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THE GEORGE ELLIOT FELLOWSHIP  
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1987

<u>Balance: 1st January 1987</u>	
Bank and Cash	1131.84
Anglia Building Society: No.2 Account	1646.11
High Income Bond	500.00
Capital Share A/C	<u>504.27</u>
	3783.22
<u>Income</u>	
Subscriptions	783.00
Donations	206.57
Donation to repair of graves	30.00
Statue Plaque (Donation plus Balance from Statue Fund)	199.81
<u>Meetings:</u>	
AGM Coffee & Donations	4.25
Birthday Luncheon	38.00
Memorial Lecture	2.00
Gabriel Woolf Readings	154.33
Parlour Performers	147.40
Outing to Westminster Abbey	21.00
Bedworth Walk	6.75
Study Groups	<u>36.00</u>
	409.73
<u>Sales:</u>	
Sponsorship of Souvenirs	950.00
Tea Towels	1612.46
Mugs	1084.63
Postcards	318.94
Bookmarks	138.90
Writing Paper & Stationery	35.70
Artwork for Souvenirs	50.00
	<u>4140.53</u>
	183.60
	45.00
	<u>2155.51</u>
Books	387.39
Anglia Building Society Interest	<u>138.60</u>
	196.01
	<u>6134.33</u>
	1270.08
	1779.85
	519.84
	<u>546.70</u>
	<u>4116.47</u>
	<u>6134.33</u>
	330.02
	<u>140.02</u>
Expenditure	
Postage	47.55
Stationery	<u>675.00</u>
Printing: Newsletters	
Review	16.00
Expenses:	90.90
Editorial Expenses Review	
Hospitality	41.62
Gifts: Retiring Treasurer, Retiring Auditor & Speaker	<u>7.50</u>
A.G.M. Hire of Room	10.00
Subscriptions to Societies:	5.00
Friends of National Libraries	7.00
Victorian Studies Bulletin	7.00
Bedworth Society	1.00
Nuneaton Society	5.00
Nuneaton & Bedworth Joint Arts. Asscn.	
Friends of Highgate Cemetery	35.00
Donations to Bedworth Society	32.00
Statue Plaque: Half Payment	423.50
Repairs to George Eliot Graves	164.25
Floral Tributes	14.50
	<u>2017.86</u>
<u>Balance: 31st December, 1987</u>	
Bank and Cash	1270.08
Anglia Building Soc: No. 2 Account	1779.85
High Income Bond	519.84
Capital Share Account	<u>546.70</u>
	<u>4116.47</u>
	<u>6134.33</u>

I have audited the above Income & Expenditure Accounts in the respect of the year to 31st December 1987, and in my opinion they are in accordance with the books and records which reflect a true and correct financial position.

R. M. Evans ..... Auditor  
29th January, 1988 ..... Date

## THE GEORGE ELIOT FELLOWSHIP

### TREASURER'S REPORT, 1987

During the course of this my first year as Treasurer of the George Eliot Fellowship, I sometimes found myself wondering how I came to be doing this job. Our Chairman, Bill Adams, reminded me at the Birthday Luncheon. He said that I had been "wooded by soft words".

This is quite true. One thing that Kathleen has in common with George Eliot is a beautiful voice and that voice "wooded" me into undertaking the Treasurer's post.

It had not occurred to me to look at the books of the retiring Treasurer to see what was involved before agreeing to take over the office. Imagine my shock when I did spend an evening with Ann, looking at the books. What a daunting prospect was before me.

However, having agreed to take on this job, I accepted the stimulating challenge and who could fail to be keen to try to do well, having such a fine example of meticulous book-keeping to follow - immaculate in neatness, all items cross-referenced, sheets giving summaries of pages with box files and ledgers organised to the n'th degree!

Ann had developed over the years a superb system and she gave me a great deal of help and advice, so that my succession to the post was not quite so onerous as it had seemed at first, and I started off determined to keep up Ann's high standards. The first thing I did to get the "feel" of the George Eliot Fellowship was to read the names of all the members. There were over 400 from 21 different countries. The thing that immediately impressed me, as I read through the correspondence, was the generosity of members from all parts of Britain and overseas, in sending donations towards so many of our various ventures.

What a magnificent fellowship!

I hope that you will find the Statement of Accounts straight forward. You will see that the Fellowship Funds are still in a reasonably healthy position, despite the expenditure on our venture into the world of souvenirs. Having received two very generous sponsors towards our initial outlay for souvenirs, we are now in credit with our sales. Income from books includes sales of the Review, and included in 'Donations' is the Nuneaton and Bedworth Joint Arts Association Grant of £75 for the Memorial Lecture.

Unfortunately, to cover ever increasing costs of stationery, postage and printing, particularly of the Review, the subscription had to be increased, but I am sure you will agree that our annual subscription is still low, compared with those of many other societies.

Over £14,000 has been handled during the year and once more I should like to thank Ann Reader, our previous Treasurer, and Kathleen for the help they have given to me, and also I extend my thanks to the other council members for their help in handling souvenir money in particular.

*B.R.Evans.*