to the post of Acting Director. On July 9th Mrs. Frances Brinkley, formerly Curator of Carriacou Museum, was employed as Special Assistant to the Acting Director. She began work on the 1st of August. Miss Cummins returned to Barbados in August after receiving a B.A. Degree with Honours in the History of Art and worked at the Museum before going on for further training. She was introduced to the Council on September 19th. She did a very competent job before she left in October for a two-year course in Museology at the University of Leicester, and the prospects are that she will make an outstanding Director. In November Mr. David Devenish, of the Hastings Museum in England, was chosen from applicants for the post as new Director. He arrived on March 2nd, 1982.

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The outstanding feature of the Museum's year was the completion of the upper courtyard. This restoration was made possible by the generosity of the Sample Foundation, through the good offices of Mrs. Sally Aall. Very fortunately this was accomplished in time for Carifesta. The Museum was the venue for visiting performers on eight nights. At the same time an excellent exhibition of the crafts of Barbados was designed and set up by Mrs. Norma Talma. This was opened by the Minister of Education, Miss Billie Miller, who suggested that it would be of great benefit to all school children for their teachers to arrange for them to visit this exhibition.

Upon the upper courtyard's completion Mrs. Jean Goddard took on the extensive and strenuous job of re-decorating the Cunard Gallery and re-hanging the paintings and prints. This could not have been done without the help of David Clarke, a student in the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme. The Gallery was re-opened in December at a small press reception. The new Cunard is enhanced by the publication "Paintings and Prints in Barbados" by Mr. Peter Campbell which was issued in August. Plans are for a small military gallery to be opened this spring next to the Cunard Gallery. This will be the Challenor Room and will contain the museum's military collections. It is named in honour of the six of seven Challenor brothers who served in the armed forces.

In October a series of exhibits titled: "Treasures From The Museum Storerooms" was initiated. To date there have been four of these: "Classical Greece as seen by Wedgwood", "The Unforgotten Brave", "Gifts Barbadians May Have Given in the Old Days", and "Oriental Ivories, The Ivory Zoo, and a Special Ivory". These have been well received and have had good exposure on Voice of Barbados, Barbados Rediffusion and CBC-TV. "The Unforgotten Brave" was borrowed by the Military Cemetery Association for the rededication of the cemetery on November 11th, 1981.

Also in October, Mr. Arie Boomert, an Archaeologist who is a Fellow in the Department of History at the U.W.I. in Trinidad, gave a Lecture on "Caribs and Arawaks in West Indian History" co-sponsored by Cave Hill and the Museum. He spent the better part of a week at the Museum assisting by identifying artifacts in the Amerindian collection.

In January 1982, the Museum put out a brochure as it was felt that many visitors to the Island were unaware of the Museum's existence, or of what it offered. The cost of the brochure was met by the generosity of fourteen firms and organisations who are members of the Museum.

The Lecture Room and an adjoining gallery were devoted to an exhibition of paintings by Aileen Hamilton during the month of

February 1982. The exhibition was opened by Lady Adams. Mrs. Hamilton is a Barbadian now residing in England, but she returned to Barbados to set up the exhibition and be present during it.

In the course of the Museum's year two sub-committees were formed. One prepared a Preliminary Museum Development Report, and the other is at present working on plans for the Museum's Jubilee in 1983.

The Museum has received a number of gifts, and the Council expresses its gratitude of all to those who have enhanced the treasures of the Museum.

Highlights among these were F. Barralier's Map of Bridgetown and Carlisle Bay in 1818, artifacts from a slave graveyard at Newton, Christ Church, the repaired works of an 1825 grandfather clock belonging to the Museum, and a restored watercolour of the Town Hall Gaol and Courthouse in 1813 by Richard Jewitt.

The Council welcomes the new Director, Mr. David Devenish. He has a difficult task ahead if for no other reason that so much is expected from him. He has to be a technocrat Curator, and administrator and a public relations man all in one. We wish him well and trust that his stay in Barbados will be both beneficial to the Museum and a pleasant experience for himself, his wife and his three cats.

COUNCIL

The last Annual General Meeting was held on 27th February 1981. Officers and Council Members elected at that meeting were:

Officers: J. S. B. Dear, Esq., Q.C. — President
P. D. Simpson, Esq., — First Vice President
Dr. T. A. Carmichael — Second Vice President
R. B. Goddard, Esq., — Honorary Treasurer
R. M. R. Hunte, Esq., — Honorary Secretary

Members: W. W. Alleyne, Esq.,
Dr. S. R. R. Allsopp
Lieut. Col. S. Cave
Mrs. Jean Goddard,
Miss Barbara Hill
E. E. Mottley, Esq.,
C. St. Hill, Esq.,
Miss Jill Sheppard

MEMBERSHIP

On April 30th 1982 there were 436. As of the last report there were 489.

The following were elected to membership of the Society since the last report:

LIFE MEMBERS

Mr. Philip Goddard
Mrs. Kathleen Goddard
Mr. Gerald Clyde Clarke
Mr. Stuart A. Sarjeant

Mr. George Bruce Hole
Ms. Judith Christensen
Mr. Gordon Tweedy

ANNUAL MEMBERS

Mrs. Mona Watson
Mr. Esmond Devas
Joanne McRee Sanders
Mr. Robert C. F. Moss
Mr. Herbert Skeete
Basil M. Maughan
Mr. Eustace G. Fraser
Dorothy Williams
Mr. Bowen Wells
Mr. Julian D. Luft
Randall Goddard
Margaret Goddard
John Elliott Barnwell
Michael James Walcott

Mrs. A. M. B. Gale
Mr. Leroy Alexander Jackman
Patricia H. Marshall
Mr. Gerald McConney
Kathleen B. Drayton
Mr. Owen T. Alder
Mrs. Sheila Fraser
Mr. Cecil Williams
Mrs. Grace Hamilton
Henry Hornblower II
Priscilla Koves
James F. Pollard
Harold J. Rodman

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Mrs. Sasha Devas
Mrs. Evelyn R. Gun Munro
Ms. R. M. Nichols

LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP

The Council deeply regrets to record the death of:

ANNUAL MEMBER

Mr. Isaac Carmichael

64 memberships lapsed through failure to pay dues.

JOURNAL

The last edition of the Journal of the Barbados Museum and Historical Society is Volume XXXVI No. 4. The Society wishes to express its gratitude to Mr. Peter Campbell, our Honorary Editor. Back numbers are in great demand to make up sets and the Society would be grateful for any copies handed in.

DONATIONS

Since the last annual Report donations have been received from the following:

Bryden's, Pan American Development Foundation, Edghill Associates Ltd., Esso Standard Oil SA Ltd., Stokes & Bynoe Ltd., Mount Gay Distilleries, Joseph Coleridge Armstrong, Barbados Rediffusion Services Ltd., Banks Barbados Breweries Ltd., Peter F. Campbell, Barbados Light & Power Co. Ltd., The West India Rum Refinery Ltd., Mr. C. B. Brooks, T. Geddes Grant, Banana Boat, Mr. N. G. D. Atwell, Goddard Enterprises, Manning, Wilkinson & Challenor, Barbados Telephone Co. Ltd., H. Jason Jones & Co. Ltd., Cave Shepherd & Co. Ltd.

GIFTS

Since the last Annual Report gifts to the Museum have been received from the following:

Mr. & Mrs. R. Sanders, The Sample Foundation, Mr. V. K. Nichols, Mr. Harold Guy, Col. Joseph Connell, Mrs. Audrey Baeza, The Grenada National Museum, Mr. Edward Stoute, Miss Kathleen Laurie, Postmaster General, Prof. Enrique D. Dussel, Warren Alleyne, Bruce Hole, the Bowen Family, Mr. & Mrs. H. Waterman, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Ward, Mrs. E. J. E. Haynes, Prof. J. Handler, Mr. Bryan, Mrs. Jill Hamilton, Fine Art Framing, Anthony Stokes, Mrs. Sally Aall.

ATTENDANCE

There were 11,603 visitors to the Museum during the calendar year 1981. The figure breaks down into the following: Adults 7669, Children 1406, School Children 1988.

30th April, 1982

The Hon. J. S. B. Dear, C.H.B., Q.C.
President

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

We have examined the attached Balance Sheet at 30th April 1981 and the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended on that date.

Due to the nature of the sources of income of the Society it was not practicable to operate a complete system of internal control. In particular no accounting control is operated over membership or donation income prior to initial entry in the accounting records. Additionally our audit did not extend to the donations received and expenditure incurred in respect of Courtyard repairs and improvements (see note 10).

Subject to the above and the accounting policies contained in the notes to the financial statements, in our opinion these financial statements are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Society at 30th April 1981 and its income and expenditure for the year then ended.

Pannell Kerr Forster
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

BARBADOS,
21st December, 1981.

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BALANCE SHEET AT 30TH APRIL, 1981
(expressed in Barbados dollars)

ASSETS	Notes	1981	1980
INVESTMENTS			
Barbados Government Debentures		\$ 2,400	\$ 2,400
£ 4,091 Canadian Pacific Railway — 4% Debentures		8,054	8,054
Cash on Deposit	1	208,507	179,403
		<u>\$218,961</u>	<u>\$189,857</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stock	2	\$ 75,954	\$ 14,034
Debtors		5,763	2,679
Cash at banks	3	41,021	52,678
Cash on hand	4	500	1,996
		<u>\$123,238</u>	<u>\$ 71,387</u>
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Demand loan	5	\$ 28,766	\$ —
Sundry creditors		22,731	7,706
		<u>\$ 51,497</u>	<u>\$ 7,706</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>\$ 71,741</u>	<u>\$ 63,681</u>
		<u>\$290,702</u>	<u>\$253,538</u>
REPRESENTING:			
SPECIFIC FUNDS			
Life Members fund		\$ 2,700	\$ 2,700
Bequests	6	136,506	135,756
		<u>\$139,206</u>	<u>\$138,456</u>
GENERAL FUND			
Surplus at the beginning of the year		\$ 67,582	\$109,275
Surplus (Deficit) for the year		36,414	(41,693)
		<u>\$103,996</u>	<u>\$ 67,582</u>
TOTAL OF THE SOCIETY'S FUNDS		<u>\$243,202</u>	<u>\$206,038</u>
Barbados Government — Long Term Loan	7	\$ 47,500	\$ 47,500
		<u>\$290,702</u>	<u>\$253,538</u>

The attached notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR TO 30TH APRIL, 1981

INCOME	Notes	1981	1980
Donations		\$ 7,722	\$ 8,657
Exchange		11	264
Gate receipts		16,788	18,347
Government grants		72,000	50,000
Interest	3	15,081	13,679
Membership subscriptions	9	6,636	8,563
Prints and postcards		233	1,065
Sundry income		104	—
Rent — Nicholas Abbey		2,700	—
Museum shop — Sales		\$49,012	
Less — Expenditure		<u>28,468</u>	14,983
Courtyard operation — Revenue		<u>\$34,750</u>	
Less — Expenditure		<u>8,832</u>	<u>4,769</u>
		<u>\$167,737</u>	<u>\$120,327</u>
EXPENDITURE			
Advertising		\$ 1,399	\$ 78
Audit and accounting		5,605	1,793
Bank charges and interest		2,245	7
General expenses		350	1,708
Insurance		1,671	1,610
Journals to members		6,100	5,535
Legal advice — Loss of accommodation		—	1,600
Light and water		11,367	9,454
Telephones		782	650
Membership expenses		955	2,427
Museum security		1,590	1,707
Museum purchases		1,950	990
Repairs and maintenance		11,927	7,857
Salaries, wages and N.I.S.		76,048	82,328
Stationery and postage		2,802	2,559
Subscriptions		226	597
Travelling and entertainment		5,650	7,012
Upkeep of library		656	1,847
Winding-clock maintenance		—	150
Courtyard repairs and improvements —	10	—	27,944
Loss on redemption of investment		—	167
		<u>\$131,323</u>	<u>\$158,020</u>
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		<u>\$ 36,414</u>	<u>(\$ 37,693)</u>
Add: Prior year adjustment			
1979 Donations transferred to			
Estella Cheeks Bequest		—	(4,000)
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		<u>\$ 36,414</u>	<u>(\$ 41,693)</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AT 30TH APRIL, 1981

	1981	1980
1. CASH ON DEPOSIT		
DaCosta & Musson Limited 10%	\$ 54,351	\$ 55,247
Cave Shepherd & Co. Limited 10%	81,350	25,000
General Finance Corporation Ltd. — Term deposits 10½%	62,806	62,806
Barclays Finance Corporation of Barbados Limited Fixed deposits 8%	10,000	36,350
	<u>\$208,507</u>	<u>\$179,403</u>

2. STOCK — MUSEUM AND SHOP	<u>\$ 75,954</u>	<u>\$ 14,034</u>
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Stock is stated at cost on the first in first out basis.

3. CASH AT BANKS		
Savings account:		
Barclays Bank International Limited	\$ 14,105	\$ 23,218
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	—	12,817
Barbados National Bank	—	4,745
Bank of Nova Scotia	—	12,567
Current account:		
Barclays Bank International Limited	26,916	(669)
	<u>\$ 41,021</u>	<u>\$ 52,678</u>

Interest received from bank savings and cash deposits is accounted for on a cash basis. i.e. Interest receivable is not accrued at the end of the year.

	1981	1980
4. CASH ON HAND		
Shop	\$ 350	\$ 1,686
Museum	150	310
	<u>\$ 500</u>	<u>\$ 1,996</u>

5. DEMAND LOAN

This loan is with the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, and was taken to finance the reproduction of Caddy Prints. The loan is repayable semi-annually in amounts of \$15,000 and is secured on certificates of deposit. Interest of 15% is charged quarterly.

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	1981	1980
6. BEQUESTS:		
Howell Clarke	\$ 500	\$ 500
Dowding	2,400	2,400
Kellman	45,573	45,573
Jack Warmington	31,203	31,203
Farmer	480	480
Estella Cheeks	56,350	55,600
	<u>\$136,506</u>	<u>\$135,756</u>

7. GOVERNMENT LOAN

Balance at 30th April 1980	\$ 47,500	\$ 50,000
Repayment of principal made during the year	—	2,500
	<u>\$ 47,500</u>	<u>\$ 47,500</u>

The Museum entered into an agreement with the Barbados Government dated 9th April 1979 for a 4% loan of \$50,000 repayable over a ten year period in half-yearly instalments of interest and principal. No interest was paid during the year, and none has been accrued. No repayment of principal was made.

8. TAXATION

The Barbados Museum and Historical Society is a registered benevolent organisation and is therefore exempt from income tax in accordance with section 4 (b) of the Income Tax Act.

9. SUBSCRIPTION INCOME

Subscription income is accounted for on the basis of subscriptions received with no recognition being made for subscriptions due.

10. COURTYARD REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS

During the year to April 30, 1981 the Barbados Mutual Society of New England donated amounts totalling \$46,814 US (1980 \$32,000 US) for the benefit of the Society towards the cost of alterations to the East Courtyard and related expenses. At the balance sheet date the work was unfinished and additional amounts were subsequently donated to the Society by the Barbados Mutual Society of New England to cover these additional costs. The amounts donated and the expenditure met from these donations are not included in the financial statements.

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