

THE INSTITUTION OF CIVIL ENGINEERS
EDINBURGH AND EAST OF SCOTLAND ASSOCIATION

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Report on Museum Collection

The main achievement this past year has been that our collection of items has now been catalogued. Our items are divided into two sections, namely "The Collection" and "The Auxiliary Collection", the first of these consisting of those items officially accepted by the Royal Scottish Museum into their care under the terms of our joint Agreement.

The items are all detailed in the Museum Catalogue which was prepared for the occasion of our first Exhibition of selected items, which was timed to coincide with the visit to Scotland of the Panel for Historical Engineering Works last September, when the official opening of the Exhibition was performed by Mr. J.W. Baxter, Past President and Chairman of P.H.E.W.

The Exhibition at the R.S.M. is still on view and a few copies of the catalogue are still available at £1 each, from the Secretary or Museum Committee Members.

A few interesting new items are still trickling in, and it is hoped that at least some of these will be accepted by the R.S.M. into "The Collection".

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What is probably our most valuable instrument – an old level of Carfrae & Morrison's which was undoubtedly used in surveying the old water supply tunnels, is still in the Auxiliary Collection as it requires about £300 for repairs, which sum is not available at present. It is hoped, however, that some way will be found to enable repairs to be effected and we look forward to its joining "The Collection" at some future date.

Our sincere thanks go to Mr. Charles Smith on his retiral from the Museum Committee, for his keen support over the years since it was first formed.

At the same time, we record our thanks to Mr Ted Ruddock – an expert on antiquities – for so willingly filling the Committee vacancy.

Finally, regarding the Grainger Portrait, item A25, we understand that this is now hung in the Heriot Watt College at Riccarton and that its official unveiling is due shortly.

Chairman – Museum Committee