

**GENERAL MEETING OF THE ESSEX
ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY HELD AT
COLCHESTER CASTLE, ON THURSDAY
THE 27th APRIL, 1905.**

HENRY LAVER, ESQ., F.S.A., IN THE CHAIR.

The minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting were read and confirmed.

The Hon. Secretary read the Annual Report and the Treasurer's Statement of Accounts was laid on the table. The report was adopted and the accounts passed.

A vote of thanks to the President, Council, and Honorary Officers for their services in the past year was unanimously passed.

Mr. Henry Laver, F.S.A., the retiring President, was unanimously re-elected for the ensuing year.

The Vice-Presidents and Council were re-elected with the addition to the list of Vice-Presidents of the Rt. Hon. Henry Neville, 7th Baron Braybrooke, and Sir R. Hamilton Lang.

Some discussion took place upon the desirability of obtaining a transcript of the Symond's MSS. in the College of Arms, and Mr. F. Chancellor was asked to ascertain whether it would be possible for it to be obtained.

The proposal previously adopted by the Council, with regard to the future publication of the *Transactions*, that after the completion of the present part, the *Transactions* should be published in one volume, bound in cloth, once a year, was discussed by the members, and although the opinion of the meeting seemed to be in favour of the change, some of the members expressed themselves as being strongly opposed to it. It was pointed out that members who still wished to obtain the *Transactions* unbound would be able to do so, and that an opportunity would be given them of expressing their opinion upon the proposed alteration in the method of publication.

Hearty votes of thanks were unanimously accorded to the Rt. Hon. James Round, P.C., M.P., for the use of the Castle Library, and to the President for his able chairmanship.

The following candidates were elected as members of the Society:—

		ON THE NOMINATION OF—
NEVILL, The Rev. EDMUND, Powerstock, Melplash, Dorset.		Mr. G. F. Beaumont.
JONES, ROBERT, M.D., F.S.A., London County Asylum,)	
Claybury, Woodford Bridge, Essex.)	
TOOLEY, H., A.R.I.B.A., Buckhurst Hill.)	
BALL, E. A., Egg Hall, Epping.)	Mr. W. C. Waller.
BRAYBROOKE, The Lord, Heydon, Royston, Herts.)	
MARSDEN, The Rev. T., Chigwell Vicarage, Essex.)	
SMITH, VIVIAN HUGH, Rolls Park, Chigwell.)	
BARNARD, Miss, Marigolds, Harlow.		Rev. J. B. Andrewes
HILL, REGINALD DUKE, Holfield Grange, Coggeshall.		The Hon. Sec.
DICKENSON, The Rev. F. W., Inworth Rectory, Kelvedon.)	
OTTER-BARRY, R. M. B., Little Horkesley Hall, Colchester.)	The President.
HITCHENS, The Rev. R. A. J., 4 Trinity St., Colchester.)	
ASHWIN, The Rev. Dr., The Lecture House, Dedham.)	Sir R. Hamilton Lang
ASHWIN, Miss HILDA, The Lecture House, Dedham.)	
TAPP, W. M., LL.D., 27 South Moulton Street, W.		Mr. I. C. Gould.
WALL, HOWARD, Brook House, Chigwell.		The Rev. T. Marsden
WILMOTT, The Rev. E. W., All Saints' Parsonage, Witham.		The Rev. A. F. Curtis

In the afternoon some of the members and their friends drove out to Berechurch Park to inspect a rampart under the guidance of the President. They afterwards visited the church and then went on to the Hall where they were hospitably entertained to tea by the kindness of Mrs. Hetherington.

The paper read by the President on the rampart in Berechurch Park appears in the present part of the *Transactions*.