

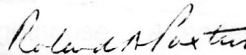
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Estimates for the modest building-work alterations envisaged at the intended display area for the Association's Museum Collection in the Civil and Offshore Engineering Department at Heriot-Watt University considerably exceeded the sum of £2000 agreed by the Association. An application to the Scottish Museums Council was then made for a grant on a proposed expenditure of £4000, but this was unsuccessful. A revised and ingenious scheme, for which the Committee is particularly appreciative of the efforts of Prof Paul Jowitt, is now expected to be completed before the end of the year. Work will then begin on erecting cases and displaying items to a timetable which could meet a possible opening by the President in November 1993.

Acquisitions during the year have included wooden scales, a signed copy of an oil painting of Gattonside Bridge (1826) before reconstruction and, a cast iron bridge plate of 1878. In February 1992, a letter was received from the Science Museum, London, thanking the Association for the donation of duplicate components of the unique ironwork from Gattonside Bridge.

(signed)



Chairman,
Museum Committee