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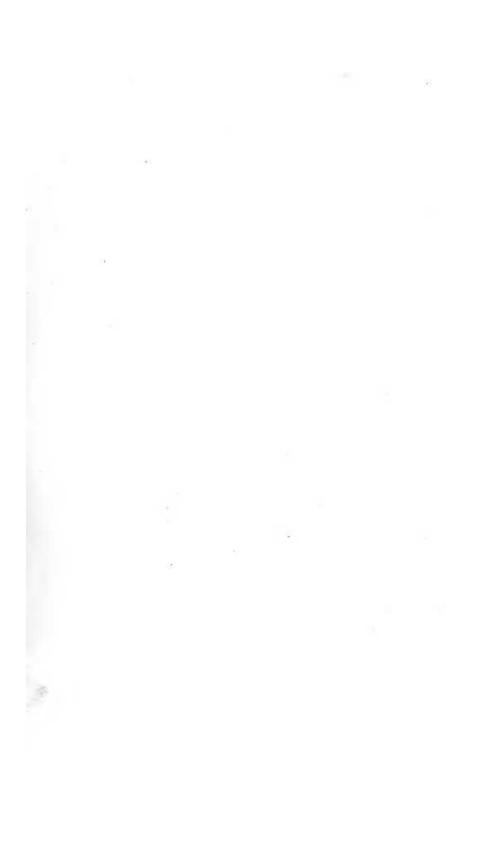
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#### REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

OF

### the Pipe Roll Society.

Read at the Committee Meeting on the 29th November, 1889.

IN issuing to the Members of the Pipe Roll Society this, the Eleventh Volume of the Society's publications, the Council desire to remind the Members, as an explanation of the delay in its preparation, of the serious loss which the Society has sustained, first by the long illness and subsequently by the death of Mr. Walford Daking Selby, who not only acted as Honorary Treasurer, but also took a great share in the editorial work of the Society.

Among his papers was found a draft report which would have been presented to the Society during the year 1889 but for his illness.

It has been thought advisable to print this report in the present volume, this having clearly been the intention of Mr. Selby when he drew it up.

"In presenting their sixth Report, the Council are glad to be able to state that the support accorded to the Society continues to be satisfactory. At the same time, they have to announce with regret that Mr. James Greenstreet, who has occupied the post of Honorary Secretary since the foundation of the Society, tendered his resignation of that position at the last meeting. This unfortunate event, coupled with the long and serious illness of the Honorary Treasurer, Mr. Walford Daking Selby, placed the Society in a position of some difficulty, inasmuch as the sudden loss of the services of these two important executive officials temporarily brought the conduct of the business of the Society to a standstill. Owing to these unforeseen exceptional circumstances, no Annual General Meeting could be summoned during 1888. The Council are, however, glad to be able to announce that Mr. Charles Trice Martin, Assistant Keeper of the Public Records, has accepted the post of Honorary Secretary, and that the Honorary Treasurer is progressing, it is hoped, towards complete recovery. Thus the affairs of the Society have again been placed on a satisfactory business footing.

The Tenth Volume of the Society's publications, which was seriously delayed by the above-mentioned illness of the Honorary Treasurer, was however got ready for issue to Members by the beginning of June of the present year, and it is hoped that the interesting nature of its contents and its careful editing by Mr. J. Horace Round may, to some extent, atone for the unavoidable delay in its appearance. The Eleventh Volume, being the Pipe Roll of the thirteenth year of Henry II., is also now making rapid progress towards completion, and will probably be in the hands of Members before the end of August.

The following list describes the publications up to date.

In 1883-4, three volumes :--

I. The Pipe Roll of the Fifth year of King Henry IL, A.D. 1158-59 (9 rotulets).

II. The Pipe Roll of the Sixth year of King Henry II., A.D. 1159-60 (7 rotulets).

III. Introduction to the Study of the Pipe Rolls.

In 1884-5, two volumes:-

IV. The Pipe Boll of the Seventh year of King Henry II., A.D. 1160-61 (9 rotulets).
V. The Pipe Roll of the Eighth year of King Henry II., A.D. 1161-62 (7 rotulets)

In 1885-6, two volumes:-

VI. The Pipe Boll of the Ninth year of King Henry II., A.D. 1162-63 (7 rotulets).
VII. The Pipe Boll of the Tenth year of King Henry II., A.D. 1163-64 (7 rotulets).

In 1886-7, one volume :---

VIII. The Pipe Roll of the Eleventh year of King Henry II., A.D. 1164-65 (11 rotulets).

For 1887-8, two volumes :-

IX. The Pipe Roll of the Twelfth year of King Henry II., A.D. 1165-66 (10 rotulots).

X. Ancient Charters prior to A.D. 1200. Part I. (69 charters).

For 1888-9.-

XI. The Pipe Roll of the Thirteenth year of King Henry, II., A.D. 1166-7 (13 rotulets.)

With respect to future publications, it is proposed to issue two volumes during 1889-90, being the Pipe Rolls for 14 and 15 Henry II.

The transcripts of these rolls have now been advanced as far as 19 Henry II., so that there is now no fear that the printers may be delayed on the score of want of 'copy.'

It is only to be hoped that the funds of the Society may henceforward be sufficient to warrant the issue of, at least, two Pipe Rolls annually, provided that this exceptional and tedious work can be passed through the press in this somewhat limited period, considering the care that has to be bestowed on the proof sheets, and the fact that much of it is done gratuitously.

Some progress has also been made with the transcripts of the Coram Rege Rolls belonging to the reign of Richard I. Mr. John A. C. Vincent has finished the Roll for the sixth year, and the transcript of another Roll is well advanced. The publication of these Rolls cannot, however, be proceeded with until the Editor, Mr. F. W. Maitland, has all the transcripts before him.

The Rolls will nevertheless be got into type at the very first opportunity, as besides tending to complete the Society's scheme of publication of all national manuscripts of a date prior to A.D. 1200, these "extra" volumes tend to lighten the pressure on those engaged in the Pipe Roll work. The necessity of having all transcripts well in advance of the publications will be better appreciated by those who know the impossibility of obtaining transcripts by specially skilled workers at short notice."

The Council have much pleasure in announcing that Mr. J. J. Cartwright, Secretary of the Public Record Office, has consented to act as Treasurer, in place of Mr. Selby.

A portion of another volume, the Pipe Roll for 14 Henry II., is already in type, and all possible speed will be used in passing it through the press.

The annexed Report of the Auditors shows the state of the Society's funds.

By order of the Council,

CHARLES TRICE MARTIN, Honorary Secretary.



# REPORT OF THE AUDITORS.

Wr. the Auditors appointed to audit the Accounts of the Pipe Roll Society, report to the Members that the Treasurer, Mr. J. J. Carrwatour, has exhibited to us an Account of the Receipts and Expenditure from the 1st of June, 1887, to the 31st of May, 1888, and that we have examined the said secounts, with the vouchers relating thereto, and find the same to be correct and satisfactory.

And we further report that the following is an Abstract of the Receipts and Expenditure during the period we have

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