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Report of the Antiquarian Committee for the year 1910

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The ANTIQUARIAN COMMITTEE beg leave to present their Twenty-sixth Annual Report to the Senate:

They regret to state that they have been compelled for the following reasons to postpone the issue of their usual detailed Report.

The limited accommodation in the office of the Curator prevents him from dealing with recent acquisitions. Every available space in the existing Museum, as well as in the Newnham Warehouse, is filled with specimens, some still in their original packages, and it will be impossible properly to examine and catalogue them until they have been transferred to the new Museum. During the past year several collections have been obtained, notably a very large consignment of objects, the gift of Professor Bevan, collected by Mr N. W. Thomas, the Government Anthropologist for Nigeria, which have further increased the congestion. The specimens from Nigeria have required special treatment and a great deal of the Curator's time has been recently devoted to them under very' trying conditions.

A large amount of time, also, has been spent by the Curator in collecting for the building fund and in attending personally to details that almost daily arise in connection with the erection of the new building.

NEW MUSEUM: Block I will be out of the builders' hands this autumn, when it is

hoped that a sufficient fund will have been collected to guarantee the erection of an additional section of the building. The first block will, as stated in last year's Report, provide spacious work-rooms with a certain amount of storage room, but being designed for the accommodation of the largest exhibits, such as the Maudslay casts of Central American sculptures, it will afford but little space for show-cases, and the rooms for the Curator and the tutorial staff will still remain to be provided. Thus Block II, the main museum, is most urgently required in order that the existing collections may be properly installed and made accessible for purposes of study and research.

BUILDING FUND: Since the issue of the last Annual Report, £1004, as shown below, has been subscribed for Block II, which with the sum of £52+9 previously acknowledged makes a total, inclusive of accrued interest, of £6253, but as the cost of this Block is estimated at over £10,000, a sum of £4000 remains still to be provided. The total subscribed up to date amounts to over £18,753 inclusive of £705 towards the fittings.

LIST OF DOINATIONS FOK BLOCK II.

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Amounts previously acknowledged	5249	1	3
The Earl of Plymouth	500	0	0
Sir David Salomons, Bt (3rd and 4th donations)	125		0
E. C. Clark, LL.D. Regius Professor of Civil Law (2nd donation)	20		0
Miss Darwin (3rd donation)			
Mrs Wherry	20		0
J. B. Hurry, M.D	20		0
A. W. Ward, Litt.D., <i>Master of Peter house</i> (7th annual subscription)	10	10	0
W. P. Geoghan, Esq	10	10	0
	10	0	0
Miss Froude (3rd donation)	10	0	0
Captain A. J. N. Tremearne, B.A	5	0	0
In smaller sums	21		0
By accruing interest (to March 1911)	146		0
The Antiquarian Committee: for fittings (2nd donation)	105		

ACCESSIONS FUND: The following subscriptions and donations have been received during the past year:

	£	<i>s</i> .	<i>d</i> .
Professor Bevan	100	0	0
The Cambridge Antiquarian Society	50	0	0
John Venn, Sc.D	10	0	0
The Curator	5	5	0
Professor Ridgeway	1	0	0

The Committee have pleasure in availing themselves of this opportunity to express their gratitude to all who have so generously contributed to these Funds, and they trust that donors to the collections will kindly excuse the unavoidable delay in recording their names and gifts.

ACCOUNTS: The accounts for the year have been audited by the Committee and will be found incorporated in the University Accounts (*Reporter*, p. 100).

R. F. SCOTT, *Vice-Chancellor*. C. H. W. JOHNS. A. E. SHIPLEY. H. P. STOKES. JOHN VENN. A. C. HADDON. J. E. FOSTER W. H. R. RIVERS. S. C. COCKERELL. F. G. WALKER.