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THE GEORGE ELIOT FELLOWSHIP

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st. DECEMBER, 1986.

Balance 1st. January 1986

Bank and Cash	716.12	
Anglia Building Society: No. 2 Account	1727.09	
High Income Bond	500.00	
High Income Bond (Flowers)	<u>250.00</u>	<u>£3193.21</u>

Income

Subscriptions		667.20
Donations		140.22

Profits

Meetings:	A.G.M. Coffee & Booksale	15.65	
	Celebration Luncheon	26.53	
	Birthday Luncheon	8.00	
	Christmas Party & Raffle	25.20	
	Memorial Lecture	4.10	
Headings:	Gabriel Woolf, 8th & 9th May	137.09	
Concert:	Music for Milby - Income from sale of tickets	168.30	
Outing:	Westminster Abbey	43.50	
Sales:	Books	40.90	
	Bookmarks	68.40	
	Writing Paper	34.80	
	Post Cards & other cards	23.35	
	Sculptures & Videos	75.50	
	Gabriel Woolf Cassettes	<u>100.00</u>	771.32

Donations for the Repair of the George Eliot Graves		327.06
Anglia Building Society Interest		<u>173.29</u>

£5272.37

Expenditure

Postage (£330.28) & Stationery (£142.00)		472.28	
Printing:	Review	600.00	
	Menu Cards (1985 Luncheon)	18.40	
	Menu Cards for Civic Luncheon, Statue Unveiling	30.47	
	Statue Block for printing cards	<u>14.95</u>	663.82
Expenses	Gift for Retiring Curator, Museum	13.95	
	Victorian Evening: Hire of Costumes	28.00	
	Work on George Eliot Graves (before the Appeal)	<u>25.00</u>	66.95
Subscriptions:	Friends of the National Libraries	10.00	
	Victorian Studies Bulletin	5.00	
	The Bedworth Society	7.00	
	Friends of Hinggate Cemetery	5.00	
	Nuneaton & Bedworth Joint Arts Association	<u>1.00</u>	28.00
Donations:	Rupert Brooke Association	25.00	
	St. Nicholas Church Restoration Fund	<u>200.00</u>	225.00
Photographs:			13.53
Floral Tributes:			<u>10.50</u>

£1489.08

Balance 31st. December, 1986

Bank and Cash	1132.84	
Anglia Building Society: No. 2 Account	1646.11	
High Income Bond	500.00	
Capital share 90 Account	<u>504.27</u>	<u>£3783.22</u>

£5272.30

I have audited the above Income & Expenditure Accounts in respect of the year to 31st. December 1986, and in my opinion they are in accordance with the books and records which reflect a true and correct financial position.

C. Emery
31.1.87

Auditor



TREASURER'S REPORT

A. G. M. 13th March, 1987

You will see from the Statement, which I hope is straightforward, that the finances of the Fellowship are in a satisfactory condition. In 1986 one of our High Income Bonds matured and was reinvested, together with £250 from the Share Account, in a Capital Share 90 Account. This gives us a better rate of interest on our investment.

Profits on meetings, outing and sales are very encouraging. We prefer to raise money by our efforts rather than have to increase subscriptions and 1986 was a good year, with the result that subscriptions for this year remain the same as in the previous twelve months. The total profit, over $4\frac{1}{2}$ years, on writing paper amounted to £61.22p. It has all been sold and we shall not be reordering.

We thank all members who have sent donations for the repair of the George Eliot graves in Highgate Cemetery. When the work has been completed we hope to have a little money in hand so that the graves can be kept in good condition.

I have not included any statement about the George Eliot Statue: it was paid for in 1985. You will recall that when all the bills for it were settled we had £6.80p remaining in the account. We now have £125.15p but we have "borrowed" from the General Fund £423.50p to pay for half the cost of a second plaque for the Statue: the Borough Council has generously paid the other half. We are hoping to raise the money to repay this "loan". On the 9th of May the Parlour Performers will be coming again to delight us with their entertainment. We look forward to this their second visit and hope that the event will be well supported. The proceeds will go towards the repayment of the money that we have borrowed from ourselves. Please come and help us.

In 1986 the Fellowship sent a donation of £25.00p to the Rupert Brooke Association and, as a result of the

Concert given by the Bedworth Symphony Orchestra, we were able to give £200.00p to Nuneaton Parish Church towards their Restoration Fund.

When I became Treasurer the assets of the Fellowship were £533.12p: now, ten years later, that amount has increased sevenfold to £3783.22p. During my ten years in office I have handled more than £46,000 of your money on the Credit side of my Cash Book and I have paid out more than £43,000 - a total of about £90,000. A list of all who have helped me throughout the time that I have been Treasurer would be much too long to be included in this Report, but I should like to thank everyone for the support and trust that I have enjoyed.

It has been a busy and rewarding ten years, during which time I, personally, have known the true meaning of Fellowship. I shall miss it but I cannot turn back the clock and as I shall be 79 this year I feel that I must, regretfully, hand over the books to a younger member.

Thank you.

A. Reader

13 March 1987

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