

corroded but perfectly legible, reads as follows:—

**Prep for the Soules of Thomas Bostok and Maute  
hys wyf and for the soules of ther ffather & mother the whych  
Thomas & Maute dyed upon seynt Edmundys day last past  
in the yer of our lord god m<sup>o</sup>cccc<sup>o</sup>viii<sup>o</sup>**

The problem now is to identify this Thomas Bostock, who died in 1508 and to elucidate his connection, if any, with the parish of Hoxne. There appears to be no suitable *matrix* in the church, but this is not surprising after several 'restorations'; nor does the name occur in the registers, which begin in 1548, or in other parish documents.<sup>1</sup> No will can be found at Norwich or Ipswich. No family of this name is known, at that period, in Suffolk or Norfolk, although it occurs sporadically in other parts of Suffolk (*see* Subsidy Return, 1524; Boyd's Marriage Index). A Thomas Bostock was parson at Egmere, in north Norfolk, nearly a century later, in 1602 (*East Anglian*, vol. ii, o.s., p. 225). The family flourished in Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire and Cheshire and it is, I suppose, within the bounds of possibility that the brass was for some reason brought from one of those counties to Hoxne and there thrown away, but this seems most unlikely.

Here, then, is a conundrum awaiting solution by Suffolk antiquaries.

L. Dow.

*Fifteenth Century Churchwardens' Accounts.* Fifty years ago, three volumes of accounts were removed from Walberswick and, after travelling to various parts of the country, were deposited at Ipswich Public Library in 1940. The first volume, 1451 to 1499, has been transcribed by our member, the Rev. R. W. M. Lewis, M.A., F.S.A. and some printed copies are still available.

Walberswick was at that time the centre of a large fishing industry extending as far as Iceland, so the entries are of particular interest. They also cover the building of the present church after the demolition of the old thatched one in 1473.

The book is crown 4to. in size, 280 pages, with an introduction and short glossary and is bound in buckram. Copies can be obtained, at 2 guineas each, from:—The Rev. A. D. Thompson, Walberswick Vicarage, Southwold.

<sup>1</sup> I am indebted to Major Palgrave Raven for particulars of the finding of the pieces and also for searching Hoxne parish records.



PLATE XXIII.

BRASS INSCRIPTION FROM HOXNE.

## REPORT FOR 1949

The Council has pleasure in presenting the Annual Report and Balance Sheet for 1949 and in doing so would like to draw attention to the very satisfactory increase in membership which has taken place as a result of the letter issued during the year and the exertions of members. If we are to maintain and augment our activities, especially with regard to publications, it is still necessary to recruit more members and it is hoped that efforts will not be relaxed.

*Membership.*—Since the revision of Rule IV in 1946, it has been possible for a husband and wife, to join the Society at a composite subscription of £1, if paid by bankers' order. In the statement of membership contained in the Annual Report for 1948 (*Proc.*, vol. xxiv), each of these double members was counted as a full member; this is felt to be misleading and so it is proposed in future to list them separately, one as an annual member and the other as an "associate" member. The roll, as at 31 December, 1949, is therefore as follows, the previous figures being added for comparison:—

	31st Dec., 1949		12th April, 1949
Annual members	331	}	
Associate members	71		
	402		315
Life members	58		70
Honorary members	7		7
	467		392

A list of the 73 members and 19 associates who were elected between April and December 1949 follows this report; in future a similar yearly list of *new* members will be printed, while it is hoped to include a full list of members in the final part of each volume.

We have to record with regret the deaths, amongst others, of Sir Shafto Adair, Bt., of Flixton and Miss Crisp of Little Wenham.

*Excursions, Lectures and Meetings.*—Four excursions were arranged during the summer: (1) 28 May to Grundisburgh, Seckford Hall, Farlingay Hall; (2) 18 June to South Elmham, Rumburgh, Wisset, Spexhall; (3) 1 July to Stoke-by-Nayland, Thorington Hall, Gifford's Hall, Little Wenham, Capel St. Mary; (4) 1 Sept. to Thetford Priory, the Anglo-Saxon excavations and Castle Hill. In the autumn the following lectures were given: (1) 6 Oct. at Bury, "Dutch Influence in East Anglian Architecture" by C. L. Cudworth; (2) 26 Nov. at Beccles, "Adventures in Tomb Cleaning" by Miss Janet Becker; (3) 30 Nov. at Ipswich, "A Caliph's Residence near Jericho, 8th cent. A.D." by R. W. Hamilton, M.A., F.S.A.

The Annual General Meeting was held at Ipswich 19 May, when the excavations at Castle Hill were inspected. The Council met 7 April and 6 Oct. at Bury.

*Publications.*—An exceptionally thick part (vol. xxiv, pt. 3) was issued to commemorate our Centenary; the cost was also exceptionally high and so the current part must revert to the former size and there future issues must remain until we can increase our membership, and thus our income, still further. For this reason it is not proposed to take up valuable space by printing each year a full list of members, societies in union, the rules or accounts of excursions and lectures. It is, however, hoped to include some of these in the final part of each volume. Members are reminded that the *Indexes to the Proceedings, Vols. I-XXIV* are obtainable separately bound in paper covers, from the Ancient House, Ipswich, price 2/6. The honorary editor will be glad to receive from members, or others, articles or notes on subjects relating to Suffolk history, with a view to publication in the *Proceedings*.

*Library.*—Not only has practically no binding been done for many years, but a good many of the unbound publications of other Societies, with whom we exchange, were found to be missing. Completing these sets, where possible, has been a long and difficult task, but in most cases it has now been accomplished, with negligible expense owing to the kindness of the Societies concerned. A start has been made in binding these completed sets and will be continued as funds permit. Some of the early, and scarce, volumes of *Archæologia*, of which we now have a complete run up to date, have been repaired. Other books urgently require similar treatment.

In order to provide money for this essential work, the Council has decided to sell certain books which have no bearing on Suffolk archæology or history, but which are believed to have a market value; these include a number of American books of a non-historical character.

Members are reminded that a Library Fund has been opened, for which contributions will be gratefully received by the honorary financial secretary. The re-arrangement and cataloguing of the books should be finished this year.

*Finance.*—The Hon. Financial Secretary reports:—

The year 1948 left us a cash balance at the Bank of £117/9/2 on deposit, and £367/1/7 on current account. There was a welcome addition to subscriptions, the whole totalling £275/10/0 as compared with £222/12/0 the previous year. £30 was received from Life compounders, and this sum was put into the Trustee Savings Bank.

Printing and publishing the (1947) Proceedings cost us £205/9/10, Lectures and Excursions £16/19/4, and our Library at Bury St. Edmunds, £63/5/3. This last expence is a new but very necessary one, and £50 was voted by your Council to be expended during the year; donations to this new Library Fund were £13/12/0, so that the expenditure was just covered.

At the end of the year the total cash balance to carry over to 1950 was £463/16/1. But as the special Centenary number of Proceedings (for 1948, published in 1949) cost £495 in addition to cost of the 1947 Proceedings, this balance will be wiped out. We did not have to pay the bill for the special number until 1950 so that, by then, the receipt of 1950 subscriptions provided for the debit balance and a little over. The cost of the next (1949) Proceedings, when it has to be met, may have to be taken partly from savings.

The fact that extraordinary costs have been met without, so far, breaking into our deposit account and our savings shows our finances to be sound, and gives good prospects for the future.

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RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Cash at Bankers: 1st. January, 1949.							
Deposit Account	...	117	9	2			
Current Account	...	367	1	7			
					484	10	9
Interest on Deposit Account (1949)	....					11	7
Sales of Copies of Proceedings	...					16	2 5
Interest on £730/15/4 3½% Conversion Stock	... ..					25	11 6
Subscriptions:							
Life	... ..					30	0 0
Ordinary	... ..	276	5	0			
Less returned	... ..		15	0			
					275	10	0
Interest on Trustee Savings Bank Account						9	12 11
Donations to General Fund	...					2	10 6
Donations to Library Fund	...					13	12 0
1950 Subscription paid in advance	...					1	0 0
					£859	1	8
ASSETS.							
£730 15s. 4d. 3½% Conversion Stock (Market Value approximately £695)	... ..				730	15	4
Electric Stove, Duplicator and Furniture						Not Valued	
Library lodged at the Cullum Library, Bury St. Edmunds.						Not Valued	
Expenditure on Library in the Current Year						63	5 3
Deposit Account	....	118	0	9			
Current Account	... ..	345	15	4			
					463	16	1
East Anglian Trustee Savings Bank (Including £50 Legacy from the late Mr. F. Sneezum)	... ..					425	2 6

## AND NATURAL HISTORY

YEAR ENDED THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1949.

EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By	W. E. Harrison: Printing & Stationery				25	6	6
"	" " <i>Proceedings</i> (1947) ...				205	9	10
"	" " Circulars for 1949 Programme ...				4	12	6
"	Printing of Centenary <i>Proceedings</i> (photos and blocks) ...				16	1	9
"	Hire of Guildhall and Room for Meetings				2	1	0
"	Council for British Archæology ...				1	7	0
"	Norfolk Record Society ...				3	3	0
"	Monumental Brass Society ...				1	0	0
"	Library Expenses and Purchases ...				63	5	3
"	Honorary Secretary's Expenses ...				7	12	5
"	Honorary Treasurer's Expenses ...				5	0	0
"	Excursions and Lectures ...				16	19	4
"	Insurance ...				2	0	6
"	Bank Charges ...					5	0
"	Transfer of Life Subscriptions and Interest to Trustee Savings Bank A/c.				39	12	11
"	Cash at Bankers: 31st December, 1949:						
	Deposit Account ...	118	0	9			
	Current Account ...	345	15	4			
					463	16	1
"	Cash in Hand: 31st December, 1949...				1	8	7
					<u>£859</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>8</u>

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I CERTIFY that the above Receipts and Expenditure Account has been prepared from the books, documents and information furnished to me and that the same is in accordance therewith.

HENRY M. TURNER,

*Framlingham, 16th March, 1950.*

*Chartered Accountant.*

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(as at 31 December, 1949)

Any errors, omissions, changes of address, etc., should be notified to the Honorary Secretary, who will also be pleased to receive applications for membership.

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