

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL
OF
THE CAMDEN SOCIETY,
READ AT THE GENERAL MEETING
ON THE 2ND MAY, 1883.

THE Council of the Camden Society has to regret the loss of two of its Members—

EVELYN PHILIP SHIRLEY, Esq. M.A.

J. R. DANIEL-TYSSEN, Esq. F.S.A.

who have died during the past year, and of

HENRY HILL, Esq. F.S.A.

who had for many years acted in the most efficient manner as one of the Auditors to the Society, and who was at all times most helpful in giving advice on financial questions.

The Council has also to regret the loss by death of the following Members:—

DECIMUS BURTON, Esq. F.S.A.

CHARLES CLARKE, Esq.

CHARLES HOPKINSON, Esq.

Rev. T. F. KNOX, D.D.

C. R. SCOTT MURRAY, Esq.

The following have been elected Members of the Society during the past year:—

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE.
 BALLIOL COLLEGE, OXFORD.
 EDMUND BOYLE, Esq. F.S.A.
 F. A. BROCKHAUS, Esq.
 CHARLES HARDING FIRTH, Esq. M.A.
 E. LEIGH GRANGE, Esq.
 WM. H. HATTON, Esq.
 WILLIAM KELLY, Esq. F.S.A., F.R.H.S.
 R. BOWNAS MACKIE, Esq. M.P., F.S.A.
 W. T. MARRIOTT, Esq.
 Mr. S. J. MULLEN.
 F. YORK POWELL, Esq.
 SCHOOL LIBRARY, RUGBY.
 ST. LOUIS MERCANTILE LIBRARY.
 EDWARD SIMPSON, Esq.
 Miss L. TOULMIN SMITH.
 F. E. WHEELER, Esq.

In the last Report, the Council expressed a fear that, in consequence of financial pressure, it would be unable to issue to the subscribers of the years 1882-3 more than one book, the CATHOLICON ANGLICUM. Fortunately, the financial situation cleared up as the year proceeded, and, if not before the Annual Meeting, the Members will very soon afterwards have in their hands the eighth volume of the CAMDEN MISCELLANY. These publications have always been favourably regarded, and the Council trusts that, on this occasion, the matter furnished will be thought of at least equal interest to that given in any of the preceding volumes of this Miscellany.

In the forthcoming year, unless unforeseen accidents occur, three volumes will be published:—

1. The Official Narrative of the Cadiz Voyage in 1625. Edited by the Rev. A. B. GROSART, D.D.
2. Gabriel Hervey's Note Book. Edited by E. SCOTT, Esq.
3. Selections from the Lauderdale Papers, Vol. I. Edited by OSMUND AIRY, Esq.

Of these, the first gives a full account of an expedition in the reign of Charles I. the failure of which was attended with important political results; the second throws light upon life in the University of Cambridge in the age of Elizabeth; whilst the third will illustrate the Restoration in Scotland, and clear up what has hitherto been a dark page of history. Amongst other valuable information it will, it is hoped, set at rest controversy on the character of Archbishop Sharpe.

The Council, in conclusion, would express a hope that the publication of these three volumes will be taken as evidence of their anxiety to throw a light upon the history of the country, and will thereby induce some of those who take an interest in that history, and who are not yet subscribers, to support them in the efforts which they are making.

By order of the Council,

SAMUEL RAWSON GARDINER, *Director.*

ALFRED KINGSTON, *Hon. Secretary.*

